

SRES 231

A resolution recognizing the historical significance of Juneteenth Independence Day and expressing the sense of the Senate that history should be regarded as a means for understanding the past and solving the challenges of the future.

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** IL • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (23 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Brownback, Sam [R-KS]	R · KS		Jun 12, 2007
Sen. Levin, Carl [D-MI]	D · MI		Jun 12, 2007
Sen. Obama, Barack [D-IL]	D · IL		Jun 12, 2007
Sen. Reid, Harry [D-NV]	D · NV		Jun 12, 2007
Sen. Stabenow, Debbie [D-MI]	D · MI		Jun 12, 2007
Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]	D · MA		Jun 14, 2007
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		Jun 14, 2007
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Jun 18, 2007
Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L. [D-MD]	D · MD		Jun 18, 2007
Sen. Clinton, Hillary Rodham [D-NY]	D · NY		Jun 18, 2007
Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT]	D · CT		Jun 18, 2007
Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]	D · MA		Jun 18, 2007
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Jun 18, 2007
Sen. Lieberman, Joseph I. [ID-CT]	ID · CT		Jun 18, 2007
Sen. McCaskill, Claire [D-MO]	D · MO		Jun 18, 2007
Sen. Menendez, Robert [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Jun 18, 2007
Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Jun 18, 2007
Sen. Akaka, Daniel K. [D-HI]	D · HI		Jun 19, 2007
Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI]	D · WI		Jun 19, 2007
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Jun 19, 2007
Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	D · MD		Jun 19, 2007
Sen. Pryor, Mark L. [D-AR]	D · AR		Jun 19, 2007
Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS]	R · MS		Jun 27, 2007

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Judiciary Committee	Senate	Discharged From	Jun 19, 2007

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Commemorations

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
110 HRES 1237	Related bill	Jun 18, 2008: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
110 SRES 584	Identical bill	Jun 17, 2008: Resolution agreed to in Senate without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent. (text: CR S5703-5704)
110 HCONRES 155	Related bill	Jan 22, 2008: Indefinitely postponed by Senate by Unanimous Consent. (consideration: CR S156)

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Recognizes the historical significance to the nation, and supports the continued celebration, of Juneteenth Independence Day (June 19, 1865, the day Union soldiers arrived in Galveston, Texas, with news that the Civil War had ended and that the enslaved African Americans were free).

Declares the sense of Congress that: (1) history should be regarded as a means for understanding the past and solving the challenges of the future; and (2) the celebration of the end of slavery is an important and enriching part of the history and heritage of the United States.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 19, 2007:** Senate Committee on the Judiciary discharged by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S7845-7846)
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- **Jun 19, 2007:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Resolution agreed to in Senate without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent.(text: CR S7846)
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- **Jun 12, 2007:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jun 12, 2007:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S7558)
- **Jun 12, 2007:** Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. (text of measure as introduced: CR S7558)