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Designating the week of January 22 through January 28, 2017, as "National School Choice Week".

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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

RESOLUTION

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- Whereas providing a diversity of choices in K-12 education empowers parents to select education environments that meet the individual needs and strengths of their children;
- Whereas high-quality K-12 education environments of all varieties are available in the United States, including traditional public schools, public charter schools, public magnet schools, private schools, online academies, and home schooling;
- Whereas talented teachers and school leaders in each of the education environments prepare children to achieve their dreams;

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- Whereas more families than ever before in the United States actively choose the best education for their children;
- Whereas more public awareness of the issue of parental choice in education can inform additional families of the benefits of proactively choosing challenging, motivating, and effective education environments for their children;
- Whereas the process by which parents choose schools for their children is nonpolitical, nonpartisan, and deserves the utmost respect; and
- Whereas hundreds of organizations, more than 9,000 schools, and millions of individuals in the United States celebrate the benefits of educational choice during the 7th annual National School Choice Week, held the week of January 22 through January 28, 2017: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—
- 2 (1) designates the week of January 22 through
 3 January 28, 2017, as "National School Choice
 4 Week";
- 5 (2) congratulates students, parents, teachers,
 6 and school leaders from K-12 education environ7 ments of all varieties for their persistence, achieve8 ments, dedication, and contributions to society in the
 9 United States;
- 10 (3) encourages all parents, during National
 11 School Choice Week, to learn more about the edu12 cation options available to them; and
- (4) encourages the people of the United Statesto hold appropriate programs, events, and activities

during National School Choice Week to raise public
 awareness of the benefits of opportunity in edu cation.