

HONORING JIMMY WILLIAMS

• Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, I have the privilege and honor of rising today to recognize Jimmy Williams of Lexington, KY. Jimmy was selected as a member of the 2003 Youth Leadership Team by the National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy.

Jimmy is a unique teen with an important message and opportunity to share his story with thousands of people. He works diligently to educate his peers on the ramifications of sexual activity in an attempt to halt America's teen pregnancy rate.

Currently attending Bryan Station High School, Jimmy is an active Teen Leader of the Postponing Sexual Involvement, PSI, program and was once a training session panelist for the Kentucky Coalition. Teen Leaders, such as Jimmy, must complete a minimum of 20 training hours before talking directly to middle school students about sexual peer pressure and health concerns.

His dedication to delivering this message caught the eye of the National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy. Jimmy's strong work ethic made him the perfect candidate for the Youth Leadership Team. He writes letters in support of the National Day to Prevent Teen Pregnancy to schools, students, teachers, media sources, and political leaders. Even on his off time, Jimmy can be found at local baseball games handing out flyers promoting abstinence.

I'm pleased that Jimmy cares so much for the health and well-being of his peers. Please join me in congratulating Jimmy Williams and wishing him the best of luck in his new position as a member of the Youth Leadership Team. •

HONORING SOUTH DAKOTA VOLUNTEERS

• Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, on May 4, 2003, Rachel Petersen and Elizabeth Volzke were honored for their outstanding volunteer service at the Eighth Annual Prudential Spirit of Community Awards. The two State honorees for South Dakota received a \$1,000 award in addition to an engraved silver medallion and an all-expense-paid trip with a parent or guardian to Washington, DC.

Petersen, 18, of Rapid City, is a senior at Stevens High School. In addition to being named a State honoree, Petersen was named South Dakota's top high school youth volunteer and Rapid City's Citizen of the Month. Petersen earned this prestigious honor by initiating and leading a group of teen volunteers who prepare and serve hot lunches every Sunday to homeless and disadvantaged people in her community. When Rachel learned that hungry people were turned away from the community's food program for breaking program rules or other reasons, she decided to help. "It still seemed like a terrible tragedy that good people with

a few problems had nowhere to eat," she said. Rachel first arranged for a steady source of donated food, then began recruiting reliable student volunteers to help. Each week, Rachel picks up the donated ingredients, and then prepares her menu—usually a 5-gallon pot of soup, with bread, a side dish, and a drink. Volunteers help set up a feeding station in a city park, where they stay each Sunday for 2 or 3 hours, serving 40 to 50 hungry people. Rachel is training other teen volunteers to take over when she leaves for college next year. "The eradication of world hunger will happen one meal at a time," Rachel said.

Elizabeth Volzke, 11, a member of the Girl Scouts of Nyoda Council in Huron and a fifth-grader at Eureka Public School, received this award as recognition of her work at a local assisted living center, daycare center, and church services, among other events. Elizabeth began her volunteerism by vowing to perform 100 hours of community service to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the 4-H program. Beginning with visits to residents of the assisted living center where her mother works and playing games with them, Elizabeth and her sister also made cookies, door and table decorations, party favors, and tray liners for holiday celebrations, paying for supplies with money earned from recycling aluminum. Elizabeth was soon visiting and playing piano at other nursing homes, as well. She then expanded her volunteering to a children's daycare center because, as Elizabeth said, "I love babies and young children." She plans to continue her volunteer efforts, adding, "What a wonderful feeling it is to help others."

The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards recognizes students in middle and high school grades who have demonstrated exemplary community service. For their commendable and inspiring efforts to aid those afflicted by illness, poverty, and other difficult circumstances, 10 students are chosen as America's top volunteers, in addition to 104 individual State honorees. State honorees, such as Rachel and Elizabeth, are chosen by their outstanding dedication to community from a pool of more than 24,000 applications. Carried out in a joint venture with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards were originally created to encourage and reward youth volunteerism and young role models.

People of all ages need to think more about how we, as individual citizens, can work together at the local level to ensure the health and vitality of our towns and neighborhoods. Young volunteers like Rachel and Elizabeth are examples to all of us. These two South Dakotans are extraordinary individuals who richly deserve this distinguished recognition. I strongly commend their hard work and dedication, and I am very pleased that their efforts are being publicly honored and celebrated.

