

M. Kennedy, Stella M. Kennedy-Dail, Kevin J. Kennedy and Kathleen P. Kennedy McGovern. 4 daughters-in-law and a son-in-law, 12 grandchildren, all who reside in the greater Washington, D.C., metropolitan area. He, himself, was the oldest of four children and he is survived by a brother, three sisters, their spouses and children. He was also the brother for two sister-in-laws, Ernestina Bou and Marie Isabel Pelalas.

He was active with the Boy Scouts and the Catholic Committee on Scouting for more than 40 years. Since 1956 he was an active member of Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Church in Kensington, Maryland, particularly with the Holy Name Society and the Social Concerns Committee. He was an active member and a Knight of the 4th Degree in the Knights of Columbus.

He was a man of leadership and vision, but also, above all else, a good, honest and kind man. Though never losing focus on the future (which he always maintained as promising), he would consider everyone, yet remain vigilant for the underdog.

He was loved deeply by all and he will be greatly missed.

Viewing for Mr. Kennedy will be on Tuesday, October 26, 1999 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. and from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Francis J. Collins Funeral Home, 500 University Blvd W, Silver Spring, MD. A funeral Mass will be held on Wednesday, October 27, 1999 at 12:30 p.m. at Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, 9705 Summit Avenue, Kensington, MD. Interment will be at the Gate of Heaven Cemetery in Silver Spring, MD following the Mass.

Donations and charitable contributions are urged to the American Diabetes Association on behalf of Mr. Kennedy.

ARRANGEMENTS AND DETAILS (DIRECTIONS BELOW)

A. There will be viewing from 2:00 until 4:00 p.m. and from 7:00 until 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 26, 1999 at Francis J. Collins Funeral home (directions below);

B. There will be a Mass at 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 27, 1999 at Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Church in Kensington, Maryland (directions below);

C. Interment will be at the Gate of Heaven Cemetery following the 12:30 Mass; and,

D. A reception will be held at the Knights of Columbus, Rock Creek Council, 5417 West Cedar Lane, in Bethesda, following interment, until 6:00 p.m.

DIRECTIONS:

Francis J. Collins Funeral Home, 500 University Blvd W, Silver Spring, MD 20901-4625
Phone: (301) 593-9500

From the East on the Capitol Beltway/I-495 (in Montgomery County):

1: Take MD-193 WEST/UNIVERSITY BLVD exit towards WHEATON (US-29 N). 0.2 miles

2: Merge onto MD-193 W. 1.1 miles

3: MD-193 W becomes UNIVERSITY BLVD W. 0.1 miles

From the West on the Capitol Beltway/I-495 (in Montgomery County):

1: Take the US-29 NORTH/COLESVILLE RD exit, exit number 30A, toward COLUMBIA. 0.1 miles (Note: Those coming from downtown Silver Spring, Take the US-29 NORTH/COLESVILLE RD exit, exit number 30A, towards COLUMBIA, crossing over I-495/Capitol Beltway)

2: Merge onto COLESVILLE RD. 0.3 miles

3: Turn RIGHT onto MD-193 E. AND GET INTO LEFT U-TURN LANE IMMEDIATELY

4: Make U-Turn at light onto WESTBOUND MD-193 and cross Colesville Rd 0.8 miles

5: MD-193 E becomes UNIVERSITY BLVD W. 0.1 miles

DIRECTIONS:

Holy Redeemer Roman Catholic Church, 9705 Summit Avenue, Kensington, Maryland 20895, (301) 942-2333 (Rectory)

From the Capitol Beltway/I-495 (in Montgomery County):

1: Take the MD-185/CONNECTICUT AVE exit, exit number 33, toward KENSINGTON/CHEVY CHASE.

2: Go North on CONNECTICUT AVE.

3: At the 2nd traffic light, Turn LEFT onto SAUL RD.

4: At the 1st intersection, Turn LEFT onto SUMMIT AVE.

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Mr. Speaker, I see the gentleman from Rhode Island (Mr. KENNEDY) is here. I would ask the gentleman from Rhode Island if he wants to speak on behalf of his loss for his State.

Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. ARMEY. I yield to the gentleman from Rhode Island.

Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island. Yes, Mr. Speaker, I do.

Mr. ARMEY. Would the gentleman prefer to have his own time to share with himself and colleagues?

Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island. Yes, sir.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield the floor, and ask the Members of Congress to please give their attention and respect to the gentleman from Rhode Island (Mr. KENNEDY). His words will have meaning in this body, as they will have for the Nation.

EXPRESSING SORROW OF THE HOUSE AT THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE JOHN H. CHAFEE, SENATOR FROM THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island. Mr. Speaker, I offer a privileged resolution (H. Res. 341) and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 341

Resolved, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of the Honorable John H. Chafee, a Senator from the State of Rhode Island.

Resolved, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed on the part of the House to join a committee appointed on the part of the Senate to attend the funeral.

Resolved, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased Senator.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska). The gentleman from Rhode Island (Mr. KENNEDY) is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island. Mr. Speaker, after my opening remarks, I yield 30 minutes to the gentleman from Connecticut (Mr. SHAYS), pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I know I speak for many today in saying that it does not please me to be standing here before the House.

We are here today because of the passing of a man of uncommon valor,

honor, and integrity. That man is the senior Senator from Rhode Island, JOHN CHAFEE.

It is with great regret and sadness that I offer my condolences to his wife, Virginia, his son, Warwick Mayor Lincoln Chafee, and all the members of the Chafee family. We can only hope that our words today will help to ease the grief that we are experiencing and that they are sure to experience in a very personal, personal way.

While we cannot begin to understand their depth of loss and what they are suffering, we can understand, as many Rhode Islanders will know and as many Americans will know, that the covenant that the people of this Nation have with their government is that much lessened today by the loss of a selfless public servant like Senator CHAFEE.

Mr. Speaker, Senator CHAFEE led the life of an exemplary public servant. President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, speaking of the challenges this Nation faced with the economic collapse and war beginning to thunder in Europe, stated "For the trust reposed in me, I will return the courage and the devotion that befit the time. I can do no less." Senator CHAFEE lived this ideal and he lived it until his last days.

