

and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001, as enacted by Public Law 106-377, not to exceed \$8,000,000 is available to liquidate deficiencies incurred in fiscal year 2000 in the "FHA—Mutual Mortgage Insurance Program Account".

FHA—GENERAL AND SPECIAL RISK PROGRAM
ACCOUNT

The matter under this heading in title IV of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2001, as enacted by reference by Public Law 106-554 (114 Stat. 2763A-124), is amended by striking the three provisos.

INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

STATE AND TRIBAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

The referenced statement of the managers under this heading in Public Law 106-377 is deemed to be amended by striking all after the words "Beloit, Wisconsin" in reference to item number 236, and inserting the words "extension of separate sanitary sewers and extension of separate storm sewers".

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
DISASTER RELIEF

For necessary expenses in carrying out the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.), \$1,000,000 to remain available until expended for costs related to Tropical Storm Allison.

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE
ADMINISTRATION

HUMAN SPACE FLIGHT

Notwithstanding the proviso under the heading, "Human Space Flight", in Public Law 106-74, \$40,000,000 of the amount provided therein shall be available for preparations necessary to carry out future research supporting life and micro-gravity science and applications.

TITLE III—GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 3001. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.

SEC. 3002. UNITED STATES-CHINA SECURITY REVIEW COMMISSION. There are hereby appropriated, out of any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, \$1,700,000, to remain available until expended, to the United States-China Security Review Commission.

SEC. 3003. DESIGNATION OF ENGINEERING AND MANAGEMENT BUILDING AT NORFOLK NAVAL SHIPYARD, VIRGINIA, AFTER NORMAN SISISKY. The engineering and management building (also known as Building 1500) at Norfolk Naval Shipyard, Portsmouth, Virginia, shall be known as the Norman Sisisky Engineering and Management Building. Any reference to that building in any law, regulation, map, document, record, or other paper of the United States shall be considered to be a reference to the Norman Sisisky Engineering and Management Building.

This Act may be cited as the "Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2001".

UNANIMOUS CONSENT
AGREEMENT—H.R. 333

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the previously ordered debate with respect to the Nelson of Florida amendment No. 893 occur immediately following the vote on cloture on the motion to proceed to H.R. 333; the offering of the substitute amendment, and cloture being filed on that amendment, as under the previous order; further, that no amendments be in order to the substitute amendment to H.R. 333 prior to the cloture vote on the substitute amendment.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

AUTHORIZING USE OF THE
ROTUNDA OF THE CAPITOL

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H. Con. Res. 174 just received from the House.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 174) authorizing the Rotunda of the Capitol to be used on July 26, 2001, for a ceremony to present Congressional Gold Medals to the original 29 Navajo Code Talkers.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the concurrent resolution.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating thereto be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 174) was agreed to.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

NOMINATION OF OTHONEIL
ARMENDARIZ TO BE A MEMBER
OF THE FEDERAL LABOR RELATIONS
AUTHORITY

NOMINATION OF KAY COLES
JAMES TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE
OFFICER OF PERSONNEL MAN-
AGEMENT

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the following nominations reported earlier today by the Government Affairs Committee:

Othoneil Armendariz, to be a member of the Federal Labor Relations Authority;

Kay Coles James, to be the Director of the Office of Personnel Management;

that the nominations be confirmed, the motions to reconsider be laid on the table, that any statements thereon appear at the appropriate place in the RECORD, and that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nominations considered and confirmed are as follows:

OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Kay Coles James, of Virginia, to be Director of the Office of Personnel Management.

FEDERAL LABOR RELATIONS AUTHORITY

Othoneil Armendariz, of Texas, to be a Member of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for a term of five years expiring July 1, 2005.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed

to executive session to consider the following nominations: Nos. 182 through 196 and all nominations on the Secretary's desk; that the nominations be confirmed, en bloc; that any statements therein be printed at the appropriate place in the RECORD; the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table; the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate return to legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nominations considered and confirmed are as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Pierre-Richard Prosper, of California, to be Ambassador at Large for War Crimes Issues.

Charles J. Swindells, of Oregon, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to New Zealand, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Samoa.

Margaret DeBardeleben Tutwiler, of Alabama, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Kingdom of Morocco.

Wendy Jean Chamberlin, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

William S. Farish, of Texas, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

Francis Xavier Taylor, of Maryland, to be Coordinator for Counterterrorism, with the rank and status of Ambassador at Large.

Robert D. Blackwill, of Kansas, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to India.

Anthony Horace Gioia, of New York, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Malta.

Howard H. Leach, of California, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to France.

William A. Eaton, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Assistant Secretary of State (Administration).

Alexander R. Vershbow, of the District of Columbia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career Minister, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Russian Federation.

Clark T. Randt, Jr., of Connecticut, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the People's Republic of China.

C. David Welch, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Arab Republic of Egypt.

Douglas Alan Hartwick, of Washington, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

Daniel C. Kurtzer, of Maryland, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career Minister, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Israel.

