

to high tech counter-terrorism efforts. Tomorrow, we will resume that debate, but today is a day for national mourning.

My prayers go out to all the victims and their families. I pray that God will grant a comfort and peace that is unspeakable in its depth to those who are hurting and for the families of the victims. I cannot adequately express my sympathy to those who lost loved ones in these tragedies, and across America we share in their grief.

Outside of Union Station, a block from the Capitol, fly the flags of all 50 States. It is right that these 50 flags now fly at half mast, for this is a day that will directly touch millions of families across this Nation. We have already learned that at least one Iowan, Karen Kincaid, a native of Waverly, IA, was aboard the hijacked plane that struck the Pentagon on Tuesday morning. Our prayers go out of Karen's family and her loved ones. I fear that in the days to come we may learn of other Iowans whose lives have been destroyed by these tragedies. We all must look for ways to help. We can pray for peace. We can give blood.

In the face of all of yesterday's evil, thousands of courageous Americans rose to the challenge. Men and women, filled with the basic decency and goodness that embodies all that is America, rushed to the rescue of the injured and the dying. Firefighters, police, EMTs, doctors and other volunteers have been working around the clock, and we thank them. Unfortunately, we have learned that many of these brave men and women have given that last full measure of devotion. We mourn for them and honor their sacrifice. The greatness of our people stands in sharp contrast to the unnamed cowards who have perpetrated this evil.

I also want to recognize and thank Secretary Thompson for his effort to bring 7000 doctors, nurses, and health care professionals to New York.

Now, we must go on, unified behind President Bush's leadership. Today's resolution demonstrates the unity of Congress to stand behind the President in the effort to bring the perpetrators to justice. We must commit ourselves to the task of preventing tragedies such as this from ever again happening on our shores. We are a Nation strong and dogged in our commitment to seek out and crush the men who committed these acts of violence against our country.

Terrorism is our national enemy and we must fight it as a Nation. These great tragedies were perpetrated not against a particular race, color, religion, or creed. Yesterday's violence was born in a hatred of America and what it stands for. It was an open attack on all our people and our values. Freedom itself was under assault. Truly this was an act of war on America, and we must act accordingly.

Our friends in the International community, we now ask you to work by our side to quash those who have en-

gaged in these heinous acts. We will need your assistance to identify and punish those who are behind these acts.

State sponsored terrorism is an enemy to all democracies. To see victory over terrorism, we must not just retaliate against the terrorist, but as President Bush said last night, we must also punish those countries who harbor and assist them. Justice must be brought to the terrorists and to the States from which they plan and wage their evil schemes.

We must all be unified in this effort to combat terrorism. I am proud to be an American.

Mr. REID. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

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

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to a period for morning business, with Senators allowed to speak for a period of 5 minutes each.

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

COMMERCE, STATE, JUSTICE APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I rise today in support of the Smith amendment allowing American veterans—our U.S. citizens—who were used as slave laborers in Japan during WWII to have their day in court.

I appreciate the sensitive nature of this issue. Just prior to the recess, I received correspondence from my dear friend and former Secretary of State, George Schultz. He outlined the provisions of article 14 of the 1951 peace treaty with Japan which seemingly settles the question of restitution for the former POWs. His letter, quite properly, has been referred to in order to address this issue. I must, however, respectfully disagree with my valued friend and adviser.

I believe we must look at the entire treaty. Article 26 contains a provision which states that if Japan enters into any future treaties with other countries providing better terms than those extended to the United States, then those more favorable terms will be extended to the United States as well. It is my understanding that several other countries such as Sweden and Denmark have received such terms.

I have listened closely to my esteemed colleague from Hawaii speak on this subject, and I recognize our duty to honor our treaties. However, we must be sure to look at the entire treaty and honor our obligations to our veterans who survived under such horrible conditions.

I have been contacted by a significant number of veterans from my State, and I feel duty-bound to let them have their day in court. I ask my colleagues to consider their views and the entire treaty when making their vote.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

HUGH C. GRAHAM

• Mr. DODD. Mr. President, I rise today to honor a distinguished constituent of mine, Hugh C. Graham, upon the occasion of his retirement from the American Legion Department of Connecticut.

As a member of the American Legion for 57 years, Hugh served as an Adjutant for 32 years, the longest-serving Adjutant in the country. During his tenure within this revered national organization, Hugh admirably dedicated himself to promoting the health and well-being of our veterans, both in Connecticut and beyond.

Hugh himself served his country with distinction during World War II. Having enlisted with the United States Army in New Haven on February 16, 1942, he served as a rifleman in the 45th Infantry "Thunderbird" Division of the 180th Infantry Regiment. For 511 days, he fought bravely in the European theater, seeing combat in Italy, France, and Germany, and participated in five amphibious assault landings. For his valor and wounds received at Anzio Beach, Hugh was awarded the Purple Heart Medal. He was also awarded the European-African Theater Medal with five campaign stars, the World War II Victory Medal, and the Combat Infantryman's Badge. Hugh received an honorable discharge from the Army on September 5, 1945.

