

basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or disability in any program or activity funded under this part.

“SEC. 1854. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

“There is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this part \$500,000,000 for fiscal year 2010 and for each of the succeeding 5 years.”.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—The table of contents in section 2 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6301 note) is amended—

(1) by striking the item relating to Part I and inserting the following:

“PART J—GENERAL PROVISIONS”; AND

(2) by inserting after the item relating to section 1830 the following:

“PART I—SECONDARY SCHOOL INNOVATION FUND

“Sec. 1851. Purposes.

“Sec. 1852. Definitions.

“Sec. 1853. Secondary school innovation fund.

“Sec. 1854. Authorization of appropriations.”.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 126—COMMEMORATING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARRIVAL OF THE SISTERS OF THE SACRED HEARTS IN HAWAII

Mr. INOUE (for himself, Mr. AKAKA, and Mr. KERRY) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 126

Whereas the Sisters of the Sacred Hearts, also known as the Sisters of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, in 2009 are celebrating the 150th anniversary of their arrival in Hawaii on May 4, 1859, to provide Catholic education to the children of Hawaii;

Whereas, during the past 150 years, through the devotion and dedication of the Sisters of the Sacred Hearts, thousands of youth in Hawaii, California, Massachusetts, and New Jersey have received the benefit of a well-rounded education based on Christian principles and moral living at the following educational institutions: Sacred Hearts Convent at Fort Street, Honolulu; Sacred Hearts Academy, Kaimuki, Honolulu; St. Anthony Home, Kalihi, Honolulu; Sacred Hearts Convent, Nuuanu, Honolulu; St. Theresa School, Honolulu; Our Lady of Peace School, Honolulu; Immaculate Conception School, Lihue, Kauai; St. Patrick School, Kaimuki, Honolulu; Maria Regina School, Gardena, California; Bishop Amat High School, West Covina, California; Sacred Hearts Academy, Fairhaven, Massachusetts; St. Joseph School, Fairhaven, Massachusetts; Sacred Hearts School, Fairhaven, Massachusetts; and St. Andrew School, Avenel, New Jersey;

Whereas, during the past 101 years, the Sisters of the Sacred Hearts have served communities in Fairhaven, Fall River, and Mt. Rainier, Massachusetts, and in Avenel, New Jersey, and continue to serve communities in Fairhaven, Massachusetts;

Whereas, during the past 50 years, the Sisters of the Sacred Hearts have served communities in Gardena, West Covina, and San Bernardino, California, and in Artesia, New Mexico, and continue to serve communities in Artesia, New Mexico; and

Whereas the people of the United States wish to convey their sincerest appreciation to the Sisters of the Sacred Hearts for their service and devotion: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes the 150th anniversary of the arrival of the Sisters of the Sacred Hearts in Hawaii; and

(2) honors and praises the Sisters of the Sacred Hearts Pacific Province for their good works in the education of the youth of the United States and in service to the people of Hawaii, California, Massachusetts, New Jersey, and New Mexico, and for the Sisters' pursuit of educational, social, and economic equality of all persons.

SENATE RESOLUTION 127—RECOGNIZING THE MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY AND THE PHYSICIANS OF MAINE MEDICAL CENTER FOR THE OPEN-HEART SURGERY THEY PERFORMED ON A 6-YEAR-OLD IRAQI GIRL

Ms. SNOWE submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services:

S. RES. 127

Whereas 6-year-old Tiba and her mother, Sareea traveled from the countryside of Iraq to Maine so that Tiba could receive open-heart surgery;

Whereas the bravery of a young child and the phenomenal service of the courageous soldiers in the United States Army are inspiring and place a human face and a human heart at the center of one of the most war-torn areas in the world;

Whereas Kim Block of WGME channel 13 in Portland, Maine professionally produced and broadcast a heartwarming story on this case;

Whereas all of Maine feels a boundless sense of pride for the tremendous commitment and contribution of Dr. Reed Quinn who led the team of physicians at Maine Medical Center in the 8-hour open-heart surgery procedure that saved Tiba's life; and

Whereas such surgery was made possible by the compassion of the Maine Foundation for Cardiac Surgery, and was a mission fulfilled by a team of genuine heroes: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate recognizes the soldiers, doctors, nurses, and hospital staff at Maine Medical Center for their compassionate service, and Tiba and Sareea for their remarkable courage.

Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, today I introduced a Senate Resolution recognizing the United States Army and the physicians of Maine Medical Center for saving the life of a 6-year-old Iraqi girl.

