

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, May 11, 1999 at 2:30 p.m. to hold a hearing.

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, May 11, 1999 at 10:00 a.m. in room 226 of the Senate Dirksen Office Building to hold a hearing on: "Combating Hate Crimes: Promoting a Responsive and Responsible Role for the Federal Government."

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON AIRLAND

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Airland of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 11, 1999, in executive session, to mark up the FY 2000 Defense Authorization Bill.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EMERGING THREATS

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 11, 1999, in executive session, to mark up the FY 2000 Defense Authorization Bill.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT OF GOVERNMENT MANAGEMENT, RESTRUCTURING AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Governmental Affairs Committee Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, Restructuring and District of Columbia be permitted to meet on Tuesday, May 11, 1999, at 10:30 a.m. for a hearing on Multiple Program Coordination in Early Childhood Education: The Agency Perspective.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON READINESS AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet at 9:45 a.m. on Tuesday, May 11, 1999, in executive session, to mark up the FY 2000 Defense Authorization Bill.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SEAPOWER

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Seapower of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday,

May 11, 1999, in executive session, to mark up the FY 2000 Defense Authorization Bill.

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

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

IN HONOR OF SEN. BIDEN ON HIS 10,000TH VOTE

• Mr. HAGEL. Mr. President, I join my colleagues in recognizing Senator BIDEN for his 10,000th vote in the United States Senate.

I am proud to serve with Senator BIDEN on the Foreign Relations Committee, where he is the ranking Democrat Member. Senator BIDEN has set many records in the Senate. I would like to squelch the rumor, however, that he sets a record every time he speaks.

I am just in my third year as a United States Senator. Senator BIDEN is in his 27th year in the Senate. But in the time Senator BIDEN and I have served together on the Foreign Relations Committee, I have gained great respect for his wisdom and deep understanding of international issues. Senator BIDEN understands that there is no such thing as a Republican foreign policy or a Democrat foreign policy. There is only an American foreign policy. He has worked closely with Presidents in both parties. And he reaches out across the aisle to work as well with our Chairman, Senator HELMS, as he does with his junior colleagues.

Last year, Senator BIDEN was a leader in the historic expansion of NATO to include three former Warsaw Pact nations. This Congress he joined with Senator MCCAIN in sponsoring a resolution authorizing the use of all necessary force to win the war in Kosovo. Through his leadership, Senator BIDEN displays the kind of courage that earns him respect from all of his colleagues, even when they disagree.

I am proud to call JOE BIDEN my friend and colleague. America is proud to call him a United States Senator.●

TRIBUTE TO "MANUEL" KATSUMI OISHI

• Mr. INOUE. Mr. President, I am honored to rise in tribute to Mr. "Manuel" Katsumi Oishi who has faithfully served the Territorial Government of Hawaii and the State of Hawaii, Maui County, for 37 years. He unselfishly dedicated his time to improve his community. Born in 1926 and raised in McGerrow Camp, Puunene, Maui, Mr. Oishi is being recognized today at the McGerrow Camp Reunion for the honor that he brings his birthplace.

Mr. Oishi's career began with the Territorial government in 1949. In 1951, he started working for Maui County as a Clerk in the Building Department. He was promoted to Clerk for the Transportation Control Committee, then later served as Secretary. Transferred

to the Civil Defense Department in 1958, he held the positions of Secretary, then Coordinator, and, in 1961, he became the Civil Defense Administrator. In 1973, while Deputy County Clerk and later as County Clerk, Mr. Oishi ensured that the county operated efficiently and unselfishly gave of his time to assist Maui residents navigate the sometimes bureaucratic maze of government.

Because of his love of sports and the youth of Maui, Mr. Oishi pursued a simultaneous career as The Honolulu Advertiser's sports reporter for 38 years. He diligently covered all of Maui's interscholastic sports in the evenings and on weekends. His positive stories encouraged young Maui athletes to take pride in themselves and their sports.

