presidents to petition; we are going to leave them on the book because if you want out, there will probably be others who will want out as well. We do not want to let you out of this. This is a \$1 billion handle for us, and we get a lot of business.

The problem is, it has given a black eye to college sports. Listen to what some of the coaches are saying about this.

I ask unanimous consent that a letter Senator McCain and I received and a list of organizations supporting this legislation be printed in the RECORD. They include, among others, the National Collegiate Athletic Association and the National Council on Education.

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

APRIL 24, 2000.

Hon. JOHN McCAIN, Hon. SAM BROWNBACK.

U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR SENATORS MCCAIN AND BROWNBACK: The undersigned wish to express their full endorsement for the legislation you have introduced to eliminate all exceptions for legalized betting on high-school, college and Olympic sports. We are grateful for your enthusiastic support for the legislation and are hopeful that the United States Senate will follow the lead of the Commerce Committee by overwhelmingly adopting S. 2340 when it is considered on the Senate floor. We believe this legislation will send a clear, no-nonsenses message that it is wrong to gamble on college students.

The proposed legislation is especially important to our community because it will:

Eliminate the use of Nevada sports books for gain in point shaving scandals.

Eliminate the legitimacy of publishing point spreads and advertising for sports tout services.

Re-sensitize young people and the general public to the illegal nature of gambling on collegiate sports.

Reduce the numbers of people who are introduced to sports gambling.

Eliminate conflicting messages as we combat illegal sports wagering that say it is okay to wager on college some places but not in others.

You have permission to use our association's name publicly in support of S. 2340. We stand ready to assist in any way we can to insure this important legislation's passage.

The National Collegiate Athletic Association; The American Council on Education; National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities; American Association of State Colleges and Universities; Conference Commissioners Association; National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics; National Association of Collegiate Women Athletics Administrators; National Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities; American Football Coaches Association; National Association of Basketball Coaches.

American Federation of Teachers; U.S. Olympic Committee; National Federation of State High School Associations; American Association of Universities; Divisions I, II and III Student Athlete Advisory Councils; The National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame; The Atlanta Tipoff Club Naismith Awards; The American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers; College Golf Foundation; College Gymnastics Association.

USA Volleyball; National Field Hockey Coaches Association; USA Track and Field; Team Handball; National Soccer Coaches Association of America; American Volleyball Coaches Association; American Association of Community Colleges; Golf Coaches Association of America; National Association of Collegiate Marketing Administrators; Intercollegiate Tennis Association.

College Athletic Business Management Association; U.S. Track Coaches Association; American Hockey Coaches Association; National Fastpitch Coaches Association; National Association of Gymnastics Coaches/Women; International Association of Approved Basketball Coaches; American Baseball Association; Women's Basketball Coaches Association.

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, one of the key coaches was Coach Calhoun from the University of Connecticut, U. Conn. He stated, while this legislation does not solve the problem, "it is a good starting point." That is exactly what the legislation is, a beginning that will send a clear message to our communities and, more importantly, to our kids that gambling on student athletics is wrong and threatens the integrity of college sports.

We are asking for a simple amendment on this authorization bill. We would agree to an hour of debate equally divided between both sides. I am willing to start tonight. I am willing to go through the night. I am willing to go tomorrow, Saturday to bring this issue before this body. It is an important matter, and it needs to come before this body. We seek an up-or-down vote on it.

Some people have raised questions about it. This is the time and place to do it. We are ready. It is time to do it. It was voted through the Commerce Committee with only two dissenting votes. Let's bring it up. That is why Senator McCain and I are pressing so aggressively to get this amendment considered on the DOD authorization. We will do it in a limited amount of time, whenever, an up-or-down vote. Let's just press this issue through and see what the will of the body is.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

IN HONOR OF THE HONORABLE NEIL L. LYNCH

• Mr. KERRY. Mr. President, I am honored to rise today and pay tribute to a public servant who has selflessly contributed his legal knowledge and experience to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and its residents for almost 50 years. Today, the Honorable Neil L. Lynch, Associate Justice of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, gathers with this friends and family to celebrate a career marked by military service, a devotion to family, and a true love of the law.

