

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND
ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 16, 2011, at 10 a.m. to conduct a hearing entitled "An Examination of SBA Programs: Eliminating Inefficiencies, Duplications, Fraud and Abuse."

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

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 16, 2011, at 2:30 p.m.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON CLEAN AIR AND NUCLEAR
SAFETY

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Environment and Public Works and the Subcommittee on Clean Air and Nuclear Safety be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 16, 2011, at 10 a.m. in Dirksen 406 to conduct a hearing entitled, "Oversight Hearing: The Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Preliminary Results of the Nuclear Safety Review in the United States Following the Emergency at the Fukushima Daiichi Power Plant in Japan."

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

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Katy Jones, Caitlin Lawrence, and Jean Fleming of my staff be granted the privilege of the floor during today's session.

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

CONGRATULATING THE DALLAS
MAVERICKS

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 209, which was submitted earlier today.

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

The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 209) congratulating the Dallas Mavericks on winning the 2011 National Basketball Association Championship.

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

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. 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.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 209) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 209

Whereas the Dallas Mavericks finished the 2010–11 National Basketball Association (NBA) season with a 57–25 record;

Whereas, during the 2011 NBA Playoffs, the Mavericks defeated the Portland Trailblazers, Los Angeles Lakers, Oklahoma City Thunder, and Miami Heat en route to the NBA Championship;

Whereas the Mavericks epitomized a "never say die" attitude during the 2011 NBA Finals, overcoming losses in games 1 and 3 of the NBA Finals with thrilling fourth quarter comebacks in games 2, 4, and 5 to take a 3–2 series lead;

Whereas, on June 12, 2011, the Mavericks won the 2011 NBA Championship in 6 games over the Miami Heat;

Whereas the Mavericks owner Mark Cuban never wavered in his commitment to bring an NBA championship to Dallas, fulfilling the vision of founding owner Don Carter and past owner Ross Perot, Jr.;

Whereas the President of Basketball Operations and General Manager Donnie Nelson built a team complete with depth, versatility, and humility;

Whereas third-year Head Coach Rick Carlisle and his assistants helped transform the Mavericks from a perennial playoff contender into the NBA's best;

Whereas Dirk Nowitzki, who has spent his entire 13-year career with the Mavericks, overcame injury and illness to average 26 points and 9.6 rebounds per game during the NBA Finals, earning the NBA Finals Most Valuable Player Award;

Whereas longtime Mavericks guard Jason Terry scored a game high 27 points in game 6 to carry the Mavericks to the championship;

Whereas 17-year NBA veteran Jason Kidd set the tone for the Mavericks' success through his patient, calm, and disciplined leadership;

Whereas Shawn Marion, Tyson Chandler, DeShawn Stevenson, and Jose Juan "J.J." Barea provided balance on offense and defense to help pave the way to the championship;

Whereas the Mavericks bench was pivotal to the team's championship, with valuable contributions being made by the entire roster, including guard Rodrigue Beaubois, forward Corey Brewer, forward Caron Butler, forward Brian Cardinal, center Brendan Haywood, guard Dominique Jones, center Ian Mahinmi, and forward Peja Stojakovic; and

Whereas the Mavericks gave the city of Dallas its first NBA Championship, a unique and special accomplishment for Mavericks fans throughout the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex and around the world: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) congratulates the Dallas Mavericks for their outstanding heart, resolve, and determination in winning the 2011 National Basketball Association Championship; and

(2) respectfully requests the Secretary of the Senate to transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to—

(A) Mavericks head coach Rick Carlisle;

(B) Mavericks general manager Donnie Nelson; and

(C) Mavericks owner Mark Cuban.

CONGRATULATING THE BOSTON
BRUINS

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent—with considerable happiness and pride—that the Sen-

ate now proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 210, celebrating the Boston Bruins' victory, which was submitted earlier today.

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

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 210) congratulating the Boston Bruins for winning the 2011 Stanley Cup Championship.

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

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Mr. President, it would be unimaginable there be objection to such good news.

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.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 210) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 210

Whereas on Wednesday, June 15, 2011, the Boston Bruins, the oldest National Hockey League (NHL) franchise in the United States, brought the Stanley Cup back to Boston for the first time in 39 years;

Whereas to accomplish this feat, the Bruins defeated the Vancouver Canucks, the team with the best record in the NHL during the regular season, in Game 7 of the Stanley Cup Finals;

Whereas the Bruins became the first team in NHL history to win 3 deciding Game 7's during a single playoff run and twice came back from 0–2 series deficits;

Whereas Bruins goaltender Tim Thomas won the Conn Smythe trophy, which is awarded to the player deemed most valuable to his team during the Stanley Cup playoffs;

Whereas Tim Thomas shut out the Canucks in the deciding game of the Finals, and allowed only 8 goals over the 7 game series;

Whereas Bruins rookie Brad Marchand scored 11 goals in the playoffs, setting a team record for playoff goals by a rookie, and tying for the second-most playoff goals by a rookie in NHL history;

Whereas Bruins right wing Mark Recchi hoisted his third Stanley Cup, and is retiring as a champion after 1,652 NHL regular-season games and 190 playoff games;

Whereas Bruins captain Zdeno Chara, at 6 feet, 9 inches tall, lifted the Stanley Cup as high above the ice as it has ever been lifted;

Whereas Bruins General Manager Peter Chiarelli made key trades near the trade deadline to put the Bruins in a position for a Stanley Cup run, acquiring Tomas Kaberle, Rich Peverley, and Chris Kelly; and

Whereas Bruins Head Coach Claude Julien ensured that the Bruins played and won as a team: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) congratulates the Boston Bruins for winning the 2011 Stanley Cup Championship; and

(2) respectfully requests the Secretary of the Senate to transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to—

(A) Head Coach Claude Julien;

(B) President and former Bruins All-Star Cam Neely; and

(C) General Manager Peter Chiarelli;