

While the reauthorization of VAWA is an important step in protecting all victims of domestic violence, our work is not yet done. Under VAWA, dating violence has been included in four of the five major domestic violence grant programs. However, one major grant program was left behind. I am committed to working with my colleagues in the next Congress to expand dating violence to all domestic violence programs under VAWA.

I ask unanimous consent that the vote total be printed in the RECORD.

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

U.S. SENATE ROLL CALL VOTE
(106th Congress, 2d Session)

Vote Number: 269.

Vote Date: October 11, 2000.

Title: H.R. 3244 Conference Report.

Req. for Majority: 1/2.

Bill Number: H.R. 3244.

Result: Conference Report Agreed to.

VOTE SUMMARY

Yea: 95.

Nay: 0.

Present: 0.

No Vote: 5.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

IN RECOGNITION OF AMBASSADOR DAVID B. HERMELIN

• Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I rise today to acknowledge the achievements of an accomplished businessman, distinguished public servant and committed philanthropist from my home state of Michigan, Ambassador David B. Hermelin. On October 22 of this year, the ORT Hermelin College of Engineering will be dedicated in Netanya, Israel. This dedication is a fitting tribute for a man, who along with his wife Doreen, has committed himself to his family, nation and charitable endeavors throughout the world.

Through hard work and an unwavering commitment to the public good, David's work has made an indelible mark upon countless individuals. His keen intellect, business acumen and heart for others has led him to pursue a wide array of business and charitable efforts in the United States and abroad.

David has been deeply involved with the World ORT, having served as the President of American ORT. Founded in response to a famine in Russia in the late 1860s, ORT is a private, non-profit organization that addresses the educational and technical training needs of workers, providing them with the training and self-sufficiency needed to build a meaningful existence. To achieve this goal, ORT builds schools and develops a curriculum that provides students with vital technical skills. ORT has facilities in nearly 60 nations. This year, over 200,000 students are enrolled in ORT programs.

The mission of American ORT is to raise funding necessary to support the

efforts of World ORT and administer domestic ORT programs. During David's tenure as President of this organization, American ORT increased its involvement in the mission of World ORT, and strengthened its ties with the larger Jewish community. These strengthened ties were evidenced by the fact that the 1999 General Assembly of the United Jewish Communities of North America was the second consecutive General Assembly sponsored by ORT.

American ORT administers two post-secondary training institutes and one college in the United States. These three institutions serve 5,000 individuals annually, many from the former Soviet Union and Newly Independent States (NIS), by providing them with technical training, English language assistance and career development skills.

David has been involved in many other charitable endeavors as an administrator, contributor and fundraiser. He has served on the Board of Directors for many community and national organizations including the Meyer L. Prentis Comprehensive Cancer Center.

As a businessman, David has worked as a real estate developer, venture capitalist and manager of many interests. Currently, he is the co-owner of two of the largest entertainment facilities in the state of Michigan—the Palace of Auburn Hills, home of the NBA's Detroit Pistons, and the Pine Knob Entertainment Centers. In addition, he sits on the board of several companies including Arbor Drugs Inc., Arena Associates, Village Green Management Company and First America Bank Corporation—Detroit.

In December 1997, President Clinton recognized David's commitment to public service, and appointed him to serve as the U.S. Ambassador to Norway. So extraordinary was his service in this capacity that the Norwegian people awarded him the Royal Norwegian Order of Merit, which is equivalent to being knighted.

David Hermelin has been a community leader for over forty years. As a fellow native of Detroit, Michigan, I have known David for over half of a century. I am pleased to call him an inspiration, a peer and a friend. I am sure that my Senate colleagues will join me in offering my congratulations to David Hermelin for the dedication of the ORT Hermelin College of Engineering, and in wishing him well in the years ahead.●

TRIBUTE TO JOHN ROUSH

• Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I rise today to honor my good friend, the twentieth President of Centre College in Danville, Kentucky, John Roush.

I want to offer my heartfelt congratulations to John Roush, the students and faculty at Centre College, and the City of Danville, Kentucky for their successful bid to host the only

vice presidential debate of the 2000 election. Under the leadership of John Roush, the college and the community worked together to make the debate at Centre College a reality.