Beginning in 1952 with his service as a First Lieutenant Adjutant in the 42nd Air Rescue Squadron of the United States Air Force, Justice Lynch set a standard of achievement and professionalism that would carry him to the pinnacle of the legal profession. After working at Hale, Sanderson, Byrne & Morton, he began teaching at the new England School of Law. He served as Chief Legal Counsel and Secretary-Treasurer at the Massachusetts Port Authority, worked again in the private sector with Herlihy & O'Brian, then return to New England School of law as a Professor of Law.

Judge Lynch's skills and understanding of the law were well known in Massachusetts by the 1970's, and few were surprised when Governor Ed King appointed him to be his Chief Legal Counsel from 1979 to 1981. This ascension was completed by the Governor's nomination of Justice Lynch for a seat on the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, a position he has held with unquestioned professionalism and integrity since 1981.

While a member of the Court, Justice Lynch has reached out to all levels of law enforcement in an effort to pool and maximize the considerable knowledge and resources amongst his peers. As Dean and President of the Flaschner Judicial Institute, Justice Lynch oversaw a professional enhancement program that shares information on new initiatives and changes in the field with his colleagues, he returned to academia to teach at the Massachusetts School of Law, and issued the landmark study, "Commission to Study Racial and Ethnic Bias in the Courts,3 in 1994.

Now, instead of navigating through complex legal issues, Justice Lynch will be navigating his beloved "Sui Generis" through the waterways of the East Coast. He leaves the court to spend more time with Kathleen and his family and their growing number of grandchildren. Mr. President, I join all of justice Lynch's colleagues, past and present, and all of the people he has touched in the course of his professional life, in thanking him for his dedication to justice and equality under the law.

TRIBUTE TO JIM COLLINS—50 YEARS IN JOURNALISM

• Mr. VOINOVICH. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Mr. Jim Collins, editor of the Willoughby, Ohio, News-Herald newspaper on the occasion of his 50 years in journalism.

From an early age, Jim had newspaper ink flowing through his veins. By the time he was 12, he was working as a paper boy for the News-Herald, delivering the twice-weekly paper to homes all over town. It's hard to imagine today, but subscribers paid just six cents a week for the News-Herald back in 1941.

After graduating from Kent State University in 1950, Jim was hired as a full-time reporter for the News-Herald. He served in this capacity until 1952, when Jim answered the call of his government and served a two-year tour of duty in the Army.

When Jim returned to Willoughby, he resumed his duty as a reporter for the News-Herald until 1959. That year, the News-Herald's owners asked Jim to manage two other papers that they owned, the Parma News and the Brooklvn News. Jim became the one-person operation for both papers for 15 months whereupon he returned to the News-Herald.

By 1967, Jim had worked his way up to become editor of the newspaper. In fact, throughout his tenure with the News-Herald, Jim has held a variety of editorial positions including assistant editor, city editor, managing editor and executive editor.

All throughout his career, Jim has accumulated a number of well-deserved awards, including the Associated Press of Ohio's first place award for commentary in 1982, the first place award for column writing in 1991, and the first place award for editorial commentary just two years ago. Jim has also been named the 1987 Willoughby Chamber of Commerce's Distinguished Citizen of the Year and received the Lake Parks Foundation award in 1994.

I have always said that the measure of a person can be determined by the work he or she does individually, or through the organizations to which he or she belongs, that benefit others. Jim has given of himself to numerous organizations having served as the chairman of the West End-YMCA board of managers and president of the Lake County YMCA. He is also a member of the Willoughby Rotary Club. Willoughby School of Fine Arts, the County Blue Coats. the Willoughby Jaycees and several area chambers of commerce. Jim is also the first person to become an honorary lifetime member of the Lake County Police Chiefs Association and is a member of the Cleveland Foundation Lake-Geauga Fund Committee.

Jim is a true man of integrity, and it is his integrity that has earned him the respect of journalists and politicians across the state. He can be brutally honest, but he is always fair and he is never afraid to tell the truth. It is his character that has allowed him to remain in journalism for five decades.

Throughout his years with the News-Herald, he has worked to put together one of the most competitive papers in northeastern Ohio. $\bar{J}im$ provides his readers a broader level of reporting than most regional papers, paying attention not only to local news, but to state and national news as well. Because of his leadership, circulation has grown. In addition, Jim's initiative has allowed for the creation of a forum for candidates—in conjunction with Lakeland Community College-that makes available to the public where candidates stand on particular issues.

