making this nomination. I thank the Chamber of Commerce for showing that business supports the confirmation of Tim Dyk to fill this vacancy on the Federal Circuit and for not playing politics with this nomination. The nature of the Federal Circuit's caseload merits a full complement of judges as authorized by Congress so that its intellectual property docket can get the attention that it deserves and that our economy requires.

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, at long last, the Senate is considering the nomination of Timothy Dyk for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. Mr. Dyk is an exceptional nominee who has waited far too long for action by the Senate. He is a nationally known and respected attorney who has been approved by the American Bar Association and was well received by the Senate Judiciary Committee. He deserves confirmation by the Senate by an overwhelming bipar-

tisan majority today.

Mr. Dyk is an honors graduate of Harvard College and Harvard Law School, where he was a member of the Law Review. After graduation, he served as a Supreme Court law clerk for Chief Justice Earl Warren, as well as for Justices Stanley REED and Harold Burton. He served in the Justice Department for a year in the early 1960's and has spent the last 37 years as a distinguished and highly respected attorney in private practice in Washington, D.C.. He has argued cases before the Supreme Court and in numerous federal courts of appeals, including five cases before the Federal Circuit. He clearly has the qualifications and ability to serve on that Circuit with great distinction.

Mr. Dyk's nomination is supported by a variety of corporations and organizations, including the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the National Association of Manufacturers, the National Association of Broadcasters, the Labor Policy Association, the American Trucking Association, Kodak, and IBM. He is also supported by the American Center for Law and Justice and has been described by that group as "an exceptional advocate," who "would be a fine jurist on the Federal Circuit.'

For a number of years, Mr. Dyk served as lead counsel for the Lubrizol Corporation in a number of patent litigations. Lubrizol's Chairman and CEO has written.

Mr. Dyk was exceptionally effective in briefing and arguing the several appeals in the Federal Circuit that occurred in those cases and demonstrated the ability to provide exceptional service on the federal bench. He also performed an instrumental role in ultimate disposition of those cases through mediation, which he urged on the parties and skillfully guided through extensive and difficult negotiations.

Mr. Dyk is also an active member of numerous bar organizations, and he has served as Chair of the D.C. Circuit Membership Evaluation Committee of the American Academy of Appellate Lawyers. In addition, he is an active

participant in the community. In every respect, he is well-qualified for appointment to the Federal Circuit. He should have been confirmed long ago, and I urge my colleagues to approve his nomination today.

Mr. CAMPBELL. Mr. President, I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There is a sufficient second.

The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of Timothy B. Dyk, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit?

The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. REID. I announce that the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) is necessarily absent.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SES-SIONS). Are there any other Senators in the Chamber who desire to vote?

The result was announced—yeas 74, nays 25, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 109 Ex.]

YEAS-74

| Abraham | Feinstein | Mack |
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| Akaka | Fitzgerald | McCain |
| Baucus | Frist | Mikulski |
| Bayh | Gorton | Moynihan |
| Bennett | Graham | Murray |
| Bingaman | Grams | Nickles |
| Bond | Hagel | Reed |
| Boxer | Harkin | Reid |
| Breaux | Hatch | Robb |
| Bryan | Hollings | Rockefeller |
| Burns | Hutchison | Roth |
| Byrd | Inouye | Santorum |
| Campbell | Jeffords | Sarbanes |
| Chafee, L. | Johnson | Schumer |
| Cleland | Kennedy | Smith (OR) |
| Collins | Kerrey | Snowe |
| Conrad | Kerry | Specter |
| Daschle | Kohl | Stevens |
| DeWine | Landrieu | Thompson |
| Dodd | Lautenberg | Torricelli |
| Domenici | Leahy | Voinovich |
| Dorgan | Levin | Warner |
| Durbin | Lieberman | Wellstone |
| Edwards | Lincoln | Wyden |
| Feingold | Lugar | |

| NAYS—25 | |
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| | lurkowski |
| Ashcroft Grassley R | loberts |
| Brownback Gregg S | essions |
| Bunning Helms S | helby |
| Cochran Hutchinson S | mith (NH) |
| Coverdell Inhofe T | 'homas |
| Craig Kyl T | hurmond |
| Crapo Lott | |
| Enzi McConnell | |

NOT VOTING-1

Biden

The nomination was confirmed.

VISIT TO THE SENATE BY MUGUR ISARESCU, PRIME MINISTER OF ROMANIA

Ms. LANDRIEU. Mr. President, visiting us is the Prime Minister of Romania, Mugur Isarescu.

RECESS

Ms. LANDRIEU. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in recess to greet the Prime Minister appropriately.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 4:09 p.m., recessed until 4:13 p.m.;

whereupon, the Senate reassembled when called to order by the Presiding Officer (Mr. SESSIONS).

