

world of terrorism. But the attacks also rallied the American people to display compassion for others.

Whether displayed through the incredible heroism exhibited by the firefighters and rescue workers in New York City, the Pentagon or a field in Somerset County, or the outpouring of donations from around the country for the impoverished people in Afghanistan, Americans have met the challenge.

Mr. Speaker, Sabrina Monn is a classic example of America at its best. She embodies the spirit that will allow us to overcome the challenges represented by September 11th and propel us to a brighter future. I commend her for all of her efforts and encourage others to take her and James Buchanan High School's example in making America and the world a better place to live.

#### FREEDOM SERVICE DOGS

### HON. BOB BEAUPREZ

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 15, 2003*

Mr. BEAUPREZ. Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to rise today and deliver this Proclamation honoring Freedom Service Dogs, Inc. on the Occasion of its 16th Anniversary.

Whereas, Freedom Service Dogs is celebrating its 16th year of exemplary service to people with mobility impairments by providing them with service dogs and,

Whereas, Freedom Service Dogs was founded by Mike Roche, who served the people of Colorado as a paramedic, and P.J. Roche, a dog trainer, and

Whereas, Freedom Service Dogs provides enhanced independence of Colorado citizens with mobility impairments by training dogs to open doors, turn on lights, pull wheelchairs, pick up dropped items, tug on and off clothing, and alert for help when needed and,

Whereas, Freedom Service Dogs saves the lives of dozens of good dogs abandoned in animal shelters by training them for service to those with mobility impairments, and,

Whereas, Freedom Service Dogs provides people with mobility impairments to more fully participate in their community, and enjoy increased confidence, self-esteem and social acceptance, and,

Whereas, Freedom Service Dogs is a charitable organization that charges no fees for its service and relies on the support of our community to perform its good work, and,

Whereas, Freedom Service Dogs serves as a model for improving our community by helping those who live in it.

The Congressman of the 7th District of the State of Colorado, The Honorable BOB BEAUPREZ issues this proclamation of congratulations and recognition to Freedom Service Dogs celebrating 16 years of service and commends this extraordinary organization to our fellow citizens.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, September 16, 2003 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

SEPTEMBER 17

- 10 a.m.  
Commerce, Science, and Transportation  
To hold hearings to examine digital right management and privacy issues. SD-253
- Energy and Natural Resources  
Business meeting to consider pending calendar business. SD-366
- Finance  
Business meeting to consider S. 1548, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide incentives for the production of renewable fuels and to simplify the administration of the Highway Trust Fund fuel excise taxes, Extension of Highway Trust Fund Provisions, and National Employee Savings and Trust Equity Guarantee Act. SD-215
- Governmental Affairs  
To hold hearings to examine what can be done to ensure the future viability of the U.S. Postal Service. SD-342
- Indian Affairs  
To hold hearings to examine S. 420, to provide for the acknowledgement of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina. SR-485
- Judiciary  
To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Margaret Catharine Rodgers, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Florida, Roger W. Titus, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland, George W. Miller, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, and David W. McKeague, of Michigan, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit. SD-226
- 1:30 p.m.  
Conferees  
Meeting of conferees on H.R. 2555, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004. S-128, Capitol
- 2 p.m.  
Judiciary  
To hold hearings to examine effective federal, state and local law enforce-

ment strategies to combat gang violence in America. SD-226

- 2:30 p.m.  
Commerce, Science, and Transportation  
To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Gwendolyn Brown, of Virginia, to be Chief Financial Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Karen K. Bhatia, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation, and Charles Darwin Snelling, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority. SR-253
- Foreign Relations  
International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine West Africa and Latin America in relation to U.S. Energy Security. SD-419

SEPTEMBER 18

- 9 a.m.  
Environment and Public Works  
Business meeting to consider a bill to extend the authority of TEA-21 (Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century) for five months, to be immediately followed by a hearing to consider the nomination of Michael O. Leavitt, of Utah, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. SD-406
- 9:30 a.m.  
Foreign Relations  
To hold hearings to examine how to internationalize Iraq reconstruction and organize the U.S. government to administer reconstruction efforts. TBD
- 10 a.m.  
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions  
Aging Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine financial abuse of the elderly. SD-430
- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs  
Business meeting to markup the National Consumer Credit Reporting System Improvement Act of 2003 and the Defense Production Reauthorization Act of 2003. SD-538

- Commerce, Science, and Transportation  
Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine railroad shipper issues and S. 919, to amend title 49, United States Code, to enhance competition among and between rail carriers in order to ensure efficient rail service and reasonable rail rates. SR-253
- 10:30 a.m.  
Judiciary  
Business meeting to consider pending calendar business. SD-226
- 2:30 p.m.  
Judiciary  
Immigration, Border Security and Citizenship Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine state and local law enforcement of immigration laws in relation to stopping terrorism. SD-226
- Energy and Natural Resources  
Water and Power Subcommittee  
To hold hearings to examine S. 213, to clear title to certain real property in New Mexico associated with the Middle Rio Grande Project, S. 1236, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to estab-

lish a program to control or eradicate tamarisk in the western States, S. 1516, to further the purposes of the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 by directing the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the commissioner of Reclamation, to carry out an assessment and demonstration program to assess potential increases in water availability for Bureau of Reclamation projects and other uses through control of salt cedar and Russian olive, H.R. 856, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to revise a repayment contract with the Tom Green County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, San Angelo project, Texas, and H.R. 961, to promote Department of the Interior efforts to provide a scientific basis for the management of sediment and nutrient loss in the Upper Mississippi River Basin. SD-366

- Intelligence  
To hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters. SH-219

SEPTEMBER 23

- 10 a.m.  
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs  
To hold hearings to examine the implementation of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and restoring investor confidence. SD-538
- Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions  
To hold hearings to examine health technology. SD-430

SEPTEMBER 24

- 10 a.m.  
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions  
Business meeting to consider pending calendar business. SD-430
- Indian Affairs  
To hold hearings to examine S. 1601, to amend the Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act to provide for the reporting and reduction of child abuse and family violence incidences on Indian reservations. SR-485

SEPTEMBER 25

- 9:30 a.m.  
Armed Services  
To hold hearings to examine the report of the Panel to Review Sexual Misconduct Allegations at the United States Air Force Academy. SH-216

- 10 a.m.  
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions  
To hold hearings to examine intellectual diversity. SD-430

- Indian Affairs  
To hold hearings to examine proposed legislation to reauthorize the Head Start program. Room to be announced

- 2:30 p.m.  
Foreign Relations  
To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Richard Eugene Hoagland, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Tajikistan, Pamela P. Willeford, of Texas, to be Ambassador of the United States of America to Switzerland, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Principality of Liechtenstein, and