The incredibly energetic Mr. Oishi has devoted countless volunteer hours to make life a little easier and better for the residents he so dearly loves. Since graduation from Baldwin High School in 1944, Mr. Oishi has headed the planning of every class reunion. During the last 20 years, he has chaired all of the McGerrow Camp reunions on Maui, which have amassed an attendance of 250 to 300 people. Mr. Oishi's relentless efforts have resulted in former McGerrow Camp residents having a great time and experiencing a deep feeling of friendship and ohana (family). When the Selective Service System went through some trying times, Mr. Oishi volunteered for five years to help push the paperwork through and to answer those pressing questions from anxious young men and their parents.

His commitment to the youth of Maui is also evident in his volunteer work with the AJA Baseball League in which he held several positions on the board. In 1991, he received the Tadaichi Fukunaga Dana Award for his "unselfish services and contributions to (his) temple and to the growth of Buddhism." Since 1976, he has been Editor of "Friends of the Dharma," the monthly newspaper for his church, Wailuku Hongwanji Mission.

Although Mr. Oishi is retired from government service and The Honolulu Advertiser, he continues his invaluable service to his church and the Maui County Credit Union of which he serves as the Secretary-Treasurer.

Mr. Oishi's unfaltering commitment to government service and his sincere devotion to his community and its citizens bring pride and honor to McGerrow Camp. He certainly has earned the love and admiration of the residents of McGerrow Camp, the County of Maui, and the State of Hawaii.

Mr. President, I ask my colleagues in the Senate to join me in recognizing "Manuel" Katsumi Oishi for his outstanding contributions to Maui County and to the State of Hawaii and send my heartiest aloha to those celebrating the McGerrow Camp reunion.●

TRIBUTE TO BRUNO STACHOWSKE
& NUTFIELD COUNTRY STORE OF
LONDONDERRY, NEW HAMPSHIRE

• Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Bruno Stachowske, a hard-working New Hampshire entrepreneur. His thriving small business, Nutfield Country Store, was named the "1999 Retail Business of the Year" by the Londonderry Business Council. I commend his hard work and this outstanding achievement.

Nutfield Country Store is well known in Londonderry and across the state for its friendly and courteous service to its patrons. As a small business, Nutfield continuously demonstrates exemplary community spirit through its involvement in many local and national causes.

Bruno's commitment to community involvement has led Nutfield Country Store to support many volunteer organizations, youth sports teams, and the annual Thanksgiving food drives. Bruno is also well known for his fund raising efforts on behalf of cystic fibrosis. Every year, he participates in cystic fibrosis fund raising efforts by riding his bicycle for donations.

As a former small business owner, I recognize the importance and value of community involvement by hard-working entrepreneurs. They help shape our economy and our society as a whole. I wish to congratulate Bruno Stachowske on the success of Nutfield Country Store and for receiving this distinguished award. It is an honor to represent him in the United States Senate.●

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH
WEEK

• Mr. ASHCROFT. Mr. President, I am pleased to recognize today the 8th annual Missouri Children's Mental Health Week, which was celebrated May 2-8. This year's theme is "In a child's life, everyone is accountable." The Missouri Department of Mental Health and MO-SPAN, the Missouri Statewide Parent Advisory Network, teamed up to co-sponsor the week.

Some estimates indicate that 12 percent of all children and youth in the United States have an emotional, behavioral or mental disorder. While many of these children and their families need services ranging from therapeutic to educational and social services, only about one-third of these children and youth receive assistance.

Recognizing Children's Mental Health Week is one way to bring attention to the seriousness of mental health disorders in our children and spread the message of support for them. The week's events were begun with MO-SPAN's Second Annual Clayton Huey Memorial Benefit Walk-A-Thon and a kickoff event at the Missouri Capitol and continued throughout the week.

It is a privilege for me to be able to recognize the diligent work of families

with children who have emotional, behavioral and mental disorders. Likewise, it is also important to celebrate the workers, volunteers, and organizations—like MO-SPAN—who provide vital support, services, information, and advocacy for these families.●

A CELEBRATION OF WOMEN

• Mr. TORRICELLI. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the Young Women's Christian Association of Trenton, New Jersey, and their Tenth Annual "Celebration of Women" luncheon which will honor and recognize six award recipients for their outstanding contributions to the community.

