SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. Carper, Mr. Reed, Mr. Wyden, Mr. Casey, Ms. Hassan, Ms. Smith, Mr. Merkley, Mr. Booker, Mr. Durbin, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Van Hollen, Mrs. Shaheen, Mr. Blumenthal, and Mr. Whitehouse):

S. Res. 449. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the Nation, States, cities, Tribal nations, and businesses, institutions of higher education, and other institutions in the United States should work toward achieving the goals of the Paris Agreement; to the Committee on Foreign Relations

By Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. TILLIS):

S. Res. 450. A resolution recognizing the 71st anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the celebration of "Human Rights Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Ms. STABENOW, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. MURRAY, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. WARREN, Mrs. FISCHER, Mrs. CAPITO, Ms. ERNST, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Ms. HASSAN, Ms. HARRIS, Ms. SMITH, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Ms. SINEMA, Ms. MCSALLY, Ms. ROSEN, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Ms. BALDWIN, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. Res. 451. A resolution congratulating astronauts Dr. Jessica U. Meir and Christina H. Koch for the historic accomplishment of completing the first all-female spacewalk; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. ISAKSON (for himself, Mr. Coons, Mr. RISCH, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. SULLIVAN, and Mr. BOOKER):

S. Res. 452. A resolution commemorating and supporting the goals of World AIDS Day; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 109

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. SCOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 109, a bill to prohibit taxpayer funded abortions.

S. 133

At the request of Ms. Murkowski, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. Merkley) was added as a cosponsor of S. 133, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the United States merchant mariners of World War II, in recognition of their dedicated and vital service during World War II

S. 182

At the request of Mr. Kennedy, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. Cornyn) was added as a cosponsor of S. 182, a bill to prohibit discrimination against the unborn on the basis of sex, and for other purposes.

S. 251

At the request of Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mrs. BLACKBURN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 251, a bill to establish

the Interdiction for the Protection of Child Victims of Exploitation and Human Trafficking Program to train law enforcement officers to identify and assist victims of child exploitation and human trafficking.

S. 500

At the request of Mr. Portman, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. Shaheen) was added as a cosponsor of S. 500, a bill to amend title 54, United States Code, to establish, fund, and provide for the use of amounts in a National Park Service Legacy Restoration Fund to address the maintenance backlog of the National Park Service, and for other purposes.

S. 505

At the request of Ms. Duckworth, the names of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. Brown), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. Sanders) and the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. Murphy) were added as cosponsors of S. 505, a bill to ensure due process protections of individuals in the United States against unlawful detention based solely on a protected characteristic.

S. 510

At the request of Mr. Markey, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 510, a bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to provide for certain requirements relating to charges for internet, television, and voice services, and for other purposes.

S. 511

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 511, a bill to promote and protect from discrimination living organ donors.

S. 580

At the request of Ms. ERNST, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mrs. HYDE-SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 580, a bill to amend the Act of August 25, 1958, commonly known as the "Former Presidents Act of 1958", with respect to the monetary allowance payable to a former President, and for other purposes.

S. 651

At the request of Mr. Casey, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Ms. McSally) was added as a cosponsor of S. 651, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the age requirement with respect to eligibility for qualified ABLE programs.

S. 879

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. Whitehouse) was added as a cosponsor of S. 879, a bill to provide a process for granting lawful permanent resident status to aliens from certain countries who meet specified eligibility requirements, and for other purposes.

S. 995

At the request of Ms. Collins, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) and the Senator from

Arizona (Ms. SINEMA) were added as cosponsors of S. 995, a bill to amend title XXIX of the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the program under such title relating to lifespan respite care.

S. 1130

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1130, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the health of children and help better understand and enhance awareness about unexpected sudden death in early life.

S. 1254

At the request of Mr. Young, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. Tester) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1254, a bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to review and report on certain laws, safety measures, and technologies relating to the illegal passing of school buses, and for other purposes.

S. 1563

At the request of Mr. Burr, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. Jones) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1563, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry's review and publication of illness and conditions relating to veterans stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, and their family members, and for other purposes.

S. 1820

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. Blumenthal) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1820, a bill to improve the integrity and safety of horseracing by requiring a uniform antidoping and medication control program to be developed and enforced by an independent Horseracing Anti-Doping and Medication Control Authority.

S. 1863

At the request of Mr. Durbin, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. Gillibrand) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1863, a bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the sites associated with the life and legacy of the noted American philanthropist and business executive Julius Rosenwald, with a special focus on the Rosenwald Schools, and for other purposes.

S. 1908

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1908, a bill to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to improve the efficiency of summer meals.

S. 1989

At the request of Mr. Scott of South Carolina, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. Cassidy) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1989, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for transparency of Medicare secondary payer reporting information, and for other purposes.

G 0001

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the names of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) and the Senator from Maryland (Mr. VAN HOLLEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2001, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Willie O'Ree, in recognition of his extraordinary contributions and commitment to hockey, inclusion, and recreational opportunity.

