

Whereas the explorers faithfully followed the President's directives and dutifully recorded their observations in their detailed journals;

Whereas these journals describe many plant and animal species, some completely unknown to the world of science or never before encountered in North America, and added greatly to scientific knowledge about the flora and fauna of the United States;

Whereas accounts from the journals of Lewis and Clark and the detailed maps that were prepared by the Expedition enhanced knowledge of the western continent and routes for commerce;

Whereas the journals of Lewis and Clark documented diverse American Indian languages, customs, religious beliefs, and ceremonies; as Lewis and Clark are important figures in American history so too are Black Buffalo, Cameahwait, Sacagawea, Sheheke, Watkueis, Twisted Hair, Tetoharsky, Yellept, and Comowool;

Whereas the Expedition significantly enhanced amicable relations between the United States and the autonomous Indian nations, and the friendship and respect fostered between the Indian tribes and the Expedition represents the best of diplomacy and relationships between divergent nations and cultures;

Whereas the Native American Indian tribes of the Northern Plains and the Pacific Northwest played an essential role in the survival and the success of the Expedition;

Whereas the Lewis and Clark Expedition has been called the most perfect Expedition of its kind in the history of the world and paved the way for the United States to become a great world power;

Whereas the President and the Congress have previously recognized the importance of the Expedition by establishing a 5-year commission in 1964 to study its history and the route it followed, and again in 1978 by designating the route as the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail administered by the Secretary of the Interior through the National Park Service; and

Whereas the National Park Service, along with other Federal, State, and local agencies and many other interested groups are preparing commemorative activities to celebrate the bicentennial of the Expedition beginning in 2003: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) expresses its support for the work of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation, the National Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Council and all the Federal, State, and local entities as well as other interested groups that are preparing bicentennial activities to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Lewis and Clark Expedition during the years 2004 through 2006;

(2) expresses its support for the events to be held in observance of the Expedition at St. Louis, Missouri in 2004 and Bismarck, North Dakota in 2005, and many other cities during the bicentennial observance; and

(3) calls upon the President, the Secretary of the Interior, the Director of the National Park Service, American Indian tribes, other public officials, and the citizens of the United States to support, promote, and participate in the many bicentennial activities being planned to commemorate the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

AUTHORIZING PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Senate Resolution 91 submitted earlier today by Senators LOTT and DASCHLE.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows.

A resolution (S. Res. 91) to authorize the production of records by the Select Committee on Intelligence.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the resolution?

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, the Select Committee on Intelligence has received a request from the inspector general of the Department of Justice for copies of certain committee records relevant to the inspector general's pending inquiry into allegations of involvement by the Central Intelligence Agency in crack cocaine trafficking with supporters of the Nicaraguan Contras.

It is anticipated that other Senate committees may receive similar requests for documents in the future.

This resolution would authorize the chairman and vice chairman of the Intelligence Committee, acting jointly, to provide committee records in response to this request, utilizing appropriate security procedures. This resolution would also authorize the chairman and ranking member of other Senate committees, acting jointly, to provide relevant records of such committees in response to similar requests without the necessity of further Senate action.

I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the resolution be placed at the appropriate place in the RECORD.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 91) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, is as follows:

S. RES. 91

Whereas, the Office of the Inspector General of the United States Department of Justice has requested that the Select Committee on Intelligence provide it with copies of committee records relevant to the Office's pending review of matters related to allegations of Central Intelligence Agency involvement in crack cocaine trafficking with supporters of the Nicaraguan Contras;

Whereas, by the privileges of the Senate of the United States and rule XI of the Standing Rules of the Senate, no evidence under the control or in the possession of the Senate can, by administrative or judicial process, be taken from such control or possession but by permission of the Senate;

Whereas, when it appears that documents, papers, and records under the control or in the possession of the Senate may promote the administration of justice, the Senate will take such action as will promote the ends of justice consistently with the privileges of the Senate; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the chairman and vice chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, acting jointly, are authorized to provide to the Office of Inspector General of the United States Department of Justice

or to other government investigators, under appropriate security procedures, copies of committee records related to allegations of Central Intelligence Agency involvement in crack cocaine trafficking with supporters of the Nicaraguan Contras.

SEC. 2. That the chairman and ranking minority member of any other committee of the Senate, acting jointly, are authorized to provide to the Office of Inspector General of the United States Department of Justice or to other government investigators, under appropriate security procedures, copies of records held by their committee related to allegations of Central Intelligence Agency involvement in crack cocaine trafficking with supporters of the Nicaraguan Contras.

PROCLAIMING A NATIONWIDE MOMENT OF REMEMBRANCE

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Judiciary Committee be discharged from further consideration of Senate Resolution 76 and the Senate proceed to its consideration.

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

The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows.

A resolution (S. Res. 76) proclaiming a nationwide moment of remembrance to be observed on Memorial Day, May 26, 1997, in order to appropriately honor American patriots lost in the pursuit of peace and liberty around the world.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the resolution?

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

AMENDMENT NO. 360

(Purpose: To clarify the designated time for a moment of remembrance)

Mr. LOTT. Senator THURMOND has an amendment to the resolution at the desk and I ask for its consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Mississippi [Mr. LOTT], for Mr. THURMOND, proposes an amendment numbered 360:

On page 2, lines 5 and 6, strike "Standard" and insert "Daylight".

Mr. LOTT. I ask unanimous consent the amendment be agreed to, the resolution be agreed to, as amended, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements related to the resolution appear at this point in the RECORD.

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

The amendment (No. 360) was agreed to.