While some may think that 50 years in the newspaper business is enough for any person, Jim is not slowing down and is by no means even close to retiring. That's good news, because I would have a very hard time imagining the

News-Herald without Jim. I have enjoyed working with Jim and I look forward to working with him for many more years to come.

Mr. President, Jim Collins has been a real friend to me in all the years that I have known him. He has been an inspiration to me and so many others throughout his life and his career. I congratulate him for his dedication to the citizens of Ohio and for his 50 years of accomplishments in journalism. He has much to be proud of, and I consider myself very lucky to know him. I wish him many more years of success.

Thank you, Mr. President.

TRIBUTE TO ROBERT J. LURTSEMA

• Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, it is a privilege to take this opportunity to pay tribute to a lover of music and an institution on Boston radio who recently passed away at age 68. In his long and brilliant career, Robert J. Lurtsema touched vast numbers of people in the Boston area with his "deep organ voice" and his love of classical music. For twenty-nine years, he was host and producer of "Morning Pro Musica" for radio station WGBH in our city, and he was widely loved and admired.

A native of Cambridge, Massachusetts, Robert J., as he was known to many, graduated from Boston University School of Journalism. He joined WGBH in 1971 as a weekend host, and after four months became the host and producer of "Morning Pro Musica." In addition to the renown he won through his dedicated listeners, he has composed chamber music, the music for an award-winning documentary film, and the music used in Julia Child's cooking program on PBS.

Robert J.'s passion and devotion to classical music extended well beyond broadcast responsibilities. He served with distinction as a board member for many New England musical organizations. He will be deeply missed for his dedication to the arts, and long remembered for his extraordinary service to the people of New England.

DEDICATION OF KOREAN WAR ME-MORIAL IN TRAVERSE CITY, MICHIGAN

• Mr. ABRAHAM. Mr. President, on June 25, 1950, Communist North Korea invaded South Korea with approximately 135,000 troops, and in doing so initiated the Korean War. On June 25, 2000, the citizens of Traverse City, Michigan, will commemorate the 50th Anniversary of this unfortunate event, and will recognize the efforts of the many men and women who served the United States Armed Forces during the Korean War, with the dedication of a Korean War Memorial.

The Korean War is often referred to as our "forgotten war." Fought between World War II and the Vietnam

War, I believe it safely can be said that it never found its proper place among our Nation's history textbooks. This weekend, the 50th Anniversary of the North Korean invasion, provides all of us with an opportunity to take a moment to recognize the men and women who served in the Korean War—nearly six million individuals. Their sacrifices and contributions for the sake of our Nation must never be overlooked or forgotten.

Earlier this year, I was very pleased to co-sponsor Senate Joint Resolution 39, a bicameral resolution that recognizes the 50th Anniversary of the Korean War, and the service by the members of our Armed Forces during that conflict. Today, I am pleased to do my part to ensure that the Korean War ceases to be thought of as our "forgotten war." There is no doubt in my mind—and there should be no doubt in anyone else's-that the men and women who served in Korea, and particularly the 54,260 soldiers who gave their lives in Korea, deserve much better than that.

Local communities can do much to remedy the situation as well. I commend Traverse City, Michigan, for constructing this Korean War memorial, and for taking the opportunity on Sunday, June 25, 2000, to pay tribute to the men and women who served during the Korean War. We must show these men and women that we appreciate their efforts and sacrifices on behalf on our great Nation, and that we thank them for their extraordinary efforts. In doing this, we will illustrate to them that they have not been forgotten; rather, the case is far from this.

Mr. President, the men and women who served our Nation in Korea did so at a time when its very foundation-democracy—was being threatened by the terrible force of communism. On behalf of the entire United States Senate, I congratulate the citizens of Traverse City, Michigan, for recognizing and honoring this service.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations and a treaty which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

REPORT ON THE NATIONAL EMER-GENCY WITH RESPECT TO THE 1979 IRANIAN EMERGENCY AND BLOCKING-MESSAGE ASSETS FROM THE PRESIDENT—PM 116

The Presiding Officer laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report;