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Again, we congratulate the 2011 winners of the Sloan Award and encourage their community leaders to recognize these best practices.●

#### BICENTENNIAL OF THE WAR OF 1812

● Mr. ISAKSON. Mr. President, today I wish to commemorate the bicentennial of the beginning of the War of 1812, on June 18, 2012, in the RECORD.

President James Madison signed a declaration of war against Great Britain on June 18, 1812. The sacrifices by those soldiers, citizens, and their families who fought in the War of 1812 further defended the liberties previously won in the American Revolution. These sacrifices include heroic efforts by Dolley Madison to save some of our national treasures from destruction during the burning of the White House by the British on August 24, 1814. The conflict and bravery shown during this conflict would inspire Francis Scott Key to write a poem describing the bombardment of Fort McHenry in Baltimore Harbor, and this would later become our country's national anthem, known as the "Star Spangled Banner."

The War of 1812 further solidified the independence of the United States from Great Britain, and the Treaty of Ghent was signed on December 24, 1814, to end the War of 1812. Many Georgia residents can trace their lineages back to these patriotic early settlers.

Descendants of the veterans of the War of 1812 chartered the Georgia State Society within the General Society of the United States Daughters of 1812 on June 18, 1901, to promote a general awareness of the history of the War of 1812 among the citizens of Georgia and

the Nation. As we observe the bicentennial of the War of 1812, I urge all citizens to become more knowledgeable of the role the War of 1812 played in the history of our great Nation and the State of Georgia.●

#### 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

● Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota. Mr. President, today I wish to pay tribute to my alma mater, the University of South Dakota, on their 150th anniversary. Throughout its history, USD has been a shining example of excellence in education, research, and service. USD consistently produces extraordinary graduates, prepared for the complex challenges of modern-day society.

Founded in 1862 in Vermillion, USD has the distinction of being South Dakota's oldest university. Since its founding, the campus has grown from one building to 63, serving a student population of nearly 10,000. USD offers a complete range of undergraduate and graduate programs of study, as well as the only schools of law and medicine in South Dakota. Students are well-served by USD's liberal arts tradition, which encourages interdisciplinary study. This produces adaptable, well-rounded graduates, prepared for the ever-changing world.

USD students have been awarded some of the most prestigious honors in academia including Rhodes, Fulbright, Truman, Udall, and Goldwater Scholarships. Graduate and undergraduate students frequently collaborate one-on-one with USD's dedicated faculty to conduct research. This high degree of collaboration is enabled by the university's 15-1 student-faculty ratio.

Athletics are an important part of university life, and USD is no exception. The iconic DakotaDome is the cornerstone of USD Coyote athletics. This multipurpose 145,000 square foot structure has brought fans and athletes together for more than 30 years. The Coyotes have made the jump to division I, bringing increased exposure and a higher level of competition to the athletic program.

It is a great pleasure to have this opportunity to honor the University of South Dakota for 150 years of academic success. USD is a family tradition; it is where I met my wife, Barbara, and when it was time for our three children to attend college they all chose USD. The world-class education I received at USD gave me skills and knowledge that serve me well to this today. I congratulate my good friend, President Jim Abbott, and the entire USD community on this milestone in the rich history of the university. As an alumnus, I would be remiss if I didn't close my statement with, "Go Yotes!"●

#### 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ROYAL ROSARIANS

● Mr. MERKLEY. Mr. President, today I wish to commemorate the 100-year

anniversary of the founding of the Royal Rosarians. The Royal Rosarians serve as Portland's official greeters and ambassadors by charter from the mayor's office. They also serve as ambassadors of goodwill for the Portland Rose Festival.

For the last century, the Royal Rosarians have represented the city of Portland at events around the world. They have planted roses in Buckingham Palace and knighted mayors of major international cities. Founded by Portland business and civic leaders, their official dress is white suits and straw hats, same as it was 100 years ago.

