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# Senate Approves Singer/Testa Resolution Commemorating the 127th Anniversary of the Jewish War Veterans of the US

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"It is a privilege to take part in commemorating the 127th anniversary of the JWV," said Singer (R-30). "This organization has done outstanding work advocating for our nation's Jewish soldiers and has a long history of providing services to all veterans. This resolution is a perfect way to honor all of the work they have achieved as an organization, and will continue to achieve, for many years to come."

The concurrent resolution, [SCR-126](#), commemorates the 127th anniversary of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America. Originally founded as the Hebrew Union Veterans Association on March 15, 1896, the Jewish War Veterans of the United States is the oldest continually active veterans organization in the country. The JWV has spent the last 127 years

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advocating for Jewish soldiers, supporting the United States in its wartime efforts, fighting for racial and religious protections, and providing critical services to veterans.

“Since its inception, the Jewish War Veterans of the United States has been fighting anti-Semitism, supporting our country during wartime, and taking care of our servicemen and women during their time of need,” added Testa (R-1). “In approving this resolution today, we are recognizing the JWV for their incredible work over the last 127 years. The critical programs and support they provide for our veterans and service members is immeasurable.”

The early efforts of the JWV included advocating for the rights of Jewish military members, lobbying successfully in 1913 for service leave for Yom Kippur, and supporting legislation to ensure that the graves of service members who died in World War I in France were marked with a Star of David.