He was born in Providence, Rhode Island, the child of one of the State's most storied families. He was still a young student at Yale University when the call went out to mobilize our Nation for war, thrusting America into the furnace of conflict in Europe. The weight of the lives of millions across the globe was placed squarely upon the shoulders of countless young men like Senator CHAFEE, who left his studies at Yale and enlisted in the United States Marine Corps.

Senator CHAFEE willingly walked into the fire of war, serving in the invasion force that blunted the Japanese advance at a tropical island that is now part of our Nation's collective memory, Guadalcanal. Mr. Speaker, his astounding bravery and willingness to shoulder the burden, placing his very life on the line, speaks far more eloquently than words could ever speak about his dedication and his love for this fine country.

Indeed, he was recalled to active duty in 1951, when he once again risked his life for freedom so that countless people around the world would enjoy the same freedom we enjoy here in this country. He commanded a rifle company of 200 American fighting men in the brutal Korean conflict.

I would like to take a moment to read a few lines from *The Coldest War*, by James Brady. Jim Brady, who I am told had dinner with Senator CHAFEE just this past week, served with then Captain CHAFEE in the Korean War. As we all know, the Korean war claimed the lives of 54,000 Americans. This book is a first-person account of their experience.

At the outset, Jim Brady states of his book, "Memoirs are about remembering. I wish I could recall all the

names. If the book has a hero, it is Captain JOHN H. CHAFEE."

Captain CHAFEE was in charge of the Dog Company in the U.S. Marine Corps' First Division. Of Captain CHAFEE, Jim Brady writes, "You learn from men like CHAFEE, a Yale with a law degree from Harvard who came from money, a handsome, patrician man, physically courageous and tireless. From all that could have come arrogance and snobbery. He possessed neither of these traits. He was only calm and vigorous and efficient, usually cheerfully, decent and humane, a good man, a fine officer."

Mr. Speaker, far too often we use terms like "going to war" and "trench warfare" when talking about legislative battles which go on in Washington, D.C. We should not throw around these terms so lightly, Mr. Speaker, for we have seen in the actions of Captain CHAFEE a true example of patriotism and self-sacrifice, of a willingness to accept a much more daunting challenge than simply a House or Senate floor vote, an election campaign, or a policy or political debate.

The man that Jim Brady described in this book, Captain CHAFEE, was willing to make what is called the ultimate sacrifice, the giving of one's life for one country.

Mr. Speaker, no one could ask for anything more than what Captain CHAFEE was willing to offer. However, even after risking his life by serving in the frozen tracts of Korea, Senator CHAFEE strove to give even more of himself to his community and to his State, contributing to the quality of life in his home in the State of Rhode Island.

Senator CHAFEE graduated from Yale University and eventually went to Harvard Law School, entering the public arena in 1956 when he was elected to the Rhode Island House of Representatives. He served 6 years in this capacity, where he was also elected the Minority Leader. He was elected Governor of Rhode Island in 1962, handily winning reelection for two additional terms.

In a heady appointment for this former marine, Senator CHAFEE was appointed to be President Nixon's Secretary of the Navy, working with a branch of the Armed Forces he dedicated so much of his life to. Senator CHAFEE entered the United States Senate in 1976, and most recently elected to serve a fourth term in 1994.

Senator CHAFEE was well known across the Nation as a moderate in his party, a Senator who would often place pragmatism above partisan politics. He used his frequently commonsense approach to policy to bring together all kinds of legislative coalitions that keep our Nation moving forward in progressive and steady manner.

His range of accomplishments is staggering, touching on everything from health care to gun control. The Coalition to Stop Gun Violence stated

that "Senator CHAFEE was a national leader on gun control," calling him "one of the most effective voices for gun control in the Congress."

However, it was as chairman of the Environment and Public Works Committee that Senator CHAFEE made a lasting and tangible contribution to all the lives of everyone across this Nation. Senator CHAFEE has been a champion for the environment during his time in the United States Senate. He has worked to improve the air that we breathe with the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990, and the fight against the pollutants that are causing global warming.

He fought to preserve our natural beauty and environmental safeguards that protect the lands we live in by protecting open space and preserving wetlands from irresponsible development and exploitation. He fought for our world's biodiversity, working hard for the Endangered Species Act and successfully trying to keep the most egregious anti-environmental riders from ever seeing the legislative light of day.

While we honor Senator CHAFEE by looking back on his accomplishments, we also should look at two good things he was still working on at the time of his untimely death last evening.

Two legislative proposals of note were S. 662 and S. 664. S. 662 was Senator CHAFEE's latest effort to assist the fight against breast and cervical cancer. This legislation attempted to make screening for these diseases available to low-income women. S. 664 is the Historic Home Ownership Assistance Act, and as anyone from my State of Rhode Island will tell us, preserving our many historic homes is a means by which we preserve our heritage. This legislation seeks to make historic rehabilitation and restoration a priority in the Tax Code.

On both of these legislative fronts, we should all do well to honor not only Senator CHAFEE's accomplishments, but also his work as well.

Mr. Speaker, Senator CHAFEE and I often engaged in what can be termed "lively debates" about issues that we have had differences of opinion on. Senator CHAFEE was indeed a formidable partner in our debates about public policy. However, it is the nature of our government, and I always felt that I had grown as a legislator and as a citizen and even as a person, as a result of our exchanges, to put aside the personal and to underscore the professional in our convictions to our home State.

When I look back at my work with Senator CHAFEE, a quote I heard recently from Thomas Jefferson comes to mind. In his first inaugural address as president of this great Nation, Thomas Jefferson stated that, "Every difference of opinion is not a difference of principle. We have called by different names brethren of the same principle."

In many situations we call ourselves Democrats or Republicans, liberals or

conservatives, left-wing or right-wing. With Senator CHAFEE, however, it was understood that labels were irrelevant. Whatever he did, you could be sure that it was done for the good of Rhode Island and of our Nation.

