

as National Character Counts Week, and for other purposes.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the resolution?

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

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to; that the preamble be agreed to; that the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table; and that any statements relating to the resolution appear at the appropriate place in the RECORD.

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

So the resolution (S. Res. 103) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, is as follows:

#### S. RES. 103

Whereas young people will be the stewards of our communities, the nation, and world in critical times, and the present and future well-being of society requires an involved, caring citizenry with good character;

Whereas concerns about the character training of children have taken on a new sense of urgency as violence by and against youth threatens the physical and psychological well-being of the United States;

Whereas, more than ever, children need strong and constructive guidance from their families, their communities, and institutions such as schools, youth organizations, religious institutions, and civic groups;

Whereas the character of a nation is only as strong as the character of the individual citizens comprising the nation;

Whereas the public good is advanced when young people are taught the importance of good character, and that character counts in personal relationships, in school, and in the workplace;

Whereas scholars and educators agree that people do not automatically develop good character and, therefore, conscientious efforts must be made by youth-influencing institutions and individuals to help young people develop the essential traits and characteristics that comprise good character;

Whereas character development is, first and foremost, an obligation of families, efforts by religious institutions, schools, and youth, civic, and human service organizations also play a very important role in supporting family efforts by fostering and promoting good character;

Whereas the Senate encourages students, teachers, parents, youth, and community leaders to recognize the valuable role youth in the United States play in the present and future of the United States, and to recognize that character plays an important role in the future of the United States;

Whereas, in July 1992, the Aspen Declaration was written by an eminent group of educators, youth leaders, and ethics scholars for the purpose of articulating a coherent framework for character education appropriate to a diverse and pluralistic society;

Whereas the Aspen Declaration states that "Effective character education is based on core ethical values which form the foundation of democratic society";

Whereas the core ethical values identified by the Aspen Declaration constitute the 6 core elements of character;

Whereas the 6 core elements of character are trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, justice and fairness, caring, and civic virtue and citizenship;

Whereas the 6 core elements of character transcend cultural, religious, and socioeconomic differences;

Whereas the Aspen Declaration states that "The character and conduct of our youth reflect the character and conduct of society; therefore, every adult has the responsibility to teach and model the core ethical values and every social institution has the responsibility to promote the development of good character.";

Whereas the Senate encourages individuals and organizations, especially the individuals and organizations that have an interest in the education and training of our youth, to adopt the 6 core elements of character as intrinsic to the well-being of individuals, communities, and society as a whole; and

Whereas the Senate encourages communities, especially schools and youth organizations, to integrate the 6 core elements of character into programs serving students and children: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate proclaims the week of October 15 through October 21, 1995, as National Character Counts Week, and requests the President to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States and interested groups to embrace the 6 core elements of character and to observe the week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

#### AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO REPORT

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that, notwithstanding adjournment of the Senate, on Wednesday, August 30, committees have from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. to file any legislative or executive reported business.

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

#### STAR PRINT—SENATE REPORT 104-133

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Senate report 104-133 be star printed to reflect the changes that I send to the desk.

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

#### ORDER FOR RECORD TO REMAIN OPEN UNTIL 5 P.M.

Mr. DOLE. I ask unanimous consent that the RECORD remain open for submission of statements and introduction of legislation until 5 p.m. this evening.

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

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

#### EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent as in executive session that the Senate immediately proceed to the following Executive Calendar nominations:

Cal. No. 184. James Hoecker;  
Cal. No. 232. Vincent Ryan, Jr.;  
Cal. No. 238. Victor Jackovich;  
Cal. No. 244. John Hirsch;  
Cal. No. 252. Vera Alexander;  
Cal. No. 253. John Callahan;  
Cal. No. 255. Howard Schloss;  
Cal. No. 256. Lynne Waihee;

