

112TH CONGRESS
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S. RES. 155

Designating April 23, 2011, as “National Adopt A Library Day”.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 14, 2011

Mr. WEBB (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. COCHRAN, and Mr. WARNER)
submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

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Day”.

Whereas libraries are an essential part of the communities
and the national system of education in the United
States;

Whereas the people of the United States benefit significantly
from libraries that serve as an open place for people of
all ages and backgrounds to use books and other re-
sources that offer pathways to learning, self-discovery,
and the pursuit of knowledge;

Whereas the libraries of the United States depend on the
generous donations and the support of individuals and
groups to ensure that people who are unable to purchase
books still have access to a wide variety of resources;

Whereas certain nonprofit organizations facilitate the donation of books to schools and libraries across the United States, in order to extend the joy of reading to millions of people in the United States and to prevent used books from being thrown away;

Whereas as of the date of agreement to this resolution, the libraries of the United States have provided valuable resources to individuals who are affected by the economic crisis by encouraging continued education and job training; and

Whereas several States that recognize the importance of libraries and reading have adopted resolutions commemorating April 23 as “Adopt A Library Day”: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) designates April 23, 2011, as “National
3 Adopt A Library Day”;

4 (2) honors the organizations that facilitate do-
5 nations to schools and libraries;

6 (3) urges people in the United States who own
7 unused books to donate such books to local libraries;

8 (4) strongly supports children and families who
9 take advantage of the resources provided by schools
10 and libraries; and

11 (5) encourages the people of the United States
12 to observe “National Adopt A Library Day” with
13 appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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