

Vermont, a U.S. District Court judge, a decorated war hero and a close friend of my father. And both of Bob's brothers are exceptional citizens and public servants. His brother, Ernest III, is a former Vermont Supreme Court Justice and his other brother, David, is a former state's attorney for Windham County.

Both Bob Gibson and his father helped me immeasurably in my early years as a lawyer and a legislator. I clerked for Bob's father after law school, and was impressed by his vast knowledge of and respect for our laws, and his dedication to making Vermont a better place. And when I was elected to my first public office in 1967, as a Senator from Rutland County, it was Bob who steered me through the legislative process and set a standard of bipartisanship that has guided me throughout my career.

With a rare sense of fairness and a vast knowledge of the Vermont Legislature, Bob extended the same helping hand to every Senator that served in the Chamber during his tenure. Current Vermont State Senator from Caledonia County, Robert Ide, recently stated, "Bob Gibson's reputation for fairness and honesty was above reproach from any member of the Senate. His guidance and respect from the leadership of both parties was unparalleled in the Vermont statehouse. He was a true friend and mentor for everyone who served in his classroom, and he will be sorely missed."

Bob Gibson was a positive force in the Senate, who kept lawmakers moving forward in an orderly fashion. He was a positive force in his native Brattleboro, serving the community in a variety of ways before moving to Montpelier and becoming Assistant Secretary. He was a positive force in his family, dedicated to his wife, daughters, parents and brothers. And he was a positive force to all those who had the privilege of calling him a friend.

I pay tribute today to a man who paid tribute every day, to the values that Vermont holds dear—hard work, honesty and fairness. We have lost a Vermont institution, but Bob Gibson's legacy lives on in the laws he helped to enact and the lives that he touched.●

APPOINTMENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the majority leader, pursuant to Public Law 105-277, announces the appointment of Deborah C. Ball, of Georgia, to serve as a member of the Parents Advisory Council on Youth Drug Abuse for a 3-year term.

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1999

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until the hour of 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 17. I further ask

unanimous consent that on Wednesday, immediately following the prayer, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then resume debate on the pending Wellstone amendment to S. 625, the bankruptcy reform bill, under the previous order.

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

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I further ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for the weekly policy conferences to meet.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. GRASSLEY. For the information of all Senators, the Senate will begin the final hour of debate on the Wellstone amendment at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday. By previous consent, the Senate will proceed to a vote on the amendment following the use or yielding back of all the time. A vote on the Moynihan amendment, No. 2663, has been ordered to occur immediately following the vote on the Wellstone amendment.

Therefore, Senators may expect two back-to-back votes at approximately 10:30 a.m. tomorrow. If my plans work out, I prefer to have a third vote immediately afterwards on an amendment on which we are working to try to get consent. Then, in addition, other votes may be anticipated during tomorrow's session in an effort to complete the first session of the 106th Congress.

Therefore, Senators should adjust their schedules for the possibility of votes throughout the day and also into the evening on Wednesday. The leader appreciates the patience and cooperation of all of our colleagues as we attempt to complete the appropriations process.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I wish to renew what I said earlier today. We have taken this bankruptcy bill a long way. When the bill started, we had 320 amendments that had been filed. We are down now to a handful of amendments, literally—12 to 15 amendments.

I suggest to the majority, after we complete our votes in the morning, we should go immediately to offering some of these amendments. I think, without a lot of work tomorrow, we can complete this bill. There is no reason at this stage to even consider invoking cloture; we are so close to being able to complete this bill. I can't speak for the entire minority, but if a cloture motion were filed at this late day, I am confident it would not be passed.

I think we should do everything within our power to complete this bill before we adjourn.

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I don't take exception to anything the Senator from Nevada stated. I simply add, we have been on this very impor-

tant bankruptcy reform legislation over a week and we have gotten to where we are on this legislation only because we have had an extreme amount of bipartisan cooperation, starting with the introduction of the bill by Senator TORRICELLI and myself, getting it out of the Judiciary Committee in April by a vote of 14-4, awaiting our place in line to come up on the floor of the Senate, and having had considerable success eliminating a lot of amendments and hoping to get it to conference before we adjourn for the first session of the 106th Congress.

