

common bond among these officers is the desire to enter the law enforcement profession and honor the memory of Officer Chestnut and Detective Gibson.

During the graduation ceremony, which was attended by the members of the U.S. Capitol Police Board, the Department's Command Staff, and family and friends of the recruit officers, Class President Robert Garisto gave a speech on behalf of the members of the Recruit Class 116. I feel that this speech is indicative of the caliber of personnel who fill the ranks of the U.S. Capitol Police. I ask unanimous consent that Officer Garisto's speech be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

UNITED STATES CAPITOL POLICE CLASS 116—
GRADUATION SPEECH

Good afternoon everyone. I would like to start by expressing my gratitude to the Members of Class 116. I have been fortunate to have spent the last five months getting to know each and every one of you. Now that I do, the honor you have bestowed on me by allowing me to represent you means so much more and it is an experience I will cherish forever.

Now, class, we are about to take a dramatic step forward. The challenges which lie ahead of us are immense, many of the problems we will confront as police officers are highly complex. The skills and abilities we bring to our positions in law enforcement must be continually honed to transcend these obstacles.

I am sure everyone here is aware of the events that have taken place recently in the United States. The crisis of crime and violence in our society is really a crisis of values and conscience. It is a problem compounded by the glamorization of violence, drugs, sex and greed in Hollywood films and music lyrics. Our young people are being told that it is okay to carry a 9MM and live the lifestyle of a drug dealer, it is all right to "sex you up." They are told they have the right to the latest music CD or the coolest clothes. They have the right to have these things even if they have to take from someone else. They can have what they want at any price regardless of the consequences. However, there are consequences to a society that sensationalizes sin while it trivializes morality and religious beliefs. The consequence is the carnage we see on the streets of America almost every day. Too many of our children have learned to solve problems of conflict and anger with weapons for the simple reason that they haven't experienced love, compassion and understanding from those who should be the role models in their lives. It's insane and it's hurting our Nation in the worst possible way, because our young people are our greatest national resource and asset. More importantly, they are our future.

We as parents, police officers, teachers and public officials must take an active role in the rearing of America's youth.

This world we live upon is a tremendously huge place but, technology is, and will continue to make, the global experience more accessible to everyone. Young people must understand the global context of our existence. The horizons and life opportunities that exist for them throughout this world. And, yes, there will continue to be racism and bias fueled by ignorance and fear. Those who are different will continue to be judged by the standard of what is considered by the judge to be normal. However, it should never be intellectualized as the sole excuse for fail-

ure. More importantly, it must serve as the impetus which pushes us forward toward higher achievement and success.

A contemporary society cannot develop unless it places a premium on education and human development. The complex issues and problems we face today require agents with thoughtful and progressive minds committed to bringing about positive change.

I believe that each of us of The Graduating Class of 116 are those agents of change.

Thank you.

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I am proud of the men and women of the United States Capitol Police and I appreciate what they do, each day, in service to the Congress and the nation. I would like to congratulate Officer Garisto and the men and women of Recruit Class 116 on their accomplishments and I wish them continued success during their careers with the United States Capitol Police.

HONORING THE AAA SAFETY PATROL LIFESAVING MEDAL AWARD WINNERS

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, I am proud to announce to the Senate today the names of the 7 young men and women who have been selected to receive the 1999 American Automobile Association Lifesaving Medal. This award is the highest honor given to members of the school safety patrol.

There are roughly 500,000 members of the school safety patrol in this country, helping over 50,000 schools. Every day, these young people ensure that their peers arrive safely at school in the morning, and back home in the afternoon.

Most of the time, they accomplish their jobs uneventfully. But, on occasion, these volunteers must make split-second decisions, placing themselves in harm's way to save the lives of others. The heroic actions of this year's honorees exemplify this selflessness, and richly deserve recognition.

The first AAA Lifesaving Medal recipient comes from Rochester, New York.

On September 22, 1998, 11-year-old Theodore Roosevelt Elementary School Safety Patrol Katherine Garcia was at her post in the back parking lot. She was helping create order out of the chaos that occurs when buses, walkers and parents all try to leave the school at the same time.

Behind her post, a 9-year-old boy and his 7-year-old friend separated from his grandmother to look for their car. They tried to run past Katherine. As they did, she quickly reached out, grabbed the boys by their t-shirts, and pulled them out of the path of an oncoming car.

