

COMMUNICATION FROM HON.  
NANCY PELOSI, DEMOCRATIC  
LEADER

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable NANCY PELOSI, Democratic Leader:

OCTOBER 4, 2004.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
*Speaker of the House, House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to section 214(a) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (42 U.S.C. 15344), I hereby appoint Douglas H. Palmer of Trenton, New Jersey to the Election Assistance Commission Board of Advisors. Mr. Palmer will fill the remainder of the term of Willie L. Brown, Jr.

Best regards,

NANCY PELOSI.

COMMUNICATION FROM CHAIRMAN  
OF COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION  
AND INFRASTRUCTURE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the chairman of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure; which was read and, without objection, referred to the Committee on Appropriations:

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION  
AND INFRASTRUCTURE,  
Washington, DC, September 29, 2004.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives, the  
Capitol, Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Enclosed please find resolutions approved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on September 29, 2004, in accordance with 40 U.S.C. § 3307.

Sincerely,

DON YOUNG,  
*Chairman.*

Enclosures.

LEASE—DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN'S AFFAIRS,  
811 VERMONT AVE, NW, WASHINGTON, DC

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives,* That pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized to lease up to approximately 207,943 rentable square feet of space, including 10 parking spaces, for the Department of Veteran's Affairs currently located in government owned space at 811 Vermont Avenue, NW, in Washington, DC, at a proposed total annual cost of \$9,357,435 for a lease term of 10 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to execution of the new lease.

*Provided,* That the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

AMENDED PROSPECTUS—LEASE—FEDERAL  
BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, TAMPA, FL

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives,* That pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized to lease up to approximately 137,023 rentable square feet of space, and 124 inside and 22 outside parking spaces, for the Federal Bureau of Investigation currently located in Tampa, Florida, at a proposed total annual cost of \$4,453,248 for a lease term of 15 years, a pro-

spectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution. This amends a Committee resolution dated November 7, 2001, which authorized 112,700 square feet and 117 parking spaces at a proposed total annual cost of \$3,662,750.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to execution of the new lease.

*Provided,* That the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

LEASE—INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE, ACCOUNTS  
MANAGEMENT DIVISION, PHILADELPHIA, PA

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives,* That pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized to lease up to approximately 205,789 rentable square feet of space, and 1,175 parking spaces, for the Internal Revenue Service currently located in multiple facilities in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at a proposed total annual cost of \$7,356,957 for a lease term of 15 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to execution of the new lease.

*Provided,* That the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

LEASE—EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT,  
NORTHERN VIRGINIA

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives,* That pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized to lease up to approximately 375,000 rentable square feet of space, and 1,175 parking spaces, for the Executive Office of the President currently located in multiple facilities in Northern Virginia, at a proposed total annual cost of \$13,875,000 for a lease term of 15 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to execution of the new lease.

ALTERATION IN LEASED SPACE—BUREAU OF  
PUBLIC DEBT, PARKERSBURG, WV

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives,* That pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized for the alteration of leased space located at 200 Third Street, in Parkersburg, West Virginia at a design and review cost of \$154,000, an estimated construction cost of \$1,930,000, and management and inspection cost of \$116,000 for a combined estimated total project cost of \$2,200,000, a prospectus for which is attached to, and included in, this resolution.

CONSTRUCTION—UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE,  
LAS CRUCES, NM

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives,* That pursuant to 40 U.S.C. § 3307, additional appropriations are authorized for the construction of a 229,988 gross square foot United States Courthouse, including 81 inside parking spaces, located in Las Cruces, NM, at additional site, design, construction, and management and inspection cost of \$7,644,000 for an estimated total project cost of \$64,736,000, for which a fact sheet is attached to, and included in, this resolution.

*Provided,* that any design shall, to the maximum extent possible incorporate shared or

collegial space, consistent with efficient court operations that will minimize the size and cost of the building to be constructed.

*Provided further,* that any design shall incorporate changes in the 1997 United States Courts Design Guide, including the implementation of a policy on shared courtrooms.

