

112TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. RES. 170

Honoring Admiral Thad Allen of the United States Coast Guard (Ret.) for his lifetime of selfless commitment and exemplary service to the United States.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 5, 2011

Mr. COCHRAN submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

RESOLUTION

Honoring Admiral Thad Allen of the United States Coast Guard (Ret.) for his lifetime of selfless commitment and exemplary service to the United States.

Whereas Admiral Thad Allen, the 23rd Commandant of the United States Coast Guard, retired from the Coast Guard on June 30, 2010, after 39 distinguished years of service;

Whereas Admiral Allen graduated from the United States Coast Guard Academy in 1971 and served in a number of capacities, including serving as the Principal Federal Official for response and recovery operation for Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, Coast Guard Chief of Staff, and most recently as National Incident Commander for the Deepwater Horizon Disaster in the Gulf of Mexico;

Whereas Admiral Allen commanded with distinction the foremost Coast Guard in the world from 2006 to 2010 and has embodied the Coast Guard's enduring values of honor, respect, and devotion to duty;

Whereas Admiral Allen, during his tenure as Commandant, focused the Coast Guard on modernization and improved readiness in responding to natural disasters;

Whereas Admiral Allen, during his tenure as Commandant, worked to ensure the safety of professional mariners and millions of recreational and commercial vessels, facilitate commerce, protect the ports and maritime infrastructure of the United States from terrorism, conduct humanitarian operations, protect our marine environment, secure United States borders, combat drug trafficking, support anti-piracy efforts, and support Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom;

Whereas Admiral Allen demonstrated the vision and transformational leadership that will provide the United States with a Coast Guard that is not only capable of meeting and exceeding the ever-changing maritime challenges of the United States, but also able to better anticipate future challenges and missions;

Whereas Admiral Allen provided steady leadership in times of crisis;

Whereas as Dwight Eisenhower, the 34th President of the United States once said, "The qualities of a great man are vision, integrity, courage, understanding, the power of articulation, and profundity of character"; and

Whereas as we bid fair winds and following seas to Admiral Allen, it is appropriate that he be remembered as exem-

plifying such trademark characteristics exhibited by great leaders: Now therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (a) recognizes and honors Admiral Thad Allen of the
3 United States Coast Guard (retired), on behalf of a grate-
4 ful Nation, for his lifetime of selfless commitment and ex-
5 emplary service; and

6 (b) directs the Secretary of the Senate to transmit
7 an enrolled copy of this resolution to Admiral Thad Allen.

○