

113<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# S. RES. 553

Recognizing the 250th anniversary of the Hartford Courant newspaper.

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 17 (legislative day, SEPTEMBER 16), 2014

Mr. MURPHY (for himself and Mr. BLUMENTHAL) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

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# RESOLUTION

Recognizing the 250th anniversary of the Hartford Courant newspaper.

Whereas the first edition of the Hartford Courant was printed on October 29, 1764;

Whereas the Hartford Courant is the oldest continuously published newspaper in the United States;

Whereas the Hartford Courant gave voice to a newfound yearning for freedom as the most circulated newspaper in the colonies during the throes of the Revolutionary War;

Whereas the Hartford Courant demonstrated leadership in actively supporting the presidential efforts of President Abraham Lincoln and his attempts to end slavery during the Civil War; and

Whereas the Hartford Courant is a 5-time finalist and 2-time winner of the Pulitzer Prize for journalistic excellence:  
Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2               (1) recognizes the significant and positive im-  
3       pact of the Hartford Courant throughout the history  
4       of the United States; and

5               (2) acknowledges the importance of a vibrant  
6       free press to democracy.

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