AMENDMENT NO._____ Calendar No.____

Purpose: To amend the preamble.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES-117th Cong., 2d Sess.

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Recognizing the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the United Nations Children's Fund.

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AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE intended to be proposed by Mr. Coons

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Strike the preamble and insert the following:

- Whereas, for 75 years, the United Nations Children's Fund (commonly known as "UNICEF") has worked tirelessly to support the rights and well-being of every child, in partnership with the United States;
- Whereas UNICEF was established in December 1946 to provide relief for children and adolescents in war-ravaged countries and for child health purposes generally and to provide, without discrimination, assistance to vulnerable children around the world;
- Whereas, in 1965, the Nobel Prize was awarded to UNICEF for the "promotion of brotherhood among nations";
- Whereas UNICEF has been and remains a formidable and stalwart advocate for children around the world;

- Whereas UNICEF states that it "works in over 190 countries and territories to save children's lives, to defend their rights, and to help them fulfil their potential, from early childhood through adolescence";
- Whereas UNICEF partners with United States service organizations, including with Rotary International to eradicate polio, Kiwanis International to fight maternal and neonatal tetanus and iodine deficiency disorders, the American Red Cross to decrease the incidence of childhood measles, Lions Club International to promote and support education initiatives globally, Special Olympics International to protect and uphold the human rights of children with disabilities, and many other organizations;
- Whereas, since 1990, continuing efforts by UNICEF, in partnership with the United States and other countries, have helped slash global child mortality rates by more than half;
- Whereas UNICEF provides critical water, sanitation, and hygiene services and supplies for millions of people in 153 countries;
- Whereas UNICEF trains social service workers to deliver essential services and to provide community-based mental health and psychosocial interventions that reach children, adolescents, parents, and caregivers in 117 countries;
- Whereas UNICEF helps provide education to millions of children and works to ensure that every child has access to education and the opportunity to develop the skills needed for life and work;
- Whereas UNICEF has played a key role in the global response by the United Nations to the COVID-19 pandemic, including in the delivery of COVID-19 vaccines,

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while simultaneously seeking to ensure continued access to routine childhood immunizations among vulnerable populations;

- Whereas, beyond the COVID-19 pandemic, UNICEF responds to new and ongoing humanitarian situations in 152 countries;
- Whereas UNICEF provides personal protective equipment and facilitates training on infection prevention and control for millions of health workers; and
- Whereas UNICEF, through its work on the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic, seeks not only to facilitate recovery from the COVID-19 crisis, but also to strengthen systems to better respond to future crises affecting children globally: Now, therefore, be it