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Designating May 20, 2017, as "Kids to Parks Day".

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Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. BOOKER, and Ms. HIRONO) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

Designating May 20, 2017, as "Kids to Parks Day".

Whereas the 7th annual Kids to Parks Day will be celebrated on May 20, 2017;

Whereas the goal of Kids to Parks Day is to promote healthy outdoor recreation and environmental stewardship, empower young people, and encourage families to get outdoors and visit the parks and public land of the United States;

Whereas on Kids to Parks Day, individuals from rural and urban areas of the United States can be reintroduced to the splendid national, State, and neighborhood parks located in their communities;

Whereas communities across the United States offer a variety of natural resources and public land, often with free access, to individuals seeking outdoor recreation;

Whereas the people of the United States, young and old, should be encouraged to lead more healthy and active lifestyles;

Whereas Kids to Parks Day is an opportunity for families to take a break from their busy lives and come together for a day of active, wholesome fun; and

Whereas Kids to Parks Day will broaden an appreciation for nature and the outdoors in young people, foster a safe setting for independent play and healthy adventure in neighborhood parks, and facilitate self-reliance while strengthening communities: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved,* That the Senate—

2   (1) designates May 20, 2017, as "Kids to
3 Parks Day";

4   (2) recognizes the importance of outdoor recre-
5 ation and the preservation of open spaces to the
6 health and education of the young people of the
7 United States; and

8   (3) encourages the people of the United States
9 to observe the day with appropriate programs, cere-
10 monies, and activities.

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