

Walter J. "Doc" Hurley Foundation. Phoenix's generous contribution to this worthy campaign will assist high school students in Connecticut and across the country through various scholarship and guidance programs.

In recent years, Phoenix has made a strong commitment toward promoting the Special Olympics. In 1995, the company pledged an eight-year commitment to Special Olympics International as its first Official Worldwide Partner, setting a new and unprecedented standard for civic responsibility, a standard that few corporations can match. When the Special Olympics World Games were held in New Haven, CN, six years ago, over 60 percent of Phoenix employees volunteered their time while field offices across the country raised money to assist local chapters with travel and lodging expenses.

Over the past decade, much of the Phoenix's financial vitality and community commitment can be attributed to the hard work and vision of Robert W. Fiondella, the company's President and Chief Executive Officer. Since taking the reigns of Phoenix in 1992, Mr. Fiondella has successfully undertaken the challenge of further molding and guiding the company in this new evolving era of business. With more than 30 years of experience, Bob Fiondella represents the epitome of the Phoenix tradition by dedicating himself to both the company and the surrounding community.

In its 150 years of existence, the Phoenix has become an indispensable asset to people and businesses of Connecticut and the country. Its contributions to both the business world and surrounding communities have been tremendous. It is therefore with great appreciation that I offer congratulations to the Phoenix Home Life Mutual Insurance Company on its 150th anniversary, and wish the company and all those associated with it continued success for many years to come.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

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

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the President 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.)

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-2661. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report required by the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-2662. A communication from the Acting Associate Department Administrator for Management and Administration, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy, nomination, and the designation of acting officer for the position of Administrator, received on July 5, 2001; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-2663. A communication from the Acting Associate Department Administrator for Management and Administration, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy, the designation of acting officer, and the discontinuation of service in acting role for the position of Administrator, received on July 5, 2001; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-2664. A communication from the Acting Associate Department Administrator for Management and Administration, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy, the designation of acting officer, and the discontinuation of service in acting role for the position of Administrator, received on July 5, 2001; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-2665. A communication from the Acting Associate Department Administrator for Management and Administration, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy, the designation of acting officer, and the discontinuation of service in acting role for the position of Chief Counsel for Advocacy, received on July 5, 2001; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-2666. A communication from the Acting Associate Department Administrator for Management and Administration, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy and the designation of acting officer for the position of Chief Counsel for Advocacy, received on July 5, 2001; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-2667. A communication from the Acting Associate Department Administrator for Management and Administration, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of Deputy Administrator, received on July 5, 2001; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-2668. A communication from the Public Printer of the United States Government Printing Office, transmitting, the Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2000; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-2669. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the impact of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (NVRA) on the administrative of elections for federal office during the preceding two-year period, 1999 through 2000; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

EC-2670. A communication from the Acting Administrator of the Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cranberries Grown in the States of Massachusetts, et al.; Establishment of Marketing

Quantity and Allotment Percentages; Ref-ormation of Sales Histories and Other Modifications Under the Cranberry Marketing Order" (FV01-929-2 FR and FV00-929-7 FR) received on July 2, 2001; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2671. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Aminoethoxyvinylglycine (AVG); Time-Limited Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL6790-7) received on July 6, 2001; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2672. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Aminoethoxyvinylglycine, Temporary Tolerance" (FRL6788-7) received on July 6, 2001; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2673. A communication from the Acting Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Office of the General Counsel, Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "NIDRR—Rehabilitation of Persons who are Blind or Visually Impaired and Rehabilitation of Persons who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing" received on July 2, 2001; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2674. A communication from the Acting Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Office of the General Counsel, Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "NIDRR—Strategies for Promoting Information Technology—Based Educational Opportunities for Individuals with Disabilities; Strategies for Promoting Information Technology—Based Employment and Training Opportunities for Individuals with Disabilities; and Wayfinding Technologies for Individuals who are Blind" received on July 2, 2001; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2675. A communication from the Special Assistant, White House Liaison, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Commissioner of Rehabilitative Services Administration, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, received on July 5, 2001; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2676. A communication from the Special Assistant, White House Liaison, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary, Office of Vocational and Adult Education, received on July 5, 2001; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2677. A communication from the Special Assistant, White House Liaison, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of Commissioner of Education Statistics, Office of Educational Research and Improvement, received on July 5, 2001; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2678. A communication from the Special Assistant, White House Liaison, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Secretary, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, received on July 5, 2001; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2679. A communication from the Acting Chairman of the Postal Rate Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Annual

