area, increasingly important in the area of trade; 1.2 billion people with an economy growing at 10 percent—partly because of our concern for Taiwan and the development there of a democracy, this election of the President, the first free election that has been held. one of the first areas of success of democracy in an Asian country; partly because of the agreements that we have made with Taiwan and China through the years, three communiques and the Taiwan Act that spells out where we are, spells out the fact that we have supported the one-China policy and continue to support the one-China policy, spells out the fact that basic to that agreement is the agreement that it be pursued in a peaceful way, and that it not be involved in the military action.

So I think it is appropriate that we do have a statement from this Senate. We have put together a resolution. We put it together last week. It has sponsorship by the chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee as well as the ranking member, and is sponsored by the leader, BOB DOLE. However, we were not able to bring it up by unanimous consent last week. We have now talked to those who were concerned about it, and hopefully we will be able to bring it up tomorrow and get it passed.

The resolution basically, of course, deplores the notion and the activities of the Peoples Republic in these military actions, the idea that they have fired off missiles very close to Taiwan, close to both the ports of Taiwan, and now are involved in live-ammunition activities there.

We have asked in the resolution for the People's Republic as well as Taiwan to come together to discuss these issues in a peaceful way. We also recognize our obligation, if there is military action against Taiwan by the People's Republic, that we will assist in helping them prepare for themselves to have the equipment to defend themselves.

Hopefully, these activities are simply efforts to intimidate. I believe they are. I believe they are simply an expression of the concern that the People's Republic has had, and I hope that they will discontinue that kind of activity. I further hope the Taiwanese will go out of their way not to create the kind of tension that we have had.

So, Mr. President, we intend to bring again, tomorrow, a resolution that will put the Senate on record in that regard.

I yield the floor and suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. BURNS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

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

THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS OF AMERICA 1995 CONGRESSIONAL BREAKFAST

Mr. THURMOND. Mr. President, this week in March is a traditionally busy one here in Washington as tens of thousands of children of all ages arrive in the Nation's Capital. They come to the District of Columbia from all over the United States during their spring break vacation to learn about our Government and our history, both of which are unparalleled.

Over the past 4 or 5 days, I doubt that there one Member of this Chamber who has not met several groups of his or her young constituents, boys and girls who have stopped by for Gallery passes, a photo, or just to say "hello." I also doubt that there is one Senator who was not pleased to meet with these children as each of us recognizes that the youth of today represent the future of our country. That recognition clearly guides us as we work to ensure that the United States remains a nation of opportunity and freedom.

While what we do here in the Senate helps our children, there are other organizations out there who dedicate all of their efforts to making the lives of our youngest citizens better. One such group is the Boys and Girls Clubs of America. From coast to coast and from north to south, there are boys and girls clubs in thousands of communities of every imaginable size. The service this organization provides range from recreational activities to counseling, but most importantly, they provide a place for our young people to go and be involved in constructive activities.

Each year, the Boys and Girls Clubs of America hosts a congressional breakfast, and as the Capitol is filled with children this week, I thought this would be an ideal time to share the thoughts and comments of those who spoke at this year's event. Their comments will give those who read them an insight into this organization and the significant work they do.

I ask unanimous consent that the remarks be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the remarks were ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

1995 CONGRESSIONAL BREAKFAST

SENATOR THURMOND

Representative Steny Hoyer, Mr. George Grune, the Chairman of the Board, Mr. Robbie Callaway, the Senior Vice President, Melvin Laird, Arnold Burns, one of the outstanding lawyers of this nation, Judge Freeh, all of the distinguished guests, and ladies and gentlemen, I'm very honored to be here on this occasion. Now, as a Senator, there are a lot of events you are asked to attend. I'm always pleased to attend this breakfast. It's the twelfth year.

I'm a strong believer in the Boys & Girls Clubs of America. There's no more important resource than our children. Boys & Girls Clubs of America work to help protect and promote that resource. This is an organization that is making a difference in the lives of tens of thousands of at risk teens. It provides parks and recreational activities, a safe haven from the mean streets, teaches

kids the importance of work and responsibility, works to get kids into school, into jobs, off welfare roles, out of public housing and away from the temptations of a life of crime.

The Boys & Girls Clubs of America is an organization on the move, serving more children each year. Thirteen years ago, they served approximately one million kids. This year, they are serving more than 2.2 million boys and girls. More than 1,700 clubs are in the United States. Last year, they averaged an opening of one new club every three days. This is a group that seeks continued growth. By the year 2001, the Boys & Girls Clubs of America aims to have 1,000 new clubs, 1 million new members, over 3 million kids involved in productive activities.