Over the years, Hugh's work with and for veterans has received well-deserved recognition from numerous organizations. He has received various service and achievement awards from the Forty and Eight Society, the Veterans Administration, and the American Legion Department of Rhode Island.

Although Hugh is retiring from active duty in the American Legion, I know that he will continue to promote veterans affairs and that his legacy will live on within the organization. Once again, I would like to congratulate Hugh upon the occasion of his retirement and I sincerely thank him for all of the service he has given to both Connecticut and our nation. I wish him all my best in his future endeavors. •

HONORING JAMES L. VOSS, DVM

• Mr. ALLARD. Mr. President, I rise to day to pay tribute to a man who has had a profound impact on Colorado State University, the City of Ft. Collins, CO and the veterinary community nationwide.

According to US News and World Report, Colorado State University boasts

the second best veterinary medicine program in the nation. One of the reasons CSU is so nationally renowned is because of its wonderful Veterinary Teaching Hospital. And one of the reasons that hospital exists is because of Dr. James L. Voss.

Currently the Dean of the CSU College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, Dr. Voss received his Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine from CSU in 1958 and was hired by the University as an instructor. While a student, he was one of my best instructors. As the university was growing and seeking to enhance its veterinary teaching capabilities, plans for a new Veterinary Teaching Hospital got underway. Dr. Voss became the faculty representative of the hospital building committee. In 1979, the Hospital was completed. And now, the Hospital will bear his name.

I am proud to join all CSU veterinary School alumni in saying that no finer man deserves this honor. This building and all the science and teaching that has taken place in it since 1979, are direct results of Dr. Voss' determination, dedication and love of veterinary medicine. Because of Dr. Voss and his long service to the university and our profession, CSU has produced some of the finest veterinarians in the nation. CSU and Ft. Collins have become central locations in national and international veterinary science.

When one man does so much for an institution and a profession like Dr. Voss has, it is only fitting to honor him in this manner. I am extremely pleased that from this day forward, the James L. Voss Veterinary Teaching Hospital at Colorado State University will continue to serve the university, the veterinary medical community, and science.●

TRIBUTE TO THE GEORGE KHOURY ASSOCIATION OF BASEBALL LEAGUES, INC.

• Mrs. CARNAHAN. Mr. President, I take this opportunity to recognize an outstanding organization that is dedicated to youth baseball, the George Khoury Association of Baseball Leagues, Inc. I commend this extraordinary program that is celebrating its 65th anniversary.

The George Khoury Association of Baseball Leagues, Inc. was founded by George M. Khoury in 1936 in Saint Louis, MO. It is dedicated to promoting America's favorite pastime, and committed to giving youth a chance to play the game and learn about sportsmanship. In 1936, there were only four baseball teams in the Khoury league. However, after World War II, the program began to expand into other states, like Kentucky and Illinois. Now there are leagues in several states all over the country and even in some foreign countries. The Khoury league not only includes baseball teams, but also softball, soccer, and other exciting team sports.

I commend the George Khoury Association of Baseball Leagues, Inc. for its dedication to youth sports and the community.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, 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 12:48 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, 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. 434. An act to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into a cooperative agreement to provide for retention, maintenance, and operation, at private expense, of 12 concrete dams and weirs located within the boundaries of the Emigrant Wilderness in the Stanislaus National Forest, California, and for other purposes.

H.R. 695. An act to establish the Oil Region National Heritage Area.

H.R. 788. An act to provide for the conveyance of the excess Army Reserve Center in Kewaunee, Wisconsin.

H.R. 1628. An act to amend the National Trails System Act to designate El Camino Real de los Tejas as a National Historic Trail.

H.R. 1761. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 8588 Richmond Highway in Alexandria, Virginia, as the "Herb Harris Post Office Building."

H.R. 1766. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4270 John Marr Drive in Annandale, Virginia, as the "Stan Parris Post Office Building."

H.R. 1937. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to engage in certain feasibility studies of water resource projects in the State of Washington.

At 3:31, a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 223. Concurrent resolution permitting the use of the Rotunda of the Capitol for a prayer vigil in memory of those who lost their lives in the events of September 11, 2001.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

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H.R. 788. An act to provide for the conveyance of the excess Army Reserve Center in Kewaunee, Wisconsin; to the Committee on Armed Services.

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H.R. 1937. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to engage in certain feasibility studies of water resource projects in the State of Washington; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

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-3733. 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: Airbus Model A319, A320, and A321 Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(2001-0439)) received on August 23, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3734. 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 145 Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(2001-0443)) received on August 23, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3735. 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 Model EMB-135ER and 135LR Series Airplanes, and Model EMB 145, 145MR and 145LR Series Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(2001-0442)) received on August 23, 2001; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3736. 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: McDonnell Douglas Model DC 10-30 Series Airplanes Modified by Supplemental Type Certificate SA8452SW" ((RIN2120-AA64)(2001-0446)) received on August 23, 2001; to the