Mr. Speaker, when all is said and done, when the plaudits and the pundits finish speaking about Senator CHAFEE's chairmanships, his committees, his campaigns, his debates, his bills, and his legislative accomplishments, what will remain is what will always have been there. That is, before the chairmanship of committees in the United States Senate, before overseeing our Nation's fleet as Secretary of the Navy, before sitting as Governor of the State of Rhode Island, even before the minority leadership of the State legislative body, there was a 19-year-old known only as JOHN CHAFEE.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to paint a picture. It was the winter of 1942, and this young man, a college student, made a decision to leave the coziness and the tradition-steeped security of the halls of Yale University for the uncertainty of a position as a private in the United States Marine Corps, a move that would almost certainly lead to his exposure to enemy fire in the heat of combat.

To this young man, the future Senator JOHN H. CHAFEE, there was no thought of the marbled corridors of the United States Senate in Washington, of the imposing office that he would have as Secretary of the Navy at the Pentagon, of the impressive view that he would have as Governor of the State of Rhode Island. There was only one thought in Senator CHAFEE's mind. That was of what was right and what was wrong.

This young man made the right decision to fight for the right freedoms for those who were half-way across the world. He brought his honor and his integrity into the Senate, the courage to vote his convictions, and the integrity to defend his beliefs.

There is no difference between that 19-year-old student who chose conflict over complacency during a world war and the United States Senator whom we mourn today. Both saw the challenges and scorned the path of least resistance. Instead of blazing their trail, they blazed their trail on the shining battlefield. Instead of shirking their responsibilities, they lived up to their responsibilities as citizens of this great country of ours, and that should serve as a shining example that will far outlast even those of us who honor him to this day.

Mr. SHAYS. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I will share my time with some of my colleagues, and I thank the Rhode Island delegation for their love and respect for this great Senator and wonderful human being.

I particularly want to thank the gentleman from Rhode Island (Mr. WEYGAND), who is going to allow a number of our colleagues to make

short comments before they get on their way.

Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. WOLF).

(Mr. WOLF asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

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Mr. WOLF. Mr. Speaker, I will be very brief. I rise in very strong support of this resolution to express our sympathy to the Chafee family. Senator CHAFEE had an outstanding record, as the gentleman from Rhode Island (Mr. KENNEDY) expressed, both in the military and as Secretary of Navy and in the Congress. He was a strong, good friend of the State of Virginia.

I had the opportunity to sit with Senator CHAFEE several months ago at the dedication when they named the CIA after former President George Bush. He expressed at that time that he was leaving and very anxious to go back and live in his home State of Rhode Island.

So I wanted to just present myself here and say to the Chafee family and to the United States Senate, we are very, very sorry.

Mr. SHAYS. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from New York (Mr. BOEHLERT).

(Mr. BOEHLERT asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BOEHLERT. Mr. Speaker, the Nation has suffered a great loss with the death of Senator JOHN CHAFEE. I do not say that lightly, for JOHN CHAFEE was the conscience of the Senate. He was an inspiration for literally hundreds of people who have chosen the path of public service.

George Bernard Shaw once said, "Some men see things, as they are and ask why. I dream things that never were and ask why not." That exemplified the manner in which this great American conducted himself every single day that he was privileged to serve in public office.

He saw the environment being ravaged, pollution rampant, and said we must do something about it. He led the way. He saw poverty and squalor and said someone has to do something about it. He led the way. He championed for improving health care delivery in America. He did so many things so well.

He was not one to seek glory but one who constantly worked tirelessly to obtain results. Just a couple of weeks ago, I was privileged to be at a banquet where this very distinguished United States Senator and great American was honored by the League of Conservation Voters. Ted Roosevelt, IV, was presiding. A number of us, the gentleman from Connecticut (Mr. SHAYS) and others, were there that evening.

I think all of us stood a little bit taller when JOHN CHAFEE was honored. The applause seemed never to end because

we did not want it to end. We wanted that recognition that was being accorded this fine human being to go on and on. The Nation has, indeed, suffered a great loss. So have many of us in this great institution.

He was an inspiration for me personally. He was a mentor, someone I could constantly call to seek advice, to seek guidance. He never steered me wrong. He always wanted to do what was best for the people in a whole wide range of areas, the environment, health care, housing, assisting the disadvantaged.

Few men of his stature pass our way. We all have been privileged to work with a giant in his time, one whose work will last for generations to come, one who has done so much for so many. I will miss JOHN CHAFEE. The Nation will miss him.

Mr. SHAYS. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from New York (Mr. GILMAN).

(Mr. GILMAN asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Connecticut for yielding me this time.

Mr. Speaker, the Congress has lost a true giant of the 20th century last night with the sudden passing of the senior Senator from the State of Rhode Island, the Honorable JOHN CHAFEE.

JOHN CHAFEE's outstanding dedication to public service began half a century ago when he left Yale University to join the Marines after Pearl Harbor. He was a hero at Guadalcanal, and then he was recalled to active duty when the Korean War broke out and commanded a rifle company on the Korean peninsula during that bloody conflict. He was one of the few members of either chamber of Congress to be a veteran of both World War II and the Korean War.

This young attorney, JOHN CHAFEE, became active in Republican politics in his home State of Rhode Island. He was elected to Rhode Island's State legislature in 1956 as a young man of 34. He eventually served as the minority leader in that body and was elected in 1962 to the first of three successful 2-year terms of governor of his State.

Then in 1968, President-elect Richard Nixon appointed JOHN CHAFEE to be our Nation's Secretary of the Navy, in which position he served meritoriously.

Finally, in 1976, JOHN was elected to the first of four terms in our U.S. Senate. In that position, he served his State and Nation in an admirable manner. He was chairman of the Senate's environment and public works committee. In that position, he was a constant reminder to all of us in both bodies of the need to protect the ecology of our planet. Much of the far-reaching environmental legislation in the last quarter century bears his fingerprints.

JOHN CHAFEE is one of the co-founders of the Theodore Roosevelt Fund, which helped remind his fellow Republicans that the most conservation-minded of all Presidents, Theodore

Roosevelt, was a member of the Grand Old Party.

