

that you need some outside help. As a member of the Anytown Partnership for Families, Anytown High's Human Services Mall hosts a broad array of community agencies that will assist you and your families with non-academic problems. Many of these social services were available to you throughout primary and middle school, so you are familiar with them. You can get information about other services from the computer files in your academic cluster, in the library or the cafeteria. Each of you will also have opportunities to have an adult mentor or coach. It may be an employee at your worksite, a community service volunteer or a parent in the community. Here at Anytown High, we have almost as many community partners as students. Each brings their expertise and their caring into the school and the worksite.

Your teachers have worked hard to design the curriculum—in school, at the worksite and in your community service experiences—to support your learning in every way we know. Your guidance counselors and job specialists are working with your teachers and employers in the community to make sure you have access to information about post-secondary schools and careers and that you can use it effectively to plan your further education and careers.

The basic message I want to leave with you today is this: you are capable and intelligent young people in transition to adulthood and each adult here is on your side. We are committed to helping you get the skills and knowledge you need to be successful learners, workers and citizens. You can do it; we are here to help; and you can count on us. Welcome to Anytown High!"

Our opening day assembly is now over. Those of you who haven't been put to sleep by the principal's long oration may open your eyes * * *

It's true, of course, that most of the students in the auditorium probably did not absorb the full promise of what awaits them at Anytown High. Yet, I think few of them will fail to grasp the central message: That they are important and that they are going to be successful in life.

All of the adults in the community, too, should now clearly understand that this description of a radically different kind of learning community requires their fullest participation. Education at Anytown High is a serious full-time partnership of the entire community. Its objective is simple and straightforward: success in work, success in life for each and every young person who enters our schools.

Undoubtedly, some of you are thinking: "What a nice, Utopian dream. Halperin is just a dreamer." Yes, I do have a dream! However, there is not one element in my dream that is not a living reality someplace in this country. Everything in this dream is being practiced somewhere * * * now, today. All that Patricia McNeil and I have done is put it all together to meet our personal vision. I hope you will do the same with your own ideas about education, youth development and the world of work.

So, I end where I began. The challenge before the people of Rhode Island is to dream your own dream for the State and for your own communities. Rethink the essential nature of schooling at the dawn of the 21st Century. Construct a total quality system in which all the parts of your dream come together to produce success for all of Rhode Island's young people.

SISTER CAROL MCGOVERN—LET'S CELEBRATE HER LIFE

Mr. PELL. Mr. President, I ask that the Senate join in celebrating the life

of Sister Carol McGovern, RSM. Often we find that life gains meaning through our service to others, and our greatest personal ambition seems empty and illusory compared to such service.

Sister Carol McGovern, who died Wednesday of breast cancer, was executive director of Amos House, a soup kitchen and social service center in the poorest neighborhood of Providence, Rhode Island's capital city. To this position she brought tremendous energy and great vision. Her vision arose from spiritual commitment and was informed by an extraordinarily active life.

Sister Carol was involved: She served on many boards of directors, working with Sunrise House, the Rhode Island Rape Crisis Center, the Campaign To Eliminate Childhood Poverty, and the Rhode Island Right to Housing Now.

When one first meets a person such as Sister Carol, an initial elation often gives way to the question: Where will the energy come from to sustain such commitment?

The problems of humanity, even at a local level, seem so vast, complex, and intractable that they would quickly consume one entirely. Yet, year after year, on issue after issue, Sister Carol was there.

Her energy never diminished, but grew deeper. Service that one would have thought to be all consuming, revealed itself to be vitalizing. In the end, she was a force. The name Sister Carol McGovern resounds with meaning unattainable by pursuit of individual interest.

In 1959, she joined the Sisters of Mercy, in 1967 she took her final vows. She earned her bachelor's degree from Salve Regina College and her master's degree from St. Michael's College.

She was given awards for her work, the John Kiffney Award from the Providence Newspaper Guild, an honorary doctorate from Rhode Island College, to name two. For anyone this would be a record of outstanding accomplishment and well deserved recognition, but this record never defined her.

