

regulatory cooperation between the Office of Management and Budget of the United States and the European Commission;

Whereas, at the 2006 United States–European Union Summit, President George W. Bush, European Union Council President Wolfgang Schuessel, and European Commission President Jose Manuel Barroso declared in a joint statement, “We will redouble our efforts to promote economic growth and innovation and reduce the barriers to transatlantic trade and investment by implementing all aspects of the Transatlantic Economic Initiative . . .”;

Whereas, on November 9, 2006, the United States and the European Union held the second economic ministerial meeting to further the implementation of the agreements of the 2005 and 2006 United States–European Union Summits, focusing on regulatory cooperation, intellectual property rights, energy security, and innovation; and

Whereas non-tariff trade barriers such as regulatory divergence continue to pose the most significant obstacles to transatlantic trade, including in areas such as pharmaceuticals, automobile safety, information and communications technology standards, cosmetics, consumer product safety, consumer protection enforcement cooperation, unfair commercial practices, nutritional labeling, food safety, maritime equipment, eco-design, chemicals, energy efficiency, telecommunications and radiocommunications equipment, and medical devices: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) supports efforts by the United States and the European Union to fulfill commitments made in recent United States–European Union Summits to implement all aspects of the United States–European Union Initiative to Enhance Transatlantic Economic Integration and Growth;

(2) calls upon the leadership of the United States and the European Union to identify and eliminate unnecessary regulatory compliance costs and non-tariff barriers to trade and investment at an accelerated pace; and

(3) urges the leadership of the United States and the European Union at the 2007 United States–European Union Summit to agree to—

(A) a target date of 2015 for completing the transatlantic market; and

(B) a jointly funded, cooperatively led study of existing obstacles to creating a transatlantic market, including sector-by-sector estimates of the costs of existing barriers to trade and investment, the costs and benefits of removing the barriers identified, and a timetable for removing those barriers.

SENATE RESOLUTION 633—CONDEMNING THE CONFERENCE DENYING THAT THE HOLOCAUST OCCURRED TO BE HELD BY THE GOVERNMENT OF IRAN AND ITS PRESIDENT, MAHMOUD AHMADINEJAD

Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. BIDEN, Mrs. CLINTON, and Mr. NELSON of Florida) submitted the following resolution; which was:

S. RES. 633

Whereas, on December 11 and 12, 2006, the Foreign Ministry of Iran will convene a conference in Tehran to provide Holocaust deniers a public platform from which to espouse their hatred;

Whereas 11,000,000 people, including 6,000,000 Jews, were viciously murdered in Nazi death camps during World War II;

Whereas President Dwight Eisenhower stated unequivocally, after visiting Nazi death camps in 1945, “The things I saw beggar description . . . The visual evidence and the verbal testimony of starvation, cruelty, and bestiality were . . . overpowering . . . I made the visit deliberately in order to be in a position to give first-hand evidence of these things if ever, in the future, there develops a tendency to charge these allegations merely to ‘propaganda’.”;

Whereas the Holocaust is an undeniable fact of history and the upcoming conference in Tehran will serve only to perpetuate intolerance and hatred;

Whereas Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, the President of Iran, has repeatedly said that Israel must be “wiped off the map” and that “[a]nybody who recognizes Israel will burn in the fire of the Islamic nation’s fury”;

Whereas the Secretary of State has identified Iran as a state sponsor of terrorism that has repeatedly provided support for acts of international terror;

Whereas the Government of Iran sponsors terrorist organizations such as Hezbollah, Hamas, Islamic Jihad, the al-Aqsa Martyrs Brigades, and the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine—General Command by providing funding, training, weapons, and safe haven to such organizations;

Whereas the Government of Iran has continually defied international demands to curtail its uranium enrichment programs and development of nuclear weapons;

Whereas the Government of Iran has provided resources, material, and support to organizations whose goal is to destabilize Iraq and Lebanon; and

Whereas the outrageous statements of Mr. Ahmadinejad do not represent the beliefs of Muslims worldwide: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) condemns the conference denying that the Holocaust occurred that will take place in Tehran, Iran, under the aegis of the Foreign Ministry of Iran, on December 11 and 12, 2006; and

(2) calls on the President, on behalf of the United States, to thoroughly repudiate, in the strongest terms possible, the conference and its goal of denying that the Holocaust occurred.

SENATE RESOLUTION 634—HONORING THE LIFE AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF TOM CARR, CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE ANALYST, AND EXTENDING THE CONDOLENCES OF THE SENATE ON THE OCCASION OF HIS DEATH

Mr. STEVENS submitted the following resolution; which was:

S. RES. 634

Whereas Tom Carr served Congress with distinction for 31 years at the Library of Congress as an analyst for the Congressional Research Service;

Whereas Mr. Carr held a bachelor’s degree in history from Catholic University in Washington, D.C., and a master’s degree in information systems from Strayer University in Fredericksburg, Virginia;

Whereas Mr. Carr was born in Jacksonville, Illinois, and grew up in Atlanta, Georgia;

Whereas Mr. Carr was an expert on congressional committees, House and Senate

floor procedure, and congressionally created commissions;

Whereas Mr. Carr was an enthusiastic teacher of congressional procedure to staff, helping them to do their jobs better;

Whereas Mr. Carr was an accomplished and entertaining public speaker who founded the Library of Congress chapter of the Toastmasters and was president of the Capitol Hill Toastmasters;

Whereas Mr. Carr worked tirelessly and cheerfully in service to Congress and set a high example for his colleagues;

Whereas Mr. Carr was distinguished for the generous enthusiasm with which he met the needs of colleagues and clients alike, as well as for his persistent and expansive good humor and wit; and

Whereas Mr. Carr faithfully discharged his duties and responsibilities in a wide variety of demanding positions in public life with honesty, integrity, loyalty, and humility: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) honors the life and achievements of Congressional Research Service Analyst Tom Carr;

(2) expresses profound sorrow upon the occasion of Mr. Carr’s death and extends heartfelt condolences to those who survive him: his wife Mary (Mimi), his sons Thomas and John, his mother Carswella, and his 9 brothers and sisters; and

(3) expresses its appreciation and respect for Mr. Carr’s exemplary record as an analyst for Congress.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 5231. Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. SMITH, Mrs. MURRAY, Mrs. BOXER, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 6111, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that the Tax Court may review claims for equitable innocent spouse relief and to suspend the running on the period of limitations while such claims are pending; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5232. Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. SMITH, Mrs. MURRAY, Mrs. BOXER, and Mrs. FEINSTEIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 6111, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 5233. Mr. DEWINE (for Mr. DURBIN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1120, to reduce hunger in the United States, and for other purposes.

SA 5234. Mr. DEWINE (for Mr. DURBIN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 1120, supra.

SA 5235. Mr. ENZI proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 1245, to provide for programs to increase the awareness and knowledge of women and health care providers with respect to gynecologic cancers.

SA 5236. Mr. FRIST proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 6111, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that the Tax Court may review claims for equitable innocent spouse relief and to suspend the running on the period of limitations while such claims are pending.

SA 5237. Mr. FRIST proposed an amendment to amendment SA 5236 proposed by Mr. FRIST to the bill H.R. 6111, supra.

SA 5238. Mr. FRIST (for Mr. ENZI) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 6164, to amend title IV of the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the authorities of the National Institutes of Health, and for other purposes.