JOHN CHAFEE, having previously announced his plans to retire in the year 2000, we knew we would be soon missing his outstanding leadership.

I join with my colleagues in extending our condolences and prayers to JOHN's widow, Virginia, to his family, and to the many who admire JOHN CHAFEE's service to our Nation.

Mr. SHAYS. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as she may consume to the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Mrs. JOHNSON).

Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Connecticut (Mr. SHAYS) for yielding me this time.

United States Senator JOHN CHAFEE. It is hard to believe JOHN's gone. He was a man of extraordinary intellect, of a big warm heart, tremendous patience and tenacity, and a rich sense of human.

Few people have made as much difference in the lives of others as Senator JOHN CHAFEE. When we think of people in the business world, in the academic world, religious leaders, people who dedicate their lives in the social services or in our schools, few have touched so many as deeply as Senator JOHN CHAFEE.

Whether it was in environmental law, in health policy, or in children's services, or in tax and trade law, JOHN was there. He was stalwart. He was principled. He was determined. He understood what it meant to negotiate. He understood why in a democracy as enormously complex as ours one had to come to agreement.

But compromise for JOHN never strayed from certain fundamental principles of the commitments that each of us must hold to one another in a free society that cares for its people.

I have enormous respect for JOHN. I learned from him. I relied on him. The Senate relied on him. New England Republican Members of both the House and Senate relied on him. We will miss him tremendously.

I offer my heartfelt condolences to his wife and his family and hope that the knowledge of his extraordinary gift to this Nation, as well as to their lives, will ease their pain in his loss.

Mr. SHAYS. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from New York (Mr. LAZIO).

Mr. LAZIO. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank the gentleman from Connecticut for yielding me the time.

America has lost one of the towering figures in its history in the loss of JOHN CHAFEE. We have heard this evening about the impact that JOHN CHAFEE has had on so many Members of Congress.

If I can, I would like to, for a moment, just touch on how that senior statesman from Rhode Island who in so many ways epitomized the very finest of public service, who is the person that the public ought to be thinking about when they think about the very,

very best that is called to service, what he meant to me.

When I was first elected to Congress, I asked Senator CHAFEE if he would come down to Long Island to participate in a health forum that we had down in Long Island. There was not a single reason, frankly, why somebody of JOHN CHAFEE's stature or experience and the demands on his time as he had would have accepted that invitation from a freshman who really could do nothing at all for him. But he said, without hesitation, yes.

He came down. He was generous with his time. He did not rush back. He was gracious. He displayed the command over the nuances of health policy that so many have applauded him for.

I think it says a lot to me about the man, JOHN CHAFEE, about his character, about his sense of giving, about his leadership, about his investment in another young legislator, perhaps moving up the ranks.

I have now had the pleasure to work with and work alongside JOHN CHAFEE over my four terms in the House as I have seen him master tax policy, environmental policy, and health policy. This is a legislator who knows the nuances of policy, knows the details of policy as well as any staff member that is in the room. He prides himself in that intellect and in that work ethic of understanding the issue. He felt that the public deserved no less. He called to us a higher standard.

Recently, I was fortunate enough to attend a dinner hosted by the League of Conservation Voters that honored JOHN CHAFEE for a lifetime achievement. What I found remarkable about that event was, as Senator CHAFEE rose to accept the reward, this applause by people from both sides of the aisle, from Members of Congress, from advocates, from so-called ordinary citizens, just grew and grew in warmth and in appreciation and respect.

America mourns the loss of JOHN CHAFEE because he was an outstanding leader, an outstanding citizen, an outstanding man who is an example to us all and for which I think he richly and his family richly deserves the accolades of this body and the American public.

Mr. SHAYS. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from California (Mr. BILBRAY).

Mr. BILBRAY. Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank the gentleman from Connecticut for yielding me this time.

Mr. Speaker, I stand today in honor of Senator CHAFEE. Senator CHAFEE is somebody that a lot of my colleagues knew personally and professionally for a long time.

I just happened to have had the privilege over the last few years of working with the Senator on environmental issues. For those of us that have tried to work on bipartisan efforts of environmental issues, Senator CHAFEE was the cornerstone in the Senate to make sure that we did get that kind of cooperation.

I have to say that this body is going to be less without Senator CHAFEE. The Senate actually was an integral part of our working in a bipartisan effort to try to improve environmental law and actually get the outcome.

The Senator was somebody who understood how essential it was that those of us who were working on environmental issues recognize that there is not only a right, but a responsibility to make sure that, at the time we try to save our environment, there is not any need at all to trash our economy.

In fact, I think he said quite clearly that the balance between economic and environmental issues was not only appropriate, it was essential; that a strong economy and a strong environment go hand in hand.

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And I think Senator CHAFEE has proven that again and again in his history of working on environmental issues here in the Capitol.

Let me just say, though, that I was privileged to be able to work with this man on certain issues. Our beach bill issues, border pollution issues. He was always at the forefront in wanting to make sure we made our laws here in Washington work in the real world and that the environment would benefit from our intentions.

In fact, I think Senator CHAFEE made a great point in saying that when it comes to environmental issues, caring is not enough, we need to be smart, we need to base it on scientific approaches, and talk about practical outcome. And I think all of us that have worked with him on so many issues understand that maybe coming from a small State like Rhode Island he recognized that lofty ideas must be grounded in reality and that outcome was essential.

A lot of people do not know about the Senator that he was a marine. Some say ex-marine, but those of us that know the marines know there is no such thing as an Ex-marine. One you are a marine, you are always a marine. He was mentioning to me one time that he had done his boot camp at Camp Elliott in San Diego, and he was wondering if he could come out and see the camp and how much it had changed. And, frankly, my office had the privilege of sending him photos of what Camp Elliott looked like when he was there before World War II and what it looks like today. And he was just very, very surprised at what a change had happened to Camp Elliott in San Diego since he had been there.

