

AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_ Calendar No. \_\_\_\_\_

Purpose: To amend the preamble to address the failure by the Government of Nicaragua to address the COVID-19 pandemic.

**IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES—116th Cong., 2d Sess.**

**S. Res. 525**

Expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States should continue to support the people of Nicaragua in their peaceful efforts to promote the restoration of democracy and the defense of human rights, and use the tools under United States law to increase political and economic pressure on the government of Daniel Ortega.

Referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ and ordered to be printed

Ordered to lie on the table and to be printed

AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. CARDIN

Viz:

- 1 Insert after the ninth whereas clause of the preamble
- 2 the following:

Whereas the Government of Nicaragua has failed in its national response to prevent the spread and transmission of COVID-19, including through its refusal to implement COVID-19 precautions or allow widespread testing for local transmission;

Whereas, on May 8, 2020, according to Amnesty International, over a dozen people who remain in detention after being arrested for participating in the 2018 protests

have now demonstrated symptoms consistent with COVID-19;”