This year's second AAA Lifesaving Medal honoree comes from Brooklyn, New York.

On January 5, 1999, an 8-year-old student asked Public School 151 Safety Patrol Anthony Christian, Jr. if he would walk him across the street.

Leaving his post in the hands of his patrol partner, Anthony carefully

checked the traffic signal and crossed the street. Just as they reached the other corner, two cars collided at high speed in the middle of the intersection. One of the cars spun out of control, heading directly for the two boys. Without regard for his own safety, Anthony pulled the little boy out of the way just before the car jumped the curb where the two boys were.

The third AAA Lifesaving Medal winner comes from Unadilla, New York.

On October 8, 1997, Unadilla Elementary School Safety Patrol Nichole L. Decker was at her post at the school's back door when she heard a 7-year-old boy's desperate cries for help.

When she went outside, she saw the boy trapped on the ground by a huge dog—a husky/wolf mix. The dog was biting at the little boy's face and throat. Without considering what the 50-pound dog could do to her, 13-year-old Nichole began shouting and waving her arms to distract it from the boy. When the dog ran away, Nichole scooped up the badly bleeding boy and took him inside the school for help.

The fourth recipient of the AAA Lifesaving Medal comes from Brooklyn, New York.

On January 28, 1999, 10-year-old Public School 91 Safety Patrol Stacia Walker saw a car drop off a 5-year-old boy at school, then depart.

Instead of entering the schoolyard, the little boy turned around and headed for a park across the street. Stacia ran to the little boy and stopped him just before he crossed the street in front of a car.

This year's fifth AAA Lifesaving Medal honoree comes from Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

On September 2, 1998, 12-year-old Ganiard Elementary School Safety Patrol Michael T. Wiltzie was helping the adult crossing guard at the corner of Broadway and Adams streets, the busiest corner for patrols.

The adult crossing guard had just walked to the center of the street to stop traffic when a 7-year-old boy walked around Michael's outstretched arms to follow her. A truck made a left-hand turn and passed between the adult crossing guard and Michael's post on the curb, ignoring the stop sign held by the adult crossing guard. Michael reached out, grabbed the 7-year-old boy by the backpack, and pulled him to safety just as the truck sped by.

The fifth recipient of the AAA Lifesaving Medal comes from Fairfax, Virginia.

On February 22, 1999, Fairhill Elementary School Safety Patrol Roxanne A. Bauland (BALL-lund) was standing at her post near a bus stop when she noticed there was something wrong with a 6-year-old girl approaching the bus stop from across the street.

When the little girl began running toward the bus stop, the hard candy she had been eating became lodged in her throat, causing her to cough and choke. Quickly sizing up the situation, 11-year-old Roxanne performed the

Heimlich maneuver on the little girl and dislodged the candy from her throat, quite possible saving the little girl's life.

The final AAA School Safety Patrol Lifesaving Award recipient comes from Minneapolis, Minnesota.

On November 2, 1998, 11-year-old Jenny Lind Community School Safety Patrol Tonya L. M. Boner was completing her shift for the day when she decided to wait a little longer to help some stragglers cross the street safely.

Three students, ages 7, 9, and 10, began to cross the road. Across the intersection, a car stopped briefly at the stop sign, then headed straight for the crosswalk and the students. Seeing the immediate danger, Tonya hurried the students to the other side just as the car sped through the crosswalk a mere 2 feet from where she and the students had been walking seconds before.

Mr. President, on behalf of the Senate, I extend congratulations and thanks to these young women and men who are visiting the Capitol today. They are an asset to their communities, and their families and neighbors should be very proud of their courage and dedication.

I would also like to recognize the American Automobile Association for providing the supplies and training necessary to keep the safety patrol on duty nationwide.

Since the 1920's, AAA clubs across the country have been sponsoring student safety patrols to guide and protect younger classmates against traffic accidents. Easily recognizable by their fluorescent orange safety belt and shoulder strap, safety patrol members represent the very best of their schools and communities. Experts credit school safety patrol programs with helping to lower the number of traffic accidents and fatalities involving young children.

We owe AAA our gratitude for their tireless efforts to ensure that our Nation's children arrive to and from school safe and sound.

And we owe our thanks to these exceptional young men and women for their selfless actions. The discipline and courage they displayed deserves the praise and recognition of their schools, their communities and the Nation.