Report on International Mail Costs, Revenues, and Volumes for Fiscal Year 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2680. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh, transmitting, pursuant to law, the management reports of the twelve FHL Banks for calendar year 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2681. A communication from the Counsel to the Inspector General, General Services Administration, the report of a nomination for the position of Inspector General, received on July 5, 2001; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2682. A communication from the Executive Director of the Committee for Purchase from People Who are Blind or Severely Disabled, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of additions to the procurement list, received on July 5, 2001; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2683. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2000 to March 31, 2001; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2684. A communication from the Chief Operating Officer/President of the Financing Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Annual Report of Internal Controls and the Audited Financial Statements for 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2685. A communication from the Acting Director of the Fish and Wildlife Services, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Designation of Critical Habitat for the Spruce-fir Moss Spider" (RIN1018-AG38) received on June 29, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2686. A communication from the Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: Standardized NUHOMS -24P and -52B Revisions" (RIN3150-AG75) received on June 29, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2687. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Texas: Houston/Galveston Ozone Nonattainment Area Vehicle Miles Traveled Offset Plan" (FRL7008-3) received on July 2, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2688. A communication from the Acting Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Designation of Critical Habitat for the Wintering Piping Plovers" (RIN1018-AG13) received on July 2, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2689. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administration of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of Section 112(1) Program of Delegation; Ohio" (FRL7009-6) received on July 3, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2690. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Georgia: Approval of Revisions to Georgia State Implementation

Plan" (FRL7009-3) received on July 3, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2691. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan; Imperial County Air Pollution Control District, Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District, San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District, and South Coast Air Quality Management District" (FRL6997-6) received on July 6, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2692. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Finding of Attainment for Carbon Monoxide (CO); Anchorage CO Nonattainment Area, Alaska" (FRL7010-6) received on July 9, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2693. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Group I Polymers and Resins and National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Group IV Polymers and Resins" (FRL7010-1) received on July 9, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2694. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standards of Performance for Large Municipal Waste Combustors for Which Construction is Commenced After September 20, 1994 or for Which Modification or Reconstruction is Commenced After June 19, 1996 and Emission Guidelines and Compliance Times for Large Municipal Waste Combustors that are Constructed On or Before September 20, 1994" (FRL7010-3) received on July 9, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2695. A communication from the Secretary of the Division of Market Regulation, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rule 17a-25 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 relating to the electronic submission of securities transaction information by exchange members, brokers, and dealers" (RIN3235-AH69) received on July 2, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2696. A communication from the Counsel for Regulations, Office of Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mortgage Insurance Premiums in Multifamily Housing Programs" (RIN2502-AH64) received on July 2, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2697. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of emergency with respect to the Taliban; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2698. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the National Emergency with respect to the Taliban in Afghanistan; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2699. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, the Annual Report on operations for calendar year 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2700. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Annual Report for calendar year 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2701. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" received on July 5, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2702. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Supplemental Property Acquisition and Elevation Assistance" (RIN3067-AD06) received on July 5, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2703. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of the Investment Management Office of Regulatory Policy, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Treatment of Repurchase Agreements and Refunded Securities as an Acquisition of the Underlying Securities" (RIN3235-AH56) received on July 6, 2001; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2704. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a Proclamation to Modify Duty-free Treatment under the Generalized Systems of Preferences; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2705. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Weighted Average Interest Rate Update" (Notice 2001-39) received on July 2, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2706. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning a waiver of Jackson-Vanik Amendment for the Republic of Belarus; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2707. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning emigration laws and policies of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Moldova, The Russian Federation, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2708. A communication from the Social Security Administration Regulation Officer, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Expiration Dates for Several Body System Listings" (RIN0960-AF59) received on July 5, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2709. A communication from the Chief of the Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notional Principal Contracts" (Notice 2001-44 and 2001-30) received on July 5, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2710. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator of the Health Care Financing Administrator, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "State Child Health; Revisions to the Regulations Implementing the State Children's Health Insurance Program" (RIN0938-AL00) received on July 5, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of committee were submitted: