

Senate Resolution 999

By: Senator Miller of the 49th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Paul Kehoe, Ireland's Minister with Responsibility for
2 Defence; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Paul Kehoe has long been recognized by the citizens of Ireland for the vital role
4 that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of its
5 citizens; and

6 WHEREAS, a native of Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford, he was re-elected to Dáil Eireann in
7 2016, having represented the Wexford constituency since 2002; and

8 WHEREAS, on May 6, 2016, Paul was appointed Minister of State at the Departments of the
9 Taoiseach and Defence with special responsibility for Defence; and

10 WHEREAS, he has held numerous, specific positions in the Department of Defence,
11 including the management of legal, regulatory, and litigation policy on behalf of the minister;
12 the management of the department's human resources and industrial relations; and the
13 coordination of the delivery of security, emergency, and community services by the Defence
14 forces; and

15 WHEREAS, prior to his current appointment, Paul was the government chief whip from
16 March 2011 to May 2016; and

17 WHEREAS, he is united in love and marriage to his wife, Brigid, and has been blessed with
18 three children, Sinead, Eoin, and Emma; and

19 WHEREAS, a member of numerous organizations, he is involved with Fine Gael in a
20 number of capacities, including district chairman and county youth officer, and holds a
21 Macra's National Leadership Award; and

22 WHEREAS, he is a member of Wexford GAA Supporter's Club and the Irish Handicapped
23 Children's Pilgrimage Trust; and

24 WHEREAS, he is a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation for
25 integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness; and

26 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
27 remarkable and distinguished diplomat be appropriately recognized.

28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
29 recognize and commend Paul Kehoe for his leadership and commitment to the citizens of
30 Ireland and extend the most sincere best wishes for his continued health and happiness.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
32 to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to Paul Kehoe.