Cal. No. 257. Mary Furlong;  
Cal. No. 268. Andre Davis;  
Cal. No. 269. Catherine Blake;  
Cal. No. 270. B. Lynn Winnmill;  
Cal. No. 271. Edward Blair;  
Cal. No. 272. John Garamendi;  
Cal. No. 273. Charles Curtis;  
Cal. No. 274. Jeanne Ferst;  
Cal. No. 275. Terence Evans;  
Cal. No. 276. Michael Murphy;  
Cal. No. 277. Joseph McKinley;  
Cal. No. 278. James Moody;  
Cal. No. 279. William Sessions;  
Cal. No. 280. Ortrie Smith;  
Cal. No. 281. Evan Wallach;  
Cal. No. 282. Donald Pogue;  
Cal. No. 283. Lt. Gen. John Otjen;  
Cal. No. 284. Lt. Gen. James Clapper;  
Cal. No. 285. Maria Haley;  
Cal. No. 286. Herbert Collins;  
Cal. No. 287. Roberta Gross;  
Cal. No. 288. Jill Long;  
Cal. No. 289. Jill Long;  
Cal. No. 290. William Courtney;  
Cal. No. 291. Stanley Escudero;  
Cal. No. 292. Joseph Presel;  
Cal. No. 293. Mark Gearan;  
Cal. No. 294. Lee Jackson;  
Cal. No. 295. David Burke;  
Cal. No. 296. Edward kaufman;  
Cal. No. 297. Tom Korologos;  
Cal. No. 298. Bette Lord;  
Cal. No. 299. Alberto Mora;  
Cal. No. 300. Cheryl Halpern;  
Cal. No. 301. Marc Nathanson;  
Cal. No. 302. Carl Spielvogel;  
Cal. No. 303. Jerome Stricker;  
Cal. No. 304. Sheryl Marshall;  
Cal. No. 305. William Leblanc;  
Cal. No. 306. Jacob Lew;  
Cal. No. 307. Beth Slavet;  
Cal. No. 308. Stephen Potts;  
Cal. No. 309. Jay Ehle;  
Cal. No. 10. Robert Francis;  
Cal. No. 311. John Goglia.

I further ask unanimous consent the nominations be confirmed en bloc, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table en bloc, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; that any statements relating to any of the nominations appear at the appropriate place in the RECORD, and the Senate then immediately return to legislative session.

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

The nominations considered and confirmed en bloc are as follows:

#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

James John Hoecker, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for the term expiring June 30, 2000.

#### PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION

Vincent Reed Ryan, Jr., of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Panama Canal Commission.

#### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Victor Jackovich, of Iowa, 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 Slovenia.

John L. Hirsch, of New York, 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 Sierra Leone.

## MARINE MAMMAL COMMISSION

Vera Alexander, of Alaska, to be a Member of the Marine Mammal Commission for a term expiring May 13, 1997.

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

John Joseph Callahan, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services.

## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Howard Monroe Schloss, of Louisiana, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

## NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR LITERACY

Lynne C. Waihee, of Hawaii, to be a Member of the National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board for term of three years.

## NATIONAL COMMISSION ON LIBRARIES AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

Mary S. Furlong, of California, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 1999.

Andre M. Davis, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland.

Catherine C. Blake, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland.

B. Lynn Winmill, of Idaho, to be United States District Judge for the District of Idaho.

## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Edward Scott Blair, of Tennessee, to be United States Marshal for the Middle District of Tennessee for the term of four years.

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

John Raymond Garamendi, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Charles B. Curtis, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy.

## NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

Jeanne R. Ferst, of Georgia, to be a Member of the National Museum Services Board for a term expiring December 6, 1999.

## THE JUDICIARY

Terence T. Evans, of Wisconsin, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit.

Michael R. Murphy, of Utah, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit.

Joseph H. McKinley, Jr., of Kentucky, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Kentucky.

James M. Moody, of Arkansas, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Arkansas.

William K. Sessions, III, of Vermont, to be United States District Judge for the District of Vermont.

Ortrie D. Smith, of Missouri, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Missouri.

Evan J. Wallach, of Nevada, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade.

Donald C. Pogue, of Connecticut, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade.

## IN THE ARMY

The following named officer to be placed on the retired list in the grade indicated under the provisions of Title 10, United States Code, Section 1370:

*To be Lieutenant General*

Lt. Gen. John P. Otjen, 000-00-0000, United States Army

## IN THE AIR FORCE

The following named officer for appointment to the grade of lieutenant general on

the retired list pursuant to the provisions to Title 10, United States Code, Section 1370:

*To be Lieutenant General*

Lt. Gen. James R. Clapper, Jr., 000-00-0000, United States Air Force

## EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF THE UNITED STATES

Maria Luisa Mabilangan Haley, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 1999.

## RESOLUTION TRUST CORPORATION

Herbert F. Collins, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board for a term of three years.

## NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

Roberta L. Gross, of the District of Columbia, to be Inspector General, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Jill L. Long, of Indiana, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Economic and Community Development.

## COMMODITY CREDIT CORPORATION

Jill L. Long, of Indiana, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Commodity Credit Corporation.

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

William Harrison Courtney, of West 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 Republic of Georgia.

Stanley Tuemler Escudero, of Florida, 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 Uzbekistan.

Joseph A. Presel, of Rhode Island, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as Special Negotiator for Nagorno-Karabakh.

## PEACE CORPS

Mark D. Gearan, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the Peace Corps.

