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Expressing the sense of the Senate to commend and congratulate the National Federation of Independent Business on the occasion of its 50th anniversary.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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

RESOLUTION

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Whereas small, independently-owned businesses have been the bedrock of the American economy and our free enterprise system since settlers arrived on the shores of this Nation;

Whereas over 14,000,000 small, independently-owned farms, ranches, and businesses are currently in operation in the United States of America;

Whereas small businesses account for nearly half of all civilian jobs in this country;

Whereas small businesses have been responsible for two-thirds of all new jobs created in the United States over the past decade;

Whereas small businesses have proven to be the most innovative, efficient, and stable sector of our economy;

Whereas small businesses actively participate in the democratic process at all levels of government;

Whereas the National Federation of Independent Business, founded in 1943 as a nonpartisan advocate for small businesses, is the Nation's largest small business advocacy organization, representing the concerns of more than 600,000 small and independent business owners;

Whereas the National Federation of Independent Business is a faithful representative of the small business community, through its reliance on the opinions of its membership to determine its policies;

Whereas the National Federation of Independent Business has dedicated itself to defending the American free enterprise system based on private ownership, fair competition, and the opportunity to pursue the American dream; and

Whereas the National Federation of Independent Business plays a valuable educational and advocacy role in assuring that lawmakers and regulators understand how their decisions will affect the day-to-day operations and success of small business owners within their communities: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the Senate to com-
- 2 mend and congratulate the National Federation of Inde-
- 3 pendent Business on the occasion of its 50th anniversary,
- 4 to recognize the many contributions it has made to the
- 5 advancement of the free enterprise system, and to express
- 6 the hope that the small business community and the Na-

- 1 tional Federation of Independent Business will continue
- 2 to grow and prosper for the betterment of the Nation.

