

skills and a lot of fear about a society she didn't understand. "I was scared for everything, everybody," she recalled.

Other mothers echoed this sentiment.

Before taking the literacy class, rites of parenthood like teacher-parent conferences or PTA meetings were unfathomable, they said. The thought of meeting with a teacher, principal or doctor gripped them with fear. They were worried and frustrated when they could not read a letter sent home from school. Often they were too shy, or even ashamed, to try to find out what it was about.

So assured are these women now that when the district threatened to cut the Spruce Literacy Project last year, the mothers vociferously rallied to save it. They are also in the midst of a fund-raising drive to replace Spruce Elementary's dilapidated and unsafe kindergarten playground.

The women still grapple with English, but they've learned that stumbling through the language is the only way to get better.

"I can go to the doctor and to the dentist and the bank. I don't need much help," said 27-year-old Cristina Rodriguez, who immigrated from Mexico when she was 15 but only recently learned to write. Her newfound skills helped her move up from dishwasher to server at Denny's, she said.

Ryan started teaching English-as-a-second-language classes in the South San Francisco Unified District in 1972 and still wears a ring that students gave to her that year. A few of those students were at the breakfast on Wednesday.

"It's so great to see how well they've done," Ryan said. "One woman's son has graduated from Stanford, another one's child became a doctor."

When asked why she is retiring, Ryan just said "it's time." She said she will keep in touch with her former students through sewing and reading groups.

Teaching ESL for 20 years, Ryan saw that parents were avoiding contact with their kids' schools. She decided that the cultural and language barriers hurt the school as much as the families and founded Spruce Literacy Project in 1992 with a grant from the Peninsula Community Foundation. The program will continue with a new teacher next year, Ryan said.

On the Spruce Elementary campus, the program is a convenience for the mothers who take their children to class and then head to their own class down the hall.

Gladis Pacheco, 39, said two years of the literacy classes helped her land a good job for Catholic Charities in San Francisco. She came to this country from El Salvador 18 years ago and for most of those years she avoided speaking English. "In my country I was a secretary but here I was a maid," she said.

Now she can help her three young children with their homework. Her daughter, Martha, sent a letter to Ryan thanking her for teaching her mom English.

"It was so cute, I didn't even know that she did that," Pacheco said.

Perhaps the best part is knowing the children are proud of you, Rodriguez said. "My daughter was sad before when I couldn't speak English but now she's happy," she said.

Perhaps the best example of Ryan's 28 years in the district is the Flores family.

Alejandro Flores, 20, and Florisela Flores, 23, took ESL classes from Ryan when they were in elementary school. Now students at San Francisco State University, the siblings say they gained a sense of well-being from Ryan that continues to this day.

"I was a silent kid, very lonely. But (Ryan) was so nice to me. I liked computers and she rewarded me with computer time," said

Alejandro, who along with his studies runs a Web design company with a friend.

Florisela said she wouldn't be studying three majors with the intention of getting a master's degree in computer science if Ryan hadn't shown her the power of persistence 15 years ago.●

INTEL CORPORATION'S TEACHER HOUSING FUND

● Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, when discussing the profound effect of California's Silicon Valley on our Nation's economy, we too often focus on just the raw numbers: staggering revenues, high profile IPOs and the bottom line.

Today, I want to focus on an outstanding example of good corporate citizenship in Silicon Valley intended to promote home ownership and honor teachers at the same time.

As many of my colleagues know, the Silicon Valley is in the midst of a housing crisis which makes owning a home an impossibility for most teachers. The region's high cost of living makes it extremely difficult to recruit and retain talented teachers.

Today, I am pleased to inform the Senate that Intel Corporation and the Santa Clara Unified School District have joined forces to create an innovative pilot program designed to help public school teachers buy homes in one of the country's most expensive housing markets: the Intel Teacher Housing Fund.

Under this new program, which will be administered by the Santa Clara County Unified School District, Intel will provide the fund with \$1.25 million over the next five years. Eligible teachers will receive \$500 each month from the fund to help with mortgage payments, for up to five years.

I applaud Intel's leadership in forging the much-needed local partnerships that will help lead to solutions to Silicon Valley's affordable housing crunch. It is my hope that other companies will follow Intel's lead, and show the world that America's high-technology firms are the hub and the heart of the 21st century economy.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message from the President of the United States was communicated to the Senate by one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate a message from the President of the United States submitting a treaty which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

REPORT ON THE EXPANDED THREAT REDUCTION INITIATIVE—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—PM 118

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying

report; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

To the Congress of the United States:

Enclosed is a report to the Congress on the Expanded Threat Reduction Initiative, as required by section 1309 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000 (Public Law 106-65).

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, June 27, 2000.

REPORT ON THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO IRAN—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—PM 119

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

To the Congress of the United States:

As required by section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (IEEPA), 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), and section 505(c) of the International Security and Development Cooperation Act of 1985, 22 U.S.C. 2349aa-9(c), I transmit herewith a 6-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Iran that was declared in Executive Order 12957 of March 15, 1995.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, June 27, 2000.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 10:45 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 4241. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1818 Milton Avenue in Janesville, Wisconsin, as the "Les Aspin Post Office Building."

H.R. 3903. An act to deem the vessel M/V MIST COVE to be less than 100 gross tons, as measured under chapter 145 of title 46, United States Code.

H.R. 3701. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3118 Washington Boulevard in Arlington, Virginia, as the "Joseph L. Fisher Post Office Building."

H.R. 3699. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8409 Lee Highway in Merrifield, Virginia, as the "Joel T. Broyhill Postal Building."

H.R. 3018. An act to designate certain facilities of the United States Postal Service in South Carolina.

H.R. 2952. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Orchard Park Drive in Greenville, South Carolina, as the "Keith D. Oglesby Station."

H.R. 2591. An act to designate the United States Post Office located at 713 Elm Street in Wakefield, Kansas, as the "William H. Avery Post Office."

H.R. 2460. An act to designate the United States Post Office located at 125 Border Avenue West in Wiggins, Mississippi, as the "Jay Hanna 'Dizzy' Dean Post Office."

H.R. 2357. An act to designate the United States Post Office located at 3675 Warrensville Center Road in Shaker Heights, Ohio, as the "Louise Stokes Post Office."

H.R. 2307. An act to designate the building of the United States Postal Service located at 5 Cedar Street in Hopkinton, Massachusetts, as the "Thomas J. Brown Post Office Building."

H.R. 1666. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 200 East Pinckney Street in Madison, Florida, as the "Captain Colin P. Kelly, Jr. Post Office."

H.R. 643. An act to redesignate the Federal building located at 10301 South Compton Avenue, in Los Angeles, California, and known as the Watts Finance Office, as the "Augustus F. Hawkins Post Office Building."

H.R. 642. An act to redesignate the Federal building located at 701 South Santa Fe Avenue in Compton, California, and known as the Compton Main Post Office, as the "Mervyn Malcolm Dymally Post Office Building."

The enrolled bills were signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. THURMOND).

At 12:21 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 148. An act to require the Secretary of the Interior to establish a program to provide assistance in the conservation of neotropical migratory birds.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3023. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to convey property to the Greater Yuma Port Authority of Yuma County, Arizona, for use as an international port of entry.

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. 3417. An act to complete the orderly withdrawal of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration from the civil administration of the Pribilof Islands, Alaska.

H.R. 4408. An act to reauthorize the Atlantic Striped Bass Conservation Act.

H.R. 4718. An act to extend for 3 additional months the period for which chapter 12 of title 11 of the United States Code is reenacted.

At 2:21 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 1515. An act to amend the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4690. An act making appropriations for the Department of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agen-

cies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and second times by unanimous consent and referred as indicated:

H.R. 3023. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to convey property to the Greater Yuma Port Authority of Yuma County, Arizona, for use as an international port of entry; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 3417. An act to complete the orderly withdrawal of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration from the civil administration of the Pribilof Islands, Alaska; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 4408. An act to reauthorize the Atlantic Striped Bass Conservation Act; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 4690. An act making appropriations for the Department of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on June 23, 2000, he had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 1967. An act to make technical corrections to the status of certain land held in trust for the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, to take certain land into trust for that Band, and for other purposes.

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-9423. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Domestic Fisheries Division, Department of Commerce, transmitting pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Black Sea Bass Fishery; Commercial Quota Harvested for Quarter 2 Period" received on June 16, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-9424. A communication from the Special Assistant to the Bureau Chief, Mass Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations, Taos, New Mexico" (MM Docket No. 99-270, RM-9703); received on May 24, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-9425. A communication from the Special Assistant to the Bureau Chief, Mass Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of FM Allotments; FM Broadcast Stations, Powers, Michigan" (MM Docket No. 99-359) received on May 24, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-9426. A communication from the Special Assistant to the Bureau Chief, Mass

Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations, Santa Anna, Texas" (MM Docket No. 99-337) received on May 24, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 610: A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management in Washakie County and Big Horn County, Wyoming, to the Westside Irrigation District, Wyoming, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-313).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:

S. 1367: A bill to amend the Act which established the Saint-Gaudens Historic Site, in the State of New Hampshire, by modifying the boundary and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-314).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1894: A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain land to Park County, Wyoming (Rept. No. 106-315).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 2352: A bill to designate portions of the Wekiva River and associated tributaries as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System (Rept. No. 106-316).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 2421: A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of the suitability and feasibility of establishing an Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area in Connecticut and Massachusetts (Rept. No. 106-317).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:

S. 2478: A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a theme study on the peopling of America, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-318).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:

S. 2485: A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance in planning and constructing a regional heritage center in Calais, Maine (Rept. No. 106-319).

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

H.R. 1749: A bill to designate Wilson Creek in Avery and Caldwell Counties, North Carolina, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System (Rept. No. 106-320).

H.R. 2932: To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of the Golden Spike/Crossroads of the West National Heritage Area Study Area and to establish the Crossroads of the West Historic District in the State of Utah. (Rept. No. 106-321).

H.R. 3201: A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the Carter G. Woodson Home in the District of Columbia as a National Historic Site, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-322).