NOMINATIONS PLACED ON THE SECRETARY'S
DESK

FOREIGN SERVICE

PN508 Foreign Service nominations (110) beginning Stephen K. Morrison, and ending Joseph Laurence Wright, II, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 12, 2001.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate will now return to legislative session.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREE-
MENT—EXECUTIVE CALENDAR
NO. 104

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the majority leader, after consultation with the Republican leader, may turn to the consideration of Executive Calendar No. 104, the nomination of John Graham to be the Administrator of the Office of Regulatory Affairs at OMB and that it be considered under the following time limitation:

One hour under the control of Senator LIEBERMAN, 3 hours under the control of Senator THOMPSON, 2 hours under the control of Senator DURBIN, 2 hours under the control of Senator WELLSTONE, 15 minutes under the control of Senator KERRY; that upon the use or yielding back of the time, the Senate vote at a time to be determined by the two leaders on the nomination; that upon the disposition of the nomination, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate return to legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 12,
2001

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until the hour of 9 o'clock a.m., on Thursday, July 12. I further ask consent that on Thursday immediately following the prayer and the pledge, the Journal of the proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed to have expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to H.R. 333, the House Bankruptcy Act.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. REID. Mr. President, on Thursday, the Senate will convene at 9 a.m. and resume consideration of the motion to proceed to the House Bankruptcy Reform Act, with 3 hours for debate prior to a cloture vote on the motion to proceed.

Following consideration of the bankruptcy act on Thursday, the Senate

will resume consideration of the Interior appropriations bill with a vote in relation to Nelson of Florida amendment No. 893.

At 11:30 a.m., the Senate will swear in the new Secretary of the Senate, Jeri Thomson.

ORDER FOR ADJOURNMENT

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that following the remarks of Senator MURRAY and Senator CANTWELL, who will be recognized to speak on matters of importance to them and their States and the country, the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, the majority leader has indicated that the two managers of the bill have stated they believe they can complete the bill tomorrow. If not, we will have to complete it on Friday. We are quite certain that will not happen, but the leader wanted us to notify people in case we were unable to finish tomorrow.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senator from Washington is recognized.

LOSS OF FOUR WASHINGTON
FIREFIGHTERS

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I come to the Senate Chamber this evening to join my colleague, Senator MARIA CANTWELL, in acknowledging four young Americans who lost their lives in service to our country last evening.

Like many Americans, this morning I awoke to the very tragic news that four firefighters had died while battling a wildfire near Winthrop, WA.

Today I want my colleagues and the American people to know the names of those four brave firefighters: Tom Craven, 30 years old, of Ellensburg, WA; Karen Fitzpatrick, 18 years old of Yakima, WA; Devin Weaver, 21, of Yakima; and Jessica Johnson, 19, also from Yakima.

These were young people.

These were people who put themselves in harms way to keep the rest of us safe.

Today, my thoughts and prayers are with the families of those four courageous firefighters.

It's hard to imagine the dangers that firefighters face every day. But they choose to fight fires to help protect the rest of us—our families and our communities.

When something like this happens, it makes all of us stop and think about what they've sacrificed for our safety.

My brother is a firefighter. For years, he fought fires. My family and I understand the risks.

I know how those families feel every day when they send their loved ones off to work.

They are proud of them.

They know they are doing something important for their neighbors and their community.

And they are always hoping they will get back home safely at the end of the day.

This tragedy reminds us all of the dangers that firefighters face every day.

To the families of those four brave young people, please know that we are a grateful nation, and you are all in our thoughts and prayers.

I also want to wish a speedy recovery for the other firefighters who were injured while battling the wildfire.

I want to thank the firefighters in Washington State—and across the country—for the work they do to protect us.

We own them a debt of gratitude.

Today, we owe four families our condolences and our thanks for their sacrifice. I yield to Senator CANTWELL from Washington State.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Washington is recognized.

Ms. CANTWELL. Mr. President, it is with a heavy heart that I come to the floor today after learning of the tragic deaths of four firefighters in the Wenatchee National Forest in Washington state. These courageous firefighters died yesterday battling a wildfire in Okanogan County. A tragedy of this magnitude is felt throughout Washington state, but should also be recognized and mourned by a grateful nation.

This is the nation's deadliest wildfire since 1994. On behalf of the citizens of Washington State, I extend my deepest sympathies to the families of the four brave men and women who gave their lives to protect their neighbors. Squad Leader Tom Craven of Ellensburg, Devin Weaver of Yakima, Jessica Johnson of Yakima, and Karen Fitzpatrick of Yakima gave their lives to keep us safe. This tragedy is compounded because these firefighters were so young—the youngest being just 18 years old.

We join their families and friends in mourning their loss.

As Senator MURRAY pointed out, this tragedy reminds us that we often take for granted the men and women who routinely put their lives on the line to protect us. Every state in the nation has experienced the loss of people involved in fighting fires.

I hope the families and friends of these brave firefighters know that the courage and sacrifice of their loved ones will not be forgotten and that our sympathies reach out to their families.

I also want to recognize the hard work of those firefighters who are still fighting; to those who are injured, I also wish them a speedy recovery. The firefighters of the U.S. Forest Service come from all over the country. They have been battling fires for years. This year alone, 300 firefighting personnel are available on the Okanogan and Wenatchee National Forests. These firefighters work year after year in service to their country with little recognition.

On behalf of the residents of Washington State and the Nation, I thank