

Supreme Court presenting cases. I have been in courtrooms many times, at over 100 jury trials, argued before the ninth circuit of our State supreme court, but never had the opportunity to argue a case before the U.S. Supreme Court, even though I am a member of that bar.

The number of times the Senator from Washington has appeared as an advocate for the State of Washington and other parties in the U.S. Supreme Court is most impressive. It is a rare occasion that a person gets to argue once, but to argue as many cases before the Supreme Court as the Senator from Washington has is extremely impressive.

I also want to say that the people of Nevada have done well as a result of the Senator being the chairman of that subcommittee. The State of Nevada is 87-percent owned by the Federal Government. As a result we have many problems. The Senator from Washington was always very understanding of the very special problems we had in the State of Nevada.

The Senator had a great relationship with the ranking member of that subcommittee, Senator BYRD, and to have Senator BYRD say publicly the things he has on many occasions about his relationship with Senator GORTON speaks volumes. Senator BYRD has been in the Senate 48 years and really understands quality when he sees it.

I want the Senator from Washington to know how much I appreciate his good work. I will always remember his friendship and look forward to our continued association.

I thank SLADE GORTON, his wife Sally, and their three children and seven grandchildren for their years of sacrifice and dedication to our nation.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Washington.

Mr. GORTON. I thank the Senator from Nevada for his fine comments and compliments. I may tell the Senator, that relationship is perhaps a result of the marvelous biblical statement about casting your bread upon water and having it come back manifold.

When I was first a member of the Appropriations Committee, I was in the minority. The Senator from Nevada was the chairman of the modest subcommittee on the legislative branch, and I was his ranking minority member. The Senator from Nevada came to my office to consult with me in a way he did not need to about those appropriations. I think it was I who persuaded him to put more benches and trash receptacles on the Capitol grounds, which was denuded of them at the time, so I can believe I actually accomplished something in that modest position.

It was that lesson when we went into the majority that taught me that on the Appropriations Committee and the Senate as a whole, it was best to work with everyone when it was at all possible to do so and that you were far more likely to be successful not only

for the people of your own State but the country, if you used the experience and the wisdom of all Members of your committees or of the Senate itself.

So I am particularly grateful for the comments of the Senator from Nevada. But whatever courtesies he was rendered by this Senator he earned by having taught the same lesson.

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PROJECT HOMESAFE

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, there is a company in my home State of Michigan which is to be commended for its efforts to reduce gun injuries and deaths. Last month, Meijer Stores paired up with a coalition of law enforcement officials to implement a firearm buyback program in selected counties in Michigan.

The firearm buyback program, called "Project Homesafe," allows gun owners to receive a \$50 Meijer cash card in exchange for every functioning firearm. Meijer Stores donated \$100,000 worth of these cash cards to promote the disposal of unwanted guns. Guns turned in under this program are expected to be destroyed.

Mr. President, Project Homesafe is a constructive enterprise and the kind of public-private partnership needed to promote safety in Michigan homes and communities. I applaud the initiative of Meijer Stores as well as Attorney General Jennifer Granholm, the Michigan Sheriffs' Association, Ingham County Sheriff Gene Wriggelsworth, and Kent County Sheriff James Dougan, all of whom were instrumental in implementing Project Homesafe.

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ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

IN HONOR OF MARK LEWIS GILLMING

• Mr. ASHCROFT. Mr. President, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize and honor the two-month anniversary of the death of Mark Lewis Gillming, who passed away Sunday, October 8, 2000, in a car accident in Springfield, Missouri, on his way to church with his cousin, John Lingo.

Mark Gillming grew up in my home town of Springfield, Missouri, and was a senior at Hillcrest High School to be graduated with the class of 2001. As a student, he excelled in both academics and athletics, becoming an honors student and being involved in track and football. Mark exhibited a great presence on the Hillcrest High football team, both in action and in spirit.

Mark's life touched many lives, far beyond his school into his community. He was well liked by his peers and had great influence on those who knew him during his short life. His positive outlook enriched those around him.

Mark was the son of Pastor and Mrs. Kenneth D. Gillming. He was a member of Cherry Street Baptist Church where his father is a pastor. Mark was a leader in their youth ministry. His Chris-

tian faith was a central part of his life. He loved his family, friends and most important of all, he loved Christ. Today, I join his family and friends in remembrance of Mark Gillming, whose demeanor and character were a blessing to those who knew him. He will be missed greatly. •

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MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 6, 1999, the Secretary of the Senate, on December 7, 2000, during the recess of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 2415. An act to enhance security of United States missions and personnel overseas, to authorize appropriations for the Department of State for fiscal year 2000, and for other purposes.

Under authority of the order of the Senate of January 6, 1999, the enrolled bill was signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. THURMOND).

At 10:26 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Kelaher, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following joint resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.J. Res. 128. Joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 1898. An act to provide protection against the risks to the public that are inherent in the interstate transportation of violent prisoners.

