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2004 NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL STRATEGY—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. BIGGERT) laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, without objection, referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, Committee on Agriculture, Committee on Armed Services, Committee on Energy and Commerce, Committee on Education and the Workforce, Committee on Financial Services, Committee on Government Reform, Committee on International Relations, Committee on Small Business, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Committee on Ways and Means, Committee on Veterans' Affairs, the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, and the Select Committee on Homeland Security:

To the Congress of the United States:

I am transmitting the 2004 National Drug Control Strategy, consistent with the Office of National Drug Control Policy Reauthorization Act of 1998 (21 U.S.C. 1705).

Two years ago, my Administration issued its National Drug Control Strategy setting forth a balanced approach to reducing drug use among teenagers and adults. The Strategy set ambitious two- and five-year performance-based goals: (i) to lower the rate of drug use by 10 percent over two years; and (ii) to lower the rate by 25 percent over five years. The success of the Strategy can be measured by its results.

I am pleased to report that we have exceeded our two-year goal of reducing drug use among young people. The most recent survey shows an 11 percent drop between 2001 and 2003 in the use of illicit drugs by teenagers. Among teens, some drugs—such as LSD—have dropped to record low levels of use. For others, we are seeing the lowest levels of use in almost a decade.

Despite this good news, drug addiction continues to challenge far too many Americans. Addiction to drugs destroys ties of trust, family, and friendship, and reduces all the richness of life to a single destructive desire. Almost every American has known someone who has followed the self-destructive path of addiction. Too many Americans want to change a family member's behavior, but are afraid of causing division and, perhaps, estrangement.

Our Strategy proposes a remarkable and unprecedented array of drug control programs, treatment initiatives, and media campaign efforts. But more than any program, it seeks to engage the desire of all Americans to make this a better Nation, facing down the lie of addiction, and offering the hope of recovery.

My Administration will continue to place a high priority on reducing drug

addiction in America. I ask for your continued support in this critical endeavor.

GEORGE W. BUSH.
THE WHITE HOUSE, March 1, 2004.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote is objected to under clause 6 of rule XX.

Record votes on postponed questions will be taken after 6:30 p.m. today.

HONORING THE LIFE AND CAREER OF THE LATE WILLIE SHOEMAKER

Mr. DUNCAN. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 439) honoring the life and career of Willie Shoemaker and expressing the condolences of the House of Representatives to his family and friends on his death.

The Clerk read as follows:

H. RES. 439

Whereas Willie Shoemaker was born Billie Lee Shoemaker on August 19, 1931, in Fabens, Texas;

Whereas Willie Shoemaker, nicknamed the "Shoe", is arguably the most successful jockey in the history of horse racing;

Whereas Willie Shoemaker won his first race at the age of 18 and had compiled 8,833 victories by the time he retired in 1990;

Whereas in 1970, Willie Shoemaker became the all-time leader in career wins by surpassing John Longden's total of 6,033 wins;

Whereas on March 3, 1985, while riding Lord at War at the Santa Anita Handicap, Willie Shoemaker became the first jockey to total \$100,000,000 in purse winnings;

Whereas Willie Shoemaker held the record for career wins for 29 years;

Whereas Willie Shoemaker won four Kentucky Derbies, five Belmont Stakes, and three Preakness Stakes;

Whereas Willie Shoemaker was the oldest jockey to ride a winner in the Kentucky Derby and the Breeder's Cup;

Whereas at Santa Anita in 1990, Willie Shoemaker ran the final race of his storied 41-year career;

Whereas Willie Shoemaker is a member of thoroughbred racing's Hall of Fame and the Texas Horse Racing Hall of Fame;

Whereas on April 8, 1991, just over a year after his retirement, Willie Shoemaker was involved in a car accident that left him paralyzed from the neck down;

Whereas Willie Shoemaker was an honorary Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Paralysis Project of America, whose mission is to accelerate progress toward finding a cure for paralysis caused by spinal cord injury; and

Whereas on October 13, 2003, America was saddened by the death of Willie Shoemaker at the age of 72: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) honors the life and legendary career in horse racing of Willie Shoemaker; and

(2) expresses condolences on the passing of Willie Shoemaker to his family and friends.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from

Tennessee (Mr. DUNCAN) and the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. DAVIS) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. DUNCAN).

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. DUNCAN. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the resolution under consideration, H. Res. 439.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Tennessee?

There was no objection.

Mr. DUNCAN. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

On behalf of the Committee on Government Reform, and particularly on behalf of the sponsor, our colleague, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. REYES), I rise in support of House Resolution 439, which honors the life and career of one of horse racing's most legendary figures, Willie Shoemaker.

Willie Shoemaker ranks second all-time among jockeys in career wins, with 8,833. During his unbelievable 42-year career, Shoemaker won each of horse racing's Triple Crown events multiple times. He won the Preakness twice, he won the Kentucky Derby four times, and prevailed at the Belmont Stakes five times. Remarkably, at age 54, while riding the horse Ferdinand, he became the oldest jockey ever to win the Kentucky Derby in 1986.

After entering his first professional race at age 17 in 1949, Shoemaker made his last mount, number 40,352 of his incredible career, in 1990. The following year, he was involved in a tragic auto accident that left him paralyzed from the neck down. Despite being confined to a wheelchair, Shoemaker remained focused on his desire to return to horse racing in any possible capacity. Indeed, he returned to the sport he loved as a trainer in a supervisory role on September 29, 1991, less than 6 months after his accident.

Madam Speaker, perhaps horse racing's greatest and most renowned jockey ever passed away in his sleep last October 12 at the age of 72 at his home in Santa Anita, California. I commend the gentleman from Texas (Mr. REYES) for working to honor Willie Shoemaker with this timely and deserved resolution, and I urge all Members to support House Resolution 439.

Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. DAVIS of Illinois. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, "Pound for pound, he's got to be the greatest living athlete" in racing, writer Red Smith once wrote of Willie Shoemaker. This resolution honors Willie Shoemaker, who was one of the most successful and respected jockeys ever to mount a thoroughbred.

Willie Shoemaker was born in 1931 in Fabens, Texas. He later moved to southern California, where he cleaned stables and began riding thoroughbreds. Once "Shoe," as he was called, began racing, he quickly learned how to win. In his career, Willie Shoemaker won 8,833 races, a record that stood for 29 years.

One of Willie Shoemaker's most memorable rides was in the 1986 Kentucky Derby. He guided Ferdinand through the pack of Derby competitors to victoriously cross the finish line 2½ lengths ahead. At age 54, he became the oldest jockey to win the Kentucky Derby.

Willie Shoemaker made an impression on our Nation not just as an athlete but as a person. In 1957, Shoemaker was poised to win the Kentucky Derby when he misjudged a finish line and eased up too soon, losing the race. He turned his mistake into something positive by honoring Ralph Lowe, the owner of the horse Shoemaker was riding, who handled Shoemaker's loss with grace. Shoemaker endowed the Ralph Lowe Trophy to be presented annually to a distinguished racing competitor for good sportsmanship.

After he was severely injured in a car accident, Shoemaker used his talents in other ways. He served as honorary chairman of the Paralysis Project and served as director of the Shoemaker Foundation, which provides support to those injured in horse racing.

This resolution honors Willie Shoemaker and expresses condolences to his family and friends. Though his loss is certainly felt by many, the memory and legend of Willie Shoemaker and his perseverance will endure. People will certainly remember him as a great jockey, but also remember him as a great humanitarian. He used his ability, his presence not only to win races but to help us all understand that when you give of yourself that is when you are really at your best. Willie Shoemaker was the best.

Madam Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. DUNCAN. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume to urge support for this resolution.

Mr. DREIER. Madam Speaker, I rise to join my colleagues in honoring the life and career of Willie Shoemaker, arguably the most successful jockey in the history of horse racing.

Willie Shoemaker, also known as the "Shoe," had a storied career, beginning at age 18, and continuing on for 41 amazing years. In that time he compiled 8,833 victories, including four Kentucky Derbies, five Belmont Stakes, and three Preakness Stakes.

It was in my district, at Arcadia's Santa Anita park, that Willie Shoemaker was truly at home, and where he so often made history. There, on March 3, 1985, while riding Lord at War at the Santa Anita Handicap, he became the first jockey to total \$100,000,000 in purse winning. On February 3, 1990, Santa Anita hosted the final race of his long career, after which Shoemaker went on to become a trainer.

Tragically, Shoemaker was critically injured in an auto accident just over 1 year after his retirement. But though paralyzed from the neck down and confined to a wheelchair, he refused to give up his love for horses. Just 6 months after his accident, Willie was back at Santa Anita, where he supervised training activities.

When Willie Shoemaker passed away at his San Marino home on October 13, 2003, at the age of 72, the world lost a true sporting legend and an exemplary human being. I therefore urge my colleagues to join with me in remembering and honoring his life and legendary career.

Mr. REYES. Madam Speaker, on October 13, 2003, America was saddened by the death of Willie Shoemaker at the age of 72. Born in Fabens, TX, which I represent, Shoemaker has truly been an inspiration to his family and his community alike.

Arguably the most successful jockey in the history of horse racing, "Shoe," lead the life of champions. Competing for the first time at the age of 18, Shoemaker retired in 1990 with an impressive 8,833 victories. Accomplishments such as winning four Kentucky Derbies, five Belmont Stakes, and three Preakness Stakes established Shoemaker among the elite; Willie Shoemaker is a member of thoroughbred racing's Hall of Fame and the Texas Horse Racing Hall of Fame.

On April 8, 1991, just over a year after his retirement, Willie Shoemaker was involved in a car accident that left him paralyzed from the neck down. Paralyzation did not diminish Shoemaker's character or spirit. As an honorary Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Paralysis Project of America, the progress toward finding a cure for paralysis, by spinal cord injury, was greatly accelerated.

I would like to thank the lead cosponsor of this resolution, Mr. DREIER of California, for his work on this resolution, as well as the Chairman and Ranking Member for helping bring this resolution to the floor.

Madam Speaker, I am proud to honor such an outstanding individual from my community. I encourage my colleagues to support this resolution. Our strongest condolences goes out to his family and friends as we honor the life and legendary career in horse racing of Willie Shoemaker.

Mr. DUNCAN. Madam Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. DUNCAN) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 439.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

BEN ATCHLEY POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. DUNCAN. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 3769) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 137 East Young High Pike in Knoxville, Tennessee, as the "Ben Atchley Post Office Building".

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 3769

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. BEN ATCHLEY POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 137 East Young High Pike in Knoxville, Tennessee, shall be known and designated as the "Ben Atchley Post Office Building".

(b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the facility referred to in subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the Ben Atchley Post Office Building.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. DUNCAN) and the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. DAVIS) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. DUNCAN).

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. DUNCAN. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and to include extraneous material on the bill under consideration, H.R. 3769.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Tennessee?

There was no objection.

Mr. DUNCAN. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, H.R. 3769 would name the post office building at 137 East Young High Pike in Knoxville, Tennessee as the Ben Atchley Post Office Building. No tribute could be more fitting than to name a facility of the United States Government after one of our most patriotic public servants, Senator Ben Atchley.

Ben Atchley has served for 32 years with great honor and distinction in the Tennessee State Legislature. He served for 4 years in the Tennessee House of Representatives and has served the last 28 years as a State Senator from Knox County, Tennessee. Senator Atchley has served for most of that time as the Senate minority leader, but in a coalition with conservative Democrats he has really had effective control of the Tennessee State Senate. However, I think it is fair, and I think people on both sides of the aisle would agree, he is perhaps the most respected and admired figure in the entire government of our State of Tennessee.

He is a long-time personal friend. He is an outstanding family man, with his wife Sue and two children. He is a recognized and very respected figure in the Presbyterian Church, having received the very first Barnabas award, the highest award ever given to a lay member of the Presbyterian Church.

He has served as the National Chairman for the Ethics Committee of the National Association of State legislators. He has been a leader in his business, in his profession of life underwriting and in the mutual fund business. He has received the Distinguished