AMENDED PROSPECTUS—ALTERATION—EISENHOWER EXECUTIVE OFFICE BUILDING, WASHINGTON, DC

*Resolved by the committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives,* That pursuant to 40 U.S.C. § 3307, additional appropriations are authorized for the alternation of the Eisenhower Executive Office building, located in Washington, D.C., at an additional estimated construction cost of \$5,718,000 (estimated construction cost of \$63,531,000 was previously authorized), additional design and review cost of \$515,000 (design cost of \$5,718,000 was previously authorized and \$1,674,000 was made available through P.L. 107-38), and additional management and inspection cost of \$343,000 (management and inspection cost of \$5,682,000 was previously authorized) for an estimated total project cost of \$81,507,000, a prospectus for which is attached to, and included in, this resolution.

AMENDED PROSPECTUS—CONSTRUCTION—U.S.  
MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS, NEW YORK, NY

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives,* That pursuant to 40 U.S.C. § 3307, additional appropriations are authorized for the construction of the United States Mission to the United Nations, located in New York City, NY, at an additional design and review cost of \$405,000, additional management and inspection cost of \$641,000, and additional estimated construction cost of \$9,773,000 for an amended estimated total project cost of \$72,326,000, a prospectus for which is attached to, and included in, this resolution. This resolution amends Committee resolutions dated July 23, 1998, which authorized design cost of \$3,163,000; May 27, 1999, that authorized demolition and management and inspection cost of \$4,300,000; and June 21, 2000, that authorized design cost of \$266,000, construction cost of \$49,962,000, and management and inspection cost of \$3,816,000.

AMENDED PROSPECTUS—CONSTRUCTION—BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, FIREARMS AND EXPLOSIVES, WASHINGTON, DC

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives,* That pursuant to 40 U.S.C. § 3307, additional appropriations are authorized for the construction of a 438,242 gross square foot facility, including 200 inside parking spaces for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, currently located at multiple facilities in Washington, D.C., at an additional estimated construction cost of \$47,503,000, for an amended estimated total project cost of \$150,998,000, a prospectus for which is attached to, and included in, this resolution. This resolution amends Committee resolutions dated October 9, 1998, which authorized a site acquisition cost of \$32,700,000 and design cost of \$5,234,000, and June 21, 2000, which authorized a construction cost of \$79,000,000 and management and inspection cost of \$4,000,000.

LEASE—FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,  
NEW YORK, NY

*Resolved by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the U.S. House of Representatives,* That pursuant to title 40 U.S.C. § 3307, appropriations are authorized to lease up to approximately 169,461 rentable square

feet of space for the Federal Bureau of Investigation currently located in government owned space at 26 Federal Plaza and 290 Broadway, in New York, NY at a proposed total annual cost of \$8,134,128 for a lease term of 10 years, a prospectus for which is attached to and included in this resolution.

Approval of this prospectus constitutes authority to execute an interim lease for all tenants, if necessary, prior to execution of the new lease.

*Provided*, That the General Services Administration shall not delegate to any other agency the authority granted by this resolution.

There was no objection.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the numbers H.R. 3, H.R. 9, and H.R. 10 shall be available during the second session of the 108th Congress for assignment by the Speaker to such bills as he may designate.

There was no objection.

#### 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.

#### PETRIFIED FOREST NATIONAL PARK EXPANSION ACT OF 2004

Mr. GIBBONS. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1630) to revise the boundary of the Petrified Forest National Park in the State of Arizona, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 1630

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

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Petrified Forest National Park Expansion Act of 2004".

#### SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

(1) MAP.—The term "map" means the map entitled "Proposed Boundary Adjustments, Petrified Forest National Park", numbered 110/80,044, and dated June 2004.

(2) PARK.—The term "Park" means the Petrified Forest National Park in the State.

(3) SECRETARY.—The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior.

(4) STATE.—The term "State" means the State of Arizona.

#### SEC. 3. BOUNDARY REVISION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary is authorized to revise the boundary of the Park to include approximately 125,000 acres as depicted on the map.

(b) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The map shall be on file and available for public inspection in the appropriate offices of the National Park Service.

