

Charlye O. Farris on the occasion of her 50th anniversary as a lawyer practicing in Texas.●

DR. JERALD TUNHEIM RETIRES FROM DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

● Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize and honor Dr. Jerald Tunheim on the occasion of his retirement as the president of Dakota State University in Madison, SD.

After receiving both his Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering Physics and Master of Science in Physics from South Dakota State University in Brookings, South Dakota, Dr. Tunheim briefly moved to Stillwater, OK, where he received his Ph.D. in Physics from Oklahoma State University. He began his South Dakota teaching career at his alma mater in 1968 as an assistant professor of physics before becoming professor and Head of the Physics Department in 1980.

Dr. Tunheim has earned the respect and admiration of all those who had the opportunity to work with him. His friendly demeanor and wealth of knowledge helped him develop close friendships with various colleagues and students while establishing the legacy of Dakota State University in South Dakota. Dr. Tunheim joined Dakota State University three years after the South Dakota legislature changed Dakota State University's mission to focus on computer and information systems technology as academic disciplines. In his term as President, there has been a 236 percent increase in enrollment and the number of computer majors has soared from 109 in 1985 to over 1,000 today.

In his Letter from the President, Dr. Tunheim is proud to announce that, "with a proud heritage as its foundation, Dakota State has evolved to meet the needs of today's students with its innovative approach to education and a faculty with diverse backgrounds and experiences. Dakota State offers its students the best opportunities to learn and grow to meet the demands of their future." Over the years, Dr. Tunheim has committed himself to helping Dakota State University students learn more about themselves and the world around them as he has worked hard to help students find the best in themselves. Thousands of students over the years have benefited from Dr. Tunheim's commitment to higher educational excellence.

On the occasion of his retirement, I congratulate Dr. Tunheim for his tireless dedication to Dakota State University and his commitment to quality education. Dr. Tunheim has been recognized many times over for his extraordinary career including being named Teacher of the Year twice while at South Dakota State University. He was also chosen as one of the "100 Influential South Dakotans for 1994" is listed in journals such as American Men and Women of Science, Who's Who

in America, Who's Who in American Education, and Oxford Who's Who. In addition to the hours he puts in as President of Dakota State University, Dr. Tunheim has spent his time on the Madison Area Chamber of Commerce Education Committee, Madison Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, Council of Presidents and Superintendents of South Dakota System of Higher Education, Governor's Task Force on Vocational-Technical Education, and the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletes Council of Presidents, among many others.

The lives of countless people have been enormously enhanced by Dr. Tunheim's talent and leadership as President at Dakota State University. The State of South Dakota is a better place because of his commitment to and passion for higher education excellence and his achievements should serve as a model for other talented educators throughout our state to emulate.

I wish Dr. Jerald Tunheim the very best on his retirement.●

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LUGAR, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment:

S. 1824. A bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to reauthorize the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 108-194).

By Mr. LUGAR, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment:

S. 950. A bill to allow travel between the United States and Cuba.

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 Mrs. BOXER:

S. 1845. A bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to provide financial assistance to State and local governments that continue to pay employees who serve on active duty in a reserve component of the uniformed services; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. SNOWE:

S. 1846. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a presumption of service-connection for certain veterans with hepatitis C, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. CORZINE:

S. 1847. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a comprehensive program for testing and treatment of veterans for Hepatitis C virus; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. SMITH):

S. 1848. A bill to amend the Bend Pine Nursery Land Conveyance Act to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to sell the, Bend Pine Nursery Administration Site in the State of Oregon; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 1849. A bill to amend section 203 of the National Housing Act to provide for 1 per-

cent downpayments for FHA mortgage loans for teachers and public safety officers to buy homes within the jurisdictions of their employing agencies; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. FRIST (for himself, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. GRAHAM of Florida, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Mr. DORGAN):

S. Res. 264. a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding Veterans Day 2003; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. Res. 265. A resolution recognizing and honoring the firefighters and other public servants who responded to the devastating outbreak of wildfires in southern California in October 2003; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 59

At the request of Mr. INOUE, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 59, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit former members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability rated as total to travel on military aircraft in the same manner and to the same extent as retired members of the Armed Forces are entitled to travel on such aircraft.

S. 198

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. LOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 198, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an income tax credit for the provision of homeownership and community development, and for other purposes.

