

116TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

S. RES. 554

Recognizing the contributions of health care professionals during the 2020 Coronavirus pandemic.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. Cramer submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

RESOLUTION

Recognizing the contributions of health care professionals during the 2020 Coronavirus pandemic.

- Whereas, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of Coronavirus disease 2019 (referred to in this preamble as "COVID-19") a pandemic;
- Whereas, on March 13, 2020, President Donald Trump declared a national emergency, mobilizing the entire United States in the fight against COVID-19;
- Whereas doctors and nurses across the United States have worked tirelessly to combat COVID-19, setting up testing facilities and providing constant top-notch care to individuals who have been infected;
- Whereas mental health professionals have continued to provide excellent therapy and counseling services, even in the

face of the unique challenges presented by social distancing across the United States;

Whereas researchers and lab technicians have been working around the clock to create tests, find a treatment, and, ultimately, find a cure for COVID-19;

Whereas public health officials have worked to educate their communities and implement policies that will curb the communal spread of COVID-19; and

Whereas every individual in the health care community, which includes doctors, nurses, custodial staff, administrative staff, registered nurses, patient care assistants, public health officials, mental health professionals, researchers, lab technicians, and many others, has acted with excellence and professionalism to ensure that the citizens of the United States receive the care they need to get the United States through the COVID-19 crisis: Now, therefore, be it

1 Resolved, That the Senate—

- 2 (1) observes that the spirit of the United States
- 3 remains resilient in the face of the crisis caused by
- 4 Coronavirus disease 2019 (referred to in this resolu-
- 5 tion as "COVID-19");
- 6 (2) expresses gratitude to the people of the
- 7 United States for doing their part to stop the spread
- 8 of COVID-19; and
- 9 (3) salutes health care professionals across the
- 10 United States.