We have had that bipartisan cooperation. I expect to continue to work with the Senator from Nevada; the Senator from Vermont, Mr. LEAHY, the ranking member of the Judiciary Committee; and Senator TORRICELLI, my partner on the subcommittee, to bring this bill to finality.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I agree there has been bipartisan participation to this point. However, the majority of the time that has been spent on this bill has been in quorum calls and other matters. Rather than being involved in quorum calls, we should proceed on this legislation.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. GRASSLEY. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I now ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:15 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, November 17, 1999, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate November 16, 1999:

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

W. MICHAEL MCCABE, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, VICE FREDERIC JAMES HANSEN, RESIGNED.

RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

JEROME F. KEVER, OF ILLINOIS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING AUGUST 28, 2003. (REAPPOINTMENT)

VIRGIL M. SPEAKMAN, JR., OF OHIO, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING AUGUST 28, 2004. (REAPPOINTMENT)

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

JANIE L. JEFFERS, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A COMMISSIONER OF THE UNITED STATES PAROLE COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF SIX YEARS, VICE JASPER R. CLAY, JR., TERM EXPIRED.

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADES INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 628:

To be colonel

JOSEPH G. BAILLARGEON, JR., 0000
DAVID R. BROWN, 0000
KEVIN M. GRADY, 0000
MICHAEL C. HART, 0000
MICHAEL S. HILL, 0000
RICKY B. KELLY, 0000
STEPHEN R. SCHWALBE, 0000

To be lieutenant colonel

JACK A. SNAPP, 0000

To be major

PAUL N. BARKER, 0000
BRYAN C. BARTLETT, 0000
PATRICIA S. FARRIS, 0000

DAVID L. PHILLIPS, JR., 0000

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMES ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

To be colonel

RICHARD T. BRITTINGHAM, 0000
WILLIAM D. STEWART, JR., 0000

IN THE MARINE CORPS

THE FOLLOWING NAMES LIMITED DUTY OFFICER TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be major

JOSEPH B. DAVIS, JR., 0000

IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be captain

TERRY C. PIERCE, 0000
FRANK G. RINER, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 628:

To be lieutenant commander

BRAD HARRIS DOUGLAS, 0000
PAUL ALAN HERBERT, 0000
GREGORY S. KIRKWOOD, 0000
STEPHEN F. O'BRYAN, JR., 0000
GREGORY J. SENGSTOCK, 0000
MARC A. STERN, 0000

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be colonel

STEPHEN C. ALSOBROOK, 0000
MARY ELIZABETH ANCKER, 0000
EDWIN I. ANDERSON, 0000
WARNER J. ANDERSON, 0000
RICHARD ALBERT ARMSTRONG, 0000
JESSE BAILEY, 0000
JAMES MICHAEL BAKER, 0000
RONALD EUGENE BANKS, 0000
KENNETH EUGENE BARTELS, 0000
ALVIN LEON BAUMWART, 0000
DONALD WILLIAM BEGEZDA, 0000
DONALD R. BIRMINGHAM, 0000
ALJERNON J. BOLDEN, 0000
MARLIN D. BRENDSEL, 0000
JESSE ABRAHAM BREWER III, 0000
KENNETH E. BROOKMAN, 0000
ROBERT E. BROUGHTON, JR., 0000
EDITH MARY BUDIK, 0000
WALTER N. BURNETTE III, 0000
CANDACE MARIE BURNS, 0000
MATTIE LEE CALDWELL, 0000
MICHAEL DAVID CARETHERS, 0000
KENNETH RAY CARLETON, 0000
KATHLEEN SUE CARLSON, 0000
ELROY CARSON, 0000
RICHARD MYRON CARTER, 0000
MARGARET LESLIE CARVETH, 0000
CORNELIUS F. CATHCART, 0000
PATRICK F. CAULFIELD, 0000
WILLIAM M. CHAMBERLAIN, 0000
AFTAB A. CHAUDRY, 0000
DOMINIC KUI K. CHEUNG, 0000
JAI JONG CHO, 0000
MARTIN J. CHRISTENSEN, 0000