It is with great honor that I share their impressive accomplishments with my colleagues. •

TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM BIVIN FORENSIC SOCIETY

• Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to the William E. Bivin Forensic Society at Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green, KY. The Western Kentucky University Forensic Team recently defeated forensic teams from all over the world to claim the 2003 International Forensic Association, IFA, Championship in Vancouver, BC.

Led by Director of Forensics Judy Woodring, the team of 36 students and eight coaches defeated 87 other universities to win the 2003 American Forensic Association, AFA, National Championship and the Delta Sigma Rho-Tau Kappa Alpha, DSR-TKA, National Championship earlier this year. The Western Kentucky Forensic Team has a long tradition of honors and distinctions. Over the program's storied history, it has won four IFA International Championships, one AFA National Championship, five DSR-TKA National Championships, and thirteen Kentucky State Forensic Association Championships.

I ask my colleagues in the Senate to pay tribute to the Western Kentucky University Forensic Team of Corey Alderdice, Drew Allen, Elizabeth Au, Margaret Au, Stacy Bernaugh, Chris Blackford, Keith Blaser, Chris Brasfield, Grace Bruenderman, David Burns, Jenny Corum, Ashley Courtney, Justin Cress, Tony Damico, Nicole Estenfelder, Reagan Gibson, Nicole Hawk, Adam Henze, Kate Hertweck, Ryan Howell, Lindsey Nave, Jacob Peregoy, Jennifer Purcell, Hanna Reliford, Alex Rogers, Nick Romerhausen, Evelio Silvera, Rebecca Simms, Courtney Smith, Joel Smith, Jen Taylor, Katie Tyree, Jordon Wadlington, Caleb Williams, Jeff Woods, Courtney Wright and led by Coaches Judy Woodring, Jace Lux, Bonnie McDonald, Greg Robertson, Matt Gerbig, Doug Mory, Chris Grove, and Joe Day. I am proud of their achievements and admirable representation of Western Kentucky University and the Commonwealth of Kentucky. •

TRIBUTE TO RICHARD W. VOLLMER, JR.

• Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, the death of United States District Judge Judge Richard W. Vollmer, Jr. was a great loss to our country, the American legal system, his friends, and especially his wonderful family. Judge Vollmer was born March 7, 1926, in St. Louis, MO, and moved to Mobile, AL, in 1941 where he attended McGill Institute. After graduation he enrolled in the U.S. Navy and served until 1946 in the South Pacific. He returned to Mobile where he graduated from Springhill College in 1949. He began attending the University of Alabama

School of Law from 1950–52 aboard the aircraft carrier USS *Saipan*. He returned to the University of Alabama School of Law where he served as a member of the Board of Editors of the *Alabama Law Review* and graduated in 1953.

He married Marilyn Jean Stikes in 1949 and they have five children and nine grandchildren. Two of his sons, Rick and Jim, are following in their father's footsteps as practicing lawyers in the Mobile area.

After law school, Judge Vollmer worked several years for State Farm Insurance Company prior to joining the law firm of Pillans, Reams, Tappan, Wood and Roberts in 1956. He engaged in an active practice in State and Federal courts where he won the respect of his fellow lawyers and jurists before whom he appeared.

He was a charter member of the American Board of Trial Advocates, serving as president of the Alabama Chapter in 1984–85, and was serving as president of the Mobile Bar Association at the time of his appointment to the Federal bench.

In 1990, President George H.W. Bush nominated him to the district bench for the Southern District of Alabama, where he began his career on June 18, 1990, taking senior status on December 31, 2000. He had a strong work ethic and he demanded the same of the lawyers who appeared before him. He never failed to offer his assistance with a congested court docket during times when the Southern District of Alabama did not have its full complement of active judges. Even upon taking senior status, and with failing health, he was always available if the workload demanded it.

Judge Vollmer was not just somebody who worked in the courthouse. Although he loved the law, he knew the love of family came before work, and was deeply concerned about the personal well-being of all the courthouse family with whom he worked, often going out of his way to inquire into their well-being. As U.S. District Judge William Steele has noted, he had a bright and warm presence with a quick smile and laugh. His positive spirit has made the U.S. Courthouse in Mobile a wonderful place to work.

