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The Senate met at 9 a.m., and was called to order by the President pro tempore [Mr. THURMOND].

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we are accountable to You. You have given us life, loved and guided us, and entrusted to us responsibilities to be assumed and done for Your glory. In all our ways, we will acknowledge You and You shall direct our paths.

Today, as we continue these "Character Counts" prayers and thank You for the pillar of character called responsibility, we praise You that You have given us minds to know Your thoughts, goodness to strengthen our emotions, and resoluteness to motivate our wills. The central purpose of our lives is to listen for Your commands and to obey with passion. Help us to do the best we can with all that we have, so that we may serve You with excellence.

Lord, You have given each of us a realm of responsibility. We are stewards of the blessings You have given us. All that we have and are is a gift from You to be used for the relationships You have given us. Help us to be generous and kind as we assume responsibility for loved ones, friends, people for whom we work or those who work for us.

Lord, help us never forget that we must account for how responsible we were to You in carrying out our responsibilities. Through our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

### RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The able acting majority leader is recognized.

Mr. KEMPTHORNE. Thank you, Mr. President.

### SCHEDULE

Mr. KEMPTHORNE. Mr. President, this morning the Senate will be in a period of morning business to accommodate a number of Senators who have requested time to speak. At 11 a.m., under the previous order, the Senate will conduct a cloture vote on the modified committee amendment to Senate bill 1173, the ISTEAA reauthorization bill. Following that vote, the Senate will vote on passage of House Joint Resolution 97, the continuing resolution. Therefore, Members can anticipate two consecutive rollcall votes beginning at approximately 11 a.m. today. If cloture is not invoked at 11:00 a.m., a second cloture vote is expected to occur later in the afternoon. Hopefully, the Senate can make good progress on the highway legislation during today's session.

As a reminder to all Members, a third cloture motion was filed last evening in the event that cloture is not invoked during today's session. If needed, that vote will occur on Friday at a time to be determined later. In addition, if any appropriations conference reports become available, the Senate is expected to consider those reports in short order. Therefore, Members can anticipate rollcall votes throughout today's session of the Senate.

### MORNING BUSINESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SANTORUM). Under the previous order, there will now be a period for the transaction of morning business, not to extend beyond the hour of 11 a.m. with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 5 minutes each.

Mr. KEMPTHORNE. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call.

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

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

### ANN'S CAMPAIGN FOR A SAFER AMERICA

Mr. KEMPTHORNE. Mr. President, my children attend a high school in Fairfax County. It is a high school that has great diversity, great hope, great potential. It is a school that you might say is in some transition. The school has seen a great deal of improvement, has a great deal of camaraderie, a great spirit at this public high school. It is Mount Vernon High School. The teachers care, the parents care, the administrators care. My kids have made terrific friends at this school, friends that indeed will last a lifetime.

One student, Ann Harris, became one of my daughter's absolute best friends. They had morning period together. They had one book that they would share, they would make notes and they would pass it each day with the thoughts that they had in their heart and they would share it back and forth.

Ann Harris's father, Coleman, has been PTA president for 3 years. His wife, Jean, you could not ask for a better booster for that high school. They want to make sure that that high school is a safe place for kids, and they have done a terrific job.

March 29 of this year my wife and I were driving when the cell phone rang. I answered, and it was my daughter. I could tell that something was very wrong because of the anguish in her voice. She said, "Dad, when will you and Mom be home?" And I said we will be home very soon. Then my daughter started crying and she said, "Ann Harris is dead." And I said, "What?" And she said, "Ann is dead," and she continued to cry. I tried to ask her what in the world had happened, and she said she has been shot.

We later learned that she had been shot in a drive-by. So here is Coleman and Jean Harris, doing all they can as

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parents, all that teachers and administrators can do to make sure that you have a safe school, a safe environment, and a safe neighborhood.

But here is the irony. That shooting did not take place in our neighborhood. It took place 3,000 miles away over spring break because of something going on in that community where some guy, for whatever reason, got offended and fired into the back of that automobile, ending the lovely life of a 17-year-old girl.

Ann Harris was a model student and a model citizen. She was an A student. She was an outstanding athlete, a great tennis player. She had been accepted to Purdue University. She is gone because somebody—somebody—just undertook a senseless and pointless act that extinguished the life of so much potential.

I can tell you that not just my daughter cried but a whole community has cried in mourning the loss of Ann Harris. I don't think there is a sweeter smile that I have seen on anybody than on the face of Ann Harris.

We talk about this today on the floor of the U.S. Senate because how many times throughout the United States in any of our communities do we pick up newspapers and find out that a young life has been extinguished because of some senseless, violent act? We read about it all the time.

In 1994, more than 2,600 juveniles between the ages of 10 and 17 were murdered. That is a rate of seven per day. One in five of these victims was killed by another juvenile. The number of juveniles arrested for violent crimes has increased 60 percent in the last 10 years. During that same time, murder arrests rose 125 percent. Our young people are the most frequent victims of violent crime. They are raped, robbed or assaulted at a rate five times higher than adults. The homicide rate for youths in the United States is 10 times higher than in Canada, 15 times higher than in Australia, 28 times higher than in France and Germany. This increase in juvenile crime has been linked to the increase in youth gang activity. Gangs are now present in all 50 States, in large cities, small cities, and in rural communities.

I think it is appropriate for the U.S. Senate to salute the life of Ann Harris and all of these young Americans that we have lost who have been senselessly killed for no reason.

At graduation this past June, they still called Ann's name, and her brother and sisters came across the stage to accept her diploma. Waiting on stage to meet each graduate were Coleman and Jean Harris. They hugged every student, just as they hoped that they would be hugging Ann on receiving her diploma.

May this tragic event somehow cause all of us to look around our own communities. With us today are Coleman and Jean Harris; Ann's high school principal, Calanthia Tucker; Fairfax County school board member, Kris

Amundson; members of the church, the pastor.

All of us today salute and celebrate the life of Ann Harris and the life of the young people that aren't with us. Let us, as parents and as adults, redouble our efforts. What have we done lately for our children and for our community? Have we gotten involved in our children's schools to make sure they are safe, that they are drug free? Have we demonstrated with organizations like Parents and Youth Against Drug Abuse that that is the right thing to be doing? Have you worked with local law enforcement agencies to develop safer neighborhoods and a support system?

Ann's parents have continued their efforts to promote safer schools in safer neighborhoods. They have started with what is called Ann's Campaign, "Ann's Campaign For A Safer America." The focus of the campaign is to help youth and adults live the kind of life exemplified by Ann, a life that radiated kindness, warmth and compassion for others. That describes Ann Harris.

In just a few months, Ann's Campaign has grown from a simple concept born of love to a national organization with a web site that offers encouragement, support, and information to interested persons. Ann's Campaign provides links to other support groups such as Mothers Against Violence in America and Students Against Violence Everywhere. Through this type of networking, the Harris's hope to promote a positive message to young people that together we really can build a better America and a safer America.

I send my sincere thoughts and prayers to the Harris family on their loss, my admiration and support for their effort to make our world a little bit better place to live. As the model of Ann's Campaign advocates, we need to encourage each other to smile more, to care more, to love more, and to be more understanding. If we save just one life, we have paid the finest tribute in the world to Ann Harris, and we can do so. This senseless loss of life of our young people must come to an end.

So while my heart is sad, it also celebrates. My family knew Ann Harris. All the kids at Mount Vernon High School knew Ann Harris, and for the rest of their lives they will know the joy that she brought to them, and through Ann's Campaign it can bring to others throughout the United States.

Mr. President, I referenced Ann's Campaign and the fact that they have a Web site. Anybody who wishes to access that, if they simply access "annscampaign.org," they would have access to that Web site. I acknowledge that Senator CHUCK ROBB of Virginia, whose alma mater is Mount Vernon High School, intends to be speaking on this issue today, too, as well as Senator SAM BROWNBACK of Kansas, who will be coming down and speaking on this issue.

I mentioned about the parents and all of us getting involved. I am very proud of my wife, who is now the President of the PTA of Mount Vernon High School. Now, it is with pleasure that I turn to my colleague from Idaho, the senior Senator from Idaho, Senator CRAIG, who has comments with regard to Ann Harris.

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, I thank my colleague, Senator KEMPTHORNE, for taking out this time to reference what tragically has become all too common in America today—the loss of a beautiful person and the repercussion of that loss on the family of Coleman and Jean Harris. I must tell you, I did not know Ann, but I do know Coleman and Jean, the parents of Ann. I watched as the community around where Senator KEMPTHORNE and I live mourned the loss of this beautiful young girl and felt the tragedy of it all.

I don't know what we do about crime in America today. The statistics this morning were, as I drove in from the Mount Vernon area to our Nation's Capital, that the number of violent crimes is down in America. That is always positive and it is always good. When Ann left home here in northern Virginia to go to Tacoma, WA, with her friends to see friends, she did not expect to be treated violently or to become involved in a violent episode, because the perpetrator of the incident that killed Ann Harris broke the law.