Well, I think we are all going to remember what changes the Senate and the Capitol have had, and Washington has had since Mr. CHAFEE became Senator CHAFEE and what great changes and positive changes he put through. Be it Democrat or Republican, I would ask us all to remember that Senator CHAFEE always kept his promise to his country. Not just as a Senator, but also as a marine. Semper fi. He was always

faithful. He was always faithful to what this country stands for and what this country needs.

He is someone that is going to be sorely missed, Mr. Speaker, and let us always remember to keep forever faithful to his memory as we work on our legislative proposals throughout the year.

Mr. SHAYS. Mr. Speaker, I yield the balance of my time to the gentleman from Rhode Island (Mr. KENNEDY), and wish to thank again the gentleman from Rhode Island (Mr. WEYGAND) and the gentleman from Rhode Island (Mr. KENNEDY) for their graciousness in letting a number of Republicans speak on this incredibly wonderful gentleman. And also to say to my colleagues that the Senator clearly was an American first before he was a Republican, and that is what made him so great. We just appreciate his graciousness and thoughtfulness.

Once again, I thank my colleagues from Rhode Island, and I apologize because we had more speakers than I had thought we would, but that was nice.

Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of my colleague, the gentleman from Rhode Island (Mr. WEYGAND) and myself, I submit for the RECORD condolences and remarks by the President of the United States, William Jefferson Clinton; the Vice President of the United States, ALBERT GORE; the Secretary of Defense, as well as many others, including many of the organizations whose causes Senator CHAFEE dedicated his public service career to.

STATEMENT BY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE WILLIAM S. COHEN ON THE PASSING OF SEN. JOHN H. CHAFEE

"Senator John Chafee was a valued friend, a talented Navy Secretary, Governor and Senator, a valiant Marine, a New England gentleman, and one of the finest people I've ever known. His death is a great loss to the Senate and to this nation.

He leaves an enduring legacy of moderation, decency, concern for the environment, and love for Rhode Island and America. Many years into the future, his life and career will be a standard against which those who aspire to public service will be measured.

Janet and I extend our most heartfelt sympathy to Virginia and the entire Chafee family at this time of loss."

STATEMENT OF SARAH BRADY RE: THE DEATH OF SENATOR JOHN CHAFEE

Jim and I were deeply saddened this morning to hear of the passing of our friend, John Chafee. Senator Chafee was a true gentleman and statesman. His leadership in reducing gun violence in our country will be greatly missed in the United States Senate.

This past June, Handgun Control honored Senator Chafee for his leadership and commitment at our 25th anniversary luncheon. As he accepted his "Celebration of Courage" award, Senator Chafee was characteristically modest. Jim and I were honored to have known him and to have called him our friend. We will miss him.

SENATOR JOHN CHAFEE (R-RI) WAS GUN CONTROL STALWART

Washington, DC—Senator John Chafee (R-RI) died Sunday, silencing one of the most

effective voices for gun control in Congress. Throughout Senator Chafee's distinguished career, he tirelessly argued for gun control and introduced landmark legislation to ban the possession of handguns.

President of the Coalition to Stop Gun Violence Michael Beard lauded Senator Chafee's longstanding commitment to preventing gun violence. "Senator Chafee was a national leader on gun control. In addition to introducing legislation to ban the possession of handguns, Senator Chafee was a tireless advocate for the Brady Law and a ban on assault weapons. Senator Chafee understood that gun violence was an epidemic, but that it was beatable through tough, restrictive measures on firearms. In 1995, Senator Chafee addressed our national meeting of gun violence prevention activists and spoke movingly about how he came to endorse a ban on handguns. He encouraged the activists to keep up the good fight and to always persevere. In a time when partisan bickering has kept Congress at a standstill on important issues, including gun violence prevention, Senator Chafee could always be counted on to rise above petty squabbles and put the needs of the nation first. He will be sorely missed."

The Coalition to Stop Gun Violence is comprised of 44 national organizations and over 100,000 individual members. Michael Beard has been President of the Coalition to Stop Gun Violence since its inception in 1974.

ENVIRONMENTALISTS MOURN PASSING OF
SENATOR JOHN CHAFEE

The League of Conservation Voters is deeply saddened by the unexpected loss of a true environmental hero, Senator John Chafee.

"The passing of Senator Chafee leaves a huge hole in the Senate, and an even bigger hole in our hearts," said LCV President Deb Callahan. "Senator Chafee's courageous leadership made him one of the most important allies the environmental community has ever known. His unwavering environmental commitment will be greatly missed."

Throughout his 23-year career as U.S. Senator from Rhode Island, Chafee served as both chairman and ranking member of the Environment and Public Works Committee. Chafee consistently worked to safeguard America's environmental and public health protections. He demonstrated political courage in both large and small conservation battles that were waged over the years in Congress.

Chafee earned a lifetime environmental score of 70 percent from the League of Conservation Voters. Earlier this month LCV chairman Theodore Roosevelt IV presented Senator Chafee the organization's 1999 Lifetime Achievement Award. Roosevelt noted that Senator Chafee's successful leadership in strengthening the Clean Air and Safe Drinking Water acts and his tireless efforts to preserve open space and conserve America's natural resources made him a true environmental hero.

The League of Conservation Voters is the bipartisan political voice of the national environmental community. LCV is the only national environmental organization dedicated full-time to holding members of Congress accountable for their votes. For each Congress, LCV publishes the National Environmental Scorecard that assigns a percentage rating to each member of Congress based on that year's environmental votes.

SIERRA CLUB MOURNS DEATH OF SENATOR
JOHN CHAFEE (R-RI)

Statement of Sierra Club Executive Director Carl Pope:

"The Sierra Club is deeply saddened by the loss of a true environmental giant, Senator

John Chafee. Senator Chafee was at the helm of every major environmental achievement in the past two decades. His leadership steered our nation on a course of environmental conservation and protection. Transcending party lines, Senator Chafee worked to improve our lives by fighting for tough environmental laws, including the Clean Air Act, the Clean Water Act, the Endangered Species Act and Superfund clean-ups.

