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Commemorating the 225th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States and recognizing the contributions of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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

RESOLUTION

- Commemorating the 225th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States and recognizing the contributions of the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.
- Whereas the American Revolution secured the independence of the United States of America and made possible the vibrant system of self-government of the United States;
- Whereas the supporters of the American Revolution, through their vision and determination, enhanced the lives of countless individuals and made possible the system of equal justice, limited government, and the rule of law that exists in the United States;

- Whereas the people who fought in the American Revolution made great sacrifices for their fledgling country;
- Whereas the 55 delegates who attended the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 225 years ago, and the 39 delegates who signed the Constitution of the United States at the Constitutional Convention, irrevocably changed the course of history;
- Whereas the Constitution of the United States, a revered and living document—

(1) provides important rights to every citizen of the United States;

(2) secures "the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity"; and

(3) sets the standard of democracy for the world;

- Whereas the delegates to the Constitutional Convention in 1787 established the imperative precedent of compromise;
- Whereas the Constitution and the subsequent 27 amendments to the Constitution outline the freedoms and the principles of representative government that are as strong today as they were on that momentous occasion in 1787;
- Whereas September 17, 2012, marks the 225th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States, which is the supreme law of the land and the document by which the people of the United States govern their great country;
- Whereas, to venerate the immeasurable importance of the Constitution and the day on which the Constitution was signed, it is essential to continually educate people about, and celebrate, the principles and legacy of the Founding Fathers; and

- Whereas members of organizations such as the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution and the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution play an important role in promoting patriotism, preserving the history of the United States, and educating the public about the rights and responsibilities of citizenship: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—
 - 2 (1) commemorates the 225th anniversary of the
 3 signing of the Constitution of the United States on
 4 September 17, 2012, and remembers the sacrifices
 5 made by the people who made the signing possible;
 6 and
- 7 (2) applauds the continuing contributions made 8 by the members, volunteers, and staff of historical, 9 educational, and patriotic societies of the United 10 States, such as the National Society of the Sons of 11 the American Revolution and the National Society 12 Daughters of the American Revolution, in promoting 13 patriotism and the values embodied in the Constitu-14 tion of the United States.

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