So is the answer today adding more laws to the books? It really doesn't seem to be. What Coleman and Jean Harris are doing today may well be a piece of an answer that allows citizens of this country not only to express themselves, but to recognize that this is a people problem that we are dealing with today, that it is a societal problem in our country, that stacking laws upon laws that people refuse to live by, if they decide to constantly be a breaker of the law, doesn't solve the problem.

Now, when I came to work yesterday morning, I was involved in the standard traffic gridlock that oftentimes we become involved in in this immediate metropolitan area. There were times when my temper flared and I thought, why should this happen? Yet, I calmed myself and relaxed as much as I could to cope, so that I would not misjudge or cause a bad action. Certainly that kind of reaction, or whatever may have caused a reaction that caused the death of Ann Harris, is something that I think we all need to deal with. Thank goodness, the parents of this beautiful girl have said, "We are going to do something about it. In the name of Ann Harris, Ann's Campaign, we are going to do something about it."

They have not approached Senator KEMPTHORNE and me and said we want more laws. What they have said is, "We want a campaign nationwide that recognizes that if you smile more and care more and you love more and you have more understanding and you bring back to the culture of this society

some of those underpinnings that kept us whole and kept a human relationship going for so long that seems to have broken down, that may have caused the death of Ann Harris, and certainly does cause deaths around the country in drive-by shootings and those kinds of things that just seem to be baseless types of crimes, that our society can, by these actions and by this action of the Harrises, become a better and a safer place to live. That is what we must all dedicate a part of our time to.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE and I are lawmakers, and we could probably pass another law. Certainly, in the passion and emotion of these kinds of incidents happening, all of us want to reach out and do something about it and do it quickly. Well, this Senate and this Congress, for the last decade, has passed a lot of laws that deals with violent actions of our citizens. Yet, somehow we are told by sociologists today that we must prepare ourselves for a very violent generation of juveniles. While adult crime goes down, as I referenced, juvenile crime seems to go up. I suspect that when society as a whole does what Coleman and Jean Harris are now doing on behalf of the beautiful daughter they lost, and more and more citizens speak up and become involved, and our communities and our churches and all of the institutions of our society bind together in intolerance of this kind of activity, that we will once again become a safer place to live.

So let me thank my colleague again for this time and this recognition. We must continue to use any pulpit we can to speak out, and certainly the Harrises have. They have every reason to. I applaud them for their action and want to be a part of it where I can be as I ask other citizens to in the name of Ann and Ann's Campaign so that we can all smile a little more in a less violent society.

Thank you, Mr. President.

Mr. KEMPTHORNE addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Idaho.

Mr. KEMPTHORNE. Mr. President, I thank the Senator from Idaho for his very thoughtful comments that he made this morning and for the sincerity by which I know he has delivered them.

I now, with a great deal of honor, yield to the Senator from Washington, Senator MURRAY, for her comments as well.

Mrs. MURRAY addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Washington.

Mrs. MURRAY. Thank you, Mr. President.

Mr. President, I stand with my colleagues from Idaho today out of anger, sadness, and commitment. A beautiful young woman, Ann Harris, was murdered in my State of Washington. She was murdered by a young man in a random act of violence as she rode in a car with her friends through a Tacoma neighborhood.

Her death is an outrage. We all should be furious. But the saddest comment is that to so many young people, Ann is simply another statistic. To too many she's just "another homicide." A 17-year-old girl is murdered by a young college football player. Our eyes just glaze at the headline and move on.

This time, her parents, her friends, my colleagues and I, and many individuals and organizations across America are not going to let her murder be only a small blip on the television screen. We will not forget her—or any of the other hundreds of children and young people murdered each year.

Her parents, Coleman and Jean, have organized "Ann's Campaign for a Safer America." Even in their tragic loss and profound grief, they pledged to themselves and their lost daughter that they would work to stop violence and stop our national indifference to it. Ann's Campaign's focus will be to encourage, motivate, educate, and help youth and adults alike to live the life Ann radiated—a life that said every day and in every way: smile more, care more, love more, and be more understanding. They will help us all focus on the good and learn to stop violence.

Mr. President, this is not about guns. This is about an attitude among too many young people "on the street" that violence is an acceptable alternative. We adults, we Members of Congress, must send the message to our kids and young adults that when someone is killed it will not pass by unnoticed. As adults we must let them know killing and maiming is appalling—and totally unacceptable.

