

Business," and I would like to take just a few moments to highlight several principals that he has offered as a result of good and bad experiences he has lived through: First, effort doesn't always equal results. You grow a business by assessing your personal strengths and contributing them to the efforts of the team. Second, some of the greatest personal growth comes as a result of some of the most challenging experiences. What you give attention to grows. Rather than give attention to what you don't have, focus on what you do have. Third, fear creates anger, resentment, anxiety, frustration, and worry, none of which will help you succeed in business. Fourth, be passionate about your business. Demonstrate that you care for your employees and business associates. People are your most important asset. Fifth, your employees have a vested interest in your success. Sixth, dogmatic behavior and stubbornness have created long-term success. The quickest way to failure is to believe that your way is the only way.

Mr. President, in every job Wally Amos has had, he always started at the bottom and worked his way to the top. I hope that others will look to the example of citizenship and entrepreneurship of Wally Amos and be inspired as I am. ●

ST. MONICA CATHOLIC CHURCH

● Mr. BOND. Mr. President, today I stand before you to pay tribute to the Saint Monica Catholic Church in Creve Coeur, Missouri. On Sunday, September 28, 1997, the St. Monica Catholic Church will celebrate its 125th anniversary with Archbishop Justin Rigali.

Among the several outstanding aspects of St. Monica Catholic Church is a school which has contributed to the community in service and education. The St. Monica Parish Family is the center of the Creve Coeur community and has always prided themselves in their family oriented approach in faith.

I commend the St. Monica Catholic Church staff and members for their spirit and energy throughout their many years of existence and hope they continue to enrich the Creve Coeur community for years to come. ●

TRIBUTE TO SUSAN M. WOODWARD, OUTSTANDING TEACHER

● Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to honor Susan M. Woodward, the New Hampshire winner of the Sallie Mae First Class Teacher's Award, which recognizes the Nation's outstanding elementary and secondary school teachers in their first year of teaching. Susan was selected for her outstanding dedication to teaching and her love for her students in her first year at Masticola Middle School in Merrimack, NH.

Ms. Woodward received her bachelor of arts degree from Rivier College in Nashua, NH, in 1995. She graduated

summa cum laude and was valedictorian of her class. Ms. Woodward joined the staff of the Merrimack School District as a substitute, and is currently employed as a full-time French teacher at Masticola Middle School.

Dedicated, creative, hard-working and inspirational are all words which describe Ms. Woodward. A perfectionist by nature, Susan uses a variety of instructional techniques, auditory and visual, so her students are always active participants in their learning. She makes her classes fun, employing a marvelous sense of humor, fairness and compassion. Ms. Woodward believes every student has potential, every student is special, and makes every effort to be available for her students.

Active inside and outside the classroom, Ms. Woodward is a good role model for her students. Whether staying after school helping her students or dancing at a school dance, Ms. Woodward is always available for advice and support.

The mark of a great teacher is one who cares, unconditionally, about the success and well-being of students. Mr. President, as a former teacher myself, I understand the challenges, responsibilities and dedication involved with teaching. I admire and respect Ms. Woodward for establishing herself as an irreplaceable teacher in the school district of Merrimack. Most importantly, she is helping to shape the lives of the young students who are the future of New Hampshire and the country. I am very honored to have Ms. Woodward as a teacher in the Granite State. The Sallie Mae Award has indeed gone to a first-class teacher. ●

REMOVAL OF INJUNCTION OF SECRECY—TREATY DOCUMENT NO. 105-31

Mr. FAIRCLOTH. As in executive session, I ask unanimous consent that the Injunction of Secrecy be removed from the following treaty transmitted to the Senate on September 4 by the President of the United States:

Tax treaty with Ireland (Treaty Document No. 105-31.)

I further ask that the treaty be considered as having been read the first time, that it be referred with accompanying papers to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed and that the President's message be printed in the RECORD.

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

The message of the President is as follows:

To the Senate of the United States:

I transmit herewith for Senate advice and consent to ratification the Convention Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Ireland for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and Capital Gains, signed at Dublin on July 28, 1997, (the "Conven-

tion") together with a Protocol and an exchange of notes done on the same date. Also transmitted is the report of the Department of State concerning the Convention.

This Convention, which is similar to tax treaties between the United States and other OECD nations, provides maximum rates of tax to be applied to various types of income and protection from double taxation of income. The Convention also provides for resolution of disputes and sets forth rules making its benefits unavailable to residents that are engaged in treaty shopping.

I recommend that the Senate give early and favorable consideration to this Convention, with its Protocol and exchange of notes, and that the Senate give its advice and consent to ratification.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, September 24, 1997.

THE CALENDAR

Mr. FAIRCLOTH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the consideration of the following bills en bloc: Calendar No. 147, S. 542; Calendar No. 148, S. 662; and Calendar No. 149, S. 880.

Mr. President, I further ask unanimous consent that any committee amendment be considered as agreed to, the bills be considered read a third time and passed, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statement relating to the bills be printed at the appropriate point in the RECORD and that the proceedings all occur en bloc.

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

CERTIFICATE OF DOCUMENTATION FOR THE VESSEL "FAR HORIZONS"

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 542) to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Far Horizons*.

The bill was considered, ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, read the third time, and passed; as follows:

S. 542

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. CERTIFICATE OF DOCUMENTATION.

Notwithstanding section 27 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1920 (46 U.S.C. App. 883), section 8 of the Act of June 19, 1886 (24 Stat. 81, chapter 421; 46 U.S.C. App. 289), and sections 12106 through 12108 of title 46, United States Code, the Secretary of Transportation may issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel FAR HORIZONS, United States official number 1044011.

CERTIFICATE OF DOCUMENTATION FOR THE VESSEL "VORTICE"

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 662) to authorize the Secretary

of Transportation issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Vortice*, which had been reported from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment to strike all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

S. 662

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding sections 12106 and 12108 of title 46, United States Code, section 8 of the Act of June 19, 1886 (46 U.S.C. App. 289), and section 27 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1920 (46 U.S.C. App. 883), the Secretary of Transportation may issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel VORTICE (Bari, Italy, registration number 256), if the vessel meets the ownership requirements of section 2 of the Shipping Act, 1916 (46 U.S.C. App. 802).

The bill (S. 662), as amended, was passed.

CERTIFICATE OF DOCUMENTATION FOR THE VESSEL "DUSKEN IV"

The Senate proceeded to consider the bill (S. 880) to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Dusken IV*, which had been reported from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment to strike all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

S. 880

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notwithstanding sections 12106 and 12108 of title 46, United States Code, section 8 of the Act of June 19, 1886 (24 Stat. 81, chapter 421; 46 U.S.C. App. 289), and section 27 of the Merchant Marine Act, 1920 (46 U.S.C. App. 883), the Secretary of Transportation may issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel DUSKEN IV (United States official number 952645).

The bill (S. 880), as amended, was passed.

COMMENDING OF DR. JASON C. HU

Mr. FAIRCLOTH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 125 submitted earlier today by Senator MURKOWSKI.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The bill clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 125) commending Dr. Jason C. Hu, Representative of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States.

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. FAIRCLOTH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the reso-

lution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statement relating to the resolution appear at this point in the RECORD.

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

The resolution was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution (S. Res. 125), with its preamble, read as follows:

S. RES. 125

Whereas Dr. Jason C. Hu has served with distinction as Representative of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office (TECRO) since June 1996, and has ably represented the interests of the Republic of China on Taiwan;

Whereas Dr. Hu has been a firm and consistent advocate of democratic principles throughout his distinguished career;

Whereas Dr. Hu has established many deep friendships with Members of Congress and other Americans during his tenure in Washington; and

Whereas Dr. Hu has been asked to return to Taiwan to serve as the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of China: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the Senate hereby—

(1) commends Dr. Jason C. Hu for his service as Representative of the TECRO office; and

(2) expresses to Dr. Hu and his family its best wishes for his continued success in the future.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. FAIRCLOTH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate immediately proceed to executive session to consider the following nominations on the Executive Calendar: No. 246 and No. 258.

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:

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

Sheila Foster Anthony, of Arkansas, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner for the term of seven years from September 26, 1995.

AIR FORCE

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601 and to be appointed as Chief of Staff, United States Air Force under the provisions of title 10, U.S.C., section 8033:

To be general

Gen. Michael E. Ryan, 0000.

STATEMENT ON THE NOMINATION OF MS. SHEILA ANTHONY TO BE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSIONER

Mr. HOLLINGS. Mr. President, as the ranking Democratic member of the

Senate Commerce Committee, I am proud to support the nomination of Ms. Sheila F. Anthony to serve as a Commissioner of the Federal Trade Commission [FTC]. The FTC is now functioning with only four Commissioners. Because of the Commission's myriad of responsibilities, it is imperative the agency operates with maximum participation of its designated Commissioners to ensure its efficiency.

The primary duties of the Federal Trade Commission are: First, to protect consumers from unfair and deceptive practices, and second to ensure the operation of an efficient and competitive market-place. As part of its administrative responsibilities, the Commission administers a number of Federal statutes, including the Federal Trade Commission Act, which provides the Commission its consumer protection authority, and the Sherman, Clayton & Robinson-Patman antitrust statutes, as well as the Fair Credit Reporting, Fair Debt Collection Practices, and Truth in Lending Acts. A few of the Commission's specific duties include safeguarding the public from false advertisement of goods and services, telemarketing fraud, unfair pricing of products, unfair mergers and acquisitions, illegal boycotts, and other unfair methods of competition.

Ms. Anthony's record reveals she is well qualified to serve as a Commissioner on the FTC. Her past experience includes serving as an Assistant Attorney General with the U.S. Department of Justice, as well as working as a private practice attorney on matters such as copyright, trademark, and antitrust.

Ms. Anthony has stated she is ready to take on the many present challenges of the FTC. I look forward to working with her and urge my colleagues to support her nomination.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will return to legislative session.

AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT TO AWARD A GOLD MEDAL

Mr. FAIRCLOTH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 2248 which was received from the House.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The bill clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 2248) to authorize the President to award a gold medal on behalf of the Congress to Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew in recognition of his outstanding and enduring contributions toward religious understanding and peace, and for other purposes.

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

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

Mr. D'AMATO. Mr. President, I rise today to urge my colleagues to support