## EUROPEAN BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

Lee F. Jackson, of Massachusetts, to be United States Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

## UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY

David W. Burke, of New York, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term of three years.

Edward E. Kaufman, of Delaware, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term of two years.

Tom C. Korologos, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term of three years.

Bette Bao Lord, of New York, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term of two years.

Alberto J. Mora, of Florida, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term of two years.

Cheryl F. Halpern, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term of one year.

Marc B. Nathanson, of California, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term of three years.

Carl Spielvogel, of New York, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term of one year.

## FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD

Jerome A. Stricker, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift In-

vestment Board for a term expiring September 25, 1998.

Sheryl R. Marshall, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board for a term expiring October 11, 1998.

## POSTAL RATE COMMISSION

William H. LeBlanc III, of Louisiana, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Rate Commission for a term expiring November 22, 2000.

## EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Jacob Joseph Lew, of New York, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

## MERIT SYSTEMS PROTECTION BOARD

Beth Susan Slavet, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board for the term of seven years expiring March 1, 2002.

## OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Stephen D. Potts, of Maryland, to be Director of the Office of Government Ethics for a term of five years.

## SAINT LAWRENCE SEAWAY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Jay C. Ehle, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Advisory Board of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation.

## NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

Robert Talcott Francis II, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board for the term expiring December 31, 1999.

John Goglia, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board for the term expiring December 31, 1998.

## NOMINATION OF B. LYNN WINMILL

Mr. KEMPTHORNE, Mr. President, it is with pride that I enthusiastically support Hon. Judge Lynn Winmill, an outstanding nominee to be Federal District Court judge in Idaho.

I take seriously the Senate's responsibility to advise and consent on judicial nominations. Federal judges, appointed for life, can wield enormous power which affects the lives of all Americans. Because of that power, Idaho deserves a judge with extensive legal experience and the proven ability to be fair and thoughtful. Idaho deserves a judge who will honor the Old Testament admonition: "Justice, and only justice, you shall pursue." Judge Winmill meets these tests.

He is known in Idaho for his extraordinary hard work, keen intellect, well-written legal opinions and superior judicial temperament that has marked his entire career. When he was city attorney for Chubbuck, ID, Mayor John Cotant said Lynn Winmill immersed himself into every issue 100 percent. In private law practice, he devoted as much as 25 percent of his time to pro bono work. As a college instructor on the interplay of law and culture in society, his faculty evaluation ratings have been among the highest in that department.

His pursuit of excellence continued as a State district court judge. In a recent survey, Idaho attorneys rated Judge Winmill as one of the five best State judges. He is ranked among the State's top four judges for resolving cases within the time standards adopted by the Idaho Supreme Court. His reversal rate on appeal is among the State's lowest.

But a good judge is more than just a good lawyer. Those who know Judge Winmill say he is a family oriented man dedicated to the youth of his community.

His commitment to kids tells me a lot about his character and that he will be a fair, responsible judge. He invites elementary and junior high school classes to this courtroom for field trips, and the presides over mock trials with the students as lawyers, witnesses, and jurors. He then discusses with them the students' responsibilities as citizens.

Judge Winmill's dedication to youth extends to other areas as well. He was a Boy Scout troop leader for 4 years, and every one—I repeat, every one—of his scouts became an Eagle scout. As a coach of youth basketball and soccer teams, he teaches that sports is a metaphor of life, that you win some, and you lose some, but you must always be and play your best. It is no surprise his teams included two State champions.

Coaching from the sidelines bench has prepared him well for the courtroom bench.

For 2½ years, the State of Idaho has been with the need to fill this vacancy, and Senator CRAIG and I pledged that when the President provided us with a candidate who had the credentials that would fill the needs we would move in full expeditious fashion to see the confirmation. We will have in Judge Winmill that individual who comes to us with the highest of accolades throughout the State of Idaho, both from the judicial community and from the legal community, as well as the community of citizens, active with youth programs, who realize that Lynn Winmill is one of those members of the community they are willing to put their faith into in this type of a lifetime appointment.

So I appreciate the efforts of Senator CRAIG, working with us on this project, but also I wish to express to the Senate majority leader, Senator DOLE, my appreciation for his diligence to ensure that we would see the confirmation of Judge Winmill before we go into recess.

I thank the Senator, and I thank the other Members of the Senate, and Idaho thanks you because this is the right man for the job in that judgeship at the right time, and this will be welcome news in the State of Idaho.

