

PN1024 AIR FORCE nomination of Todd E. Combs, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of December 14, 2015.

PN1067 AIR FORCE nominations (57) beginning BRETT C. ANDERSON, and ending SHAHID A. ZAIDI, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 11, 2016.

PN1068 AIR FORCE nominations (79) beginning STEPHEN C. ARNASON, and ending JOHN R. YANCEY, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 11, 2016.

PN1069 AIR FORCE nominations (162) beginning ERIC E. ABBOTT, and ending PHILIP A. WIXOM, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 11, 2016.

PN1070 AIR FORCE nominations (232) beginning JANE A. ALSTON, and ending TIMOTHY J. ZIELICKE, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 11, 2016.

IN THE ARMY

PN1025 ARMY nominations (883) beginning DAVID H. AAMIDOR, and ending D012522, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of December 14, 2015.

PN1026 ARMY nominations (461) beginning YONATAN S. ABEIE, and ending D012158, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of December 14, 2015.

PN1027 ARMY nomination of Peter J. Koch, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of December 14, 2015.

PN1028 ARMY nominations (3) beginning DEREK P. JONES, and ending WILLIAM J. RICE, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of December 14, 2015.

PN1029 ARMY nominations (382) beginning MICHAEL S. ABBOTT, and ending D011609, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of December 14, 2015.

PN1030 ARMY nomination of Denny L. Winningham, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of December 14, 2015.

PN1031 ARMY nomination of John C. Baskerville, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of December 14, 2015.

PN1071 ARMY nomination of Mark L. Coble, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 11, 2016.

PN1072 ARMY nominations (10) beginning CRAIG A. HOLAN, and ending ERIC E. ZIMMERMAN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 11, 2016.

PN1074 ARMY nomination of Steven R. Berger, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 11, 2016.

PN1075 ARMY nomination of Richard M. Hawkins, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 11, 2016.

PN1076 ARMY nomination of Martin S. Kendrick, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 11, 2016.

IN THE MARINE CORPS

PN1032 MARINE CORPS nominations (3) beginning WILLIAM T. HENNESSY, and ending JAMES R. LENARD, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of December 14, 2015.

PN1080 MARINE CORPS nominations (699) beginning JEREMY D. ADAMS, and ending ANGELA S. ZUNIC, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 11, 2016.

PN1081 MARINE CORPS nominations (6) beginning GEORGE L. ROBERTS, and ending STEPHEN A. RITCHIE, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 11, 2016.

IN THE NAVY

PN927 NAVY nominations (2) beginning James E. O'Neil, III, and ending Keith M. Roxo, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 28, 2015.

PN1078 NAVY nominations (2) beginning DENISE M. VEYVODA, and ending ROBERT G. WEST, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 11, 2016.

PN1079 NAVY nomination of James A. Trotter, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 11, 2016.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate will now resume legislative session.

CONGRATULATING THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA CRIMSON TIDE FOR WINNING THE 2016 COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 350, submitted earlier today.

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 350) congratulating the University of Alabama Crimson Tide for winning the 2016 College Football Playoff National Championship.

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

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 350) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

NATIONAL SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 351, submitted earlier today.

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 351) designating the week of January 24 through January 30, 2016, as "National School Choice Week."

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

Mr. SCOTT. Mr. President, this week is an opportunity to highlight the importance of parental choice in education, and the success that children find when they are able to choose an educational pathway that suits their individual needs. Be it through public, charter, private, or home schools, as well as other forms of educational services that may be tailored to the educational needs of our kids, we should continue our work to provide students with a viable and proven route to a better education.

In particular, I want to recognize my home State of South Carolina for our continuous work in expanding school choice initiatives. Since 2013, when South Carolina's general assembly enacted the Educational Credit for Exceptional Needs Children, which helps children with disabilities gain an education personalized to their own unique needs, South Carolina has been on the forefront of the school choice movement. That is clearly on display this week, as South Carolina's National School Choice Rally will feature its largest rates of participation yet, with over 3,000 parents, advocates, and students lending their voice and support to school choice.

On the Federal level, I have submitted legislation to free up access to educational resources for America's least fortunate students. I have sponsored legislation that would make IDEA funds portable and create a school choice pilot program for military families, as well as bipartisan legislation with Senators FEINSTEIN, JOHNSON, and BOOKER to reauthorize and improve the DC Opportunity Scholarship Program, the Nation's only federally supported school choice program.

I believe we must continue this work to promote parental choice. Reforms to our educational system should empower parents and students, not bureaucrats, to choose the educational option that best meets their unique needs. Because when parents have better choices, their kids have a better chance.

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 351) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")