To Prime Minister Robert H. Hungerford and all Rosarians, past and present, thank you for your service to the city of Portland. You continue a proud tradition.●

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:12 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 5743. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5854. An act making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 5743. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2013 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes; to the Select Committee on Intelligence.

#### MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 5854. An act making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013, and for other purposes.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 3262. A bill to amend the Whaling Convention Act to require the Secretary of Commerce to authorize aboriginal subsistence whaling as permitted by the regulations of the International Whaling Commission and to set aboriginal subsistence catch limits for bowhead whales in the event the Commission fails to adopt such limits, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 3263. A bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to modify the final rule relating to flightcrew member duty and rest requirements for passenger operations of air carriers to apply to all-cargo operations of air carriers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. VITTER (for himself and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 3264. A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI:

S. 3265. A bill to amend the Federal Power Act to remove the authority of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to collect land use fees for land that has been sold, exchanged, or otherwise transferred from Federal ownership but that is subject to a power site reservation; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. DEMINT (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. ENZI, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. LEE, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. RISCH):

S.J. Res. 42. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to parental rights; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts):

S. Res. 477. A resolution calling for the safe and immediate return of Noor and Ramsay Bower to the United States; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. Res. 478. A resolution commemorating the 200th anniversary of the chartering of Hamilton College in Clinton, New York; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. JOHANNIS (for himself and Mr. NELSON of Nebraska):

S. Res. 479. A resolution commemorating the dedication of the Strategic Air Command Memorial during the 20th anniversary of its stand down; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. JOHANNIS (for himself and Mr. NELSON of Nebraska):

S. Res. 480. A resolution commemorating the 20th anniversary of United States Strategic Command; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. WEBB, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. COCHRAN, and Mr. INOUE):

S. Res. 481. A resolution celebrating the 60th Anniversary of the United States-Philippines Mutual Defense Treaty and the vitality of the overall bilateral relationship; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. HAGAN (for herself and Mr. BURR):

S. Con. Res. 45. A concurrent resolution authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for an event to award the Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the Montford Point Marines; considered and agreed to.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS ON JUNE 4, 2012

S. 219

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET) was added as a cosponsor of S. 219, a bill to require Senate candidates to file designations, statements, and reports in electronic form.

S. 412

At the request of Mr. LEVIN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 412, a bill to ensure that amounts credited to the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund are used for harbor maintenance.

S. 657

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 657, a bill to encourage, enhance, and integrate Blue Alert plans throughout the United States in order to disseminate information when a law enforcement officer is seriously injured or killed in the line of duty.

S. 797

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 797, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, and for other purposes.

S. 1174

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WEBB) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1174, a bill to provide predictability and certainty in the tax law, create jobs, and encourage investment.

S. 1221

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1221, a bill to provide grants to better understand and reduce gestational diabetes, and for other purposes.

S. 1512

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1512, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Small Business Act to expand the availability of employee stock ownership plans in S corporations, and for other purposes.

S. 1591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. MCCASKILL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1591, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his

achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

S. 1600

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. JOHANNIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1600, a bill to enhance the ability of community banks to foster economic growth and serve their communities, boost small businesses, increase individual savings, and for other purposes.

S. 1613

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1613, a bill to improve and enhance research and programs on childhood cancer survivorship, and for other purposes.

S. 1881

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1881, a bill to establish an integrated Federal program to respond to ongoing and expected impacts of climate variability and change by protecting, restoring, and conserving the natural resources of the United States and to maximize government efficiency and reduce costs, in cooperation with State, local, and tribal governments and other entities.

S. 1929

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS), the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL) and the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) were added as cosponsors of S. 1929, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of Mark Twain.

S. 1990

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the names of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) and the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1990, a bill to require the Transportation Security Administration to comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

S. 2003

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2003, a bill to clarify that an authorization to use military force, a declaration of war, or any similar authority shall not authorize the detention without charge or trial of a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States and for other purposes.

S. 2123

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2123, a bill to amend title V of the Social Security Act to extend funding for family-to-family health information centers to help families of children