By all accounts, the debate in Danville was a success. Even though Centre College is the smallest higher-education institution to have ever hosted a presidential or vice presidential debate, they exceeded expectations and pulled-off a top-rate event. The town and college coordinated events throughout the day of the debate to build anticipation and provide opportunities for those who did not have tickets to participate in the occasion. An outdoor concert, open to the public, was held on Centre's campus and featured Maysville native and celebrity Nick Clooney, gospel singer Larnelle Harris, and the Owensboro Symphony Orchestra. Then, attendees were treated to a live, big-screen viewing of the vice presidential debate.

President John Roush's fingerprints were all over the events of the day; his creativity and ingenuity a benefit to everyone who participated. Whether you watched the debate from the screen on Centre's lawn, the seats of Centre's Norton Center for Fine Arts or on television in your home, the professionalism with which John led the extensive preparations for the debate were apparent.

Just talk to anyone at Centre College, in Danville, or in all of Kentucky for that matter—they will tell you that in the two years John has served as president at Centre, he has rallied students, faculty, and city residents with his passion for excellence. He has been described by his peers and co-workers as having an "infectious enthusiasm" and being "full of integrity." He has been characterized as "energetic" and "impressive." I know from my own personal experience with and observation of John that all of these descriptions are true. I am proud to call him a fellow Kentuckian and friend.

At this point, Mr. President, I would like to read into the RECORD an excerpt from an October 7, 2000, editorial by Washington Post writer David Von Drehle that ran in the Louisville Courier-Journal, which perfectly sums up the atmosphere in Danville, KY, on the day of the debate.

Centre College hosted the debate. This unlikely setting—far from the nearest airport, in a place without many four-lane roads, in fact—turned out to be one of the best ever. The whole day was a happy pageant of Norman Rockwell meets Alexis de Tocqueville.

Tired and jaded political junkies stepped from their cars and buses into an afternoon that was either the very end of summer or the very beginning of fall. Clear sky, warm sun, fresh breeze. Though the trees all appeared to be green, a few golden leaves began to drift toward the grass of the college common as evening approached.

On the common, bands played marches and choirs sang gospel hymns. Hours before the debate began, the gently sloping ground filled with grandparents on lawn chairs and moms and dads on blankets and children who twirled and ran and tumbled and plucked

leaves from their hair. There were young men in shorts and their sweethearts in sun dresses enjoying the day and preparing to watch the clash on giant screens.

Speakers read passages from great documents of American history—the Declaration of Independence, the Gettysburg Address—and an orchestra played the national anthem and “My Old Kentucky Home.” Kids waved flags.

There are no words I can add to more accurately describe the picture-perfect day John Roush orchestrated at Centre College on October 5, 2000.

On behalf of myself and my colleagues in the United States Senate, I applaud you, John Roush, for what you have accomplished at Centre College and thank you for your commitment to higher education.●

INTELLIGENT CITY OF THE YEAR

● Mr. CLELAND. Mr. President, I rise today to congratulate and acknowledge LaGrange, Georgia, which was recently named the “Intelligent City of the Year for 2000” by the World Teleport Association. LaGrange is only the second city to win this award which can be awarded to any city worldwide.

LaGrange is deserving of this award, which is in recognition of its “Internet For Everyone” program to provide Internet access to every home in the city with cable access at no additional cost to the resident. In the 1990’s, LaGrange officials deployed a fiber optic network because they recognized this infrastructure need to ensure their community is adequately prepared for the coming information age, and they saw the advantages of such an investment. This foundation led to the development of a two-way hybrid fiber coaxial cable network that supports cable modems and Internet access for the 21st Century. All the customer needs is a television, and the Internet is accessed through a set top box and wireless keyboard.

This investment in the workforce of tomorrow is one of a kind, and anyone who can access the world wide web will now be a recipient of the knowledge and information of the citizens of LaGrange. I have pledged to work with them to encourage the further development of the Internet for the benefit of users worldwide. In fact, last month, I was in LaGrange to celebrate the wiring of the city’s government housing community. At this event, I was pleased with the amount of knowledge the children already have about the web, its uses, and the potential it brings. They are our future, and they are the people who will benefit the most from LaGrange’s farsightedness.

As Congress looks for ways to bridge the digital divide, I would like to make an example of LaGrange, Georgia, the Intelligent City of the Year for 2000. There are many options available for communities around the country. Once we are connected we will truly be able to learn more from one another about ourselves, our communities, our country, and our world.