The Boys & Girls Clubs of America is one of the most effective organizations in the nation for supporting our children. It is an organization worthy of the support of everyone in this room. As members of Congress, we are in the position to help the Boys & Girls Clubs and our children. We can support legislation that is beneficial to the Boys & Girls Clubs. One example is the current crime bill. The Boys & Girls Clubs of America is seeking 100 million dollars out of the crime bill over the next five years. The Board of Directors of the Boys & Girls Clubs will match that 100 million from the crime bill. That is 200 million dollars pumped directly into the future of our nation's children

By attending this breakfast, each of you is demonstrating your support for a worthwhile cause. I urge you to continue to help the Boys & Girls Clubs of America. You can do nothing more worthy. We are proud of the Boys & Girls Clubs of America and we're going to keep on working to make it bigger and stronger every year. Good luck, God bless you and God bless the Boys & Girls Clubs of America and God bless our country.

CONGRESSMAN STENY HOYER

One problem with the Strom and Steny show is that I have to follow Strom Thurmond. Thurmond and Hoyer, that sounds like a good name for a firm at some point in time. Strom's show has been running a lot longer than mine, as you know, but I'm always amazed at the energy, his commitment and the verve that he brings to life and the endeavors which he undertakes. And Senator, I want you to know what an honor and privilege it is to co-chair this breakfast on a continuing basis with you. George Grune, your leadership is critically important. General Burns, you've seen General Burns up here, he looks a lot like Colin Powell. I asked him if he was running for President. He's got those four stars on his lapel, here. I'm sure it's got to have something to do with that. He is outranked, of course, at his table by Secretary Laird and the Secretary is keeping him in line, luckily, so they'll be peaceful. Pete Silas, thank you for all you've done and your leadership. We look forward to working with you on a continuing basis. My friend, Robbie Callaway. I think we ought to give Robbie Callaway a big round of applause for the outstanding leadership he brings to this effort on a regular basis. Ken Gordon is here today, too.

Six or seven of the top law enforcement officials in our nation are here. We have Louis Freeh and a group of his distinguished colleagues. They're the ones who lock up and help convict those who break the laws in our country, to keep our communities and streets and schools safe. That's their job. We ask them to do that. They're people that sometimes themselves risk their life and limb to do so. They're here this morning and I reflect on why and what message that brings us. They're here because unless parents and Boys & Girls Clubs leaders and other youth leaders all over this country do

their job, they know they can't lock up enough people. God bless them and you ladies and gentlemen of the Boys & Girls Club, God bless you. Senator Thurmond is correct because you do God's work.

This is the first line of defense. This is the first line in a battle we all must wage if we are to stop the crime and the violence and the drugs from taking over our streets, our children. And that, ladies and gentlemen is what it's all about.

I am very, very proud to be here with two people who symbolize what is the first line and the best line and ultimately the line that will get us to where we need to be—two parents who all America, and indeed all the world applaud just a few days ago.

Lou Gehrig had the kind of character that all the world would admire. Let us thank God that his record was equaled and surpassed by another individual who had the character of which we can all be proud and "He was worthy of Lou Gehrig". But, why was it so? It was so because Vi and Cal Ripken Sr. Gave him the leadership and the charcter and the understanding that gave him the will and the strength of character to persevere in the face of pain, the face of frustration, the face of being tired. We all get tired Cal Rinken Jr rose and he said effective, "My Dad and Mom said go to work every day and do the best you can." Is there a more powerful, potent message to be given to young people than that message? God bless Vi and Cal Ripken, Sr. We're proud of you and proud of what you've done. By the way, they're from Maryland.

I know if you'll allow me four more minutes, I will close with this. I hope all of you have read the books left for you. There is a young woman sitting at my table who is typical of all of the young people we come here today to honor. She's a success story. Not just the kind of success story we read about every day, but also a success story of the Boys & Girls Clubs of America, She's from Dallas. She's a young woman. She's an African American woman and a true success story. Read here quote. She says, proud to tell my story. One of struggle and hardship, but also one of triumph and achievement." LaWanda Jones, that's what it's all about because, there are a lot of people who don't have a Vi and Cal to lift them up, to nurture them, to protect them, to give them the kind of internal mechanism and compass that they need to succeed.

And so, as Todd Green said, one word came to mind when he thinks of Boys & Girls Clubs, and that's "family . . . family". All of us are extended family for an awful lot of young people who need the kind of nurturing and caring and courage given by Cal and Vi to Cal, Jr. Each of you in this room is a part of that caring family of America that ultimately will be the difference. Not the government, it won't happen in government. Government can help. I am one who believes that government needs to a partner. I'm one who believes that we need to marshall our resources in the form of, yes, paying taxes and applying those to good efforts. But, in the final analysis, we will not solve the problems of making sure America's future is secure and the security of our young people is assured if it's not through our families and through us, individually, caring for our young people. That's what Boys & Girls Clubs of America do. Brooke Kersey said, "In good times and bad times, the Boys & Girls Clubs have been my life line." You do God's work. I am proud to be a part of all of you. Thank you.

"CAPTAIN" ARNOLD I. BURNS

Good morning. Thank you very much for our kind invitation. I'm delighted to be here with the distinguished members of the law enforcement community mentioned by Congressman Hoyer.