GERARD NOMINATION OF LYNCH, OF NEW YORK, TO BE A STATES DISTRICT UNITED JUDGE FOR THE SOUTHERN DIS-TRICT OF NEW YORK

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the next nomination.

The legislative clerk read the nomination of Gerard E. Lynch, of New York, to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

Mr. BURNS. Mr. President, I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be.

The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of Gerard E. Lynch, of New York, to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York? The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. REID. I announce that the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) is necessarily absent.

The result was announced—yeas 63, nays 36, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 110 Ex.]

YEAS-63

| Akaka | Fitzgerald | Moynihan |
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| Baucus | Gorton | Murray |
| Bayh | Graham | Reed |
| Bennett | Harkin | Reid |
| Bingaman | Hatch | Robb |
| Boxer | Hollings | Rockefeller |
| Breaux | Inouye | Roth |
| Bryan | Jeffords | Sarbanes |
| Byrd | Johnson | Schumer |
| Chafee, L. | Kennedy | Shelby |
| Cleland | Kerrey | Smith (OR) |
| Collins | Kerry | Snowe |
| Conrad | Kohl | Specter |
| Daschle | Landrieu | Stevens |
| Dodd | Lautenberg | Thompson |
| Domenici | Leahy | Thurmond |
| Dorgan | Levin | Torricelli |
| Durbin | Lieberman | Voinovich |
| Edwards | Lincoln | Warner |
| Feingold | Lugar | Wellstone |
| Feinstein | Mikulski | Wyden |
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| | NAYS—36 | NAYS—36 | |
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| Abraham | DeWine | Kyl | |
| Allard | Enzi | Lott | |
| Ashcroft | Frist | Mack | |
| Bond | Gramm | McCain | |
| Brownback | Grams | McConnell | |
| Bunning | Grassley | Murkowski | |
| Burns | Gregg | Nickles | |
| Campbell | Hagel | Roberts | |
| Cochran | Helms | Santorum | |
| Coverdell | Hutchinson | Sessions | |
| Craig | Hutchison | Smith (NH) | |
| Crapo | Inhofe | Thomas | |
| Crapo | Inhote | Thomas | |

NOT VOTING-1

The nomination was confirmed.

NOMINATION OF JAMES J. BRADY, OF LOUISIANA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOU-

The legislative clerk read the nomination of James J. Brady, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Louisiana.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BUNNING). The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of James J. Brady, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Louisiana?

Mr. ASHCROFT. Mr. President, I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There is a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. REID. I announce that the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) is necessarily absent.

The result was announced—yeas 83, nays 16, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 111 Ex.]

YEAS-83

| Abraham | Durbin | Lugar |
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| Akaka | Edwards | McConnell |
| Ashcroft | Feingold | Mikulski |
| Baucus | Feinstein | Moynihan |
| Bayh | Fitzgerald | Murkowski |
| Bennett | Frist | Murray |
| Bingaman | Graham | Reed |
| Bond | Grassley | Reid |
| Boxer | Gregg | Robb |
| Breaux | Hagel | Rockefeller |
| Brownback | Harkin | Roth |
| Bryan | Hatch | Santorum |
| Burns | Hollings | Sarbanes |
| Byrd | Hutchinson | Schumer |
| Campbell | Inouye | Sessions |
| Chafee, L. | Jeffords | Shelby |
| Cleland | Johnson | Smith (OR) |
| Cochran | Kennedy | Snowe |
| Collins | Kerrey | Specter |
| Conrad | Kerry | Stevens |
| Coverdell | Kohl | Thomas |
| Craig | Landrieu | Thurmond |
| Crapo | Lautenberg | Torricelli |
| Daschle | Leahy | Voinovich |
| DeWine | Levin | Warner |
| Dodd | Lieberman | Wellstone |
| Domenici | Lincoln | Wyden |
| Dorgan | Lott | |

NAYS-16

| Allard | Helms | Nickles |
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| Bunning | Hutchison | Roberts |
| Enzi | Inhofe | Smith (NH) |
| Gorton | Kyl | Thompson |
| Gramm | Mack | • |
| Grams | McCain | |
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NOT VOTING—1

Biden

The nomination was confirmed.

NOMINATION OF MARY A. McLAUGHLIN, OF PENNSYL-VANIA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYL-VANIA

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the next nomination. The legislative clerk read the nomination of Mary A. McLaughlin, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of

Pennsylvania.

