

**Statement on Resignation of
Governor James S. Gilmore III of
Virginia as Republican National
Committee Chairman**

November 30, 2001

Jim Gilmore is a close friend and valuable ally. He answered my call to lead the Republican Party through a challenging and dynamic election. He has done so with fervor and conviction. He has advanced our principles of limited but active government and promoted compassionate priorities that strengthen American families, keep Americans safe, and encourage individual responsibility.

There are few who embody public service the way that Jim Gilmore does, serving as Governor of Virginia, chairman of a national commission on terrorism, and leader of the national Republican Party all in the same year.

There is no greater priority on this Earth than one's family, and I respect and understand the decision Governor Gilmore has made. I wish him the best of luck in all his future endeavors and will continue to seek his wise counsel as a friend and confidante.

**Digest of Other
White House Announcements**

The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

November 25

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned from Camp David, MD, to Washington, DC.

November 26

In the morning, the President met with his National Security Council.

November 27

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with King Abdullah II of Jordan concerning cooperation against ter-

rorism, events in Afghanistan, and Middle East peace efforts. Later, he met with his Homeland Security Council, and he also met with former Senator John C. Danforth, U.S. Special Envoy for Peace to the Sudan, to discuss human rights in the Sudan.

In the afternoon, the President met in the Oval Office with the presidents of the International, U.S., and Salt Lake City Olympic Committees to discuss the 2002 Winter Olympics opening February 8, 2002, in Salt Lake City. Later, he met in the Oval Office with President Ali Abdallah Salih of Yemen.

The President announced his intention to nominate Steven Joseph Chabot to be U.S. Representative to the 56th Session of the UN General Assembly.

The President announced his intention to nominate Eni F.H. Faleomavaega to be U.S. Representative to the 56th Session of the UN General Assembly.

The President announced his intention to appoint Stephen Hammerman, Floyd H. Flake, and William Harry Berdine as members of the White House Commission on Excellence in Special Education.

The President announced his intention to designate Daniel R. Mulville as Acting Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

November 28

The President declared a major disaster in Puerto Rico and ordered Federal aid to supplement Commonwealth and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms, flooding, mudslides, and landslides on November 7 and continuing.

November 29

In the evening, the President had a telephone conversation with Gov. James S. Gilmore III of Virginia concerning the Governor's decision to resign as Republican National Committee chairman.

The White House announced that the President will travel to Philadelphia, PA, on December 1 to attend the Army-Navy football game at Veterans Stadium.

The President announced his intention to nominate Naomi Churchill Earp to be a member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and, upon confirmation, to designate her as Vice Chairman.

The President announced his intention to nominate Jacques Joseph Grandmaison to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States.

The President announced his intention to appoint Don A. Christensen as a member of the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission.

November 30

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Camp David, MD.

The White House announced that the President will meet with Minister of Foreign Affairs Saud al-Faysal al Saud of Saudi Arabia on December 6.

The White House announced that the President and Mrs. Bush will participate in the Pageant of Peace on the Ellipse during the evening of December 6.

The President announced his intention to nominate Tony Hammond to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission.

The President announced his intention to designate George A. Omas as Chairman of the Postal Rate Commission.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

Submitted November 27

Steven Joseph Chabot,
of Ohio, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-sixth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Naomi Churchill Earp,
of Virginia, to be a member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for a term expiring July 1, 2005, vice Reginald Earl Jones, term expired.

Eni F.H. Faleomavaega,
of American Samoa, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-sixth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Lawrence A. Greenfeld,
of Maryland, to be Director of the Bureau of Justice Statistics, vice Jan M. Chaiken, resigned.

Michael Hammond,
of Texas, to be Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts for a term of 4 years, vice William James Ivey, resigned.

Donna Jean Hrinak,
of Virginia, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Federative Republic of Brazil.

JoAnn Johnson,
of Iowa, to be a member of the National Credit Union Administration Board for a term expiring August 2, 2007, vice Yolanda Townsend Wheat, term expired.

Sean O'Keefe,
of New York, to be Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, vice Daniel S. Goldin, resigned.

Francis Joseph Ricciardone, Jr.,
of New Hampshire, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of the Philippines and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Palau.

Frederick W. Schieck,
of Virginia, to be Deputy Administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development, vice Harriet C. Babbitt, resigned.

Diane Leneghan Tomb,
of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, vice Jean Nolan, resigned.