

award given by the Government of Indonesia for his commitment and contribution to forging closer ties between the U.S. and Indonesia.

As Chairman, I would also like to recognize and say thanks Ambassador Masters for the valuable work he has done. When I began my tenure as Chairman, Indonesia was—unfortunately—largely ignored in the United States. Despite being the fourth largest country in the world, and the largest Muslim country, its accomplishments and its importance to the United States as a friend and ally were largely overlooked and reduced to occasional tongue-lashings regrading Timor Timur.

I made changing that situation a top priority of my chairmanship. And my job was made a lot easier by Ambassador Masters.

The United States-Indonesia Society has greatly shaped, increased awareness and knowledge and provided support to those of us in the United States, including both houses of Congress, the administration and the government, the press, NGO community, academia and the population at large on the importance of Indonesia to the United States. Over the last two years this Society has become even more essential in helping the United States to understand the complex dynamics involved in moving from an authoritarian regime to the third largest democracy in the world.

I understand why Ambassador Masters has decided to step down as President; he has earned the respite. But those of us concerned with the U.S.-Indonesia relationship will surely miss him and his steady hand at the tiller. I can only profoundly thank him for his many years of public service to the United States, and to his life-long commitment to improving relations between the United States and Indonesia. As the Indonesians would say, "Terima kasih banyak." •

#### OBSERVANCE OF ROSH HASHANAH

• Mr. ASHCROFT. Mr. President, on the occasion of the beginning of Rosh Hashanah and the High Holy Day season, Janet and I are pleased to offer our best wishes to Missouri's Jewish community, and to our Jewish friends throughout the United States and the world. As the High Holiday Machzor, or prayerbook, states, "On Rosh Hashanah it is written and on Yom Kippur it is sealed," what will be our fates for the year to come. With this in mind, it is my sincere hope that this year will bring to all of us: peace throughout the world, peace in Israel, and everlasting peace in a united Jerusalem, the eternal capital of Israel.

During this time of year, your days of awe, know that I join with you in the sanctity of your celebration. May this period's spirit of reconciliation and renewal remind all Missourians, of all faiths, of our shared responsibilities, toward families, friends, neighbors, and fellow citizens.

Once again, Janet joins me in sending our best wishes to Jews everywhere for the year 5761, and in saying, L'Shana Tova Tekateivu—may you be inscribed in the Book of Life for a good year. •

#### TRIBUTE TO THE HONORABLE CONNIE MACK OF FLORIDA AND HIS STAFF

• Mr. GRAHAM. Mr. President, with respect and admiration, I offer a tribute to my colleague from Florida, The Honorable CONNIE MACK.

Senator MACK has served his state and nation with distinction, and I have been honored to serve with him in this institution to represent the people of Florida. CONNIE and Priscilla Mack have long been our neighbors in Washington; they will always remain our friends.

I was first elected to the United States Senate in 1986, CONNIE MACK was elected in 1988. As colleagues in the Senate, we set out to work together on behalf of Florida.

Senator MACK and I are loyal members of different political parties. We don't always vote the same, nor do we agree on every issue. But, as Senator MACK prepares to leave this institution, I can say with pride that we achieved our goal of working together—and our staffs have worked together—on behalf of Floridians.

In offering this personal salute to Senator MACK, I also wish to praise the dedication and professionalism of his staff. On behalf of my family and my staff, I thank Senator MACK's staff—past and present—and wish them continued success.

During his two terms in the United States Senate, Senator MACK assembled a talented staff which made multiple contributions to public service. I ask that the names of these current and past members of Senator MACK's staff be printed in the RECORD as a token of our appreciation and to reflect their significant roles in the history of this great institution.

The list follows:

#### THE FOLLOWING STAFF MEMBERS WORKED FOR SENATOR MACK IN THE 106TH CONGRESS

##### WASHINGTON, DC OFFICE

Tysha Banks, Beth Ann Barozie, Frank Bonner, Curtis Brison, Cara Broughton, Amy Chapman, Tracie Chesterman, Treasa Chopp, Deidra Ciriello, Julie Clark, Charles Cooper, Steve Cote, Dan Creekman, Colleen Cresanti, Graham Culp.

