office, the Texas authorities, the Teller County Sheriffs office, the El Paso County Sheriffs office, the Colorado Springs Police Department, the Woodland Park Police Department and the Colorado State Patrol did a tremendous job of working together to apprehend the seven fugitives.

The effort and support of the residents of Woodland Park and Colorado Springs can't be overlooked. We need to commend people like Wade Holder and Eric Singer. Mr. Holder resides in Woodland Park and is the owner of the RV park where the fugitives were hiding out. He called in a tip to the local authorities after seeing pictures of the fugitives on the America's Most Wanted Web Site. KKTV's Colorado Springs news anchor Eric Singer helped negotiators by conducting a telephone interview with the last two fugitives in order to assure a peaceful surrender. These are just a couple of examples of how the two communities contributed to the successful manhunt.

In all of this we should not forget that two law enforcement agents lost their lives in this investigation. Irving, Texas Officer Aubrey Hawkins and Colorado State Trooper Jason Manspeaker both died in the line of duty. Officer Hawkins was brutally shot 11 times and killed by one of the fugitives while responding to a robbery of a sporting goods store in Irving Texas on December 24th. Colorado State Trooper Jason Manspeaker was killed when he crashed his Jeep Cherokee Squad car into a heavy equipment trailer on U.S. Highway 6 in Colorado. The crash occurred while chasing a vehicle suspected of harboring the last two fugitives on January 23rd. Both Officer State Trooper Hawkins and Manspeaker paid the ultimate price for our freedom. My wife Joan and I offer all our compassion, our sympathy and our prayers to the families of both victims.

LORETTA SYMMS

• Mr. REID. Mr. President, I come to the Senate floor today to express my regret that Loretta Symms will soon retire as Deputy Sergeant at Arms. I would also like to congratulate her on a long and distinguished career.

During her 22 years of service on Capitol Hill, Loretta gained the respect of Senators and Congressman from both sides of the aisle. Her creativity and dedication to improving the innerworkings of the Senate have made her an invaluable asset to the institution and she will be dearly missed by all.

Loretta started her career on Capitol Hill in 1978 working for then-Congressman Steve Symms as executive assistant and office manager. In 1981, after Congressman Symms was elected to the Senate, Loretta became his executive secretary and office manager. In 1987, Senator Dole appointed Loretta as the Republican representative to the Sergeant at Arms.

As Director of the Capitol Facilities Department, she reinvented the Facilities Department providing career ladders, formal position descriptions, instituted reading programs, basic computer classes for employees, and training programs. Working closely with the Secretary of the Senate's office, Loretta has been actively involved in the oversight and management of the Senate Page Program. For example, Loretta participated in the renovation and opening of Webster Hall, the Senate Page dormitory, and the Senate Page School.

During her tenure as Deputy Sergeant at Arms, Loretta worked closely with the Assistant Secretary of the Senate to create the Joint Office of Education and Training which provides a wide variety of professional seminars and training for the staff of Senate Offices and Committees. As every Senator can attest, this office has become an invaluable resource. In 1996, Senator LOTT named Loretta Deputy Sergeant at Arms, the post in which she still serves. As Deputy, Loretta has managed the day to day operations of more than 770 employees.

Loretta is married to former Senator Steve Symms. They have 7 children and 10 grandchildren. Her retirement will allow her to fulfill her dreams of traveling and spending more time with her grandchildren. Loretta's impact on the institution of the Senate is greatly appreciated and will be remembered for a long time to come. But most impatiently to this Senator is the many acts of kindness in the most professional manner that Loretta was extended to me. For her many acts I will always be grateful.

TRIBUTE TO BEN AUGELLO

• Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to honor Ben Augello of Weare, New Hampshire, an elementary school principal whose devotion to education serves as an inspiration for his colleagues and students alike. Recently named Elementary Principal of the Year by the New Hampshire Association of School Principals, Ben is known for his incomparable listening skills.

Ben's lifelong dream since childhood to become a teacher began in New York where he taught science to middle school students. He had a special talent for making every student feel valued and special.

Ben has been the principal of the Center Woods Elementary School in Weare, New Hampshire, since 1991. He oversaw the construction of the school and has also spearheaded development of the school's inclusionary model. Mr. Augello is an enthusiastic administrator who exudes a warmth and openness that permeates the school.

Married for thirty-seven years, Ben and his wife Bunny have two children: Christine, a resident of Nashua, and Peter, who resides in Florida. Ben's hobbies include cooking and traveling throughout the United States and Europe

Ben Augello is a tribute to his community and profession. It is an honor and a privilege to represent him in the United States Senate.●

TRIBUTE TO DEBBIE JANS

• Mr. CLELAND. Mr. President, when I first came back to Washington, DC as a Senator-elect in December of 1996 for freshman orientation, one of the first people I met was a young lady who I was told I had to get to know if I was to be able to successfully get around the august halls of the Senate. She was then the Director of the Congressional Special Services Office that provided assistance to Capitol visitors and staff with disabilities. What I did not know at the time, but soon learned, was that she had been working for years to help move both Houses of Congress toward compliance with the landmark Americans with Disabilities Act. What I also didn't know at first, but learned almost immediately was that this young lady, Deborah Kerrigan Jans-known to all as Debbie-once worked for that great Senator Hubert Humphrey and that in addition to Minnesota ties she shared with Senator Humphrey a great fondness for the spoken word! In spite of that, or perhaps because of it, I soon found that Debbie had made herself indispensable to the conduct of my activities as a United States Senator and I quickly signed her on to my staff to coordinate my scheduling and advance work in the Senate. Part of her role was described very well in an August 1999 article in Esquire magazine:

He (Cleland) has one staffer, Deborah Jans, who advances his schedule to make sure he can get there. She is a dervish, racing in and out of men's rooms to make sure the doors on the stalls open out and not in, looking everywhere for ramps and elevators, measuring doorways for the chair. . . . So she goes, and she measures, and she checks—a whirlwind advancing a kind of rolling thunder.

