

Relations Forum, an effort to erase racism through friendship. And he continues to inspire every individual and group with whom he comes into contact.

I am truly honored to know this man, and, along with my wife Peatsy, I wish him a joyous anniversary celebration.●

NEUROFIBROMATOSIS, INC., THE NF SUPPORT GROUP OF WEST MICHIGAN, AND ROSEMARY AND GILLIAN ANDERSON

● Mr. ABRAHAM. Mr. President, on Friday, May 3, 1996, I had the honor and pleasure of hosting a luncheon here in the U.S. Senate on behalf of furthering awareness and understanding of the neurological disorder neurofibromatosis. The luncheon, held in the Russell Caucus Room, was sponsored by Neurofibromatosis, Inc., a national nonprofit organization with chapters around the country which provides support for individuals and families affected by NF. NF, Inc., also promotes greater education and awareness of NF and helps spur further research into its causes and treatment.

Neurofibromatosis is one of the most common genetic conditions of the nervous system. NF can strike any family, and there is no known cure. NF is a progressive disorder that causes tumors to form on nerves throughout the body. It manifests itself in two genetically distinct forms, the most common of which strikes approximately 1 in 4,000 individuals. Although unpredictable, NF can cause hearing loss, vision impairment, seizures, bone deformities, learning disabilities, and cancer. Congress has consistently supported aggressive research into NF and has encouraged the National Institutes of Health to coordinate their activities in order to intensify research into NF's link to learning disabilities and its connection to other serious tumor diseases, including cancer.

In addition to providing Members and their staff with the opportunity to learn more about NF, the luncheon gave the organization's membership an opportunity to present awards to several individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the cause of finding a cure for and effective treatment of NF.

Our colleague Senator NANCY KASSEBAUM was recognized for her work on behalf of NF and other genetic conditions as a member—and now as chairman—of the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee. Dr. Francis S. Collins, Director of the National Institutes of Health's National Center for Human Genome Research, also received an award for his work in this area. Much of what is now known about the link between NF and human genetics is the result of research conducted by Dr. Collins while he was a professor and researcher at the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor from 1984 until his selection in 1993 to head the human genome project. And Dr. Martha Bridge

Denckla, director of the developmental cognitive neurology division of the Kennedy-Krieger Institute in Baltimore, was named the 1996 NF, Inc., scholar, recognition for the significant contribution she has made to the understanding of NF and learning disabilities.

However, the highlight of this event for me was meeting and talking to two other individuals who played prominent roles in the luncheon's program and who happen to hail from my State of Michigan.

The first person, Mrs. Rosemary Anderson, has a long record of activism on behalf of individuals with NF and their families. Rosemary Anderson currently resides in Grand Rapids and is co-president of the NF Support Group of West Michigan. Rosemary joined a fledgling NF support group back in the mid-1980's and, shortly thereafter, took over running it along with another colleague, Bette Contreras. Since then she and Bette have turned this group into an instrument of information, education, and emotional support that has become indispensable to the people of west Michigan with NF and their families. Through Rosemary's work at the NF Support Group of West Michigan, she came to know and work with Dr. Francis Collins during his tenure at the University of Michigan. They have continued to stay in touch and remain good friends, and therefore, it was quite fitting that Rosemary was chosen to formally introduce Dr. Collins at the luncheon.

The other person is Rosemary's daughter, Ms. Gillian Anderson. Gillian, who grew up in Grand Rapids and now lives in Vancouver, British Columbia, is the star of the hit Fox Network television series, "The X Files." Gillian was kind enough to appear at the luncheon which introduced her to Capitol Hill and drew public attention to the NF cause. While in Washington, DC, she took other steps to promote greater awareness of NF and to seek increased funding for NF research. She and Rosemary appeared on the local "Fox Morning News" show, and Gillian taped a public service announcement on NF which is to be aired nationally over the Fox Network.

Mr. President, it was truly wonderful to see how much that crowd admired Gillian Anderson. I think every person who attended that luncheon stayed afterward to have their picture taken with her and have her sign an autograph for them—either on the NF, Inc. newsletter or on magazine covers which contained her picture.

However, I was moved even more by the poignant and compelling remarks that Gillian made as the luncheon ended. Her touching comments, revealing her own experience and perspective regarding NF, captivated the audience. I would like to share her comments with my colleagues because I think, in many ways, they transcended the issue, neurofibromatosis, that brought so many people to that event in the

first place. Her remarks really conveyed the despair and the hope that surround every disease or condition for which there is no cure or effective treatment. As intimate and personal as her observations were, I believe they warrant expression to a wider audience than was able to hear and learn from them that afternoon.

Therefore, Mr. President, I ask that a transcript of Ms. Gillian Anderson's remarks be printed in the RECORD.

The transcript follows:

REMARKS OF GILLIAN ANDERSON AT NEUROFIBROMATOSIS, INC. LUNCHEON, FRIDAY, MAY 3, 1996

Thank you. I am just listening to the very small list of my accomplishments. They seem so insignificant in the presence of such gurus as Dr. Collins and Senator KASSEBAUM. I'm very honored to be here. But I will say, this is much scarier than any "X-File" I've ever encountered.

I'm going to read what I've written. I may be able to look you in the eye, but at this point it's written down and hopefully I can make some sense.

My first lesson with neurofibromatosis came when I was 16, after we learned that my three and a half year old brother Aaron had it. My mother took me to the first meeting of what was to become the Neurofibromatosis Support Group of West Michigan.

I remember the social worker there talking to the 40 or so people who had shown up. There were many who were too intimidated to speak, and there were many who were so excited about the prospect of communicating with people who for the first time understood what they had been going through, and also communicating the fears that they had experienced in their lives, that they couldn't stop talking.

I remember in particular one young mother who had just lost her 6-year-old daughter to an NF related brain tumor, and I remember a 60 year old woman who was trying somewhat heroically not to hide the many disfiguring tumors on her face. It was a very broad spectrum.

My Mother tells me that some people never actually came back to that support group. I think for the many who remained over the past 11 and some years, that the support group has been there, they have shared in the comfort of unbiased friends and fellow sufferers, and in the slow but gradual understanding of NF and its unpredictable complications.

I have watched my brother grow into a sturdy 15-year-old boy. We are among the most fortunate of NF families. My brother is mildly affected; so far so good. But as we learned here today, if we didn't already know, with NF, it is never over. He has a couple of visible tumors, skin tumors, right now. He may have no more; he may have so many more that they are uncountable. We don't know at this point. And then there's always the threat of the more serious tumors which can come about at any time.

And I guess my one hope, regardless of what happens in the future for him, is that the "Joke-meister," as we call him, maintains his wonderful sense of humor throughout.

But it is not just Aaron and the West Michigan NF community. NF is worldwide, and it can happen in any family. And I must say that if the horror of this disease isn't enough to promote its financial support, something that has—that is just as important, and something you might want to consider as an added bonus, is that the study of

NF and neurofibromatosis research is already providing breakthroughs in understanding more about cancer. And we all know how to pronounce that.

I want to thank you for having me here, for joining me in an effort to raise awareness of a disease that is in dire need of acknowledgement, community education, and extensive research if we are going to find a cure.

Thank you very much.

[Applause.]

[Small girl hands her flowers.]•

SENATE QUARTERLY MAIL COSTS

• Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, in accordance with section 318 of Public Law 101-520 as amended by Public Law 103-283, I am submitting the frank mail allocations made to each Senator from the appropriation for official mail expenses and a summary tabulation of Senate mass mail costs for the second quarter of fiscal year 1996 to be printed in the RECORD. The second quarter of fiscal year 1996 covers the period of January 1, 1996, through March 31, 1996. The official mail allocations are available for frank mail costs, as stipulated in Public Law 104-53, the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 1996.

The material follows:

SENATE QUARTERLY MASS MAIL VOLUMES AND COSTS FOR THE QUARTER ENDING MAR. 31, 1996

Senators	Total pieces	Pieces per capita	Total cost	Cost per capita	Fiscal year 1996 official mail allocation
Abraham	705	0.00007	\$203.74	0.00002	\$160.875
Akaka	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	48.447
Ashcroft	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	109.629
Baucus	99,100	0.12027	23,260.70	0.02823	46.822
Bennett	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	56.493
Biden	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	44.754
Bingaman	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	56.404
Bond	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	109.629
Boxer	1,500	0.00005	425.49	0.00001	433.718
Bradley	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	139.706
Breaux	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	92.701
Brown	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	86.750
Bryan	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	56.208
Bumpers	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	69.809
Burns	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	46.822
Byrd	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	59.003
Campbell	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	86.750
Chafee	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	48.698
Coats	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	112.682
Cochran	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	69.473
Cohen	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	52.134
Conrad	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	43.403
Coverdell	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	131.465
Craig	34,783	0.03260	8,667.83	0.00812	49.706
D'Amato	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	262.927
Daschle	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	44.228
DeWine	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	186.314
Dodd	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	80.388
Dole	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	70.459
Domenech	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	56.404
Dorgan	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	43.403
Exon	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	57.167
Faircloth	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	134.344
Feingold	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	102.412
Feinstein	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	433.718
Ford	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	86.009
Frist	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	106.658
Glen	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	186.314
Gorton	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	109.059
Graham	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	259.426
Gramm	3,300	0.00019	752.30	0.00004	281.361
Grassley	8,923	0.00199	7,335.17	0.00164	96.024
Gregg	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	73.403
Harkin	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	50.569
Hatch	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	73.403
Hatfield	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	56.493
Hefflin	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	89.144
Helms	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	134.344
Hollings	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	85.277
Hutchison	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	281.361
Inhofe	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	82.695
Inouye	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	48.447
Jeffords	12,700	0.02228	2,591.76	0.00455	42.858
Johnston	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	92.701
Kassebaum	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	70.459
Kempthorne	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	49.706

SENATE QUARTERLY MASS MAIL VOLUMES AND COSTS FOR THE QUARTER ENDING MAR. 31, 1996—Continued

Senators	Total pieces	Pieces per capita	Total cost	Cost per capita	Fiscal year 1996 official mail allocation
Kennedy	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	117,964
Kerrey	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	57,167
Kerry	931	0.00016	247.38	0.00004	117,964
Kohl	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	102,412
Kyl	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	93,047
Lautenberg	783	0.00010	678.21	0.00009	139,706
Leahy	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	42,858
Levin	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	160,875
Lieberman	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	80,388
Lott	342,000	1.3083	59,962.12	0.02294	69,473
Lugar	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	112,682
Mack	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	259,426
McCain	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	93,047
McConnell	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	86,009
Mikulski	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	101,272
Moseley-Braun	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	184,773
Moynihan	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	262,927
Murkowski	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	42,565
Murray	110,600	0.02153	22,048.97	0.00429	109,059
Nickles	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	82,695
Nunn	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	131,465
Pell	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	48,698
Pressler	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	44,228
Pryor	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	69,809
Reid	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	56,208
Robb	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	121,897
Rockefeller	132,152	0.07293	27,775.63	0.01533	59,003
Roth	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	44,754
Santorum	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	199,085
Sarbanes	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	101,272
Shelby	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	89,144
Simon	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	184,773
Simpson	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	41,633
Smith	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	50,569
Snowe	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	52,134
Specter	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	199,085
Stevens	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	42,565
Thomas	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	41,633
Thompson	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	106,658
Thurmond	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	85,277
Warner	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	121,897
Wellstone	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	96,024
Wyden	0	0.00000	0.00	0.00000	52,135

ORDER FOR ADJOURNMENT

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order, following the remarks of the distinguished Senator from Wisconsin.

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

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET

The Senate continued with the consideration of the concurrent resolution.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from New Mexico is recognized for the amendment.

AMENDMENT NO. 4019

Mr. DOMENICI. On behalf of Senators DOLE, HATCH, and HELMS, I submit an amendment and ask for its immediate consideration. I guess I need consent. I ask unanimous consent that the pending amendment be set aside temporarily.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report.

The bill clerk read as follows:

The Senator from New Mexico [Mr. DOMENICI], for Mr. DOLE, for himself, Mr. HATCH, and Mr. HELMS, proposes an amendment numbered 4019.

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that further reading of the amendment be dispensed with.

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

The amendment is as follows:

The Senate finds that:

Drugs use is devastating to the nation, particularly among juveniles, and has led juveniles to become involved in interstate gangs and to participate in violent crime;

Drug use has experienced a dramatic resurgence among our youth;

The number of youths aged 12-17 using marijuana has increased from 1.6 million in 1992 to 2.9 million in 1994, and the category of "recent marijuana use" increased a staggering 200% among 14 to 15-year-olds over the same period.

The Senate finds that:

Since 1992, there has been a 52% jump in the number of high school seniors using drugs on a monthly basis, even as worrisome declines are noted in peer disapproval of drug use;

1 in 3 high school students uses marijuana;

12 to 17-year-olds who use marijuana are 85% more likely to graduate to cocaine than those who abstain from marijuana;

Juveniles who reach 21 without ever having used drugs almost never try them later in life;

The latest results from the Drug Abuse Warning Network show that marijuana-related episodes jumped 39% and are running at 155% above the 1990 level, and that methamphetamine cases have risen 256% over the 1991 level;

Between February 1993 and February 1995 the retail price of a gram of cocaine fell from \$172 to \$137, and that of a gram of heroin also fell from \$2,032 to \$1,278;

It has been reported that the Department of Justice, through the United States Attorney for the Southern District of California, has adopted a policy of allowing certain foreign drug smugglers to avoid prosecution altogether by being released to Mexico;

It has been reported that in the past year approximately 2,300 suspected narcotics traffickers were taken into custody for bringing illegal drugs across the border, but approximately one in four were returned to their country of origin without being prosecuted;

It has been reported that the U.S. Customs Service is operating under guidelines limiting any prosecution in marijuana cases to cases involving 125 pounds of marijuana or more;

It has been reported that suspects possessing as much as 32 pounds of methamphetamine and 37,000 Quaalude tablets, were not prosecuted but were, instead, allowed to return to their countries of origin after their drugs and vehicles were confiscated;

It has been reported that after a seizure of 158 pounds of cocaine, one defendant was cited and released because there was no room at the federal jail and charges against her were dropped;

It has been reported that some smugglers have been caught two or more times—even in the same week—yet still were not prosecuted;

The number of defendants prosecuted for violations of the federal drug laws has dropped from 25,033 in 1992 to 22,926 in 1995;

The efforts of law enforcement officers deployed against drug smugglers are severely undermined by insufficiently vigorous prosecution policies of federal prosecutors;

This Congress has increased the funding of the Federal Bureau of Prisons by 11.7% over the 1995 appropriations level;

This Congress has increased the funding of the Immigration and Naturalization Service by 23.5% over the 1995 appropriations level;

It is the Sense of the Senate that the functional totals underlying this resolution assume that the Attorney General promptly