a loved one at home and the least we can do is make the process less financially burdensome. Research indicates that the services provided by family caregivers annually are valued at $196 billion. The care these families provide at home is not only more compassionate, it saves the government billions of dollars. Annually, we spend $33 billion in nursing home care and $32 billion in formal home health care, we should thank caregivers by providing them with some economic relief.

There is still a great deal of work that can be done to take care of current seniors and prepare for the future. We need to have the difficult discussions and search for the solutions.

I want to thank Senator Grassley and Senator Breaux for their support and involvement on this resolution and for their leadership on the Special Committee on Aging.

I commend all the organizations and individuals who have worked so hard throughout the year to help spread the message associated with the International Year of the Older Persons. As America works the remainder of this year and in the years to come to achieve the goals set forth by the International Year of the Older Persons, we need to seriously consider what we in Congress can do to create a society for all ages.

Ms. Collins. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Armed Services Committee be discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 196 and that the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 234) commending the submarine force of the United States Navy on the 100th anniversary of the force.

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

Ms. Collins. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to the resolution be printed in the Record.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 196) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

HONORING HEROIC EFFORTS OF AIR NATIONAL GUARD’S 109TH AIRLIFT WING

Ms. Collins. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H. Con. Res. 205, which is at the desk.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 205) recognizing and honoring the heroic efforts of the Air National Guard’s 109th Airlift Wing and its rescue of Dr. Jerri Nielsen from the South Pole.

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

Ms. Collins. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the concurrent resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to the concurrent resolution be printed in the Record.

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

The concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 205) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

COMMENDING UNITED STATES NAVY ON 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF SUBMARINE FORCE

Ms. Collins. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Armed Services Committee be discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 196 and that the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 235) to authorize the Committee on Rules and Administration to prepare a revised edition of the Senate Election Law Guidebook.

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

Ms. Collins. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to the resolution be printed in the Record.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 196) was agreed to.

Whereas the submarine force of the United States was founded with the purchase of the U.S.S. HOLLAND on April 11, 1900;

Whereas in 1999, the submarine force provided the United States Navy with the ability to operate around the world, independent of outside support, from the open ocean to the littorals, carrying out multimission taskings on tactical, operational, and strategic levels:

Resolved, (a) That the Senate—

(1) commends the past and present personnel of the submarine force of the United States Navy for their technical excellence, accomplishments, professionalism, and sacrifices;

(2) congratulates those personnel for the 100 years of exemplary service that they have provided the United States.

(b) It is the sense of the Senate that, in the next millennium, the submarine force of the United States Navy should continue to comprise an integral part of the Navy, and to carry out missions that are key to maintaining our great Nation’s freedom and security as the most superior submarine force in the world.

ORDER FOR REVISION OF STANDING RULES OF THE SENATE AND PRINTING OF A SENATE DOCUMENT

Ms. Collins. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Rules and Administration be directed to prepare a revised edition of the Standing Rules of the Senate and that such Standing Rules be printed as a Senate document. I further ask unanimous consent that the usual number, 2,500 additional copies of this document be printed for the use of the Committee on Rules and Administration.

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

AUTHORIZING THE PRINTING OF A REVISED EDITION OF THE SENATE ELECTION LAW GUIDEBOOK

Ms. Collins. Mr. President, I now ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 235, submitted earlier by Senator McConnell.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 235) to authorize the printing of a revised edition of the Senate Election Law Guidebook.

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

Ms. Collins. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution