

117TH CONGRESS  
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Honoring the life and accomplishments of Queen Elizabeth II and expressing condolences to her family and the United Kingdom on her passing.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Ms. COLLINS) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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## RESOLUTION

Honoring the life and accomplishments of Queen Elizabeth II and expressing condolences to her family and the United Kingdom on her passing.

Whereas Elizabeth Alexandra Mary Windsor was born on April 21, 1926, to the Duke and Duchess of York;

Whereas, during the Second World War in 1945, then-Princess Elizabeth joined the Auxiliary Territorial Service and became the first female member of the Royal Family to join the Armed Services as a full-time active member;

Whereas, following the death of King George VI, Queen Elizabeth II ascended to the throne on February 6, 1952, as sovereign of the United Kingdom;

Whereas Queen Elizabeth II conducted her first state visit to the United States in October 1957, where she met with President Dwight D. Eisenhower;

Whereas, during her reign, Queen Elizabeth II has—

(1) visited the United States on 4 state visits, participated in 5 state dinners, and conducted 2 unofficial visits; and

(2) met with 13 United States Presidents, more than any other head of state;

Whereas, during her reign, Queen Elizabeth II bore witness to significant scientific and diplomatic advances, such as the first moon landing and the fall of the Berlin Wall;

Whereas, on May 16, 1991, Queen Elizabeth II became the first British monarch to address Congress, where she celebrated the longstanding partnership between the United States and the United Kingdom;

Whereas Queen Elizabeth II has invited 15 British prime ministers to form a government in her name, bearing witness to historic and enduring political, diplomatic, and economic relations with the United States and mutual allies;

Whereas, during her reign, Queen Elizabeth II witnessed the self-determination of former British colonies around the world;

Whereas His Royal Highness, Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, served the British people and the Commonwealth of Nations alongside Queen Elizabeth II for their 73 years of marriage;

Whereas Queen Elizabeth II passed away on September 8, 2022, at Balmoral in Scotland; and

Whereas Queen Elizabeth II, on her passing, was the longest reigning monarch in the history of the British monarchy, serving 70 years, 7 months, and 3 days: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2               (1) remembers Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth  
3       II, and her more than 70 years of service in support  
4       of the British people and the Commonwealth of Na-  
5       tions;

6               (2) expresses gratitude to Queen Elizabeth II  
7       for her efforts to maintain strong bilateral relations  
8       between the United Kingdom and the United States;  
9       and

10              (3) extends condolences to the family of Queen  
11       Elizabeth II, to the people of the United Kingdom  
12       of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and to the  
13       peoples of the Commonwealth of Nations.