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S. RES. 53

To designate March 24, 1999, as “National School Violence Victims’ Memorial Day”.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 25, 1999

Mr. HUTCHINSON (for himself, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. SPECTER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. ASHCROFT, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. HELMS, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. MURKOWSKI, Mr. ABRAHAM, Mr. COVERDELL, Mr. GRAMS, Mr. THURMOND, Mr. ENZI, Mr. WELLSTONE, Mr. HATCH, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. REID, Mr. ROBB, Mr. BIDEN, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. BURNS, Mr. CLELAND, Mr. REED, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. KOHL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. KERREY, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. LINCOLN, and Mr. LIEBERMAN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

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Whereas approximately 10 percent of all public schools reported at least 1 serious violent crime to a law enforcement agency over the course of the 1996–97 school year;

Whereas in 1996, approximately 225,000 students between the ages of 12 and 18 were victims of nonfatal violent crime in schools in the United States;

Whereas during 1992 through 1994, 76 students and 29 non-students were victims of murders or suicides that were committed in schools in the United States;

Whereas because of escalating school violence, the children of the United States are increasingly afraid that they will be attacked or harmed at school;

Whereas efforts must be made to decrease incidences of school violence through an annual remembrance and prevention education; and

Whereas the Senate encourages school administrators in the United States to develop school violence awareness activities and programs for implementation on March 24, 1999: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) designates March 24, 1999, as “National
3 School Violence Victims’ Memorial Day”; and

4 (2) requests the President to issue a proclama-
5 tion designating March 24, 1999, as “National
6 School Violence Victims’ Memorial Day” and calling
7 on the people of the United States to observe the
8 day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

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