Her essence was her commitment to service, her real presence was to be found among those most in need. Her life was claimed by an illness that afflicts many women, she faced it bravely, and again she set a fine example.

My office and I were deeply fortunate to be able to work with her over the years. Many times she enlightened us and gave us courage to address difficult issues squarely.

She didn't ask for answers, only effort. We shall miss her greatly. I am truly saddened by her passing. Yet it is her life of service that I ask this body to celebrate and commemorate.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that an article from the Providence Journal of April 6, 1995, entitled "Sister Carol McGovern, 53, Champion of the Poor, Dies," be inserted into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD as if read.

There being no objection, the article was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

SISTER CAROL MCGOVERN, 53, CHAMPION OF THE POOR, DIES

(By S. Robert Chiappinelli and Thomas J. Morgan)

PAWTUCKET.—Sister Carol McGovern, RSM, executive director of Amos House in Providence and one of Rhode Island's best known advocates for the poor, died yesterday at her home on Blodgett Avenue.

Sister Carol, 53, has been ill with breast cancer for the past year and a half. The disease had seemed to be in remission, but then spread to her liver.

Experimental treatment allowed her to resume an active outdoor life and to continue her 12-hour work days until her health failed less than a month ago.

Henry Shelton, another longtime activist, said, "Carol lived her life to the fullest with a smile that signaled joy and love, and faced death with more courage than anyone I ever knew."

"My prayer is that her life and death will inspire in Rhode Island's religious and political leaders a commitment similar to hers to support the effort of Rhode Island's powerless to help each other out of poverty."

"What does one say about so remarkable a woman?" said Richard J. Walton, former president of the board of Amos House, a soup kitchen and social service center in South Providence.

"She was a woman who cared very deeply and worked with passion, I guess you could say, and with humor. And I've never seen anyone bear up under what she's borne up under these last few months. She seemed to be more concerned about making people feel okay about her illness. She kept such a brave front that unless you knew she was sick, you couldn't know."

Born in Providence, she was a daughter of Eleanor V. (Peterson) of Cranston and the late James V. McGovern.

Sister Carol arrived at Amos House along a curious path.

She spent her early years teaching but in the 1970s she joined four other Sisters of Mercy knocking on doors in Woonsocket and meeting struggling residents.

The nuns taught residents, particularly women alone with young children, about available resources, and in a few years turned their jobs over to neighborhood people they had trained.

So by 1983, Sister Carol was out of a job and decided to take some time to refocus. She got a job as manager of the Yarney, one of the stores in the then-new Davol Square shopping center in Providence.

Using skills from her early years, she taught customers how to knit, and often chatted with Sister Eileen Murphy the Amos House founder who regularly strolled through Davol Square.

After Sister Eileen died unexpectedly in December 1983, Sister Carol decided to apply as part of a team at Amos House. Eventually she became co-director with Jim Tull. (Tull stepped down earlier this year.)

Despite her illness, Sister Carol continued her Amos House work and was showered with love and concern by those who used its services.

"I have a real passion for the people who come here," she said. "They are my family, they truly are my family."

Despite setbacks inherent in fighting for the needy, Sister Carol said, she drew sustenance from the example of her widowed

mother and the words of anthropologist Margaret Mead, who said that small groups of truly committed people are the only things that have ever changed the world.

She entered the Sisters of Mercy in September 1959 and took her final vows in August 1967.

She received a bachelor's degree from Salva Regina College in 1964, and a master's in 1974 from St. Michael's College in Vermont.

Sister Carol was a founder of the Rhode Island Coalition for the Homeless, and was president of its board. She was a member of the board of directors of Sunrise House, a member of the board and a counselor-advocate of the Rhode Island Rape Crisis Center, a member of the Campaign to Eliminate Childhood Poverty and the Rhode Island Right to Housing NOW.

She was a lobbyist for the Sisters of Mercy for the last four years, dealing with peace, justice and women's issues.

In February Sister Carol and Tull received the John Kiffney Award of the Providence Newspaper Guild.