I've come today to make some important arrests. I've come to arrest crime and I've come to arrest violence, to arrest the drug epidemic, to arrest teenage pregnancies, to arrest alcoholism, to arrest youth gangs. One thing responsible people in the law enforcement business have come to know, and know very well, and Steny made this point, and that is that law enforcement alone cannot solve our societal problems. We have come to believe it and to espouse the old adage that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. We know that in order to make our streets safer and more secure, we must work with organizations such as Boys & Girls Clubs of America.

We need more programs for the young people of this nation of ours—programs like the tried and proven initiatives that have earned Boys & Girls Clubs the reputation as the positive place for kids. These programs help young people to resist the peer and other pressures that lead to substance abuse, to say "no" to drugs, "no" to alcohol, to say "no" to teenage premature sex and to say "no" to gangs.

We need more Boys & Girls Clubs which keep kids coming back day after day and year after year under professional, adult supervision to learn how to get up in the morning, to show up on time for an interview, to find employment, to develop good work habits and to become a reliable and important part of the work force. Boys & Girls Clubs of America programs literally save hundreds of thousands of kids from harm and destruction each year. It is these programs that keep kids from harm and destruction each year. It is these programs that keep kids out of our courtrooms and out of jail. It is these programs that prepare kids to become productive and participating citizens in the mainstream of our society. It is these programs which make our kids producers of tax dollars and not consumers of tax dollars as wards of the State or as welfare participants. Boys & Girls Clubs of America saves billions of dollars, multi-billions of dollars of our tax dollars, because the cost of prevention pales beside the cost of cure, particularly as the cure rehabilitation so rarely works.

So, my department, today, is issuing an APB—an all points bulletin—to the 1680 boys & girls clubs facilities across our nation—reach out—reach out for more kids. Ten years ago, boys & girls clubs served 1,000,000 kids. Today, over 2,220,000 kids. Tomorrow—within the next few years—3,000,000 kids. No alibis.

We in law enforcement will continue to investigate, apprehend, prosecute, convict and incarcerate those who slip through the prevention net. We would like—no, we need, no, we must have your help—your continued top flight work, to cut potential miscreants off at the pass and bypass the criminal justice process entirely by opting for good and productive citizenship early. I close by congratulating our "Youth of the Year" finalists: Jason Reese, Russell Roberson, Fernando Pantoja, Michael Smith and Michael Lampkins. Each of them personifies the success boys and girls clubs can achieve in providing youngsters with a real alternative to life on the streets.

We will continue our work, you continue yours—ours must be a partnership, a collaboration. Together, we can make America a better place for all.

TRIBUTE TO DR. ROBERT E. HENDERSON

Mr. THURMOND. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize Dr. Robert E.

Henderson, of Columbia, SC, for his dedicated service as the president of the South Carolina Research Authority.

Throughout his life, Dr. Henderson has worked to make his community, State, and Nation better places in many different ways, not the least of which was through his stint in the Army during World War II. During that time, he fought our enemies as an infantryman, rising to the rank of staff sergeant and being awarded a Purple Heart. Nearly 50 years later, he continued to work for the defense of the Nation when he was appointed to the prestigious Defense Science Board and the Defense Manufacturing Board.

Dr. Henderson's most significant contributions to my State came through his work as the president of the South Carolina Research Authority, a position from which he recently retired. Under his direction, the authority has helped the Palmetto State to become a force in high-technology research and development, industry, and education. Thanks to the efforts of Dr. Henderson and the SCRA, billions of dollars have been added to our State's economy and South Carolina has become a favored place for companies to do business. Appropriately, Dr. Henderson's good work has been recognized many times and he has even been awarded South Carolina's highest award, the Order of the Palmetto.

Mr. President, Robert Henderson has had an important impact on South Carolina and we are grateful for all his efforts on behalf of our State. I wish him good health and much happiness in the years to come.

TRIBUTE TO COY A. SHORT UPON WINNING THE SAM NUNN AWARD

Mr. THURMOND. Mr. President, the United States gained its freedom from our colonial masters in a bloody and hard fought war for independence. By the end of our 8-year struggle with the Crown, the young United States possessed the Continental Army, the force that ultimately defeated the English. but in 1776, it was ordinary men who grabbed weapons and first fired on the redcoats at Lexington. With that "shot heard 'round the World,' not only was a blow for freedom struck, but the tradition of the citizen-soldier was hatched, one that remains alive and strong in our Nation today in the form of the National Guard.

In cities and towns throughout the United States, one will find armories where men and women, much like their Minuteman forefathers, drill and prepare to meet the missions with which they are tasked. While much about the Guard has changed since the 1700's, muskets have been replaced by M-16A2 rifles and the horse cavalry has been replaced by the M1A2 main battle tank, one thing has remained constant, that those who serve in the Guard are willing to serve selflessly as they come to the aid of their community and work for the defense of the United States.