Susan Dubin, Rochelle Eubanks, Michael Gaines, Buz Gorman, Wendy Grubbs, Alan Haerberle, Patrick Kearney, Sheila Lazzari, C.K. Lee, Peter Levin, Ross Lindholm, Adam Lombardo, Cathy Marder, Jordan Paul, Elaine Petty.

Lauren Ploch, John Reich, Bethany Rogers, Suzanne Schaffrath, Carrie Schroeder, Nancy Segerdahl, Gary Shiffman, Boaz Singer, Benjamin Skaggs, Mark Smith, Sean Taylor, Yann Van Geertruyden, Greg Waddell, and Barbara Watkins.

##### FORT MYERS OFFICE

Chris Berry, Helen Bina, Ann Burhans, Wendolyn Grant, Shelly McCall, Diana

McGee, David Migliore, Rose Ann Misener, Patty Pettus, Sharon Thierer, and Catherine Thompson.

##### JACKSONVILLE OFFICE

Shannon Hewett and Carla Summers.

##### MIAMI OFFICE

Richard Cores, Sigrid Ebert, Gladys Ferrer, Mercedes Leon, Sarah Marerro, Nilda Rodriguez, and Patrick Sowers.

##### PENSACOLA OFFICE

Andrew Raines and Kris Tande.

##### TALLAHASSEE OFFICE

Jennifer Cooper, Courtney Shumaker, and Greg Williams.

##### TAMPA OFFICE

Barbara Dicaiano, Jim Harrison, Elizabeth Sherbuk, Jamie Wilson, and Amy Woodard.

THE FOLLOWING WORKED PRIOR TO 106TH CONGRESS, BUT PROBABLY WORKED CLOSELY WITH BG'S OFC

##### FORMER STAFF

Mitch Bainwol, Scott Barnhart, Glenn Bennett, Ellen Bork, Shellie Bressler, Jamie Brown, Kim Cobb, Jeff Cohen, Kerry Fennelly, Kimberly Fritts, Mary Anne Gauthier, Lawrence Harris, Stacey Hughes.

Jackie Ignacio, Joe Jacquot, Chris Lord, Mark Mills, Bob Mottice, Yvonne Murray, Sheila Ross, Mary Beth Savary Taylor, Saul Singer, Meredith Smalley Quellette, Jeffery Styles, Dawn Teague, Beth Walker, and Jeffrey Walter. •

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, 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 which were referred to the appropriate committees.

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

#### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 2:30 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 bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1064. An act to authorize a coordinated program to promote the development of democracy in Serbia and Montenegro.

H.R. 4451. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1001 Frederick Road in Baltimore, Maryland, as the "Frederick L. Dewberry, Jr. Post Office Building."

H.R. 4899. An act to establish a commission to promote a consistent and coordinated foreign policy of the United States to ensure economic and military security in the Asia-Pacific region through the promotion of democracy, human rights, the rule of law, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5224. An act to amend the Agriculture Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 to authorize assistance for the stockpiling and rapid transportation, delivery, and distribution of shelf stable prepackaged foods to needy individuals in foreign countries.

H.R. 5234. An act to amend the Hmong Veterans' Naturalization Act of 2000 to extend the applicability of that Act to certain former spouses of deceased Hmong veterans.

H.R. 5239. An act to provide for increased penalties for violations of the Export Administration Act of 1979, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 399. Concurrent resolution recognizing the 25th anniversary of the enactment of the Education for All Handicapped Children Act of 1975.

H. Con. Res. 407. Concurrent resolution to direct the Secretary of the Senate to correct technical errors in the enrollment of S. 1455.

H. Con. Res. 409. Concurrent resolution directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make corrections in the enrollment of the bill H.R. 1654.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2392) to amend the Small Business Act to extend the authorization for the Small Business Innovation Research Program, and for other purposes, with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate.

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

S. 1455. An act to enhance protections against fraud in the offering of financial assistance for college education, and for other purposes.

#### ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

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

H.R. 2909. An act to provide for implementation by the United States of the Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Cooperation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4919. An act to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and the Arms Export Control Act to make improvements to certain defense and security assistance provisions under those Acts, to authorize the transfer of naval vessels to certain foreign countries, and for other purposes.

S. 430. An act to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, to provide for a land exchange between the Secretary of Agriculture and the Kake Tribal Corporation, and for other purposes.

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

At 5:08 p.m. a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hanrahan, 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. 109. Joint resolution making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 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. 4551. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located

at 1001 Frederick Road in Baltimore, Maryland, as the "Frederick L. Dewberry, Jr. Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 4899. An act to establish a commission to promote a consistent and coordinated foreign policy of the United States to ensure economic and military security in the Asia-Pacific region through the promotion of democracy, human rights, the rule of law, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 5224. An act to amend the Agriculture Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 to authorize assistance for the stockpiling and rapid transportation, delivery, and distribution of shelf stable prepackaged foods to needy individuals in foreign countries; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

#### MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following concurrent resolution was read, and placed on the calendar:

H. Con. Res. 399. Concurrent resolution recognizing the 25th anniversary of the enactment of the Education for All Handicapped Children Act of 1975.

#### ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, September 26, 2000, he had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 430. An act to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, to provide for a land exchange between the Secretary of Agriculture and the Kake Tribal Corporation, 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-10903. A communication from the Chief of the Programs and Legislation Division, Office of the Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the initiation of a single-function cost comparison at Eglin Air Force Base, Florida; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-10904. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Environmental Technology Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-10905. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the transmittal of the certification of the proposed issuance of an export license relative to Canada, Denmark, French Guiana or Sea Launch, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kouru, Poland, Republic of Korea, South Korea, Spain, Switzerland, The Netherlands, Turkey, and The United Kingdom; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-10906. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the transmittal of the notice of proposed transfer of major defense equipment relative to The

Government of the United Kingdom (HMG); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-10907. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the United Nations agency or United Nations affiliated agency; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-10908. A communication from the Assistant Secretary (Legislative Affairs), Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the incidental capture of sea turtles in commercial shrimping operations; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-10909. A communication from the Attorney, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pipeline Safety: Underwater Abandoned Pipeline Facilities" (RIN2137-AC33) received on September 22, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-10910. A communication from the Attorney, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials Regulations: Editorial Corrections and Clarification" (RIN2137-AD47) received on September 22, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-10911. A communication from the Program Analyst of the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Polski Zaklady Lotnicze Spolka zo.o. Models PZL M18, M18A, and M18B Airplanes; docket No. 99-CE-84 [9-15/9-21]" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0471) received on September 22, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-10912. A communication from the Program Analyst of the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica S.A. Model EMB 135 and EMB 145 Series Airplanes; docket No. 2000-NM-301 [9-18/9-25]" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0472) received on September 25, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-10913. A communication from the Program Analyst of the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Empresa Brasileira de Aeronautica SA Model EMB 135 and EMB 145 Series Airplanes; docket No. 2000-NM-300; [9-18/9-25]" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0473) received on September 25, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-10914. A communication from the Program Analyst of the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives: Raytheon Aircraft Company Beech Models 1900C, 1900C12 and 1900D Airplanes; docket No. 2000-CE-02 [9-18/9-25]" (RIN2120-AA64) (2000-0475) received on September 25, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-10915. A communication from the Program Analyst of the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Class E Airspace; Hugoton, KS; docket No. 00-ACE-18 [9-18/9-25]" (RIN2120-AA66) (2000-0223) received on September 25, 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-10916. A communication from the Program Analyst of the Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation,