Whereas Cuba is a member of the United Nations Human Rights Council despite numerous documented violations of human rights every year in Cuba: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) condemns the Cuban regime for the death of Wilman Villar Mendoza on January 19, 2011, following a hunger strike to protest his incarceration for participating in a peaceful protest and to highlight the plight of the Cuban people;

(2) condemns the repression of basic human and civil rights by the Castro regime in Cuba that resulted in more than 4,000 detentions and arrests of activists in 2011;

(3) honors the life of Wilman Villar Mendoza and his sacrifice on behalf of the cause of freedom in Cuba;

(4) extends condolences to Maritza Pelegrino Cabrales, the wife of Wilman Villar Mendoza, and their children;

(5) urges the United Nations Human Rights Council to suspend Cuba from its position on the Council;

(6) urges the General Assembly of the United Nations to vote to suspend the rights of membership of Cuba to the Human Rights Council;

(7) urges the international community to condemn the harassment and repression of peaceful activists by the Cuban regime; and

(8) calls on the governments of all democratic countries to insist on the release of all political prisoners and the cessation of violence, arbitrary arrests, and threats against peaceful demonstrators in Cuba, including threats against Maritza Pelegrino Cabrales and members of the Ladies in White (Damas de Blanco).

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 1496. Mr. CORKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2038, to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1497. Mr. CORKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2038, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1498. Mr. BLUMENTHAL (for himself and Mr. KIRK) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1470 proposed by Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. FRANKEN) to the bill S. 2038, supra.

SA 1499. Mr. CORKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2038, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1500. Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mrs. HUTCHISON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1470 proposed by Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. FRANKEN) to the bill S. 2038, supra.

SA 1501. Mr. MCCAIN (for himself and Mr. COBURN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1472 proposed by Mr. TOOMEY (for himself, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. THUNE, and Mr. JOHANNS) to the amendment SA 1470 proposed by Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. FRANKEN) to the bill S. 2038, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1502. Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. TESTER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2038, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1503. Mr. TESTER (for himself and Mr. COCHRAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1470 proposed by Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. FRANKEN) to the bill S. 2038, supra.

SA 1504. Mr. COONS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2038, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1505. Mr. PORTMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2038, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1506. Mrs. HUTCHISON submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill S. 2038, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1507. Mr. REED submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2038, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1508. Mr. REED submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2038, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1509. Mr. VITTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2038, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1510. Mr. ENZI submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2038, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 1496. Mr. CORKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2038, to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. AMENDMENTS TO THE FEDERAL RESERVE ACT.

(a) MAINTENANCE OF LONG RUN GROWTH; PRICE STABILITY AND LOW INFLATION.—Section 2A of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C. 225a) is amended—

(1) by striking ''maximum employment, stable prices,'' and inserting ''long-term price stability, a low rate of inflation,''; and

(2) by at the end the following: ''The Board shall establish an explicit numerical definition of the term 'long-term price stability' and shall maintain monetary policy that effectively promotes such long-term price stability.''.

(b) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—The amendments made by subsection (a) shall not be construed as a limitation on the authority or responsibility of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System—

(1) to provide liquidity to markets in the event of a disruption that threatens the smooth functioning and stability of the financial sector; or

(2) to serve as a lender of last resort under the Federal Reserve Act when the Board determines such action is necessary.

(c) CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT.—The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System shall, concurrent with each semiannual hearing to Congress, submit a written report to the Congress containing—

(1) numerical measures to help Congress assess the extent to which the Board and the Federal Open Market Committee are achieving and maintaining a legitimate definition of the term long-term price stability, as such term is defined or modified pursuant to the second sentence of section 2A of the Federal Reserve Act (as added by this section);

(2) a description of the intermediate variables used by the Board to gauge the prospects for achieving the objective of long-term price stability; and

(3) the definition, or any modifications thereto, of the term long-term price stability, as such term is defined or modified pursuant to the second sentence of section 2A of the Federal Reserve Act (as added by this section).

SA 1497. Mr. CORKER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2038, to prohibit Members of Congress and employees of Congress from using nonpublic information derived from their official positions for personal benefit, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end, add the following:

TITLE II—RESIDENTIAL MORTGAGE MARKET PRIVATIZATION AND STANDARDIZATION

SEC. 201. SHORT TITLE.

This title may be cited as the ''Residential Mortgage Market Privatization and Standardization Act of 2012''.

SEC. 202. DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this title, the following definitions shall apply:

(1) COVERED MORTGAGE LOAN.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ''covered mortgage loan'' means any residential mortgage loan, including any single-family and multifamily loan, that is originated, serviced, or subserviced, in whole or in part, owned directly or indirectly, including through any interest in a security that is backed in whole or in part by a mortgage loan, or securitized or resecuritized, by an entity or affiliate or subsidiary thereof that is regulated by any of the agencies listed in subparagraph (B).

(B) AGENCIES.—The agencies listed in this subparagraph are—

(i) the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System;

(ii) the Department of Agriculture;

(iii) the Department of Housing and Urban Development;

(iv) the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation;

(v) the Federal Housing Finance Agency;

(vi) the Farm Credit Administration;

(vii) the Federal Trade Commission;

(viii) the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency;

(ix) the National Credit Union Administration; and

(x) the Securities and Exchange Commission.

(2) ENTERPRISES.—The term ''enterprises'' means, individually and collectively, the Federal National Mortgage Association and the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation.

(3) FHFA; DIRECTOR.—The terms ''FHFA'' and ''Director'' mean the Federal Housing Finance Agency and the Director thereof, respectively.

(4) MORTGAGE DATA.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The Director shall define mortgage data, by regulation, consistent with this paragraph.

(B) SINGLE-FAMILY LOANS.—For single-family covered mortgage loans, the term ''mortgage data'' means, as of the date of origination—

(i) the loan origination date and the loan maturity date;