To too many of them it is a quick news piece and it's gone. To too many of them it is "just another funeral." But to parents and family and friends it is a light gone out, a hope not realized, a life not fulfilled.

Mr. President, there is hope that we can make a change in the apathy of our young people. In addition to Ann's parents, a friend of mine from Mercer Island, Pam Eakes, formed an organization called Mothers Against Violence in America.

After hearing about one too many children who lost their lives to violence, she resolved to make a difference, to make kids think about their actions, to teach them empathy, to teach them nonviolence.

Mothers Against Violence also supports families of victims. There is nothing worse than a parent's loss of a child. They feel helpless, and often guilty, like they somehow are to blame for not giving their child full protection from all danger. They are innocent victims, too, and desperately need the support that only others who have suffered their loss can give.

I want to again offer my sincere condolences to Ann's parents. They are so brave to wage this war against apathy and indifference and for love and caring and understanding. Every time they discuss these issues, their own wounds are opened. I thank them and I

thank Pam Eakes and a member of my staff, Mary Glenn, and all of the mothers and fathers who have taken their grief and have woven it into a mission to change the world.

Mr. President, they cannot fight alone. We all must get involved and teach our children—and each other—that violence is unacceptable. We can make a difference by joining organizations like Mothers Against Violence or Ann's Campaign and working with them to teach and support. And we can start organizations across America to save our children from violence.

Young people can no longer believe that an angry action of one moment is only that. It is not just an action. It is murder. It is wrong and it will be punished. It is time to stop the violence.

I know that I will continue my personal fight against violence in America. And I urge all of our colleagues to join us in this campaign.

Thank you, Mr. President.

Mr. KEMPTHORNE. Mr. President, in listening to the Senator from Washington, we hear not only an effective Senator speak but we also hear a mother speak. I know of the beautiful children she has.

I commend all of the Senators who have spoken on this issue this morning.

Carved in granite behind me are words "In God We Trust."

Today, I just say thank God for Ann Harris. I can think of no finer tribute than for us here on the floor of the U.S. Senate to officially acknowledge Ann's Campaign as it goes nationwide because this lovely lady's life is going to continue to do wonderful things for this country.

Mr. President, I yield the floor.

Mr. BROWNBACK addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Kansas.

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Ann Harris and her memory.

The Harris family, who I have known for over 20 years, recently suffered the loss of their 17-year-old daughter, Ann. She was the innocent victim of a drive-by shooting.

It is a gross understatement to say that that moment changed their lives forever, but it certainly did exactly that. Confronted with such an atrocity, many people would have used the occasion to question the existence of evil in our society and to ask why such a horrible event could have happened to such an innocent person, and to simply ask the question of "Why? Why? Why? Why has our society become so crime-ridden? Why was such an innocent girl's life taken? Why Ann's life?"

Members have a picture of Ann at their desk. This is Ann's Campaign which they have launched.

When their daughter was shot, the Harris family had an occasion to ask just those same questions that I asked, but they did not ask just those questions. They went further and asked the deeper questions.

They realized that by turning this extraordinary incident, extraordinarily terrible incident—and also by us changing our ordinary incidents—events in our lives into true occasions of loving and of serving God, our communities, and one another, that we begin to change society, not to mention ourselves, for the better. And more importantly, we change them in a way that mitigates against the evil influences that have come to dominate many aspects of this culture.

The Harris family could have used the horrors of this world as an excuse to turn away from God, but, you know, they didn't. Instead, they turned to God and asked quietly, asked humbly, not why—but what? "What do you want us to do? What can we do to make the world a better place? What can we do to keep the memory of our daughter alive?"

Out of that question came a wonderful foundation dedicated to preserving the memory of the daughter the Harris family lost and to fighting the spread of violent crime in our society.

Ann's Campaign for a Safer America—that is what this card is—was established by Jean and Coleman Harris following the brutal death of their daughter. Ann's Campaign for a Safer America seeks to encourage, motivate, educate, and help youth and adults alike to live the life radiated like their daughter did—a life that said every day and in every way: smile more, care more, love more and be more understanding.

The Harris family is combating violence by combating the problems that often lead to violence. And I believe Ann's Campaign is a unique opportunity to help contribute to the restoration of our culture by directly combating the influences that denigrate and ultimately compromise our moral worth as a nation.

The Harris family has turned a horrible event into an occasion of enriching the community and the country. We too can turn the events of our lives, the extraordinary, the terrible, and the good, along with the ordinary, into occasions of remembering to help others, to serve and to love, and to ask the question: Not why, but what? What? What should I be doing? How should I serve?

