We must never forget men like Wang Wenjiang and Wang Zechen, members of the Chinese Democracy Party, who were detained for circulating a petition calling for a reassessment of the Tiananmen verdict. We must never forget pro democracy activist Yang Tao arrested for planning a commemoration ceremony of the tenth anniversary of the Tiananmen Square massacre. We must not forget Jiang Qisheng, who was taken from his home in Beijing on May 18 for urging the Chinese to light candles in commemoration of those killed in the massacre ten years ago. For asking for a peaceful memorial, the lighting of candles, he has been arrested.

According to the Wall Street Journal today, over 50 dissidents have been detained in recent days leading up to the tenth anniversary of the Tiananmen Square massacre, and at least 14 are currently being held. The Chinese government knows what it has done. It is afraid of its own people. Otherwise, these series of arrests would not have occurred. This resolution asks the Chinese government to face reality, listen to its people, and to release prisoners of conscience.

Mr. President, I am just afraid that in the midst of all of our talk of the espionage of the Chinese government—which we should pay attention to—with all of the talk of the unfortunate, tragic bombing of the Chinese embassy, with all of the talk about accession of China to the WTO and a permanent normal trading status for China, we will forget that there are tens of thousands today who are oppressed, and hundreds remain in prison, and there are multitudes who desire freedom and want a better political system for their country, who want democracy, and I am afraid they will be forgotten in all of the intrigue concerning our relationship with China.

So I call upon us to remember. And I will—if no one else does—offer this resolution year after year. It is a special anniversary. It is the tenth anniversary of the tragedy that occurred.

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the amendment be agreed to, the resolution, as amended, be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motions to recommit be laid upon the table, and finally, that any additional statements appear at this point in the RECORD.

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

The amendment was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, is as follows:

Whereas the United States was founded on the democratic principle that all men and women are created equal and entitled to the exercise of fundamental human rights;

Whereas freedom of expression and assembly are fundamental human rights that belong to all people and are recognized as such under the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights;

Whereas the death of the former General Secretary of the Chinese Communist Party of the People’s Republic of China, Hu Yaobang, on April 15, 1989, gave rise to peaceful protests throughout China calling for the establishment of a dialogue with government and party leaders on democratic reforms, including freedom of expression, freedom of assembly, and the elimination of corruption by government officials;

Whereas after that date thousands of pro-democracy demonstrators continued to protest peacefully in and around Tiananmen Square in Beijing until June 3 and 4, 1989, when Chinese authorities ordered the People’s Liberation Army and other security forces to use lethal force to disperse demonstrators in Beijing, especially around Tiananmen Square;

Whereas nonofficial sources, a Chinese Red Cross report from June 7, 1989, and the State Department’s Report on Human Rights Practices for 1989, gave various estimates of the numbers of people killed and wounded in 1989 by the People’s Liberation Army and other security forces but all agreed that hundreds, if not thousands, were killed and thousands more were wounded;

Whereas 20,000 people nationwide suspected of taking part in the democracy movement were arrested and sentenced without trial to prison or reeducation through labor, and many were reported tortured;

Whereas human rights groups such as Human Rights Watch, Human Rights in China, and Amnesty International have documented that hundreds of those arrested remain in prison;

Whereas the Government of the People’s Republic of China continues to suppress dissent by imprisoning pro-democracy activists, journalists, labor union leaders, religious believers, and other individuals in China and Tibet who seek to express their political or religious views in a peaceful manner; and

Whereas June 4, 1999, is the tenth anniversary of the Tiananmen Square massacre: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(A) recognize all prisoners of conscience, including those still in prison as a result of their participation in the peaceful democracy protests of 1989 in the People’s Republic of China, as well as to the families of those who have been killed and to those who have suffered for their efforts to keep that struggle alive during the past decade;

(B) commends all citizens of the People’s Republic of China who are peacefully advocating for democracy and human rights; and

(C) condemns the ongoing and egregious human rights abuses by the Government of the People’s Republic of China and calls on that Government to—

(A) release all prisoners of conscience, including those still in prison as a result of their participation in the peaceful democracy protests of May and June 1989, provide just compensation to the families of those killed in those protests, and allow those executed on account of their activities in 1989 to return and live in freedom in the People’s Republic of China;

(B) put an immediate end to harassment, detention, and imprisonment of Chinese citizens exercising their legitimate rights to the freedom of expression, freedom of association, and freedom of assembly; and

(C) demonstrate its willingness to respect the rights of all Chinese citizens by proceeding quickly to ratify and implement the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights which it signed on October 5, 1998.

AMENDING THE OMNIBUS CONSOLIDATED AND EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 1999

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Foreign Relations Committee be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1379, and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

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

The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 1379) to amend the Omnibus Consolidated and Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1999, to make a technical correction relating to an emergency supplemental appropriation for international narcotics control and law enforcement assistance.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read the third time, and passed.

The bill (H.R. 1379) was read the third time, and passed.

DESIGNATING JUNE 5, 1999, AS “NATIONAL RACE FOR THE CURE DAY”

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 110, submitted earlier by Senator HUTCHINSON, for herself and others.

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

The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 110) designating June 5, 1999, as “National Race for the Cure Day”.

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to consider the resolution.

Mrs. HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, this resolution, submitted by Senator FEINSTEIN and I, commemorates the Tenth Anniversary of the National Race for the Cure. We are pleased to be joined by over 40 other Senators, including Majority Leader LOTT and Minority Leader DASCHLE.