MATILDE M. CHUA, 0000
TERRENCE T. CLARK, 0000
JEFFREY PAUL CLEMENTE, 0000
ALKA V. COHEN, 0000
RONALD EDWARD COLEMAN, 0000
JOSE L. COLLADOMARCIAL, 0000
DEBRA ANN COOK, 0000
ESTELLE COOKESAMPSON, 0000
BRIAN WILLIAM COOPER, 0000
WILLIAM COX, 0000
HARROLD LYNN CRANFORD, 0000
SAMUEL A. CROW, 0000
DAVID MELVIN CUMMINGS, 0000
EDWARD O. CYR, 0000
RICHARD L. DALES, 0000
ANITA K. DAS, 0000
JOSE R. DAVILAORAMA, 0000
RICHARD LEE DAVIS, 0000
WILLIAM ROSS DAVIS, 0000
MOSES DEESE, 0000
DANIEL JOSEPH DUNN, 0000
JOHN ALEXANDER DWYER, 0000
FRANK M. ELLERO, 0000
DAVID F. EVERETT, 0000
WALTER G. FAHR, 0000
JACK FOWLER FENNEL, 0000
ANTHONY JOHN FERRETTI, 0000
ROBERT ALLEN FRAMPTON, 0000
CORNELIUS E. FREEMAN, 0000
MICHAEL E. FREVILLE, 0000
BRUCE DAVID FRIED, 0000
ROBERT EDWARD GARDNER, 0000
DANIEL WAYNE GARLAND, 0000
PAUL EDWARD GAUSE, 0000
JESSE OTTO GIDDENS, JR., 0000
JOHN VERNON GLADDEN, 0000
ELLIOTT GOYTIA, 0000
RICHARD V. GRAHAM, 0000
GEORGE PATRICK GREEN, 0000
RONALD GRIMES, 0000
EDWARD ALLEN HADAWAY, 0000
J. M. HAMILTON, 0000
MARY M. HAND, 0000
CONSTANCE JEAN HARDY, 0000
JANET MARY HARRINGTON, 0000
KARL MATTHEW HARTMANN, 0000
PATRICIA HARVARD, 0000
DANIEL ALAN HARVEY, 0000
DAVID M. HAYES, 0000
MARY ANN THERESA HAYUNGA, 0000
JAMES DILLER HELMAN, 0000
SARAH KATHRYN HELMS, 0000
ANDRE FRITZ HENRY, 0000
JOHN ROBERT HERRIN, 0000
DONALD EARL HICKS, 0000
MANUEL HIGER, 0000
AUDREY LORAIN HINDS, 0000
MARK ALAN HOFFMAN, 0000
DONNIE JOE HOLDEN, 0000
ROBERT GEORGE C. HOLMES, 0000
CLYDE PHILIP HOUSTON, 0000
JAMES CURTIS HOVE, 0000
CHERYL B. HOWARD, 0000
GERTA ANNE HOWELL, 0000
VIRGINIA W. JENKINS, 0000
EUNICE GERTRUDE JOHN, 0000
MARGARET CHRISTIAN JOHNSON, 0000
RICHARD LOUIS JOHNSON, 0000
ROBERT EDMUND JOHNSTONE, 0000
ROBERT CLYDE JONES, 0000
LYNNETTE DORLENE KENNISON, 0000
DAVID E. KOSIOREK, 0000
KARL JOSEPH KREDER, JR., 0000
NANCY ANN KUHLE, 0000
BENJAMIN J. KULPER, 0000
JOHN J. LAMMIE, 0000
REGINALD J. LANKFORD, 0000
FRANKLIN Y. LAU, 0000
RONALD A. LEPIANKA, 0000
PATRICIA ANN LOCKHART, 0000
ROY EDWARD MADAY, 0000
WALTER JOSEPH MAGUIRE, 0000
DANNEN D. MANNSCHRECK, 0000