Today, Debbie is retiring after 25 years of service to the Senate and to Congress. Prior to her excellent work for me, Debbie served as Director of the Congressional Special Services Office, Manager of the Senate Special Services Office, and Tour Guide with the U.S. Capitol Guide Service. These positions allowed her to share her love of the Capitol with visitors, providing a political, historical and architectural orientation to our magnificent institution. As I previously mentioned, in the latter part of this service, her role was extended to providing support and services to Capitol visitors and staff with disabilities. The innovative programs that she managed included special tours for individuals with disabilities, sign language interpreting, wheelchair loans, development of Braille materials, as well as classes and seminars for Congressional staff on disability issues.

Debbie and her husband Ron, who is a wonderful fellow himself and has had the opportunity to develop tremendous listening skills during his years with Debbie, are preparing to return to the Land of 10,000 Lakes. Washington's loss is Minnesota's gain. We shall miss Debbie here on Capitol Hill. The place will never be the same. ●

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:56 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that pursuant to the provisions of 22 U.S.C. 1928a, the Speaker appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the United States Group of the North Atlantic Assembly: Mr. BEREUTER, Mr. REGULA, Mrs. ROUKEMA, Mr. HEFLEY, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. GOSS, Mr. EHLERS, and Mr. McINNIS

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

H.R. 93. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that the mandatory separation age for Federal firefighters be made the same as the age that applies with respect to Federal law enforcement officers.

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

H. Con. Res. 18. Concurrent resolution relative to the adjournment of the House on the legislative day of Wednesday, January 31, 2001, it stand adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, February 6, 2001.

At 3:02 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 14. Concurrent resolution authorizing the Rotunda of the Capitol to be used for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust.

H. Con. Res. 15. Concurrent resolution relative to the victims of the deadly earthquake in the State of Gujarat in western India.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent and referred as indicated:

H.R. 93. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that the mandatory separation age for Federal firefighters be made the same as the age that applies with respect to Federal law enforcement officers; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

The following concurrent resolutions were read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 14. Concurrent resolution authorizing the Rotunda of the Capitol to be used for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

H. Con. Res. 15. Concurrent resolution relative to the victims of the deadly earthquake in the State of Gujarat in western India; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 220. A bill to amend title 11, United States Code, 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-539. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning the Cooperative Threat Reduction Program for fiscal year 1999; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-540. A communication from the Chief of the Programs and Legislation Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning the Andrews Air Force Base, 89th Airlift Wing Aircraft Maintenance and Base Supply; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-541. A communication from the Deputy Chief of Programs and Legislation Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning cost reductions of the Heat Steam Operations at Andrews Air Force Base; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-542. A communication from the Under Secretary of the Navy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relating to the improvement of efficiency, effectiveness, and cost of operations for fiscal year 2001; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-543. A communication from Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, case number 96-01; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-544. A communication from the Clerk of the Court of Federal Claims, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relating to the relief of the Pottawatomi Nation in Canada; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-545. A communication from the Director of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Apportionment of Regional Fishery Management Council Membership for the year 2000; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-546. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Effluent Limitations Guidelines; Pretreatment Standards, and New Source Performance Standards for the Commercial Hazardous Waste Combustor Subcategory of Waste Combustors Point Source Category; Correction" (FRL6866-7) received on January 29, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-547. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Reasonably Available Control Technology for Oxides of Nitrogen" (FRL6922-7) received on January 25, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-548. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Georgia: Final Authorization of States Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision: Delay of Effective Date" (FRL6940-3) received on January 26, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-549. A Communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Petition of American Samoa for Exemption from Anti-Dumping Requirements for Conventional Gasoline: Delay of Effective Date" (FRL6940-4) received on January 26, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-550. A communication from the Chairman of the International Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning the monitoring of developments in the Domestic Lamb Meat Industry; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-551. 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 "Guidance on Reporting of Deposit Interest Paid to Nonresident Aliens" (RIN1545-AY62) received on January 29, 2001; to the Committee on Finance.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. SNOWE:

S. 222. A bill to provide tax incentives for the construction of seagoing cruise ships in United States shipyards, and to facilitate the development of a United States-flag, United States-built cruise industry, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DOMENICI:

S. 223. A bill to terminate the effectiveness of certain drinking water regulations; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. McCAIN:

S. 224. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to set aside up to \$2 per person from park entrance fees or assess up to \$2 per person visiting the Grand Canyon or other national park to secure bonds for capital improvements to those parks, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. WARNER:

S. 225. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide incentives to public elementary and secondary school teachers by providing a tax credit for teaching expenses, professional development expenses, and student education loans; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. JEF-FORDS, and Mr. VOINOVICH):

S. 226. A bill to establish a Northern Border States-Canada Trade Council, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. TORRICELLI (for himself, Mr. Johnson, and Mr. Feingold):

S. 227. A bill to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to municipal deposits; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. AKAKA:

S. 228. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to make permanent the Native American veterans housing loan program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.