"When others sought to weaken environmental protections, Senator Chafee courageously stood up and demanded that companies clean up the toxic pollution they created. Thanks to Senator Chafee's vision and hard work, our children have a better chance to enjoy a heritage of breathable air, drinkable water, abundant wildlife and clean coasts.

"Because of Senator Chafee's dedication, our nation is a healthier, more beautiful place to raise our children. Like the lands he fought to protect, Senator Chafee is widely admired and completely irreplaceable."

PRESIDENT CLINTON'S STATEMENT TODAY ON
THE DEATH OF JOHN CHAFEE

Before I begin my remarks, I would like to offer my sincere condolences to the family of Senator John Chafee who passed away last night. Rhode Island and America have lost one of the strongest leaders this nation has ever produced. Senator Chafee, who recently announced his retirement from the Senate after 23 years of distinguished service, will be sorely missed. He was a champion of the environment and health care who always put his concern for the American people above partisanship. Known throughout his beloved Rhode Island simply as, "the man you can trust," Senator Chafee was the consummate statesman. For him civility was not simply a matter of personal manners. It was his ideal of how politics should be conducted. I ask all Americans to join me and Hillary in offering our prayers and comfort to his wife, Ginny their five children and 12 grandchildren.

STATEMENT BY THE VICE PRESIDENT

Tipper and I were saddened to hear of the passing of Senator John Chafee.

John was one of the friends I most respected and admired in the Senate. And though we came from opposite sides of the political aisle, we saw eye-to-eye on many issues. I will always respect his dedication to serving the people of Rhode Island, his heartfelt commitment to the environment, and his bipartisan approach to the Senate.

I will also remember John as a brave man. For despite the many pressures he faced over the two decades he served in the Senate, he was never a partisan, never an ideologue. He was simply the gentleman from Rhode Island who was never afraid to speak his mind and allow the American people to judge his actions.

Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Virginia, and his children, Zechariah, Lincoln, John, Jr., Georgia, and Quentin.

Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Rhode Island (Mr. WEYGAND), from the Second District of Rhode Island.

Mr. WEYGAND. Mr. Speaker, let me first begin by thanking my colleague, the gentleman from Rhode Island (Mr. KENNEDY) for his very eloquent and heartfelt words about JOHN CHAFEE. It was not only a fitting tribute to a wonderful man but a fitting tribute by a true gentleman from Rhode Island.

I also want to thank the gentleman from Connecticut (Mr. SHAYS), the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. WOLF), the

gentleman from New York (Mr. BOEH-LERT), the gentleman from New York (Mr. GILMAN), the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Mrs. JOHNSON), and the gentleman from New York (Mr. LAZIO) for all of their kind words, because at a time like this, remembrances are very important to the family members, and I do indeed believe that they will hear all of these and I want to thank them personally.

On behalf of the people of Rhode Island, I rise today, Mr. Speaker, to mark the far too sudden passing of my colleague and my constituent JOHN CHAFEE. The senior Senator from Rhode Island was someone that we will never, ever forget because of the great work that he has done on so many different areas. But first and foremost my thoughts, my prayers, are with the family of JOHN, his wife Virginia, his five children, including Mayor Lincoln Chafee from Warwick and their 12 grandchildren. I know it is often difficult to grasp the enormity and the meaning of the loss of this kind, and I offer my sincere condolences to the Senator's family.

Like many Rhode Islanders, we woke up this morning in total shock when we heard that JOHN CHAFEE had passed last evening of heart failure. Although his public career had spanned over 44 years, the Senator still had many gifts to give, and I am sure over these next 13 to 14 months, if he had finished his tenure in office, he would have provided those to the people of America, and particularly to his beloved people of Rhode Island. I know upon his retirement, which he was looking forward to, he would have served us even in greater ways, far beyond what we would have ever expected from this fine gentleman from Rhode Island.

It is indeed a huge loss for all of us. We were blessed to have a committed public servant such as JOHN as a member of our General Assembly back in 1956, as our governor, as Secretary of the Navy, and for the past 23 years as our Senator. The contributions he made to our State, to our Nation, will never be forgotten. And his legacies, particularly with regard to his work on the environment, health care, and to disadvantaged children, will be forever appreciated.

If there was any proof that his death came too soon, it could perhaps be found in the Senator's own words. Not too long ago, in fact just last year, when a reporter from the Providence Journal asked him, "Senator, what would you like to be remembered for? What would you like to have on your tombstone? What would you like to have as an epitaph?", JOHN CHAFEE laughed and rolled back in his seat and simply said, "Here lies.", and never finished the phrase. Because he knew he had much more work to do. He never felt that he could leave anything undone, and he indeed wanted to be sure that he had that opportunity.

When he announced this past March that he was going to retire, he announced to the State, to much amazement, and to the country as well, "I will not seek another term as U.S. Senator." He said to all of Rhode Island, "I want to come home." JOHN CHAFEE had been a stalwart in Rhode Island politics, but he wanted to go home to his beloved State of Rhode Island; he wanted to share his time with his wife, his family, and his grandchildren.

JOHN was a tireless worker starting back in 1956, when he first ran for the State House of Representatives in Rhode Island from the City of Warwick. Very quickly he emerged as the minority leader in the House of Representatives. And just after 6 years, he ran for Governor of the State of Rhode Island. Winning a very narrow margin of victory in a Republican primary, then going on to win a razor thin victory in 1962 to become the State's Governor.

Quickly, in 1963, as he began his tenure as chief executive, he started working on many of the pressing issues of the State, including their State freeway and transportation systems, but most notably JOHN was known for his work on the environment. I remember very clearly as a landscape architect and as a youngster that JOHN CHAFEE started a program that he dubbed Green Acres. It was one of the first State environmental programs to enhance, to protect, and preserve open spaces and create recreational spaces throughout our State. It was known that JOHN CHAFEE was, first of all, an environmentalist, but, most importantly, he knew how to get such a bill passed in a Democratic General Assembly. He was a craftsman at the very best when it came to the legislature.