S. 3045. An act to improve the quality, timeliness, and credibility of forensic science services for criminal justice purposes.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4640) to make grants to States for carrying out DNA analyses for use in the Combined DNA Index System of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, to provide for the collection and analysis of DNA samples from certain violent and sexual offenders for use in such system, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 5630) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The message further announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 3048. An act to amend section 879 of title 18, United States Code, to provide clearer coverage over threats against former

Presidents and members of their families, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4281. An act to establish, wherever feasible, guidelines, recommendations, and regulations that promote the regulatory acceptance of new and revised toxicological tests that protect human and animal health and the environment while reducing, refining, or replacing animal tests and ensuring human safety and product effectiveness.

H.R. 4827. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to prevent the entry by false pretenses to any real property, vessel, or aircraft of the United States or secure area of any airport, to prevent the misuse of genuine and counterfeit police badges by those seeking to commit a crime, and for other purposes.

S. 1972. An act to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to the town of Dolores, Colorado, the current site of the Joe Rowell Park.

S. 2594. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contract with the Mancos Water Conservancy District to use the Mancos Project facilities for impounding, storage, diverting, and carriage of non-project water for the purpose of irrigation, domestic, municipal, industrial, and any other beneficial purposes.

S. 3137. An act to establish a commission to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the birth of James Madison.

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EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-11795. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Application of the Anti-Churning Rules for Amortization of Intangibles in Partnerships" (RIN1545-AX73) (T.D. 8907) received on November 27, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-11796. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revenue Procedure 2000-50, Treatment of the Costs of Computer Software" (Revenue Procedure 2000-50) received on December 4, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-11797. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "'Liable to Tax' Treaty Residence Standard" (RR-1114511-00) received on December 4, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-11798. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Employment Tax Deposits—De Minimis Rule" (RIN1545-AY46, T.D.8909) received on December 5, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-11799. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notice 2001-2, Research Credit Suspension Period" received on December 7, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-11800. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Year 2001 Section 1274A CPI Adjustments"

(Revenue Ruling 2000-55) received on December 7, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-11801. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rev. Rul. 2001-10—Small Taxpayer Exception to Accrual Method and Inventory Requirements" (Rev. Rul. 2001-10) received on December 7, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-11802. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Year 2001 Section 7872(g) CPI Adjustment" (Revenue Ruling 2000-56) received on December 7, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-11803. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "December 2000 Applicable Federal Rates" (Revenue Ruling 2000-54) received on November 17, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-11804. A communication from the Chair, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to medical savings accounts and payment for care in post recovery care centers; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-11805. A communication from the Secretary of the Navy in concurrence with the Navy Chief of Operations, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Marine Corps intranet contract; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-11806. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the activities during fiscal year 1998; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-11807. A communication from the Director of the Policy Directives and Instructions Branch, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Asylum Procedures" (RIN1115-AE93) received on December 7, 2000; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-11808. A communication from the Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the Patent and Trademark Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Simplification of Certain Requirements in Patent Interference Practice" (RIN0651-AB15) received on November 27, 2000; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-11809. A communication from the Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the Patent and Trademark Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rules to Implement Optional Inter Partes Reexamination Proceedings" (RIN0651-AB04) received on November 27, 2000; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-11810. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the pay-as-you-go reports numbers 522-526, dated November 16, 2000; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-11811. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the pay-as-you-go reports numbers 517-521, dated November 16, 2000; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-11812. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the pay-as-you-go reports numbers 527-531; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-11813. A communication from the Acting Chief Counsel, Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Blocked Persons, Specially Designated Nationals, Specially Designated Terrorists, Foreign Terrorist Organizations, and Specially Designated Narcotics Traffickers: Additional Designations and Removals and Supplementary Information on Specially Designated Narcotics Traffickers, Foreign Terrorist Organizations" (31 CFR chapter V, appendix A) received on November 28, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-11814. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Consumer Protections for Depository Institution Sales of Insurance" (RIN1550-AB34) received on November 28, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-11815. A communication from the Assistant to the Federal Reserve Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulation H Part 208—Membership of State Banking Institutions in the Federal Reserve System, Regulation Y Part 225—Bank Holding Companies and Change in Bank Control" (R-1087) received on November 29, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-11816. A communication from the Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Comptroller of the Currency, Administrator of National Banks, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the final rule "Consumer Protections for Depository Institution Sales of Insurance"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-11817. A communication from the Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Consortia of Public Housing Agencies and Joint Ventures" (RIN2577-AC00) (FR-4474-F-02) received on November 30, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-11818. A communication from the Secretary to the Emergency Loan Guarantee Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emergency Steel Guarantee Loan Program; Commercial Lending Practices and Re-opening of Period for Applications" (RIN3003-ZA00) received on December 5, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-11819. A communication from the Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Comptroller of the Currency, Administrator of National Banks, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the final rule "Rules of Practice and Procedure"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-11820. A communication from the Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Comptroller of the Currency, Administrator of National Banks, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the final rule "Risk-Based Capital Guidelines; Market Risk Measure; Securities Borrowing Transactions"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-11821. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Replacement Fuel and Alternative Fuel Technical and Policy Analysis"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-11822. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled