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the statues of John Marshall, Benjamin Franklin, and Thomas Jefferson that stand today in the United States Capitol;

Whereas Powers preserved through his sculpture of numerous other great Americans, including George Washington, John Quincy Adams, Daniel Webster, John C. Calhoun, Martin Van Buren, and Henry Clay;

Whereas Powers was born in 1805 in Woodstock, Vermont, and happily spent his early years in that town;

Whereas throughout his life, Powers held sacred the memories of his childhood in Woodstock and drew upon these memories as inspiration for his work, saying, “dreams often haunted me of Woodstock and set me down upon the green hills”; and

Whereas the citizens of Woodstock, Vermont, are preparing to celebrate the bicentennial of his birth with exhibits, symposiums, and other commemorative activities: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate recognizes and honors Woodstock, Vermont, native Hiram Powers for his extraordinary and enduring contributions to American sculpture.

S. Res. 222

Whereas according to the American Cancer Society the mortality of women will be decreased with breast cancer and 39,800 women will die from this disease;

Whereas it is estimated that about 2,000,000 women will die with breast cancer in the 1990s, and that in nearly 500,000 of those cases, the cancer resulted in death;

Whereas African-American women suffer a 30 percent greater mortality from breast cancer than White women and more than a 100 percent greater mortality from breast cancer than women from Hispanic, Asian, and American Indian populations;

Whereas the risk of breast cancer increases with age, with a woman at age 70 years having twice as much of a chance of developing the disease as a woman at age 50 years;

Whereas at least 80 percent of the women who get breast cancer have no family history of the disease;

Whereas mammograms, when operated professionally at a certified facility, can provide safe screening and early detection of breast cancer in many women;

Whereas mammography is an excellent method for early detection of localized breast cancer, which has a 5-year survival rate of more than 97 percent;

Whereas the National Cancer Institute and the American Cancer Society continue to recommend periodic mammograms; and

Whereas the National Breast Cancer Coalition recommends that each woman and her health care provider make an individual decision about mammography: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates October 17, 2003, as “National Mammography Day”; and

(2) requests that the President issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe the day with appropriate programs and activities.

HONORING DETROIT SHOCK ON WINNING WOMEN’S NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIP

Mr. DeWINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 234 submitted earlier today by Senators STABENOW and LEVIN.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows: A resolution (S. Res. 234) honoring the Detroit Shock for winning the Women's National Basketball Association Championship.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I offer a resolution congratulating the Detroit Shock for winning the Women's National Basketball Association Championship.

In a remarkable display of talent, hard work, and tenacity, the Shock captured the championship in the very next year after placing last in their league. Over the last 100 years, not a single other team in any major sport has been able to accomplish this feat.

Last Tuesday, in front of a WNBA record crowd of 22,000 people at the Palace in Auburn Hills, the Detroit Shock defeated the two-time defending champion Los Angeles Sparks to win Detroit's first WNBA title. Ruth Riley, the game's Most Valuable Player, led the Shock by playing the best game of her career. She scored 27 points and guarded another all-star center. This season's Golden Girl Cheryl Ford, also played a great game. Ms. Ford is the only WNBA rookie ever to average more than 10 points and 10 rebounds a game.

Bill Laimbeer, in his first season as a coach, led the Shock during this remarkable season. Mr. Laimbeer has also brought two back-to-back championship titles to Detroit with the NBA's Detroit Pistons. Soon, the address of the Palace at Auburn Hills will be renamed “Three Championship Drive” to honor these accomplishments.

I would like to congratulate all of the players, coaches and support staff that have made this championship possible. This is a victory for fans in Detroit and across the state of Michigan. And next year, we are hoping for a repeat.

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, it is my great pleasure to congratulate the Detroit Shock on their victory of the Women's National Basketball Association, WNBA, Championship. Last week, the Detroit Shock defeated the two-time defending WNBA champion Los Angeles Sparks, 83-78. The Detroit Shock defeated the two-time defending basketball championship for the city of Detroit since the Detroit Piston won back-to-back championships in 1988 and 1989.

The Detroit Shock's exceptional season broke several WNBA records. I am proud to say that the Shock is the first team in American professional sports since 1890 to go from the worst in their league to the best the following year.

