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S. RES. 155

Establishing May 2, 2015, as a Day of Recognition for Ebola Orphans to express support for the children and families affected by the 2014 Ebola outbreak in West Africa by promoting awareness of the children of West Africa who have been orphaned by the 2014 Ebola epidemic, celebrating those who have recognized and are working to fulfill the needs of those children, and encouraging the people of the United States to continue to support the people of West Africa.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 29, 2015

Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Ms. KLOBUCHAR) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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Whereas the 2014 Ebola outbreak in West Africa reached epidemic proportions;

Whereas the World Health Organization reports that there have been over 14,800 laboratory-confirmed cases of Ebola in Guinea, Liberia, and Sierra Leone as of April 19, 2015;

Whereas the World Health Organization reports that there have been over 10,800 deaths from Ebola in Guinea, Liberia, and Sierra Leone as of April 19, 2015;

Whereas the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) estimates that as of February 2015, nearly 11,000 children in West Africa have lost 1 or both parents due to the 2014 Ebola outbreak;

Whereas some families reject Ebola orphans out of fear of the disease;

Whereas the United States authorized \$750,000,000 to support up to 3,000 United States troops in Monrovia, Liberia, to respond to the Ebola crisis; and

Whereas United States citizens have given time and resources to assist the people of West Africa, including Ebola orphans: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) recognizes May 2, 2015, as a Day of Rec-
3 ognition for Ebola Orphans, to promote awareness
4 of the children of West Africa orphaned by the 2014
5 Ebola outbreak;

6 (2) supports the goals and work of those who
7 are addressing the developing Ebola orphan crisis in
8 West Africa; and

1 (3) encourages the people of the United States
2 to consider the needs of the children of West Africa
3 who were orphaned by the 2014 Ebola epidemic.

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