S. 337

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 337, a bill to amend the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act and the Solid Waste Disposal Act to prohibit the use of arsenic-treated lumber as mulch, compost, or a soil amendment, and to prohibit the manufacture of arsenic-treated wood for use as playground equipment for children, fences, walkways, or decks or for other residential or occupational purposes, and for other purposes.

S. 448

At the request of Mr. DODD, the names of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU), the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) and the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) were added as cosponsors of S. 448, a bill to leave no child behind.

S. 473

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the name of the Senator from New Jersey

(Mr. CORZINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 473, a bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to clarify the jurisdiction of the United States over waters of the United States.

S. 971

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 971, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide individuals with disabilities and older Americans with equal access to community-based attendant services and supports, and for other purposes.

S. 983

At the request of Mr. CHAFEE, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 983, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize the Director of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences to make grants for the development and operation of research centers regarding environmental factors that may be related to the etiology of breast cancer.

S. 1224

At the request of Mr. CORZINE, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1224, a bill to expand the powers of the Attorney General to regulate the manufacture, distribution, and sale of firearms and ammunition, and to expand the jurisdiction of the Attorney General to include firearm products and nonpowder firearms.

S. 1266

At the request of Mrs. CLINTON, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA), the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER), the Senator from Montana (Mr. BAUCUS), the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH), the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN), the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER), the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. BREAU), the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. BYRD), the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL), the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CONRAD), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. DASCHLE), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD), the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. DOLE), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN), the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. FEINGOLD), the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN), the Senator from Florida (Mr. GRAHAM), the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM), the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN), the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. HOLLINGS), the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON), the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY), the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN), the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. LOTT), the Senator

from Kentucky (Mr. MCCONNELL), the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI), the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY), the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON), the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. NELSON), the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. NICKLES), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED), the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER), the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER), the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE), the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1266, a bill to award a congressional gold medal to Dr. Dorothy Height, in recognition of her many contributions to the Nation.

S. 1379

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. DOLE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1379, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of veterans who became disabled for life while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States.

S. 1483

At the request of Mr. DODD, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) and the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) were added as cosponsors of S. 1483, a bill to amend the Head Start Act to reauthorize that Act, and for other purposes.

S. 1545

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. FITZGERALD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1545, a bill to amend the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 to permit States to determine State residency for higher education purposes and to authorize the cancellation of removal and adjustment of status of certain alien students who are long-term United States residents.

S. 1653

At the request of Mr. INOUE, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. CORZINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1653, a bill to ensure that recreational benefits are given the same priority as hurricane and storm damage reduction benefits and environmental restoration benefits.

S. 1709

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) and the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) were added as cosponsors of S. 1709, a bill to amend the USA PATRIOT ACT to place reasonable limitations on the use of surveillance and the issuance of search warrants, and for other purposes.

S. 1744

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1744, a bill to prevent abuse of Government credit cards.

S. 1828

At the request of Mr. KYL, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr.

ALLEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1828, a bill to eliminate the substantial backlog of DNA samples collected from crime scenes and convicted offenders, to improve and expand the DNA testing capacity of Federal, State, and local crime laboratories, to increase research and development of new DNA testing technologies, to develop new training programs regarding the collection and use of DNA evidence, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 253

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the names of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH), the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN), the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. EDWARDS), the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN), the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN), the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR), the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) and the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 253, a resolution to recognize the evolution and importance of motorsports.

AMENDMENT NO. 2057

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2057 intended to be proposed to S. 1585, an original bill making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 1845. A bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to provide financial assistance to State and local governments that continue to pay employees who serve on active duty in a reserve component of the uniformed services; to the Committee on Armed Services.

Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, today is Veterans Day—a day to honor the service of those brave men and women who have fought for and defended our country.

This Veterans Day has special meaning as 130,000 Americans are serving in Iraq, and many in this country have lost loved ones in Iraq in the past year.

Americans can be proud of the soldiers, sailors, airmen, and marines who are serving today. They are continuing to show the courage, dignity, and bravery with which our veterans, who we honor today, have served in the past.

That rich tradition includes those Americans who serve in the Guard and Reserves. In the 12 years since the first war in Iraq, more than 525,000 members of the Guard and Reserves have been mobilized—more than twice the number that were mobilized in the previous 36 years.