The YWCA of Trenton was established in 1904 with its primary mission to provide a residence and recreational activities for women in the work force during the industrial revolution. Since this beginning, the Board of Directors and staff have developed the YWCA into community based organization committed to the empowerment of women and girls and to erase racism through diverse activities and programs. The YWCA provides leadership training, public advocacy, education, support services, health promotions and recreation within the city of Trenton and the surrounding communities.

The awards given have become a distinguished tradition in the New Jersey capital region since they were first introduced years ago as the Tribute to Women in Industry, or TWIN, awards. The recipients of this year's award embody the mission of the YWCA.

Eileen Thorton will receive the Woman of Achievement Award given to a woman who has achieved distinction in her field while using her power to encourage opportunity. J. Dolores Baker is this year's recipient of the Woman of Inspiration Award presented to a woman who has overcome insurmountable odds. Molly Merlino will receive the Meta Griffith Community Service Award, named after the prominent civic leader. This award is given to a woman who has effectively recognized and addressed community needs through exemplary volunteer service. Gwendolyn I. Long will be the recipient of the Ethel Downing Johnson Memorial Award, named in honor of a YWCA board member who died in 1992. The woman who receives this award has demonstrated an earnest and sincere commitment to mission and purpose of the YWCA. Cotempo Press is the recipient of the Organizational Commitment Award, presented to an organization or corporation which has provided innovative corporate policies and company attitudes enabling women to excel in the workplace. The Artist of the Year award will be given to Carl McCleave whose piece, titled "Trio Sublime," will become a permanent exhibit at the YWCA.

Each of these individuals have distinguished themselves this year in their chosen fields. They have made the city of Trenton and the State of New Jer-

sey. I am pleased to recognize the YWCA of Trenton and the six award recipients for their continuing commitment to the people of New Jersey.●

141ST ANNIVERSARY OF THE AD-
MISSION OF THE STATE OF MIN-
NESOTA INTO THE UNITED
STATES OF AMERICA

• Mr. GRAMS. Mr. President, I proudly rise today to honor and celebrate my home State of Minnesota's 141st year of statehood. On this date in 1858, Congress admitted Minnesota into the Union as the thirty-second State.

Let me begin by saying that the name "Minnesota" comes from two Sioux Indian words meaning sky-tinted waters. Now Mr. President, if you have ever been to Minnesota you will agree that my State was properly named. These "sky-tinted waters" are representative of Minnesota's many lakes (in excess of 12,000) and the numerous rivers and streams which run throughout the State. In fact, Minnesota has more shoreline than California, Florida and Hawaii combined!

Several million Minnesotans and out-of-state visitors take advantage of these waters every year to swim, water ski, boat, canoe, or fish. This Saturday, May 15, represents one of my home State's most treasured yearly experiences, the fishing opener. I have always been impressed with the spirit the opener brings out and the way it joins our State and visitors in a common interest. Out on the lake, people aren't too concerned with the difficulties of everyday life. Once a fishing rod is nestled tightly in hand, Minnesotans tend to forget the phone, the fax, or the other annoyances that consume so much of our lives today. The experience re-connects us to a much simpler time.

In addition to Minnesota's water resources, one-third of the State is covered with forests. Aspen, balsam fir, pine, spruce, and white birch grow in the northern part of the State, whereas groves of ash, black walnut, elm, maple and oak grow in the south. These forests form the centerpiece of 66 State parks, 55 State forests, one national park, and two national forests, all of which provide outdoor enthusiasts with scenic hiking, camping, and other outdoor activities on a year-round basis.

Mr. President, in addition to our beautiful lakes, streams, forests, and parks, Minnesota has much more to offer. My State produces 75 percent of the nation's iron ore which covers a section of northern Minnesota rightly known as the "Iron Range." There are also large deposits of granite found near St. Cloud and along the upper Mississippi River. I am proud to say that over 6,000 tons of Minnesota granite was used to make the walls and floor for the Franklin Delano Roosevelt memorial here in Washington, D.C.

The fertile soil has been key to Minnesota's overall economy, providing