JOHN CHAFEE, most notably, led in preservation not only as a member of our General Assembly and as Governor but also as a Senator. As Senator last year, advocating for more open space, he said, "It is our duty as citizens to preserve for the future generations as much of our State's natural beauty, its green open spaces, sandy beaches, and vibrant wetlands as we possibly can."

Countless Rhode Islanders, including myself, can personally attest to the beauty of such wonderful places like Colt State Park and many of our beaches. And it was because of JOHN CHAFEE's perseverance that we have these spaces today. It is because of his leadership in those areas that we have these wonderful open spaces today.

In 1969, President Richard Nixon appointed him Secretary of the Navy and he fought through that difficult period of time during the Vietnam War to be the best he possibly could be as Secretary of the Navy. His distinguished military career, including tours in World War II and Korea, and his ties to Rhode Island and the strong naval heritage that we have, provided an invaluable background for that position. In this position, Senator CHAFEE guided the Navy through the final years of the

conflict in Vietnam, and until he left that position in 1972.

Then he ran unsuccessfully for Senator, but that did not stop him. He came back again, when an open seat became available in 1976, and won that spot and has been there ever since. And during his 23 years in the U.S. Senate, he has worked on a number of issues important to our Nation but, most notably, protecting and preserving the environment. Most of us know JOHN for that.

In an interview last year, JOHN CHAFEE listed the enactment of the Clean Water Act and the Clean Air Act as his proudest accomplishments. And Senator CHAFEE, for many reasons, has the right to be proud. The passage of the Clean Air Act has been very successful in cleaning the air and improving public health. The air is indeed cleaner and the public health is indeed improved because of JOHN CHAFEE. We still have a long way to go, and a fitting way to pay our tribute and remember JOHN CHAFEE is to continue the great work he began on improving the quality of the air we breathe, and the water that we drink and that we use for fishing and swimming.

With respect to the Clean Water Act, Senator CHAFEE was a true leader, and we should be especially proud. Approximately 25 years ago, only one-third of the Nation's waters were safe for fishing and swimming according to the EPA. And now that has nearly doubled. Today, two-thirds of the Nation's waters are safe for fishing and swimming. This is especially important because of the vast majority of our population living near or on the coast and near those waters.

Clean water is imperative for our State, in terms of its commercial fishing, its tourism, and its agriculture, but also for the entire country. All of these contribute significantly to our economy, not to mention the vast improvements to the quality of life, and we can thank JOHN CHAFEE for that.

In addition to his leadership on preserving the environment, he has been a leader when it came to health care, the quality of health care, access to health care, but also ensuring that child care is available to all working families in Rhode Island and throughout this country. One of the hallmarks was his recognition of the need to compromise and work with people from both sides of the aisle. Working with both sides was not something that was uncommon to JOHN CHAFEE.

I remember back in 1984, when I was first thinking about running for the State House of Representatives in Rhode Island, I was a Democrat all my life, but JOHN CHAFEE called me up and asked me to consider running as a Republican. He said we need environmentalists and people who have an understanding, like you, of what it takes to get things done. I thanked him very kindly and humbly, because it was truly a tribute to have that Senator call this lowly candidate for a State

House office and to be asked to become part of the Republican Party. However, I nodded and told him, "JOHN, I'm a Democrat. Be happy to work with you, but, indeed, we do have differences of opinion. But we can work together." He recognized that, and the 23 years that he served in the Senate, I think, were marked by bipartisanship rather than partisanship.

It is truly an honor to have served with JOHN CHAFEE, to have known him, to have worked with him, and to have helped him in whatever way we could on many of the pieces of legislation he thought was most important. He, and the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. WOLF), and myself worked very hard in opposing casino gambling. We worked together, the gentleman from Rhode Island (Mr. KENNEDY), Senator REED, and myself on improving quality home health care, and we worked on many things that were important to the citizens of Rhode Island.

His congeniality, his demeanor, his ability to forge a compromise are perhaps the most important hallmarks not only of JOHN CHAFEE himself, but his legacy a legislator. He was a true gentleman, a class act, and in the best possible way, the best possible terms, he was a statesman.

We will miss him dearly, Mr. Speaker. Rhode Island will miss him dearly. Our sympathies, our condolences go out to his family. We have lost a giant in Rhode Island politics and in American politics.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska). The gentleman from Rhode Island (Mr. WEYGAND) will control the balance of the time.

Mr. WEYGAND. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as she may consume to the gentlewoman from Maryland (Mrs. MORELLA).

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Mrs. MORELLA. Mr. Speaker, I had to come here simply to say that we in Congress and in the United States of America have really lost a great man. He is a man who believed in what Shakespeare said, "To nature none more bound." He believed in the legacy that we must leave our offspring with regard to nature.

I must say I feel like somebody who is bound to JOHN CHAFEE. He was to me a role model. And I do not even think he knew that. But I looked to him as a man who, as has been mentioned, was bipartisan, who was a man of integrity, a man of coalition building, and a man who exemplified great common sense.

He cared about the people that he represented in Rhode Island. He cared about the people of the United States. He cared about the vulnerable people, the children, those who needed health care. And he cared about the environment which, if endangered and if violated, might not be restored.

So we have heard of the great tributes to him in terms of what he did achieve. But, for me, he was a man that I felt would take legislation and

carefully craft it, carefully work with it so it came out as something that we could all agree on.

He is a man who exemplified, I think, the roughrider instinct of Theodore Roosevelt. Because he really was a tough rider. He had some difficult skirmishes that he had to contend and transcended all of it.

So to the family of Senator JOHN CHAFEE, our condolences. He will live on in love.

To all of our colleagues, those from Rhode Island, those from all parts of the country, we will all miss him very deeply. My hope is and my belief is that his inspiration will live on. And so, although he will be lost, he will be with us always.

So I thank so much the gentleman from Rhode Island (Mr. WEYGAND) for his great tribute to the man that we all loved.

Mr. WEYGAND. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Maryland (Mrs. MORELLA) and all the speakers here this evening for their comments. It is a fitting tribute to a gentleman, a statesman, and we thank them for their comments.

