

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 312—COMMENDING GIRL SCOUTS OF THE USA ON THE SPECIAL OCCASION OF ITS 52ND ANNUAL CONVENTION AND COMMENDING THE COMMITMENT OF GIRL SCOUTS OF THE USA TO THE MISSION OF FOSTERING THE COURAGE, CONFIDENCE, AND CHARACTER THAT GIRLS NEED TO BECOME LEADERS AND MAKE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE

Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mr. CORNYN) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 312

Whereas, on March 12, 1912, founder Juliette Gordon Low organized the first troop of Girl Scouts of the USA (referred to in this preamble as “Girl Scouts”);

Whereas, on March 16, 1950, Girl Scouts became the first national organization for girls to be granted a Federal charter by Congress;

Whereas Girl Scouts regularly informs Congress of its progress and program initiatives through annual reports;

Whereas Girl Scouts actively promotes initiatives to help young women discover their full potential by—

- (1) instilling a sound foundation of positive values;
- (2) developing a sense of service;
- (3) facilitating creative decision-making; and
- (4) turning girls into model citizens and leaders of their community, the country, and the world;

Whereas Girl Scouts is holding its 52nd Convention in November 2011 in Houston, Texas;

Whereas the 2011 Girl Scout Leadership Institute, which will run at the 52nd Convention, encourages young women, ages 13 to 18, to explore and build skills in math, science, business, and technology to prepare for future success in the increasingly competitive global marketplace;

Whereas the 2011 Girl Scout Leadership Institute, under the theme of “Leadership and Innovation, the Next 100 Years”—

- (1) seeks to advance leadership opportunities for girls;
- (2) promotes programs that offer advanced curriculum;
- (3) engages over 1,200 young women from across the globe;
- (4) connects young women to industry professionals;
- (5) builds the interest of young women in innovation and technology;
- (6) addresses global issues; and
- (7) teaches life-long leadership abilities and teamwork skills in an interactive environment;

Whereas Girl Scouts has renewed the focus on involving girls in “innovative, hands-on experiences in science, technology, engineering, and math” (referred to in this preamble as “STEM”) that “strengthen the natural aptitudes of girls and acquaint them with new career options and tools for future independence”;

Whereas Girl Scouts develops girl-centered programs that—

- (1) are attuned to the ever-changing needs of women working in the current global market; and
- (2) encourage girls to actively engage in STEM activities, facilitating valuable real-world experiences that are integral to developing the next female leaders of the United States;

Whereas Girl Scouts remains a preeminent organization with 3,200,000 members, dedicated solely to—

(1) inspiring generations of girls to reach for their goals, challenge stereotypes, and develop to their full potential; and

(2) advancing opportunities for women to accomplish feats previously thought impossible for the female gender; and

Whereas Girl Scouts has significantly contributed to the advancement of the United States for 100 years by instilling in young women the leadership qualities on which the strength of the United States depends: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) commends Girl Scouts of the USA for organizing—

(A) the 2011 National Council Session and the 52nd Convention;

(B) the 2011 Girl Scout Leadership Institute; and

(C) the 2011 “Leadership and Innovation, the Next 100 Years” workshops; and

(2) commends Girl Scouts of the USA for continuing to create learning opportunities and activities for young women to develop strong leadership values and life skills.

SENATE RESOLUTION 313—CONGRATULATING THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON ON ITS SESQUICENTENNIAL AND RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON TO THE STATE OF WASHINGTON AND THE UNITED STATES

Ms. CANTWELL (for herself and Mrs. MURRAY) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 313

Whereas the University of Washington was founded on November 4, 1861, making it the oldest public university on the west coast of the United States;

Whereas the University of Washington has since grown into an internationally acclaimed research university, spanning 3 campuses in the greater Puget Sound area and enrolling nearly 50,000 students, including international students from 18 countries;

Whereas the faculty of the University of Washington has been repeatedly recognized for excellence, including through the awarding of 4 Nobel Prizes and 15 “Genius Grants” by the MacArthur Foundation, among other awards;

Whereas research at the University of Washington has played a critical role in supporting the advancement of knowledge and industry in the State of Washington and the rest of the country;

Whereas the University of Washington serves as a cultural hub for the Seattle community through world-class venues such as the Henry Art Gallery and Meany Hall for the Performing Arts;

Whereas the University of Washington is home to the Daniel J. Evans School of Public Affairs, the oldest institution dedicated to public policy at a public institution of higher education;

Whereas, for more than 100 years, the University of Washington’s Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies has been at the forefront of international education and research, with a particular educational emphasis on the relations of the United States to the Asia-Pacific Region;

Whereas the University of Washington Medical School and its associated hospitals have been recognized as some of the finest medical facilities in the world, home to the

inventors of the first long-term procedure for kidney dialysis and the world’s first multidisciplinary pain care center, as well as helping train physicians throughout the western United States through partnerships with medical schools in Wyoming, Alaska, Montana, and Idaho; and

Whereas November 4, 2011, is the 150th anniversary of the founding of the University of Washington: Now therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) honors the University of Washington on its sesquicentennial;

(2) recognizes the contributions of the University of Washington to the State of Washington and the United States;

(3) salutes the University of Washington’s distinguished legacy of academic excellence, path-breaking research, and partnership with its community; and

(4) extends its congratulations to the students, faculty, staff, and alumni of the University of Washington.

SENATE RESOLUTION 314—RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF PROJECT CHERNOBYL AND PROJECT 9/11

Mrs. GILLIBRAND submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:

S. RES. 314

Whereas Project Chernobyl is an important organization in the United States addressing the high risk of thyroid cancer among people living in the United States who are from countries affected by the Chernobyl nuclear accident;

Whereas Project Chernobyl has expanded services to offer thyroid screenings to the general population in regions with a high incidence of thyroid cancer;

Whereas Project Chernobyl is addressing the high medical costs of diagnosis and treatment of thyroid cancer by introducing and implementing innovative, minimally invasive techniques that allow for rapid, low cost treatment;

Whereas Project Chernobyl is initiating and funding research directed toward developing new diagnostic and treatment methodologies for thyroid cancer and other thyroid diseases;

Whereas Project Chernobyl has organized Project 9/11, a dedicated effort to identify and treat thyroid cancer among 9/11 first responders; and

Whereas Project Chernobyl and Project 9/11 are providing an extraordinary service to members of the 9/11 community and first responders who are suffering from thyroid cancer: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate commends Project 9/11 and its work to assist the 9/11 community in early treatment and detection of thyroid cancer.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 924. Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. JOHANNIS, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. ENZI, and Ms. MURKOWSKI) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 674, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the imposition of 3 percent withholding on certain payments made to vendors by government entities, to modify the calculation of modified adjusted gross income for purposes of determining eligibility for certain healthcare-related programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.