Widely esteemed as a jurist, respected by all who appeared before him, he brought to the bench a sincere quality of humility, love of the law, patience, personal integrity and genuine faith. As was said in the opening prayer at his investiture ceremony, "Justice and justice alone shall be your aim." It can now be said with certitude that Judge Vollmer spent his career dispensing justice fairly and impartially. I had the honor of practicing before Judge Vollmer and to get a direct view of his noble character and humanity. He cared deeply for the unfortunate, was pained to see young people be sentenced to long jail terms though he did his duty. In addition, he was a generous affirmer and true mentor for

many. I vividly remember him calling me into his office and encouraging me to consider a race for attorney general of Alabama. I knew his judgment and insight was good and that he had a valuable perspective. That advice meant a great deal to me. I respected his judgment and knew his comments were given with my interests in mind. Such human touches have meant much to many others.

Judge Vollmer served in an exceptional court. The U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Alabama has a great record of integrity, industry, legal skill and collegiality. He received an illustrious tradition and passed it on even brighter.

Judge Vollmer died at his home in Mobile on March 20, 2003. He leaves a legacy of always seeking to do what is just and fair and right. ●

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message from the President of the United States was communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE REFERRED

As in executive session the PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate a message from the President of the United States submitting a nomination which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

(The nomination received today is printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

REPORT THAT TERMINATES THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY DESCRIBED AND DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 12865 OF SEPTEMBER 26, 1993, WITH RESPECT TO THE ACTIONS AND POLICIES OF THE NATIONAL UNION FOR TOTAL INDEPENDENCE OF ANGOLA (UNITA) AND REVOKES THAT ORDER, EXECUTIVE ORDER 13069 OF DECEMBER 12, 1997, AND EXECUTIVE ORDER 13098 OF AUGUST 18, 1998—PM 31

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Pursuant to section 202 of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1622, I hereby report that I have issued an Executive Order (the "Order"), that terminates the national emergency described and declared in Executive Order 12865 of September 26, 1993, with respect to the actions and policies of the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) and revokes that order, Executive Order 13069 of December 12, 1997, and Executive Order 13098 of August 18, 1998.

The Order will have the effect of lifting the sanctions imposed on UNITA in Executive Orders 12865, 13069, and 13098. These trade and financial sanctions were imposed to support international efforts to force UNITA to abandon armed conflict and return to the peace process outlined in the Lusaka Protocol, as reflected in United Nations Security Council Resolutions 864 (1993), 1127 (1997), and 1173 (1998).

The death of UNITA leaders Jonas Savimbi in February 2002 enabled the Angolan government and UNITA to sign the Luena Memorandum of Understanding on April 4, 2002. This agreement established an immediate ceasefire and called for UNITA's return to the peace process laid out in the 1994 Lusaka Protocol. In accordance therewith, UNITA quartered all its military personnel in established reception areas and handed its remaining arms over to the Angolan government. In September 2002, the Angolan government and UNITA reestablished the Lusaka Protocol's Joint Commission to resolve outstanding political issues. On November 21, 2002, the Angolan government and UNITA declared the provisions of the Lusaka Protocol fully implemented and called for the lifting of sanctions on UNITA imposed by the United Nations Security Council.

With the successful implementation of the Lusaka Protocol and the demilitarization of UNITA, the circumstances that led to the declaration of a national emergency on September 26, 1993, have been resolved. The actions and policies of UNITA no longer pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the foreign policy of the United States. United Nations Security Council Resolution 1448 (2002) lifted the measures imposed pursuant to prior U.N. Security Council resolutions related to UNITA. The continuation of sanctions imposed by Executive Orders 12865, 13069, and 13098 would have a prejudicial effect on the development of UNITA as an opposition political party, and therefore, on democratization in Angola. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to terminate the national emergency with respect to UNITA and to lift the sanctions that have been used to apply economic pressure on UNITA.

I am enclosing a copy of the Executive Order I have issued. This Order is effective at 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on May 7, 2003.

GEORGE W. BUSH.
THE WHITE HOUSE, May 6, 2003.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 1:28 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. 1596. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2318 Woodson Road in St. Louis, Missouri, as the "Timothy Michael Gaffney Post Office