My Maine constituents and I are bursting with pride over the tremendous commitment and contribution of Dr. Reed Quinn and the team of health professionals at Maine Medical Center who recently conducted an eight-hour open heart surgery procedure which saved young Tiba's life. The procedure was made possible by the compassion of the Maine Foundation for Cardiac Surgery, and the mission was fulfilled by a team of genuine American heroes, led by the U.S. Army.

I am particularly touched by the bravery of a young child and the outstanding service of our courageous soldiers in the U.S. Army. I will always remember this story because it places a human face at the center of a war-torn area.

After viewing the moving news series reported by Kim Block of WGME Channel 13 in Portland on “Operation Good

Heart,” I thought it was fitting to recognize the story of 6-year-old Tiba and her mother, Sareea, and their journey from their village in Iraq to Maine. Tiba suffered a dangerous heart condition and was transported by the U.S. Army from Iraq to Maine for life-saving open-heart surgery performed by the talented physicians of Maine Medical Center.

I hope my colleagues will join me in commending the dedicated soldiers of the U.S. Army, the superlative professionals of Maine Medical Center, the generous folks at the Maine Foundation for Cardiac Surgery, the good people of Channel 13, and—above all—the brave mother and daughter who traveled across the globe. This is a heartwarming story about wonderful people who make America great, and I urge adoption of the Resolution.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. KAUFMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Monday, May 4, 2009, at 5:30 p.m.

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

COMMEMORATING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARRIVAL OF THE SISTERS OF THE SACRED HEARTS IN HAWAII

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 126, submitted earlier today.

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

The bill clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 126) commemorating the 150th anniversary of the arrival of the Sisters of the Sacred Hearts in Hawaii.

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

Mr. INOUE. Mr. President, today, I rise in support of a Senate resolution commemorating the 150th anniversary of the arrival of the Sisters of the Sacred Hearts in Hawaii. I am pleased to have Senators Daniel Akaka and John Kerry as original cosponsors of the resolution.

The first Catholic missionaries to the Hawaiian Islands were members of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary and of Perpetual Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar.

The Congregation was founded by Pierre Coudrin and Henriette Aymer de la Chevalerie in Poitiers, France, on Christmas Eve 1800.

In 1825, the Congregation responded to a request of Pope Leo XII for missionaries to the Pacific Rim, then known as Oceania.

The Sacred Hearts Priests and Brothers arrived in Hawaii in 1827; the Sisters in 1859.

Today, through the missionary zeal of its members, of which a noteworthy exemplar in Hawaii is Blessed Damien de Veuster, the Brothers and Sisters of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary are present in 40 countries and on all continents.

The Sisters of the Sacred Hearts Pacific Province is the administrative center of communities of Sisters currently serving in Hawaii, New Mexico, and Massachusetts. In observance of the 150th anniversary of the Sisters' arrival to Hawaii, I urge my colleagues to support this resolution recognizing the Sisters' dedication through these years to the education of the children of Hawaii, Massachusetts, California, and New Mexico.

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate, and that any statements related to the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 126) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 126

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APPOINTMENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair announces, on behalf of the Republican leader, pursuant to P.L. 110-229, the appointment of the following to be a nonvoting member of the Commission to Study the Potential Creation of a National Museum of the American Latino: Sandy Colon Peltyn of Nevada.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, MAY 5, 2009

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, May 5; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and that the Senate resume consideration of S. 896, the Helping Families Save Their Homes Act of 2009; further, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate recess from 12:30 until 2:15 to allow for the weekly caucus luncheons.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, Senators should expect rollcall votes in relation to amendments prior to the caucus recess.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it adjourn under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:37 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, May 5, 2009, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

MERCEDES MARQUEZ, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, VICE SUSAN D. PEPPLER, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

KATHY J. GREENLEE, OF KANSAS, TO BE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR AGING, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, VICE JOSEFINA CARBONELL, RESIGNED.

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

MARTHA N. JOHNSON, OF MARYLAND, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR OF GENERAL SERVICES, VICE LURITA ALEXIS DOAN, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

PHILIP MUDD, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY FOR INTELLIGENCE AND ANALYSIS, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, (NEW POSITION)

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

JOHN J. SULLIVAN, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION FOR A TERM EXPIRING APRIL 30, 2013, VICE ELLEN L. WEINTRAUB, TERM EXPIRED.

IN THE MARINE CORPS

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be lieutenant general

LT. GEN. JOSEPH F. DUNFORD

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be lieutenant general

MAJ. GEN. WALTER E. GASKIN, SR.

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be lieutenant general

LT. GEN. RICHARD C. ZILMER