#### THE NOMINATION OF JOHN GARAMENDI

Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, I am pleased that President Clinton nominated Californian John Garamendi for the position of Deputy Secretary at the Department of Interior. I strongly support Mr. Garamendi's nomination and am confident that the Senate will confirm him with the same bipartisan approval he garnered in the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee where his nomination passed, 20-0. Mr. Garamendi will bring his unique experiences to the Department of Interior at a time when many of our public land policies are being reformed and challenged.

John Garamendi is a fourth-generation rancher whose family has been involved in cattle ranching and mining since the 1860's. John and his wife Patti own and operate their own ranch in Paloma, CA, and understand the many decisions that ranchers face. He understands the impacts that his decisions as Deputy Secretary of Interior would have on our public lands, resources, and the people who manage them.

John Garamendi began his career in public service in 1972 as a member of the Calveras County Farm Bureau. After 2 years on the bureau, John ran successfully for a seat in the California State Assembly and 2 years later ran for a seat in the California State Senate where he served until 1990. In 1991, Mr. Garamendi became California's first elected insurance commissioner and chose not to run again at the end of his term early this year.

I believe he clearly understands the difficulties facing our Nation today in managing our land and resources. In his statement to the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee he identified the two, seemingly contradictory, experiences that the Department of Interior works to bring together; " \* \* \* the necessity of using the land and its resources to provide for my family; on the other hand, President Theodore Roosevelt's challenge to conserve the land and pass it on in better shape than when I found it."

Mr. President, I strongly urge the confirmation of John Garamendi for Deputy Secretary of Interior.

#### NOMINATION OF WILLIAM K. SESSIONS III

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, when I recommended Bill Sessions to the President in March, I described him as a respected lawyer from Middlebury with a wide range of legal experience. He has distinguished himself by his contributions to the community and by his participation in efforts to improve our justice system. I have great confidence that Bill Sessions will be a fair, thoughtful and conscientious addition to the Federal bench in Vermont.

Vermont is blessed with a very talented bench and bar and making a recommendation among them was difficult. In the end, I relied on the standard I have cited for years: I recommended the person that I believe any litigant on any issue can be assured will provide a fair and judicious hearing and a common sense determination of disputes and problems.

Bill's integrity and fairness are impeccable. He will be concerned with applying the laws fairly and with how the Federal courts and Federal laws affect people.

I have known and admired Bill Sessions for a number of years. He is a devoted father and husband. He is involved in the community. His legal work is outstanding. I know of his involvement in the bar in a number of

positions, including with the rule of law project of the Vermont Bar Association and the civil justice reform project for the Vermont district court.

Bill graduated from Middlebury College and received his law degree with honors from George Washington University. He served as Addison County public defender as well as the executive director of the Addison County Youth Services Bureau. He has served as an adjunct professor at Vermont Law School, where he received the Phi Delta Phi Academic Excellence Award in 1982. He has been engaged in the private practice of law for the past 17 years, most recently with the firm of Sessions, Keiner, Dumont & Barnes. He has handled a wide variety of matters, in particular complex criminal and related civil matters in both Federal and State court, and has tremendous trial experience. The ABA gave this nominee its highest rating.

I was struck during his confirmation hearings last year when Justice Breyer spoke so eloquently about the Constitution and its guarantees of individual dignity. I believe that Bill Sessions has spent his professional life working to uphold human dignity.

I am convinced that Bill Sessions will always remember the effects that his decisions will have on real people—people who may not be powerful or well-connected. He has demonstrated that he has not only mastered the complexities of the law but its meaning. I feel sure that he will do his utmost to see that the decisions of the U.S. district court in Vermont reflect both the letter and the spirit of law. He will make an outstanding Judge.

I am pleased that the President's nomination of Bill Sessions has drawn praise from a number of quarters, ranging from law enforcement officers including the U.S. Attorney, the U.S. Marshal and States attorneys, to State and Federal judges including Judges Billings, Parker, and Davenport. Indeed, the Judiciary Committee received a number of letters in support of this nomination. I would, in particular, like to mention the letters from Doug Richards, the chair of the Vermont Judicial Nominating Advisory Commission; Susanne Young, a Vermont assistant attorney general; Peter Hall, a former first assistant and acting U.S. attorney; and Charles Caruso, a former acting U.S. attorney.

I have every confidence that Bill Sessions will make an outstanding Federal judge, who will be just, practical and hardworking on behalf of the people of Vermont. I have every confidence that once confirmed he will successfully resist the pressures to become cloistered away from the world. I think that his strong involvement with his vibrant family and his community will help protect him. I doubt that Abi, Hannah, Myra and Jonathan are going to allow him to lose touch.

Vermont is the only State in the Union to have only one full-time Federal judge currently. Since Judge