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, the Congress has lost a true giant of the 20th Century last night with the sudden passing of the Senior Senator from the State of Rhode Island, the Honorable JOHN H. CHAFEE.

JOHN CHAFEE'S outstanding dedication to public service began over a half a century ago when he left Yale University to join the Marine Corps after Pearl Harbor. A hero of Guadalcanal, JOHN CHAFEE was recalled to active duty when the Korean War broke out and commanded a rifle company on the Korean peninsula during that bloody conflict. Accordingly, he was one of the few Members of either Chamber of Congress to be a veteran of both World War II and Korea.

As a young attorney, JOHN CHAFEE became active in Republican politics in his home state of Rhode Island. He was elected to Rhode Island's state legislature in 1956 as a young man of 34. He eventually served as the Minority Leader in that body, and was elected in 1962 to the first of three successful two year terms as Governor of his state.

In 1968, President-elect Nixon appointed JOHN CHAFEE to be our nation's Secretary of the Navy in which position he served meritoriously. Finally, in 1976, JOHN was elected to the first of four terms in the U.S. Senate. In that position, he served his state and nation admirably. He was Chairman of the Senate's Environment and Public Works Committee. In that position, he was a constant reminder to all of us of the need to protect the ecology of our planet, and much of the far-reaching environmental legislation of the last quarter century bears his fingerprints. JOHN CHAFEE was one of the co-founders of the Theodore Roosevelt Fund, which helped remind his fellow Republicans that the most conservation-minded of all Presidents—Theodore Roosevelt—was a member of the Grand Old Party.

JOHN CHAFEE, having previously announced his plans to retire in the year 2000, we knew we would be missing his outstanding leadership. I join with my colleagues in extending our condolences and prayers to JOHN'S widow

Virginia and to his family and the many who admired JOHN CHAFEE'S service to his nation.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, for the better part of four decades, JOHN H. CHAFEE has served the State of Rhode Island with distinction and honor. As State Representative, Governor, Secretary of the Navy and United States Senator, JOHN CHAFEE has set an unprecedented level of service having an impact on both his state and the nation. His absence will leave a void not only in Rhode Island but on the nation as a whole.

When the United States entered World War II, he left Yale to enlist in the Marine Corps, and then served in the original invasion force at Guadalcanal. He was recalled to active duty in 1951, and commanded a rifle company in Korea.

He served six years in the Rhode Island House of Representatives, where he was elected Minority Leader. Running for Governor in 1962, CHAFEE was elected by 398 votes. He was then reelected in 1964 and 1996—both times by the largest margin in the State's history. In January 1969, he was appointed Secretary of the Navy and served in that post for three-and-a-half years.

JOHN CHAFEE'S Senate career began in 1976. He was reelected to a fourth term in 1994, with sixty-five percent of the vote, and is the only Republican to be elected to the U.S. Senate from Rhode Island in the past 68 years.

Chairman of the Environment and Public Works Committee, the Senator was a leading voice in crafting Clean Air Act of 1990 which strengthened pollution emissions legislation, and a bill to strengthen the Safe Drinking Water Act. Senator CHAFEE is a longtime advocate for wetland conservation and open space preservation, and has been the recipient of every major environmental award.

A senior member of the Finance Committee, Senator CHAFEE has worked successfully to expand health care coverage for women and children, and to improve community services for persons with disabilities. In 1990, Senator CHAFEE spearheaded the Republican Health Care Task Force and became a prominent figure in the national health reform debate. He went on to lead the bipartisan effort to craft a comprehensive health care reform proposal in 1994.

The Senator has received awards and endorsements from such organizations as The National Federation of Independent Business, The American Nurses Association, The League of Conservation Voters, The Sierra Club, Handgun Control Inc., Planned Parenthood, Citizens Against Government Waste, and the National PTA.

Senator JOHN CHAFEE has approached his remarkable career with the single premise to operate through consensus and cooperation wherever possible in order to get the business of the people done. A Republican operating in a heavily Democratic state, Senator CHAFEE understood that partisanship had no place in politics. Today, I express my sincere sympathy to Senator CHAFEE'S family, friends and the great people of Rhode Island. America has lost a unique native son and a hero for us all to remember.

Mr. GEPHARDT. Mr. Speaker, I join my colleagues and all Rhode Islanders in mourning the untimely death of Senator CHAFEE.

The Senator was a principled voice who was able to work with both sides of the aisle

on the issues close to his heart. He left a lasting imprint in our nation's laws—playing a key role in some of the most important legislation passed by Congress over the last three decades, especially in the areas of health care and the environment.

He proved that a sustained dedication to one's ideals through politics can make a real and lasting difference to our communities and our country. His retirement would have left a void in Congress; his untimely death leaves a void in the hearts of all who had the privilege of knowing and working with a true statesman and citizen.

Mrs. MINK of Hawaii. Mr. Speaker, I rise to join my colleagues in expressing my deepest sympathy to Virginia Chafee and all the members of her family on the loss of her beloved husband, our esteemed colleague Senator JOHN H. CHAFEE.

Last night our nation lost a great American. JOHN CHAFEE saw combat service in both World War II and the Korean War. He served with distinction in the Rhode Island House of Representatives, as Governor of the State of Rhode Island, and as Secretary of the Navy. For the past 23 years, JOHN CHAFEE has served in the U.S. Senate where he was universally respected for his integrity, civility, and deeply held convictions.

Senator CHAFEE'S contributions to our nation are many. His legacy includes a cleaner environment, better health care, and a model of true bipartisanship from which we can all learn.

I join in giving thanks for his life.

Mr. WEYGAND. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BARRETT of Nebraska). Without objection, the previous question is ordered on the resolution.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the resolution.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. WEYGAND. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on House Resolution 344.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Rhode Island?

There was no objection.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 1987, FAIR ACCESS TO INDEMNITY AND REIMBURSEMENT ACT

Mr. DREIER, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 106-414) on the resolution (H. Res. 342) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1987) to allow the recovery of attorneys' fees and costs by certain employers and labor organizations who are prevailing parties in proceedings brought against them by the National Labor Relations Board or by the Occupational Safety and Health