

I think one of the biggest responsibilities of the Presidency is to capture the American spirit, capture that strength of the country, and ask it to serve.

Today in the speech I'm giving—my speech is on compassion, saying to young kids getting out of college, "Here's your chance to serve the country by saving one soul." See, societies change one heart, one soul at a time. And while one graduate can't do everything, one graduate can do something to be the person that makes a difference in somebody's life.

The country's culture is changing from one that has said, "If it feels good, do it," and "If you've got a problem, blame somebody else," to one in which each of us understands we are responsible for the decisions we make in life. I like to call it the responsibility era. See, if you are fortunate enough to be a mom or a dad, you're responsible for loving your child with all your heart. It's your responsibility. If you're worried about the quality of the education in the community in which you live, you're responsible for doing something about it.

Oftentimes, people say, "Oh, the Federal Government will fix it." No, you're responsible. If you're a corporate CEO, you're responsible for telling the truth to your shareholders and your employees. It's part of the responsibility society. And as I mentioned, a responsible society is one in which each of us serves our country by loving our neighbor. And it's happening in the country.

You know, one of the things you see when you're the President, you see the character of America. And I'm constantly thrilled at the millions of acts of kindness that take place on a daily basis that changes the nature of the country and provides such hope.

I want to be your President. I'm here to thank you for your help. I have a reason to run. We have a war to win. We have a responsibility to spread peace and freedom around the world. I'm going to take this message to the American people across our great country. I'm going to take the message of a vision that says, "Everybody has a shot at the American Dream, not just some but every person," a vision that is strong on education, strong on economic opportunity, a vi-

sion that says the ownership society is the cornerstone of a hopeful America.

And finally, I look forward to being the President for 4 more years to continue to tap into the great strength of the country, and that is the—our fellow citizens, the hearts and souls of our citizens. I'm looking forward to this. I'm looking forward to the campaign. I look forward to all aspects of it, and I'm confident, with your help, I'm going to win.

Thank you for coming, and may God bless.

NOTE: The President spoke at 12:10 p.m. at the Hunter Engineering Training Company. In his remarks, he referred to Camilla "Kimmy" Brauer, wife of former U.S. Ambassador to Belgium Stephen Brauer; Sam Fox, Missouri State finance chair, Bush-Cheney '04, Inc., and his wife, Marilyn; Ann Dickinson, national committee-woman, Missouri Republican Party; former President Saddam Hussein of Iraq; American hostage Nicholas Berg, who was killed in Iraq in early May by senior Al Qaida associate Abu Musab Al Zargawi; Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi of Japan; and Chairman Kim Chong-il of North Korea.

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## Digest of Other White House Announcements

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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.

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### May 8

In the morning, at Camp David, MD, the President had an intelligence briefing.

### May 9

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC.

### May 10

In the morning, the President had a telephone conversation with President-elect Martin Torrijos of Panama to congratulate him on his May 2 election victory. He then had an intelligence briefing.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Arlington, VA, where he had a military briefing at the Pentagon. Later, in Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld's office, he viewed photographs and still images concerning the treatment of Iraqi prisoners.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC. Later, in the Oval Office, he participated in a photo opportunity with 2004 Elliot Richardson Prize for Excellence in Public Service recipients Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor and Secretary of Transportation Norman Y. Mineta.

Later in the afternoon, in the Cabinet Room, the President met with Federal Executive agency heads.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Jose Eduardo dos Santos of Angola to the White House on May 12.

The White House announced that the President will travel to Rome, Italy, on June 4 to meet with President Carlo Azeglio Ciampi and Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi of Italy, that he will also travel to the Vatican to meet with Pope John Paul II, and that he will then travel to Paris and Normandy, France, on June 5.

The White House announced that the President will travel to County Clare, Ireland, on June 25 to participate in the European Union-U.S. Summit, that he will then travel to Ankara, Turkey, on June 27 to meet with President Ahmet Necdet Sezer and Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan of Turkey, and that he will travel to Istanbul, Turkey, to attend the NATO Summit on June 27-29.

The President announced his intention to nominate Timothy S. Bitsberger to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Financial Markets.

The President announced his intention to nominate Larry C. Kindsvater to be Deputy Director of Central Intelligence for Community Management.

The President announced his intention to nominate James R. Kunder to be Assistant Administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development for the Bureau for Asia and the Near East.

The President announced his intention to nominate Joseph F. Bader to be a member

of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board.

The President announced his intention to appoint John Bryant and Nancy J. Leake as members of the Community Development Advisory Board.

### **May 11**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Fort Smith, AR, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Alyse Eady. He then traveled to Van Buren, AR.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to nominate Deborah P. Majoras to be a member, and upon appointment to designate her as Chairman, of the Federal Trade Commission.

The President announced his intention to nominate Brett T. Palmer to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Legislative Affairs.

### **May 12**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing followed by a National Security Council meeting. He then met with Secretary of State Colin L. Powell. Later, in the Oval Office, he met with President Jose Eduardo dos Santos of Angola.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Bethesda, MD, and later returned to Washington, DC. Later, he participated in an interview with Readers Digest.

The President announced his appointment of Carol J. Thompson as Director of the Office of National AIDS Policy.

### **May 13**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Parkersburg, WV, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Heather Stout.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to nominate Tom C. Korologos to be Ambassador to Belgium.

The President announced his intention to nominate Cynthia G. Efird to be Ambassador to Angola.

The President announced his intention to designate Nancy C. Pellett as Chairman of the Farm Credit Administration Board.

#### **May 14**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, in the Roosevelt Room, he met with foreign ministers from G-8 countries.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to St. Louis, MO, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Rev. Mark Reyling. He then traveled to Bridgeton, MO.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Milwaukee, WI, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Rebecca Haupt. He then traveled to Mequon, WI, where he gave the commencement address at Concordia University Wisconsin.

Later in the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi of Italy to the White House for a meeting and working dinner on May 19.

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### **Nominations Submitted to the Senate**

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

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#### **Submitted May 10**

Thomas B. Griffith,  
of Utah, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, vice Patricia M. Wald, retired.

#### **Submitted May 11**

Joseph F. Bader,  
of the District of Columbia, to be a member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety

Board for a term expiring October 18, 2007, vice Jessie M. Roberson, term expired.

Timothy S. Bitsberger,  
of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, vice Brian Carlton Roseboro, resigned.

Larry C. Kindsvater,  
of Virginia, to be Deputy Director of Central Intelligence for Community Management, vice Joan Avalyn Dempsey, resigned.

James R. Kunder,  
of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development, vice Wendy Jean Chamberlin.

Deborah P. Majoras,  
of Virginia, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner for the unexpired term of 7 years from September 26, 2001, vice Timothy J. Muris, resigned.

Brett T. Palmer,  
of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, vice Brenda L. Becker.

Craig T. Ramey,  
of West Virginia, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the National Board for Education Sciences for a term of 2 years (new position).

#### **Submitted May 13**

John O. Colvin,  
of Virginia, to be a Judge of the U.S. Tax Court for a term of 15 years (reappointment).

Linda Morrison Combs,  
of North Carolina, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation, vice Donna R. McLean, resigned, to which position she was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Linda Mysliwy Conlin,  
of New Jersey, to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2007, vice April H. Foley, to which position she was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.