#### SEC. 4. ACQUISITION OF ADDITIONAL LAND.

(a) PRIVATE LAND.—The Secretary may acquire from a willing seller, by donation, purchase with donated or appropriated funds, or exchange, any private land or interests in private land within the revised boundary of the Park. In acquiring private land and interests in private land within the revised boundary of the Park, the Secretary shall undertake to acquire such private land and interests in private land first by donation or exchange.

(b) STATE LAND.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may, with the consent of the State and in accordance with Federal and State law, acquire from the State any State land or interests in State land within the revised boundary of the Park.

(2) PLAN.—Not later than 3 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall, in coordination with the State, develop a plan for acquisition for State land or interests in State land under paragraph (1).

(3) MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT.—If the Secretary is unable to acquire the State land under paragraph (1) within the 3-year period required by paragraph (2), the Secretary may enter into an agreement that would allow the National Park Service to manage State land within the revised boundary of the Park.

#### SEC. 5. ADMINISTRATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to applicable laws, all land and interests in land acquired under this Act shall be administered by the Secretary as part of the Park.

(b) TRANSFER OF JURISDICTION.—The Secretary shall transfer to the National Park Service administrative jurisdiction over any land under the jurisdiction of the Secretary that—

(1) is depicted on the map as being within the boundaries of the Park; and

(2) is not under the administrative jurisdiction of the National Park Service on the date of enactment of this Act.

(c) EXCHANGE AFTER ENACTMENT.—Upon completion of an exchange of land after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall transfer administrative jurisdiction over the exchanged lands within the boundary of the Park as depicted on the map to the National Park Service.

(d) GRAZING.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall permit the continuation of grazing on land transferred to the Secretary under this Act, subject to applicable laws, regulations, and Executive Orders.

(2) TERMINATION OF LEASES OR PERMITS.—Nothing in this subsection prohibits the Secretary from accepting the voluntary termination of a grazing permit or grazing lease within the Park.

(e) AMENDMENT TO GENERAL MANAGEMENT PLAN.—Not later than 3 years after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall amend the general management plan for the Park to address the use and management of any additional land acquired under this Act.

#### SEC. 6. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this Act.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Nevada (Mr. GIBBONS) and the gentlewoman from the Virgin Islands (Mrs. CHRISTENSEN) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Nevada (Mr. GIBBONS).

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GIBBONS. Mr. 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 bill under consideration.

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

There was no objection.

Mr. GIBBONS. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. RENZI).

Mr. RENZI. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Nevada (Mr. GIBBONS) for yielding me this time.

I rise today in support of H.R. 1630, the Petrified Forest National Park Expansion Act of 2004. This legislation authorizes the largest and most responsible park expansion this Congress has considered.

The Petrified Forest is truly a national treasure. It contains some of the most valuable natural and cultural resources in the world. The Petrified Forest contains resources dating back 225 million years.

Yet, today, the Petrified Forest is being threatened. Looters are raiding unprotected areas around the Petrified Forest National Park, searching for fossilized wood and valuable property, and they are selling these items on the black market. Our American Indian grave sites have been dug up and destroyed, and adjacent landowners have been forced to hire their own private security to prevent theft and vandalism.

In 1992, the National Park Service released a general management plan that proposed the inclusion of some 98,000 acres of surrounding threatened land. Since this time, additional Bureau of Land Management, State of Arizona, and private land has been identified for inclusion in the Petrified Forest National Park.

The Petrified Forest National Park Expansion Act of 2004 authorizes the inclusion of 125,000 additional acres surrounding the Petrified Forest National Park. Expanding the Petrified Forest National Park will increase tourism and enhance research opportunities for communities in northern Arizona. In addition, private landowners identified in this exchange are willing sellers and will first consider a land exchange with the Federal Government.

As amended, this legislation ensures that acquisition by donation or exchange or other Federal lands shall occur first. Then, if additional lands need to be acquired, the Federal Government can purchase private land from willing sellers. This compromise will allow for the largest expansion of a national park this Congress, while ensuring the Federal Government's backlog maintenance needs are not further aggravated.

This important legislation has broad support from several nationally recognized archeological groups, as well as support from the Navajo County Board