S. 2179

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. KAINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2179, a bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to provide social service agencies with the resources to provide services to meet the urgent needs of Holocaust survivors to age in place with dignity, comfort, security, and quality of life.

S. 2365

At the request of Mr. UDALL, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Ms. McSally) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2365, a bill to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to authorize urban Indian organizations to enter into arrangements for the sharing of medical services and facilities, and for other purposes.

S. 2434

At the request of Mr. Peters, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2434, a bill to establish the National Criminal Justice Commission.

S. 2539

At the request of Mr. Rubio, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Ms. McSally) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2539, a bill to modify and reauthorize the Tibetan Policy Act of 2002, and for other purposes.

S. 2546

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2546, a bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to require a group health plan or health insurance coverage offered in connection with such a plan to provide an exceptions process for any medication step therapy protocol, and for other purposes.

S. 2561

At the request of Mr. Blumenthal, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. Merkley) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2561, a bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to clarify provisions enacted by the Captive Wildlife Safety Act, to further the conservation of certain wildlife species, and for other purposes.

S. 2570

At the request of Ms. SINEMA, the names of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) and the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) were added as cosponsors of S. 2570, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Greg LeMond in recognition of his service to the United States as an athlete, activist, role model, and community leader.

S 2661

At the request of Mr. Gardner, the names of the Senator from Arizona (Ms. Sinema), the Senator from Indiana (Mr. Young) and the Senator from Nebraska (Mrs. Fischer) were added as cosponsors of S. 2661, a bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to designate 9–8-8 as the universal telephone number for the purpose of the national suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline system operating through the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline and through the Veterans Crisis Line, and for other purposes.

S. 2683

At the request of Mr. Burr, the names of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) and the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) were added as cosponsors of S. 2683, a bill to establish a task force to assist States in implementing hiring requirements for child care staff members to improve child safety.

S. 2740

At the request of Mr. Casey, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2740, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to clarify the regulatory framework with respect to certain nonprescription drugs that are marketed without an approved new drug application, and for other purposes.

S. 2754

At the request of Mr. Kennedy, the names of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. Blunt) and the Senator from California (Mrs. Feinstein) were added as cosponsors of S. 2754, a bill to create jobs and drive innovation and economic growth in the United States by supporting and promoting the manufacture of next-generation technologies, including refrigerants, solvents, fire suppressants, foam blowing agents, aerosols, and propellants.

S. 2772

At the request of Ms. Collins, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. Murkowski) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2772, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for treatment of clinical psychologists as physicians for purposes of furnishing clinical psychologist services under the Medicare program.

S. 2791

At the request of Mr. Rubio, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mrs. Blackburn) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2791, a bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that sums in the Thrift Savings Fund may not be invested in securities that are listed on certain foreign exchanges, and for other purposes.

S. 2794

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. ROUNDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2794, a bill to provide for the creation of the Missing Armed Forces Personnel Records Collection at the National Archives, to require the

expeditious public transmission to the Archivist and public disclosure of Missing Armed Forces Personnel records, and for other purposes.

S. 2802

At the request of Ms. Cantwell, the names of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. Sullivan), the Senator from Alaska (Ms. Murkowski) and the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. Schatz) were added as cosponsors of S. 2802, a bill to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to reauthorize and modify the John H. Prescott Marine Mammal Rescue and Response Grant Program, and for other purposes.

S. 2803

At the request of Mr. Brown, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2803, a bill to provide Federal housing assistance on behalf of youths who are aging out of foster care, and for other purposes.

S. 2826

At the request of Mr. Young, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. GARDNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2826, a bill to require a global economic security strategy, and for other purposes.

S. 2836

At the request of Mrs. Murray, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. Reed) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2836, a bill to prohibit the Secretary of Health and Human Services from taking any action to implement, enforce, or otherwise give effect to the final rule, entitled "Protecting Statutory Conscience Rights in Health Care; Delegations of Authority".

S. 2871

At the request of Mr. UDALL, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2871, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income payments under the Indian Health Service Loan Repayment Program and certain amounts received under the Indian Health Professions Scholarships Program.

S. 2881

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mrs. Fischer) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2881, a bill to require the Federal Communications Commission to make not less than 280 megahertz of spectrum available for terrestrial use, and for other purposes.

S. 2898

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mrs. FISCHER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2898, a bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for a full annuity supplement for certain air traffic controllers.

S. 2944

At the request of Ms. McSally, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. Tester) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2944, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to include digital

breast tomosynthesis as a primary and preventative health care service under the military health system and the TRICARE program.

S. 2953

At the request of Mr. Menendez, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Ms. Duckworth) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2953, a bill to provide congressional oversight of United States talks with Taliban officials and Afghanistan's comprehensive peace process.

S. 2984

At the request of Mr. Thune, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. YOUNG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2984, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow for certain residential rental property to be depreciated over a 30-year period.

S. RES. 142

At the request of Mr. Markey, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. Cardin) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 142, a resolution condemning the Government of the Philippines for its continued detention of Senator Leila De Lima, calling for her immediate release, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 152

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. Coons) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 152, a resolution expressing the importance of the United States alliance with the Republic of Korea and the contributions of Korean Americans in the United States.

S. RES. 215

At the request of Mr. Braun, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. Coons) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 215, a resolution calling for greater religious and political freedoms in Cuba, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 260

At the request of Ms. Collins, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. Shaheen) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 260, a resolution recognizing the importance of sustained United States leadership to accelerating global progress against maternal and child malnutrition and supporting the commitment of the United States Agency for International Development to global nutrition through the Multi-Sectoral Nutrition Strategy.

S. RES. 318

At the request of Mr. RISCH, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 318, a resolution to support the Global Fund to fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, and the Sixth Replenishment.

S. RES. 371

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CRUZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 371, a resolution reaffirming the support of the United States for the people of the Republic of South Sudan and calling on all parties to uphold their commitments to peace and dialogue as outlined in the 2018 revitalized peace agreement.

S. RES. 385

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 385, a resolution celebrating the 30th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall, the reunification of both Germany and Europe, and the spread of democracy around the world.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTION

By Mr. LANKFORD (for himself, Ms. Hassan, Mr. Enzi, Mr. Johnson, Mr. King, and Mr. Kaine):

S. 3009. A bill to provide for a period of continuing appropriations in the event of a lapse in appropriations under the normal appropriations process, and establish procedures and consequences in the event of a failure to enact appropriations; read the first time

Mr. LANKFORD. Mr. President, 2019 is almost over, but there is a lot that still has to be done on this floor.

A lot of bills have moved through this year. In fact, we have had 78 bills that have been signed into law so far this year.

This year, as we worked through the process, we have had quite a few judges and nominations that the Senate has actually worked through. In fact, by the end of this week, we will have confirmed our 50th circuit court judge.

There is a lot of engagement, but with a week and a half left on this floor, we still have issues like the United States-Mexico-Canada Trade Agreement. That agreement, which is called the USMCA, has been sitting over in the House for 14 months. It looks like the House is now going to take it up this week or next week after 14 months of its being there. We are pleased to see some movement there. We have to see the final implementing language on that.

We hope to move the national defense authorization bill. That has been waiting for months and months and months under the capable leadership of Senator INHOFE, who is trying to negotiate with the House to get that done. Hopefully that will get done either this week or next week, but it is cramming into the end of the year.

We have 12 appropriations bills that are still unfinished, and we face a deadline of December 20, or we will run into another government shutdown, which brings me to a bill that Senator Hassan and I are dropping today, something we have negotiated for months across party lines to be able to have a nonpartisan solution to how we can never ever again discuss government shutdowns.

This past week when I was flying back to DC from home, on the plane as I was coming up, there was a Federal employee who caught me in the aisle of the plane and said: Hey, I hear you are working on stopping government shutdowns. Thank you.

Her next comment surprised me, though. She said she has worked for a Federal agency for years, but she is retiring in January because she is so tired of constantly having to prepare for, get set for a government shutdown that may be pending in the days ahead. It has worn her out.

Someone who has great wisdom and experience and is serving in one of our Federal agencies is retiring in January, and we will lose those years of experience because she is tired of dealing with shutdowns. I don't blame her, quite frankly, although I wish she wouldn't leave. I don't blame her because year after year we end up in this same conversation: Are we going to have another shutdown?

It seems like every year, as we approach Christmas, Federal families across the country wonder if they are about to be furloughed and won't get a check soon.

Federal agency leaders—those who are Senate confirmed all the way through the process of leadership—aren't spending their time on vision-setting and on oversight; they are spending their time in their office having to figure out what to do in case there is a government shutdown or working through the process of a continuing resolution because they only get funding a few days at a time.

All of us know this is bad, but for years, we have discussed ending government shutdowns but have never done it. Senator HASSAN and I have put together a nonpartisan bill that is a very straightforward approach that we bring to this body and to the House to say: Let's take government shutdowns off the table forever. Let's make this so that in the decades ahead, we will talk about the way back days long ago when we used to have government shutdowns. In this body now, we have had 21 government shutdowns in the last 40 years. Let's talk about the days that used to happen but never happens

We have a very straightforward, simple solution. Our simple solution is, if we get to the end of the funding cycle—at this point, it would be December 20—we will have an automatic continuing resolution that kicks in so that Federal families don't feel the effect of that across the country. They are not on furlough, but Members of Congress and our staff work 7 days a week. We have session here 7 days a week, and we can't move to bills other than appropriations for 30 days so that we are locked into settling the appropriations issue.

The simple resolution is, if we get to the end of the fiscal year and our work is not done, we keep working until it is done. It is not that hard, but we have never made the commitment to each other that we will stay here and continue to work until it is done. What we have done instead is one of two things. We just punt a CR, a continuing resolution, for months at a time and say "OK. Let's get back to this in 8