Mr. President, on May 5, 1999, the National Race for the Cure will take place in Washington, D.C. This will be the Tenth Anniversary of this Race—that has drawn national attention and thousands of volunteers and runners. All are united by one goal—to eradicate breast cancer from our lives.
The Resolution we are introducing today will designate June 5th as National Race for the Cure Day.

This Race has a very special meaning for me. The Race for the Cure was started by the Susan G. Komen Foundation which is located in my hometown, Dallas, Texas.

The Susan G. Komen Foundation was founded in 1982 by Nancy Brinker. The Foundation honors her sister, Susan Komen, who tragically died of breast cancer at the young age of 36. Nancy promised herself that she would fulfill Suzy’s plea to help others confronted with this disease.

The mission of the Foundation is to eradicate breast cancer as a life-threatening disease by advancing research, education, screening, and treatment.

Nancy Brinker’s pledge to her sister has grown to be a major factor in fighting breast cancer. The Foundation has 35,000 volunteers and 106 offices across the United States.

The Komen Foundation’s Grant Program is regarded as one of the most innovative in funding breast cancer research today. The Komen Foundation has financed 325 grants at 72 institutions in 25 states.

The Foundation’s most public event, however, has become the Race for the Cure. The Race for the Cure has become the largest series of five kilometer runs in the world.

The Race series started as one event in Texas with 800 participants. But, this year, there will be 98 races across the United States with over 700,000 people participating.

The Komen Foundation and the Race for the Cure have raised over $136 million for breast cancer research.

On June 5th, the National Race for the Cure will celebrate its tenth anniversary. It is the largest of the races across the U.S. In fact, there are more than 50,000 entrants already signed up for this race.

This resolution commemorates the Tenth Anniversary and it designates June 5th as National Race for the Cure Day.

Mr. President, I think it is fitting that the Senate recognize this unique day.

Breast cancer is the leading cause of death of women between the ages of 35 and 54. A woman in the United States will be diagnosed with breast cancer every three minutes, and every 12 minutes a woman will die of breast cancer.

The Race for the Cure is one day, when Americans of all walks of life, can come together united in a great cause to wipe out this terrible disease.

Mr. President, I would urge the Senate to adopt this resolution. Is also want to thank the numerous other Senators who are part of this effort. Thank you, Mr. President.

Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Mr. President, today I am pleased to cosponsor with Senators KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON, PETE DOMENICI and CONNIE MACK a resolution commending the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation and the Komen National Race for the Cure for their commitment to eradicating breast cancer. June 5 will be the Komen National Race for the Cure and this resolution urges the President to issue a proclamation calling upon the American people to observe the day with appropriate activities.

Washington, D.C., will host the Race and there will be 98 races across the country will over 700,000 people participating.

There are 2.6 million women in this country living with breast cancer and more than 178,000 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer. Over 43,000 will die.

Diagnostic tools for breast cancer are very limited. Treatments for breast cancer are at best imperfect. We don’t know how to prevent it. We don’t know how to cure it. We need to redouble our effort to stop breast cancer now.

Congress is taking some steps. During the FY 2000 appropriations process, I hope we can increase researching funding for all cancers. We must pass legislation, such as S. 784 which I have sponsored, to require Medicare coverage of routine costs of clinical research trials and S. 6, to require private insurance coverage of the routine costs of clinical research trials. We should enact legislation assuring access to specialists and coverage of second opinions. We should pass Medicaid coverage for women who are screened by CDC’s breast and cervical cancer program but have no way to pay for treatment when they learn they have cancer.

I call on my colleagues to join us in supporting the 10th anniversary Race by sending this resolution and sending it to the President. As new understandings of cancer emerge almost weekly, we must do all we can to support increased research and access to services to end this scourge.

Mr. HUTCHINSON. 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.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 110) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution designates the first Sunday in June as “National Child’s Day”.

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 111, introduced earlier today by Senator GRAHAM and others.

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

The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 111) designating June 6, 1999, as “National Child’s Day.”

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

Mr. GRAHAM. Mr. President, this resolution designates the first Sunday of June as National Child’s Day.

Our children are our future. Over 5 million children, however, go hungry at some point each month. There has been a 60 percent increase in the number of children needing foster care in the last ten years. Many children today face crises of grave proportions, especially as they enter their adolescent years.

The designation of National Child’s Day helps us to focus on our children’s needs and recognize their accomplishments. It encourages families to spend more quality time together and highlights the special importance of the child in the family unit.

In these crucial times, it is important that we show our support for the youth of America. It is our hope that this simple resolution will foster family togetherness and ensure that our children receive the attention they need and deserve.

I urge my colleagues to join me in designating the first Sunday in June as National Child’s Day.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the resolution be printed in the Record.

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be designated S. Res. 110, introduced earlier today by Senator GRAHAM and others.

Whereas there will be 98 Komen National Race for the Cure events throughout the United States during 1999; and

Whereas the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation and the Komen National Race for the Cure Series has raised an estimated $136,000,000 to further the mission of eradicating breast cancer as a life-threatening disease by advancing research, education, screening, and treatment; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, SECTION 1. COMMEMORATION AND DESIGNATION.

The Senate,—
(1) commemorates the 10th Anniversary of the National Race for the Cure;
(2) designates June 5, 1999, as “National Race for the Cure Day”; and
(3) requests that the President issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe the day with appropriate programs and activities.

DESIGNATING JUNE 6, 1999, AS “NATIONAL CHILD’S DAY”

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 111, introduced earlier today by Senator GRAHAM and others.

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

The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

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I urge my colleagues to join me in designating the first Sunday in June as National Child’s Day.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the resolution be printed in the Record.

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be