Resolved. That the United States Senate commend Stephen G. Bale for his exemplary service to the Senate and the Nation; wishes to express its deep appreciation for his long, faithful and outstanding service; and extends its very best wishes upon his retirement.

Sec. 2. That the Secretary of the Senate shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Stephen G. Bale.

SENATE RESOLUTION 241—TO DIRECT THE SENATE COMMISSION ON ART TO RECOMMEND TO THE SENATE TWO OUTSTANDING INDIVIDUALS WHOSE PAINTINGS SHALL BE PLACED IN TWO OF THE REMAINING UNFILLED SPACES IN THE SENATE RECEPITION ROOM

Mr. LOTT submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

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Whereas the reception room in the Capitol outside the Senate Chamber was originally designed to contain medallion likenesses of outstanding Americans;

Whereas there are at present 6 unfilled spaces in the Senate reception room for such medallions; and

Whereas it is in the public interest to accomplish the original objective of the design of the Senate reception room by selecting individuals who were outstanding Senators with a deep appreciation for the Senate, who will serve as role models for future Americans: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved. That (a) the Senate Commission on Art established under section 901 of the Arizona-Idaho Conservation Act of 1988 (40 U.S.C. 188b) (referred to as the “Commission”) shall select 2 outstanding individuals whose paintings shall be placed in 2 of the remaining unfilled spaces in the Senate reception room, upon approval by the Senate.

(b) (1) The Commission shall select individuals from among Senators, without consideration to party affiliation, who have not served as a Senator in the last 21 years. The Commission shall not select a living individual.

(2) The Commission shall consider first those Senators who are not already commemorated in the Capitol or Senate Office Buildings, although such commemoration shall serve as an absolute bar to consideration or selection only for those who have served as President of the Senate, as the latter are visibly and appropriately commemo-rated through the Vice Presidential bust collection.

(3) The Commission also shall give primary consideration to the service of the Senator while in the Senate, as opposed to other service to the United States.

(c) The Commission is authorized to seek advice and recommendations from historians and other sources in carrying out this resolution.

Sec. 2. The Commission shall make its selections and its recommendations pursuant to the first section no later than the close of the second session of the 106th Congress.

Sec. 3. For purposes of making the recommendations required by this resolution, a member of the Commission may designate another Senator to act in place of that member.