

the employee or family left behind to run their businesses.

Importantly, this bill goes further, making more comprehensive changes for all veterans. Incorporating other recommendations that are designed to help service-disabled veterans and veteran farm and expand small businesses, H.R. 1568—

Elevates the SBA's Office of Veterans Affairs so that it has more credibility and visibility.

Creates a federally chartered corporation to facilitate technical and management assistance to veteran entrepreneurs.

Establishes a three-percent procurement goal for service-disabled veteran-owned businesses.

Requires the Federal Procurement Data System to collect data on the percentage and dollar value of prime contracts and subcontracts awarded to small businesses owned and controlled by veterans and service-disabled veterans.

According to the SBA and the Department of Veterans Administration, out of the estimated 22 million veterans in this country, 4 million own their own businesses. I encourage the SBA and the veterans groups to use these tools to make real progress in expanding and strengthening small businesses owned by veterans and service-disabled veterans so that they can have the dignity and financial benefits of self-sufficiency.

Mr. President, I thank my colleagues for supporting veterans and small business. It's one vote that will help thousands.

AMENDMENT NO. 1617

(Purpose: To make amendments with respect to the Board of Directors of the National Veterans Business Development Corporation)

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I send an amendment to the desk and ask for its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows: The Senator from Kansas [Mr. BROWNBACK], for Mr. BOND, for himself, and Mr. KERRY, proposes an amendment numbered 1617.

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that reading of the amendment be dispensed with.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment is as follows:

On page 55, strike line 5 and all that follows through page 56, line 15, and insert the following:

"(2) APPOINTMENT OF VOTING MEMBERS.—The President shall, after considering recommendations which shall be proposed by the Chairmen and Ranking Members of the Committees on Small Business and the Committee on Veterans Affairs of the House of Representatives and the Senate, appoint United States citizens to be voting members of the Board, not more than 5 of whom shall be members of the same political party.

On page 57, line 11, strike "Administrator" and insert "President".

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the

amendment be agreed to, the committee substitute be agreed to, the bill be read the third time, and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the bill be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment (No. 1617) was agreed to.

The committee amendment, as amended, was agreed to.

The bill (H.R. 1568), as amended, was passed.

RELATING TO THE RECENT ELECTIONS IN THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of calendar No. 233, S. Res. 166.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 166) relating to the recent elections in the Republic of Indonesia.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the committee amendment be agreed to, the resolution be agreed to, as amended, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to lay upon the table be agreed to, and that any statements appear at this point in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The committee amendment was agreed to.

The resolution (S. Res. 166), as amended, was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 166

Whereas the Republic of Indonesia is the world's fourth most populous country, has the world's largest Muslim population, and is the second largest country in East Asia;

Whereas Indonesia has played an increasingly important leadership role in maintaining the security and stability of Southeast Asia, especially through its participation in the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN);

Whereas in response to the wishes of the people of Indonesia, President Suharto resigned on May 21, 1998, in accordance with Indonesia's constitutional processes;

Whereas the government of his successor, President Bacharuddin J. Habibie, has pursued a transition to genuine democracy, establishing a new governmental structure, and developing a new political order;

Whereas President Habibie signed several bills governing elections, political parties, and the structure of legislative bodies into law on February 1, 1999, and scheduled the first truly democratic national election since 1955;

Whereas on June 7, 1999, elections were held for the Dewan Perwakilan Rakyat (DPR) which, despite some irregularities, were deemed to be free, fair, and transparent according to international and domestic observers;

Whereas over 100 million people, more than ninety percent of Indonesia's registered vot-

ers, participated in the election, demonstrating the Indonesian people's dedication to democracy;

Whereas the ballot counting process has been completed and the unofficial results announced;

Whereas the official results will be announced in the near future, and it is expected by all parties that the official results will mirror the unofficial results; and

Whereas Indonesia's military has indicated that it will abide by the results of the election: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) congratulates the people of Indonesia on carrying out the first free, fair, and transparent national elections in forty-four years;

(2) supports the aspirations of the Indonesian people in pursuing a transition to genuine democracy;

(3) calls upon all Indonesian leaders, political party members, military personnel, and the general public to respect the outcome of the elections, and to uphold that outcome pending the selection of the new President by the Majelis Permusyawaratan Rakyat (MPR) later this year;

(4) calls for the convening of the MPR and the selection of the next President as soon as practicable under Indonesian law, and in a transparent manner, in order to reduce the impact of continued uncertainty on the country's political stability and to enhance the prospects for the country's economic recovery;

(5) calls upon the present ruling Golkar party to work closely with any successor government in assuring a smooth transition to a new government; and

(6) urges the present government, and any new government, to continue to work to ensure a stable and secure environment in East Timor by—

(A) assisting in disarming and disbanding any militias on the island;

(B) granting full access to East Timor to groups such as the United Nations, international humanitarian organizations, human rights monitors, and similar nongovernmental organizations; and

(C) upholding its commitment to cooperate fully with the United Nations Assistance Mission for East Timor (UNAMET).

CENTENNIAL OF FLIGHT COMMEMORATION ACT OF 1999

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the consideration of calendar No. 202, S. 1072.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1072) to make certain technical and other corrections relating to Centennial of Flight Commemoration Act (36 U.S.C. 143 note; 112 Stat. 3486 et seq.)

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

AMENDMENT NO. 1618

(Purpose: To clarify certain duties of the Centennial of Flight Commission.)

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I send an amendment to the desk and ask for its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Kansas [Mr. BROWNBACK], for Mr. DEWINE, Mr. HELMS, and Mr. VOINOVICH, proposes an amendment numbered 1618.