ROBERT ALLEN MASON, 0000
LARRY JOHN MATTHEWS, 0000
JUDITH MCLANE MAY, 0000
RUSSELL PAUL MAYER, 0000
CLAUDIA MCALLASTER, 0000
FRED T. MCDONALD, 0000
THOMAS W. MCDONALD, 0000
GILBERT W. MCINTOSH, JR., 0000
JAMES W. MENTZER, JR., 0000
MARGARET ANN MILLER, 0000
STEPHEN WILLIAM MITCHELL, 0000
ARLENE JACKSON MONTGOMERY, 0000
ROBERT G. MONTGOMERY, 0000
EARL W. MORGAN, 0000
ELIZABETH S. MORRIS, 0000
MICHAEL EUGENE MULLIGAN, 0000
BARBARA JEAN MURPHY, 0000
FERENC NAGY, 0000
KENT ALAN NICKELL, 0000
PATRICIA W. NISHIMOTO, 0000
HARRY WILLIAM ORF, 0000
JOHN CARL OTTENBACHER, 0000
JEFFREY J. PARASZCZUK, 0000
RAJNIKANT C. PATEL, 0000
WILLIAM P. PATTERSON, 0000
MICHAEL EDWARD PAULSEN, 0000
NANCY REED PICKETT, 0000
ROSALIND KAY PIERCE, 0000
LAURENCE ROGER PLUMB, 0000
DANNY RAY RAGLAND, 0000
JAMES DELMAR REED, 0000
DENNIS EUGENE REILLY, 0000
DANA FREDERICK REYNARD, 0000
LESLIE E. RICE, 0000
RANDY CONRAD RICHTER, 0000
ENRIQUE A. RIGGS, 0000
JAMES C. ROBERTSON, JR., 0000
RICKY JOE RODGERS, 0000
RAUL RODRIGUEZ, 0000
DONALD KARL ROKOSCH, 0000
HECTOR ROSADO, 0000
PETER JAMES ROSS, 0000
JOHN DAVID ROWEKAMP, 0000
MICHAEL JOSEPH ROY, 0000
HARRY GRAHAM RUBIN, 0000
ROBERT DAVID RUSSELL, 0000
ROBERT W. SAUM, JR., 0000
ARNOLD D. SCHELLER, 0000
JON EDWARD SCHIFF, 0000
JOHN P. SCHIRMER, 0000
ALLEN CLARK SCHMIDT, 0000
STEFAN SHERMAN, 0000
DENNIS P. SHINGLETON, 0000
STEPHEN K. SIEGRIST, 0000
HAROLD SILMAN, 0000
LEWIS D. SKULL, 0000
LANI W. SMITH, 0000
JAMES W. SNYDER, 0000
SHARON ANN R. STANLEY, 0000
VIRGINIA S. STAPLEY, 0000
PAMELA JEAN STAVES, 0000
STEVEN JAMES STEED, 0000
THOMAS MICHAEL STEIN, 0000
HERBERT A. STONE, 0000
LAURA B. STRANGE, 0000
BARRY D. STRINGFIELD, 0000
DAVIS M. STROOP, 0000
COLLEEN P. SULLIVAN, 0000
TERRY LYNN SWISHER, 0000
JAVIER G. TABOADA, 0000
JANET L. THOMPSON, 0000
JIMMY DALE THURMAN, 0000
SHAW P. WAN, 0000
DONALD G. WARD, JR., 0000
MARJORY K. WATERMAN, 0000
WILLIAM BRUCE WATSON, 0000
SHARON SUE WEESE, 0000
GORDON PAUL WESLEY, 0000
MARGARET C. WILMOTH, 0000
MICHAEL A. YOUNG, 0000
RICHARD B. YOUNG, 0000
HENRY E. ZERANSKI, JR., 0000