Mr. KOHL. Mr. President, I rise in strong support of the nomination of Mary McLaughlin to the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. Those of us on the Judiciary Committee know Ms. McLaughlin from her outstanding work as Special Coun-

sel for our Terrorism Subcommittee during the Ruby Ridge investigation in 1995. During those hearings, Ms. McLaughlin demonstrated precisely the qualities we want in a federal judge—she is intelligent, fair-minded, tough, possesses a judicial temperament, and is deeply committed to the cause of justice. Once we put her on the bench, she is going to be a terrific federal judge.

Our Ruby Ridge subcommittee ran the ideological gamut. Yet Ms. McLaughlin gained the respect and admiration of all of our colleagues from both parties who worked with her-Senators Specter, Thompson, Abra-HAM, Thurmond, Leahy, Feinstein, GRASSLEY, and CRAIG—for the skill and professionalism she brought to her work. Let me make special mention of tough and persistent Ms. McLaughlin was when the Justice Department was "less than enthusiastic" about supplying us with documents. Largely as a result of her efforts, we obtained the information that we needed, and our investigation went on to become a true model of bipartisan cooperation.

Beyond her service to the U.S. Senate, Ms. McLaughlin has stellar credentials for a judgeship. She is a senior partner in the leading Philadelphia law firm of Dechert, Price and Rhoads, where her practice has concentrated in a myriad of complex litigation matters. She was a recipient of a 1998 "Women of Distinction" Award from the Philadelphia Business Journal, the National Association of Women Business Owners, and The Forum of Executive Women. Her career has also included teaching at the law schools of Vanderbilt University, the University of Pennsylvania and Rutgers University. In addition, Ms. McLaughlin served for four years as an Assistant U.S. Attorney for the District of Columbia where, Mr. President, she put criminals behind bars. Not surprisingly, given this stellar record, she was unanimously rated "well qualified" by the American Bar Association.

Unfortunately, a few outside groups have raised questions about her candidacy based on a small portion of Ms. McLaughlin's pro bono work. While it is true that she is a person of strong convictions, none is stronger than her dedication to the Rule of Law. In other words, I am confident that she will in all cases apply the law, not make it.

I wouldn't say that about everybody who has been nominated for a federal judgeship in recent years.

Mr. President, Ms. McLaughlin deserves the type of strong, bipartisan support from the entire Senate that she has already obtained from those of us who worked with her on Ruby Ridge. "There's something about Mary's" record of distinguished public service, her professional experience, her legal talents, and her personal integrity that will make her an outstanding Judge on the Eastern District bench. I urge my colleagues to swiftly confirm her.

Mr. STEVENS. I ask for the yeas and navs

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There is a sufficient second.

The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of Mary A. McLaughlin, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania? On this question the yeas and nays have been ordered, and the clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll. The result was announced—yeas 86, nays 14, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 112 Ex.]

YEAS-86

| Abraham | Feingold | Mack |
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| Akaka | Feinstein | McCain |
| Ashcroft | Frist | McConnell |
| Baucus | Gorton | Mikulski |
| Bayh | Graham | Moynihan |
| Bennett | Grassley | Murkowski |
| Biden | Gregg | Murray |
| Bingaman | Hagel | Reed |
| Bond | Harkin | Reid |
| Boxer | Hatch | Robb |
| Breaux | Hollings | Rockefeller |
| Bryan | Hutchinson | Roth |
| Burns | Hutchison | Santorum |
| Byrd | Inouye | Sarbanes |
| Campbell | Jeffords | Schumer |
| Chafee, L. | Johnson | Sessions |
| Cleland | Kennedy | Shelby |
| Cochran | Kerrey | Smith (OR) |
| Collins | Kerry | Snowe |
| Conrad | Kohl | Specter |
| Coverdell | Kyl | Stevens |
| Craig | Landrieu | Thomas |
| Crapo | Lautenberg | Thompson |
| Daschle | Leahy | Thurmond |
| Dodd | Levin | Torricelli |
| Domenici | Lieberman | Warner |
| Dorgan | Lincoln | Wellstone |
| Durbin | Lott | Wyden |
| Edwards | Lugar | - |

NAYS-14

| Allard | Fitzgerald | Nickles |
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| Brownback | Gramm | Roberts |
| Bunning | Grams | Smith (NH) |
| DeWine | Helms | Voinovich |
| Enzi | Inhofe | |

The nomination was confirmed.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the nominations enumerated in the order are confirmed en bloc, the motions to reconsider are laid upon the table, the President will be notified of the Senate's actions, and the Senate will return to legislative session.

The nominations considered and confirmed are as follows:

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Christopher C. Gallagher, of New Hampshire, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6. 2003.

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Amy C. Achor, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2003.

THE JUDICIARY

James D. Whittemore, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Jay Johnson, of Wisconsin, to be Director of the Mint for a term of five years.