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S. RES. 592

Designating the week of November 5 through 11, 2006, as “Long-Term Care Awareness Week”.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. SANTORUM submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

Designating the week of November 5 through 11, 2006,
as “Long-Term Care Awareness Week”.

Whereas individuals in need of long-term care should have the opportunity to age with respect and dignity, selecting and receiving services of their choice;

Whereas the United States should seek to ensure that the people of the United States who will require long-term care are able to preserve their independence and receive high-quality care, preventing considerable burdens from being placed on families, communities, businesses, or government programs;

Whereas long-term care spending from all public and private sources was about \$180,000,000,000 for persons of all ages in 2002 and those costs are expected to double by 2025;

Whereas nearly 1 out of every 4 households in the United States provides long-term care assistance to someone 50 years of age or older;

Whereas a significant number of people in the United States are already involved in providing long-term care services for elderly people as well as educating and offering financial planning options, and this number will increase as the average age of the population of the United States increases; and

Whereas the majority of the people of the United States are not planning for or prepared to meet their long-term care needs: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) designates the week of November 5 through
3 11, 2006, as “Long-Term Care Awareness Week”;
4 and

5 (2) urges the people of the United States to use
6 this week as an opportunity to learn more about the
7 potential risks and costs associated with long-term
8 care and the options available to help meet their
9 long-term care needs.

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