So I am joined by my colleague, Senator KEMPTHORNE, and several others, in this privilege of highlighting Ann's Campaign that we note here today.

I have a tie on as well that has smiling faces of children from around the world. That was the Ann Harris who I knew. I even knew her while her mother was pregnant with her. She had just a delightful smile and was a joy of life that was taken brutally.

I applaud what the Harris family has done, taking that incident and turning it into something of: What can we say to our culture? How can we change? Not "Why?" But "What?" I applaud what they are doing. I ask and hope and encourage my colleagues to look at

this as a campaign that they can help in as well as other people from around this Nation.

Mr. President, I yield the floor.

Mr. ROBB. Mr. President, last spring, a bright young Fairfax County high school senior was murdered while visiting friends in Washington State.

Ann Harris was an honor student, a student leader, a gifted athlete, and a member of the Virginia All-State Chorus. Although she didn't live to graduate from Mount Vernon High School—where I graduated over 40 years ago—she carried a 3.4-grade point average and had been accepted, early admissions, to Purdue University. Last spring, Ann had a future filled with unlimited possibilities.

This fall, as I know her family continued to struggle with their loss, many of her friends in Mount Vernon's Class of 1997 left home to attend the college of their own choice. But they left home with a chilling loss of innocence—the innocence of those who don't know what it's like to lose someone you care about to a senseless act of violence.

We want our young people to be safe. Safe in our schools. Safe in our homes. Safe on our streets. We want them to live and learn and contribute to our country.

Ann's family joins us in the gallery today. Let us take this time to recommit ourselves to working for a safer America for all our children. Ann Harris deserved a future limited only by the borders of her dreams. And her friends deserved the innocence of not knowing someone—when you're 17 years old—who loses their future to a senseless act of violence.

I will conclude by commending Ann's family for creating Ann's Campaign for a Safer America. This campaign encourages all of us to live life as their daughter would have lived—to "smile more, care more, love more and understand more." As the father of three daughters whose smiles have brightened many rooms, I thank you for your efforts.

Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent I be recognized as in morning business for 10 minutes.

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

#### GLOBAL WARMING

Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, today we will be having some conversation on the floor concerning the global warming treaty. I will make a few comments concerning that in that I am the chairman of the Clean Air Committee of the Environment and Public Works Committee. We have had extensive hearings on this. I will review just very briefly what we have learned from the hearing that we held in our subcommittee in the Environment and Public Works Committee insofar as global warming is concerned.

In July, the Environmental Committee had a hearing on the global climate

change treaty and we heard from five top scientists.

The conclusions I found were very interesting, particularly since last night when I watched Administrator Carol Browner talk about the scientific evidence that is conclusive concerning global climate change. That is not at all what we found in our hearing. We had five of the top scientists around. While there is a large body of scientific research, there is much controversy and disagreement in scientific facts being misrepresented by the administration and the press.

Four things that we came to a conclusion on were, No. 1, we don't know how much human activity has influenced the climate. One scientist before our committee said it could be as much as 6 percent.

Second, if you look at satellite data, we are not sure if there has been any global warming. We had a very interesting session that lasted more than an hour with viewing the satellites and what conclusions could come, and there was no conclusive evidence that there has actually been any global warming.

Three, even if we eliminate all man-made emissions, it may not have a noticeable impact on the environment, and the treaty may only eliminate emissions here in the United States and not in the entire world.

Four, when asked, all five scientists stated that we would not have the uncertainties understood by this December, when the administration plans on making a decision regarding the treaty.

Now, we found out yesterday that the President came and made his announcement. It is kind of interesting, Mr. President, because we passed a resolution on the floor of the Senate, by 95 to 0, that said we would reject any type of a treaty that came from Kyoto that didn't treat the developing nations the same as the developed nations. So the President came out with something where he is calling for a binding 30 percent reduction in emission levels by the year 2012. He calls this an important first step, with more reductions to follow.

As chairman of the Armed Services Readiness Subcommittee, I can tell you that this is going to have a profound negative affect on our ability to defend America, as the President stated yesterday that the military accounts for 43 percent of the Federal energy use. The Federal Government cannot reduce by 30 percent or more without significant cuts in the military. I think this equates to something like a 3 to 7 times greater cut than the Btu tax of 1993.

One of the things that bothered me more than anything else is the moving target that we are dealing with. In March of 1995 in a House Commerce Committee hearing, Congressmen DINGELL and SCHAEFER raised concerns that the new targets may not apply to all countries equally, and on behalf of