The Detroit Shock finished the year with three wins in the league at 25-9. Also, Game 3 of the finals was the highest scoring WNBA finals game in the history of the league, as well as the highest attended game in the league's 7-year history. The Palace of Auburn Hills hosted the sellout crowd of 22,076 fans.

In the final game of the best of three series, Ruth Riley, the 6-foot 5-inch center for the Shock, dominated the forward, added 13 points, 12 rebounds, and nine assists. The league's rebounds leader and Rookie of the Year, Cheryl Ford, contributed 10 points and 12 rebounds for the Shock. The WNBA Champions were led by their head coach, Bill Laimbeer, himself an instrumental player in the Detroit Pistons' Championship. The finishing touch was added to the season when Coach Laimbeer was named the Coach of the Year.

Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick declared September 16, 2003 as Detroit Shock Day and the Palace of Auburn Hills has officially changed its address to Three Championship Drive. I am pleased to join Senator STABENOW and Senator LEVIN in the Senate in offering my heartfelt congratulations to the Detroit Shock as the players, coaches, staff, and fans celebrate their first Women's National Basketball Association Championship.

I look forward to another successful season next year. I would like to join Senator STABENOW and Senator LEVIN in the Senate in offering my heartiest congratulations to the Detroit Shock as the players, coaches, staff, and fans celebrate their first Women's National Basketball Association Championship.

Mr. DeWINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution and preamble be agreed to en bloc, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to the resolution be printed in the RECORD, without intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 234) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution (S. Res. 234), with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. Res. 234

Whereas on September 16, 2003, the Detroit Shock won the Women's National Basketball Association Championship by defeating the 2-time defending champion Los Angeles Sparks, 83 to 78;

Whereas the Shock won a league-best 25 games, a year after losing a league-worst 23, becoming the first team in any major sport since 1890 to finish first in the entire league after finishing last the previous season;

Whereas the enthusiasm and support for the Shock by the people of Detroit and of Michigan was clearly demonstrated by the fact that the final game was attended by a Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA) record crowd of 22,076 people;

Whereas the Shock completed an incredible season with the strong performances of Finals Most Valuable Player Ruth Riley's career-high 27 points, Swin Cash's 13 points, 12 rebounds and 9 assists, and Deanna Nolan's 17 points;
Whereas Cheryl Ford, the 2003 WNBA Rookie of the Year, became the first rookie in league history to average more than 10 points and 10 rebounds per game;

Whereas Detroit Shock Head Coach Bill Laimbeer was named 2003 WNBA Coach of the Year after transforming the Shock into the best team in the league in his first year as head coach;

Whereas in honor of the Shock’s championship, the Palace of Auburn Hills is officially changing its address to Three Championship Drive; and

Whereas the Shock have demonstrated great strength, skill, and perseverance during the 2003 season and have made the entire State of Michigan proud: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) congratulates the Detroit Shock on winning the 2003 Women’s National Basketball Association Championship and recognizes all the players, coaches, support staff, and fans who were instrumental in this achievement; and

(2) directs the Secretary of the Senate to transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to the Detroit Shock for appropriate display.

ORDERS FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2003

Mr. DeWINE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m., Friday, September 26. I further ask unanimous consent that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then resume consideration of H.R. 2765, the District of Columbia appropriations bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. DeWINE. Mr. President, for the information of all Senators, tomorrow the Senate will resume consideration of the District of Columbia appropriations bill. The two managers will be here tomorrow, and Senators are encouraged to come to the floor to offer and debate their amendments. There will be no rollcall votes tomorrow. Any votes ordered during tomorrow’s session will be stacked to occur on Monday at approximately 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. DeWINE. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 8:28 p.m., adjourned until Friday, September 26, 2003, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate September 25, 2003:

THE JUDICIARY

GREGORY E. JACKSON, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSOCIATE JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FOR THE TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS, VICE MILDRED M. EDWARDS, RETIRED.

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be lieutenant general

MAJ. GEN. JOSEPH L. YAKOVAC JR., 0000

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be colonel

MICHAEL A. MANSUETO, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICER TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203, 12212 AND 1552:

To be colonel

RONALD C. DANIELSON, 0000

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate September 25, 2003:

THE JUDICIARY

DANA MAKOTO SABRAW, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA.

MICHAEL W. MORMAN, OF OREGON, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON.