

Eunice is truly an exceptional person. Her abilities run the gamut, ranging from aesthetics to athletics. Young people all across America such as Eunice embody the American spirit and will help lead the way into the 21st century. I, along with the rest of the 11th District of Florida, congratulate Eunice on her fine accomplishment.

REGARDING THE UPPER GREAT
PLAINS FLOOD OF 1997

HON. EARL POMEROY

OF NORTH DAKOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, June 23, 1997

Mr. POMEROY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to offer my appreciation to the people who have helped the disaster-stricken communities of North Dakota. Whenever a community suffers from a disaster, people often look to their local leadership to help them get through trying times and help them get back on their feet. With the blizzards and floods of 1997, local leaders in North Dakota have not only risen to the task, they've become heroes to the people they serve. Few can forget the images of Grand Forks Mayor Pat Owens working around the clock as her community suffered the worst disaster in North Dakota history. And

between working endless hours helping her city through this time and numerous trips to Washington to make a case for Federal support, she was always available to also lend a shoulder to the Grand Forks resident who needed comfort.

Many other mayors across North Dakota, Minnesota, and South Dakota showed their unshakeable commitment to the people they serve. Mayor Lynn Stauss of East Grand Forks, Mayor Bruce Furness of Fargo, Mayor Hetty Walker of Pembina, Mayor Dan Rood of Wahpeton, and so many other community leaders deserve our thanks and our praise.

When our communities needed their leadership the most, they were there for us—providing strength, courage, and leadership that has truly made a difference to the lives of the people they represent.

The flood of 1997 on the Upper Great Plains brought out the best in people as neighbors helped neighbors get through some very difficult times. People from around the country stepped forward to lend a hand and show the residents of Grand Forks that they weren't alone. I would also like to recognize the incredible help provided by the men and women of the Grand Forks Air Force Base. From acting as the mass care shelter to hosting the senior prom, the assistance from the air base to the community continues. The response activities, and now the ongoing re-

covery efforts, could not happen without those extraordinary efforts.

Other groups that contributed to the disaster far above the normal call-of-duty include the men and women who worked to restore power after the blizzard. Linemen who in some cases were wearing snowmobile helmets as they worked to restore power lines during the height of the ice storms deserve our thanks for a job well done. The thousands of volunteers who fought the flood, in some cases even while their own homes were being inundated, should be remembered for their selfless acts and hard work.

Donations poured in from every corner of the United States as the magnitude of this disaster and suffering became known. Other acts of kindness from individuals and corporations were commonplace, their generosity at times truly defying description.

At the same time, other agencies stepped forward to do their usual jobs of helping people recover. Unfortunately, the Red Cross and the Salvation Army all too often are taken for granted for the support they provide. Let me tell you that in North Dakota, and especially in Grand Forks, they are not taken for granted. They set new standards for caring and commitment.

To all those who stepped forward to help those in need I say thank you.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, June 24, 1997, may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

JUNE 25

9:30 a.m.

Commerce, Science, and Transportation Communications Subcommittee
To hold hearings on international satellite reform proposals.

SR-253

Governmental Affairs
Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations

To hold hearings to examine emerging fraud in the Medicare program.

SD-342

Rules and Administration

To hold hearings to examine campaign financing, focusing on whether political contributions are voluntary.

SR-301

Veterans' Affairs

To hold hearings to review a recent General Accounting Office (GAO) report entitled "Gulf War Illnesses: Improved Monitoring of Clinical Progress and Re-examination of Research Emphasis Needed".

SH-216

Indian Affairs

To hold oversight hearings on the Administration's proposal to restructure Indian gaming fee assessments.

SD-562

10:00 a.m.

Appropriations
District of Columbia Subcommittee

To hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the District of Columbia.

SD-192

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
Securities Subcommittee

To resume oversight hearings to examine Social Security investment in the securities markets.

SD-538

Foreign Relations

To hold hearings on pending nominations.

SD-419

Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine encryption, key recovery, and privacy protection in the information age.

SD-226

2:00 p.m.

Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Science, Technology, and Space Subcommittee

To hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1998 for the United States Fire Administration, Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Office of Associate Administration for Commercial Space Transportation.

SR-253

Judiciary

To hold hearings on pending nominations.

SD-226

JUNE 26

9:00 a.m.

Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Business meeting, to consider pending calendar business.

SR-253

9:30 a.m.

Energy and Natural Resources
Forests and Public Land Management Subcommittee

To hold hearings on S. 783, to increase the accessibility of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness.

SD-366

JUNE 26

9 a.m.

Environment and Public Works
Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety Subcommittee

To hold oversight hearings on recent administrative changes and judicial decisions relating to Section 404 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act.

SD-406

Small Business

Business meeting, to mark up S. 208, to provide Federal contracting opportunities for small business concerns located in historically underutilized business zones, and proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Small Business Administration.

SR-428A

10:00 a.m.

Judiciary

To hold hearings to review the Global Tobacco settlement.

SD-226

Judiciary

Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the threat of domestic terrorism, focusing on allegations from the recent trial of Timothy McVeigh in the Oklahoma City bombing.

SD-226

2:00 p.m.

Energy and Natural Resources
National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation Subcommittee

To hold hearings on S. 308, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study concerning grazing use of certain land within and adjacent to Grand Teton National Park, Wyoming, and to extend temporarily certain grazing

privileges, and S. 360, to require adoption of a management plan for the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area that allows appropriate use of motorized and nonmotorized river craft in the recreation area.

SD-366

Judiciary

Immigration Subcommittee

To hold hearings on proposals to extend the Visa Waiver Pilot Program, including S. 290, to establish a visa waiver pilot program for nationals of Korea who are traveling in tour groups to the United States.

SD-226

JULY 10

2:00 p.m.

Energy and Natural Resources
National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation Subcommittee

To hold oversight hearings to review the preliminary findings of the General Accounting Office concerning a study on the health, condition, and viability of the range and wildlife populations in Yellowstone National Park.

SD-336

JULY 23

9:00 a.m.

Finance

International Trade Subcommittee

To hold hearings with the Caucus on International Narcotics Control on the threat to U.S. trade and finance from drug trafficking and international organized crime.

SD-215

JULY 30

9:00 a.m.

Finance

International Trade Subcommittee

To resume hearings with the Caucus on International Narcotics Control on the threat to U.S. trade and finance from drug trafficking and international organized crime.

SD-215

CANCELLATIONS

JUNE 24

9:30 a.m.

Small Business

To hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for the Small Business Administration.

SR-428A

JUNE 25

9:30 a.m.

Labor and Human Resources

Business meeting, to consider pending calendar business.

SR-430

JUNE 26

9:30 a.m.

Labor and Human Resources

Children and Families Subcommittee

To hold oversight hearings on the implementation of the Family and Medical Leave Act.

SR-430