The resolution (S. Res. 76), as amended, was agreed to, as follows:

S. RES. 76

Whereas the preservation of basic freedoms and world peace has always been a valued objective of this great country;

Whereas thousands of American men and women have selflessly given their lives in service as peacemakers and peacekeepers;

Whereas greater strides should be made to demonstrate the appreciation and gratitude these loyal Americans deserve and to commemorate the ultimate sacrifice they made;

Whereas Memorial Day is the day of the year for the Nation to appropriately remember American heroes by inviting the citizens of this Nation to respectfully honor them at a designated time; and

Whereas the playing of "Taps" symbolizes the solemn and patriotic recognition of those Americans who died in service to our Country: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate requests that—

(1) a nationwide moment of remembrance be observed on Memorial Day, May 26, 1997, by the simultaneous pausing of all citizens to acknowledge the playing of "Taps" at 3:00 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time) in honor of the Americans that gave their lives in the pursuit of freedom and peace; and

(2) the President issue a proclamation calling upon the departments and agencies of the United States and interested organizations, groups, and individuals to participate in and promote this nationwide tribute to the dedicated American men and women who died in the pursuit of freedom and peace.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed immediately to executive session to consider the following nominations on the Executive Calendar.

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

Mr. LOTT. Calendar 43 through 48, 50, 51, 67, 68, 71, 72, 90 through 93, 98 through 103, 105, 106, 107, 109, 110, 111, 116 through 120, and 125; and all nominations placed on the Secretary's desk in the Air Force, Army, Foreign Service, Navy, and Public Health Service. I further ask unanimous consent that the nominations be confirmed, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, any statements relating to the nominations appear at this point in the RECORD, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate then return to legislative session.

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

The nominations considered and confirmed en bloc are as follows:

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Donna Holt Cunninghame, of Maryland, to be Chief Financial Officer, Corporation for National and Community Service, (New Position), to which position she was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

NATIONAL COUNCIL ON DISABILITY

Dave Nolan Brown, of Washington, to be a Member of the National Council on Disability for a term expiring September 17, 1998.

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

Arthur I. Blaustein, of California, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2002.

Lorraine Weiss Frank, of Arizona, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2002.

Susan Ford Wiltshire, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2002.

Nathan Leventhal, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2002.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR LITERACY

Jon Deveaux, of New York, to be a Member of the National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board for a term expiring October 12, 1998.

NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

Magdalena G. Jacobsen, of Oregon, to be a Member of the National Mediation Board for a term expiring July 1, 1999.

MORRIS K. UDALL SCHOLARSHIP AND EXCELLENCE IN NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY FOUNDATION

D. Michael Rappoport, of Arizona, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation for a term expiring October 6, 2002.

Judith M. Espinosa, of New Mexico, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Foundation for a term of 4 years.

FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION

Ann Jorgenson, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration for a term expiring May 21, 2002.

Lowell Lee Junkins, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Andrew J. Pincus, of New York, to be General Counsel of the Department of Commerce.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Triruvur R. Lakshmanan, of New Hampshire, to be Director of the Bureau of Transportation Statistics, Department of Transportation, for the term of 4 years.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Jerry M. Melillo, of Massachusetts, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

Kerri-Ann Jones, of Maryland, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Donald Rappaport, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Education.

BARRY GOLDWATER SCHOLARSHIP AND EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Hans M. Mark, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation for a term expiring April 17, 2002.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR LITERACY ADVISORY BOARD

Anthony R. Sarmiento, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board for a term expiring September 22, 1998.

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

Susan E. Trees, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2002.

Marsha Mason, of New Mexico, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2002.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Gerald N. Tirozzi, of Connecticut, to be Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Stuart E. Eizenstat, of Maryland, to be an Under Secretary of State.

Thomas R. Pickering, of New Jersey, to be an Under Secretary of State.

EUROPEAN BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

Karen Shepherd, of Utah, to be United States Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Letitia Chambers, of the District of Columbia, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-first Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

James Catherwood Hormel, of California, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-first Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

Prezell R. Robinson, of North Carolina, to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-first Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Kenneth M. Mead, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Transportation.

IN THE AIR FORCE

The following-named officer for appointment in the U.S. Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, United States Code, section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. John W. Handy, 0000

IN THE ARMY

The following-named officers for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, United States Code, section 12203;

To be major general

Brig. Gen. James W. Darden, 0000

Brig. Gen. Michael E. Dunlavey, 0000

Brig. Gen. Michael T. Gaw, 0000

Brig. Gen. George O. Hillard, III, 0000

To be brigadier general

Col. Richard W. Hammond, 0000

Col. John R. Tindall, Jr., 0000

Col. Gary C. Wattnem, 0000

IN THE MARINE CORPS

The following-named officer for appointment in the U.S. Marine Corps to the grade indicated under title 10, United States Code, section 624:

To be brigadier general

Col. Terry L. Paul, 0000

IN THE NAVY

The following-named officers for appointment in the U.S. Navy to the grade indicated under title 10, United States Code, section 624:

To be rear admiral

Rear Adm. (1h) Joan M. Engel, 0000

Rear Adm. (1h) Jerry K. Johnson, 0000

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

David J. Barram, of California, to be Administrator of General Services.

IN THE AIR FORCE, ARMY, FOREIGN SERVICE, NAVY PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

Air Force nominations beginning Neal A. Andren, and ending Randall C. Zernzsch, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 28, 1997.

Army nominations beginning James A. Adkins, and ending Abraham P. Zimelman, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 25, 1997.