CLARIFYING TAX TREATMENT OF SETTLEMENT TRUSTS ESTABLISHED UNDER ANCSA

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, today I join Senator MURKOWSKI in rising in support of S. 933, which would clarify tax treatment of Settlement Trusts established under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. Our legislation would amend the U.S. tax code by allowing these Settlement Trusts to organize as 501(c)(28) tax exempt organizations. This bill is similar to S. 2065 which I co-sponsored with Senator MURKOWSKI last year.

Consistent with last year's proposal, this bill allows for conveyances to a Settlement Trust without including those contributions in the beneficiaries' gross income. This is an important provision because under the current tax code, beneficiaries of a Settlement Trust can be taxed on contributions to the trust, even though they haven't received a payment or disbursement from the Settlement Trust.

Our new provision also outlines the process and terms for revoking a trust's tax exempt status as a 501(c)(28) organization. Under this provision, if a Settlement Trust engages in forbidden activities as outlined in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, its election as a 501(c)(28) tax exempt organization would be revoked and the trust would pay a tax on the fair market value of the assets held. This ensures that U.S. taxpayers will not underwrite forbidden transactions within the trusts or between the trusts and the beneficiaries.

This provision also requires a Settlement Trust to distribute at least 55 percent of its adjusted taxable income for each year. This would insure that Settlement Trusts fulfill a basic obligation to the beneficiaries.

In addition, the new provision requires trusts electing to be recognized as 501(c)(28) tax exempt organizations to withhold income tax from payments made to beneficiaries. There is, however, an important exception to this withholding provision. That exception would apply to third party payments made on the behalf of beneficiaries for educational, funeral, or medical benefits.

It is my hope that we will clarify the tax treatment of these Settlement

Trusts so that beneficiaries are treated in a fair and just manner.

THE VERY BAD DEBT BOXSCORE

Mr. HELMS. Mr. President, at the close of business yesterday, Monday, May 3, 1999, the federal debt stood at \$5,562,741,424,540.43 (Five trillion, five hundred sixty-two billion, seven hundred forty-one million, four hundred twenty-four thousand, five hundred forty dollars and forty-three cents).

Five years ago, May 3, 1994, the federal debt stood at \$4,569,524,000,000 (Four trillion, five hundred sixty-nine billion, five hundred twenty-four million).

Ten years ago, May 3, 1989, the federal debt stood at \$2,769,324,000,000 (Two trillion, seven hundred sixty-nine billion, three hundred twenty-four million).

Fifteen years ago, May 3, 1984, the federal debt stood at \$1,489,259,000,000 (One trillion, four hundred eighty-nine billion, two hundred fifty-nine million).

Twenty-five years ago, May 3, 1974, the federal debt stood at \$467,768,000,000 (Four hundred sixty-seven billion, seven hundred sixty-eight million) which reflects a debt increase of more than \$5 trillion—\$5,094,973,424,540.43 (Five trillion, ninety-four billion, nine hundred seventy-three million, four hundred twenty-four thousand, five hundred forty dollars and forty-three cents) during the past 25 years.

REVISED BUDGET LEVELS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1999

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, pursuant to Sec. 209 of H. Con. Res. 68, the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2000, I hereby submit to the Senate revised budget levels for fiscal year 1999.

The following table displays the appropriations caps and the committee allocation levels that will be enforced for the remainder of fiscal year 1999.

I ask unanimous consent to have the table printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the table was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

SENATE COMMITTEE BUDGET AUTHORITY AND OUTLAY ALLOCATIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET ACT, BUDGET YEAR TOTAL 1999

[In millions of dollars]

Committee	Direct spending jurisdiction		Entitlements funded in annual appropriations acts	
	Budget authority	Outlays	Budget authority	Outlays
Appropriations:				
Defense	279,891	271,403	0	0
General Purpose Discretionary	287,157	273,901	0	0
Violent Crime Reduction Trust Fund	5,800	4,953	0	0
Highways	0	21,885		
Mass Transit	0	4,401		
Mandatory	299,159	291,731	0	0
Total	872,007	868,274	0	0
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry	8,931	6,362	17,273	9,183
Armed Services	48,285	48,158	0	0
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs	9,200	3,182	0	0
Commerce, Science, and Transportation	8,119	5,753	682	678