WASHINGTON, D.C., April 12, 2007 — The President, Mr. William J. Clinton, submitted the following concurrence resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services:

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Whereas the Purple Heart is the oldest military decoration in the world in present use; whereas the Purple Heart is awarded in the name of the President of the United States to members of the Armed Forces who are wounded in a conflict with an enemy force or are wounded while held by an enemy force as prisoners of war, and is awarded posthuminously to the next of kin of members of the Armed Forces who are killed in a conflict with an enemy force or who die of wounds received in a conflict with an enemy force; whereas the Purple Heart was established on August 7, 1932, during the Revolutionary War by the George Washington and was directly issued by the Secretary of War; whereas the Secretary of War issued an order establishing the Honorary Badge of Distinction, otherwise known as the Badge of Military Merit; whereas it is the birthday of the Purple Heart which was ceased with the end of the Revolutionary War, but was revived in 1932, the 200th anniversary of George Washington’s birth, out of respect for his memory and military achievements; and whereas observing National Purple Heart Recognition Day is a fitting tribute to George Washington and to the more than 1,355,000 recipients of the Purple Heart, approximately 550,000 of whom are still living: Now, therefore it is—

RESOLVED by the Senate (the House of Representa- tives concurring), That Congress—

(1) supports the goals and ideals of “Na- tional Purple Heart Recognition Day”; (2) encourages all people in the United States to learn about the history of the Purple Heart and to honor its recipients; and (3) requests that the President issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to conduct appropriate ceremonies, activities, and programs to demonstrate support for members of the Armed Forces who have been awarded the Purple Heart.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 842. Mr. ALLARD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 372, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for the intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Intelligence Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title V, insert the following:

SEC. 509. SHARING OF SOCIAL SECURITY DATA FOR IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT PURPOSES.

(a) Social Security Account Numbers.— Section 264(f) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1364(f)) is amended to read as follows:

(1)(A) Notwithstanding any other provi- sion of law (including section 6103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986), the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Secretary of Labor, and the Attorney General are authorized to require an individual to provide the indivi- dual’s social security account number for pur- poses of inclusion of the individual maintained by either such Secretary or the Attorney General, or of inclusion in any application, document, or form provided under or required by the immigration laws.

(2) Exchange of Information.—Section 290(c) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1360(c)) is amended by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the following new paragraphs:

(2)(A) Notwithstanding any other provi- sion of law (including section 6103 of the In- ternal Revenue Code of 1986), if earnings are reported on or after January 1, 1997, to the Social Security Administration on a social security account number issued to an alien not authorized to work in the United States, the Commissioner of Social Security shall provide the Secretary of Homeland Security with information regarding the name, date of birth, and address of the alien, the name, and address of the person reporting the earnings, and the amount of the earnings.

(b) The information described in subparagraph (A) shall be provided in an electronic form agreed upon by the Commissioner and the Secretary.

(3)(A) Notwithstanding any other provi- sion of law (including section 6103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986), if a social security account number was used with multiple names, the Commissioner of Social Security shall provide the Secretary of Homeland Security with information regarding the name, date of birth, and address of each individual who used the social security account number, the name and address of the person reporting the earnings for each individual who used that social security account number, and the amount of the earnings.

(c) The information described in subsection (b) shall be provided in an electronic form agreed upon by the Commissioner and the Secretary for the sole purpose of enforcing the immigration laws.

(D) The Commissioner of Social Security shall provide the Secretary of Homeland Security with information regarding the name, date of birth, and address of each individual who used the social security account number and the amount of the earnings reported for that individual.

(D) The information described in subpara- graph (A) shall be provided in an electronic form agreed upon by the Commissioner and the Secretary for the sole purpose of enforcing the immigration laws.

(3) The Secretary, in consultation with the Commissioner, may limit or modify the requirements of this paragraph, as appro- priate, to identify the cases posing the highest possibility of fraudulent use of social se- curity account numbers related to violation of the immigration laws.

(S)(A) The Commissioner of Social Security shall perform, at the request of the Secre- tary of Homeland Security, a search or manipulation of records held by the Commissi- oner if the Secretary certifies that the pur- pose of the search or manipulation is to ob- tain information that is likely to assist in identifying individuals (and their employers) who are using false names or social security account numbers, who are sharing a single valid name and social security account number among multiple persons who are using the social security account number of a person who is deceased, too young to work, or not authorized to work, or who are other- wise engaged in a violation of the immigra- tion laws.

The Commissioner shall provide the results of such search or manipulation to the Secretary, notwithstanding any other provision law (including section 6106 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986).

(2) The Secretary shall transfer to the Commissioner the funds necessary to cover the costs directly incurred by the Commissi- oner in carrying out each search or manipu- lation requested by the Secretary under subparagraph (A). 

(3) The Claims of Citizenship or Na- tionality.—Section 212(a)(6)(C)(i) of the Im- migration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(6)(C)(i)) is amended—

(1) in the heading, by inserting “or Na- tionality” after “citizenship”; and

(2) in clause (i), by inserting “or na- tional” after “citizen”.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEES ON ARMED SERVICES AND VETERANS’ AFFAIRS

Mr. ROCKEFELLER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Com- mittees on Armed Services and Vet- erans’ Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, April 17, 2007, at 10 a.m., in room 212, to receive testimony on the Departments of Defense and Vet- erans Affairs disability rating systems and the transition from the Department of Defense to the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. ROCKEFELLER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Com- mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to hold a hearing during the session of the Senate on Thursday, April 12, 2007, at 10 a.m., in room 233 of the Russell Senate Office Building. The purpose of this hearing is to examine the implementa- tion of the Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) Program.

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

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. ROCKEFELLER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Com- mittee on Energy and Natural Re- sources be authorized to hold a hearing