Again, I congratulate the city of LaGrange, Georgia and Mayor Jeff Lukken, and I hope that the children and families of LaGrange will take full advantage of this great opportunity.●

SALUTE TO CRAIG GLAZER

● Mr. VOINOVICH. Mr. President, one of Ohio’s illustrious public servants, Commissioner Craig Glazer, is retiring as a member of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio after serving successfully under three Ohio governors. I extend to him my sincere congratulations and best wishes.

Craig is a man with a love for Ohio. After graduating from Vanderbilt University Law School, he went directly to work for Ohio businesses as an advocate for industry at the law firm of Hahn Loeser & Parks. He worked extensively for utility and consumer interests helping them to expand their operations throughout Ohio.

I personally had the opportunity to witness Craig’s leadership while I was Mayor of Cleveland. Between 1979 and 1985, Craig represented the people of Cleveland before the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) as the utility rate counsel.

During my time as Mayor, I worked with Craig on legislation that was ultimately passed in the Ohio Legislature as Senate Bill 378. Upon passage it reformed the structure of PUCO to ensure its accountability to its many constituencies. During this time, he additionally served as house counsel to the city of Cleveland’s utility system and served over 300,000 customers through their water, sewer and electric utilities.

He presently serves on the Board of Directors of the national Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, serves as vice-chair of its International Relations Committee and is a member of their electricity committee. He also chairs the National Council on Competition in the Electric Industry, an interagency policy group, and is President of Board of Directors of the Ohio Energy Project. He is chair of the Ameritech region Regulatory Coordinating Committee and serves as a member of the North American Electricity Reliability Council’s Generation Adequacy Committee and Electric Power research Institute’s Advisory Council.

It is clear from his leadership and many efforts that Craig Glazer consistently works hard for the people of Ohio.

I have immense respect for Craig. He is and always has been a true professional. And although I am sorry to see him retire, I am confident that the citizens of Ohio have not heard the last from him.●

CELEBRATING THE SUCCESS OF WEST VIRGINIA HEALTH RIGHT, INC.

● Mr. ROCKEFELLER. Mr. President, I rise today to celebrate the success of

one of West Virginia’s most successful non-profit health organizations. It gives me great honor to come to the floor today to be able to share with you the remarkable story of West Virginia Health Right, Inc.

West Virginia Health Right was the brainchild of a group of dedicated volunteers who recognized a desperate need to provide free, quality health care to the homeless, the working poor, the un- and underinsured, de-institutionalized mental health patients, and countless others. Their vision was realized when they opened a small, mission-driven health clinic in Charleston, West Virginia in 1982. From these modest beginnings, West Virginia Health Right, Inc. grew tremendously fast. They soon found that the need in the community was far greater than they had expected and moved from their original location in a soup kitchen in Kanawha County, to a homeless shelter, and finally settled into the third floor of the Charleston Area Medical Center. In 1989, West Virginia Health Right moved to their own clinic building supported by funds from the community. In 1999, West Virginia Health Right again appealed to the community for support and found an overwhelming reception to their needs. They are now housed in a state of the art clinic in Charleston.

Modeling the success of the Charleston clinic, other free clinics began to sprout up in communities throughout the state at the rate of about one every two years. Today, Health Right has eight separate sites across West Virginia, including Charleston, Wheeling, Morgantown, Clarksburg, Huntington, Parkersburg, Bluefield, and Logan, which serve our State’s poor and uninsured. Just recently, Health Right announced the opening of a new clinic in Beckley, West Virginia for which I am proud to serve as a board member. They will also be opening new locations in Summersville and Weirton. Remarkably, each of these facilities operates with just a small staff of employees, and relies entirely on the volunteer services of dedicated physicians and nurse practitioners from the area.

West Virginia Health Right, Inc. is a living example that just a few people can make a difference. Eighteen years ago, four doctors and a dozen volunteers set out with a vision to provide health care to those who needed it most. Today, Health Right is a network of more than 500 physicians and 15,000 volunteers serving 45,000 West Virginians each year. With the uninsured in this nation still at staggering levels, it gives me great pleasure to recognize the invaluable work of West Virginia Health Right, Inc., a group that rather than simply talking about a problem, is actually working to fill a vital need in our state.

Congratulations, West Virginia Health Right, for your success. And thank you for your tireless contributions to the state of West Virginia.●