She also received the Bronze Key Award from Substance Abuse. She was to receive an honorary doctorate in May from Rhode Island College.

Surviving besides her mother are two brothers, Robert F. McGovern of Cranston and James V. McGovern of Oxford, Mass., and a sister, Marcia E. O'Connor of Providence.

A concelebrated Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Saturday at 10 a.m. in St. Michael Church, Oxford, Street, Providence. Burial will be in Resurrection Cemetery, Cumberland.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Thomas, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:18 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 483. An act to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to permit medicare select policies to be offered in all States, and for other purposes;

H.R. 660. An act to amend the Fair Housing Act to modify the exemption from certain familial status discrimination prohibitions granted to housing for older persons; and

H.R. 1421. An act to provide that references in the statutes of the United States to any committee or officer of the House of Representatives the name or jurisdiction of which was changed as part of the reorganization of the House of Representatives at the beginning of the One Hundred Fourth Con-

gress shall be treated as referring to the currently applicable committee or officer of the House of Representatives.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1345) to eliminate budget deficits and management inefficiencies in the government of the District of Columbia through the establishment of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 660. An act to amend the Fair Housing Act to modify the exemption from certain familial status discrimination prohibitions granted to housing for older persons; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following measure was read the first time:

H.R. 483. An act to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to permit medicare select policies to be offered in all States, and for other purposes.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:

S. 115. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire and to convey certain lands or interests in lands to improve the management, protection, and administration of Colonial National Historical Park, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-30).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 127. A bill to improve the administration of the Women's Rights National Historical Park in the State of New York, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-31).

S. 134. A bill to provide for the acquisition of certain lands formerly occupied by the Franklin D. Roosevelt family, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-32).

By MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 188. A bill to establish the Great Falls Historic District in the State of New Jersey, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-33).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 197. A bill to establish the Carl Garner Federal Lands Cleanup Day, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-34).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 223. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide funds to the Palisades Interstate Park Commission for acquisition of land in the Sterling Forest area of the New York/New Jersey Highlands Region, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-35).

S. 357. A bill to amend the National Parks and Recreation Act of 1978 to establish the Friends of Kaloko-Honokohau, an advisory commission for the Kaloko-Honokohau Na-

tional Historical Park, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-36).

S. 363. A bill to improve water quality within the Rio Puerco watershed, New Mexico, and to help restore the ecological health of the Rio Grande through the cooperative identification and implementation of best management practices that are consistent with the ecological, geological, cultural, sociological, and economic conditions in the region, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-37).

S. 378. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to exchange certain lands of the Columbia Basin Federal reclamation project, Washington, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-39).

S. 392. A bill to amend the Dayton Aviation Heritage Preservation Act of 1992 with regard to appointment of members of the Dayton Aviation Heritage Commission, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-40).

S. 551. A bill to revise the boundaries of the Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument and the Craters of the Moon National Monument, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-40).

S. 587. A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Old Spanish Trail and the Northern Branch of the Old Spanish Trail for potential inclusion into the National Trails System, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-41).

S. 601. A bill to revise the boundaries of the Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor in Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-42).

S. 610. A bill to provide for an interpretive center at the Civil War Battlefield of Corinth, Mississippi, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-43).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

H.R. 400. A bill to provide for the exchange of lands within Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-44).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment.

H.R. 440. A bill to provide for the conveyance of lands to certain individuals in Butte County, California (Rept. No. 104-45).

H.R. 536. A bill to extend indefinitely the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to collect a commercial operation fee in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-46).

H.J. Res. 50. A joint resolution to designate the visitors center at the Channel Islands National Park, California, as the "Robert J. Lagomarsino Visitors Center" (Rept. No. 104-47).

By Mr. ROTH, from the Committee on Governmental Affairs:

Special Report prepared by the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations entitled "Criminal Aliens in the United States" (Rept. No. 104-48).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. PRESSLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:

Charles T. Manatt, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Communications Satellite Corporation until the date of the annual meeting of the Corporation in 1997.

(The above nomination was reported with the recommendation that he be