

As we are poised on yet another verge in our national experience, we would do well to remember Dr. Boorstin's advice about what has served us well before: be more aware of our Americanness, whet our appetites for the new, and form new communities so that we might rely better on one another as we deal with changing circumstances.

#### REPORT PURSUANT TO WAR POWERS RESOLUTION

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the attached statement from the President of the United States be printed in the RECORD, consistent with the War Powers Resolution.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

THE WHITE HOUSE,  
Washington, March 2, 2004.

Hon. TED STEVENS,  
*President pro tempore of the Senate,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: In my report to the Congress of February 25, 2004, I provided information on the deployment of combat-equipped U.S. Armed Forces to Haiti. I am providing this additional report, consistent with the War Powers Resolution, to help ensure that the Congress is kept fully informed on U.S. military activities in Haiti.

On February 29, 2004, approximately 200 additional U.S. combat-equipped, military personnel from the U.S. Joint Forces Command deployed to Port-au-Prince, Haiti, to secure key facilities, to facilitate the continued repatriation of Haitian migrants, to help create conditions in the capital for the anticipated arrival of the Multinational Interim Force, to protect American citizens as may be required, and for other purposes consistent with United Nations Security Council Resolution 1529 (2004). I anticipate additional combat-equipped military personnel will be deployed to Haiti until the situation in Haiti stabilizes. The forces that the United States deployed and continues to deploy will be part of the Multinational Interim Force.

The United Nations Security Council unanimously adopted Resolution 1529 on February 29, 2004. It authorized the deployment of a Multinational Interim Force to contribute to a more secure and more stable environment in the Haitian capital and elsewhere, to facilitate the provision of humanitarian assistance and the access of humanitarian aid workers to the Haitian people, and for other purposes.

It is anticipated U.S. forces will redeploy when the Multinational Interim Force has transitioned to a follow-on United Nations stabilization force.

I have taken this action pursuant to my constitutional authority to conduct U.S. foreign relations and as Commander in Chief and Chief Executive. I am providing this report as part of my efforts to keep the Congress informed, consistent with the War Powers Resolution.

Sincerely,

GEORGE W. BUSH

#### LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 2003

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I speak about the need for hate crimes legislation. On May 1, 2003, Senator KENNEDY

and I introduced the Local Law Enforcement Enhancement Act, a bill that would add new categories to current hate crimes law, sending a signal that violence of any kind is unacceptable in our society.

In February, 2003, in Antioch, CA, a 15-year-old teen was charged with assault and battery and for committing a hate crime. He viciously assaulted and taunted another teenager because he believed he was gay.

I believe that Government's first duty is to defend its citizens, to defend them against the harms that come out of hate. The Local Law Enforcement Enhancement Act is a symbol that can become substance. By passing this legislation and changing current law, we can change hearts and minds as well.

#### CHANGES TO DISCRETIONARY CAPS

Mr. NICKLES. Mr. President, section 421 of H. Con. Res. 95, the 2004 Budget Resolution, requires the chairman of the Senate Budget Committee to make appropriate adjustments in the appropriate allocations and aggregates to reflect the difference between Public Law 108-11, the Emergency Wartime Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2003—and the corresponding levels assumed in the resolution.

As enacted, the Emergency Wartime Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2003 contains budgetary authority, outlays and revenues that differ from those assumed in the budget resolution. On May 5, 2003, the allocations and aggregates were revised, but the discretionary caps were not appropriately adjusted to reflect the changes.

I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD a table which reflects the revised discretionary caps for 2005. These revised caps are the appropriate levels to be used for enforcement of the 2004 Budget Resolution.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

Category	2005 cap	Adjustment	New 2005 cap
Discretionary:			
BA .....	812.598	0.175	812.773
OT .....	817.883	0.402	818.285
Highway:			
BA .....	0.000	0.000	0.000
OT .....	33.393	0.000	33.393
Mass Transit:			
BA .....	1.488	0.000	1.488
OT .....	6.726	0.000	6.726
Total:			
BA .....	814.086	0.175	814.261
OT .....	858.002	0.402	858.404

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### DISCOVERY BY JULIAN "JAY" W. MCNEIL II

• Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, today I would like to take the opportunity to honor Mr. Jay McNeil of Paducah, KY. On January 23, 2004, Mr. McNeil discovered a new nebula while examining the night sky over Western Kentucky.

Mr. McNeil immediately established himself as an extremely capable amateur astronomer. The discovery was made with a relatively small telescope. His discovery was a very rare occurrence. According to experts in the field, such a discovery by an amateur of this magnitude has not occurred since 1939.

The discovery, later named McNeil's Nebula, was verified by the International Astronomical Union in February of 2004. The nebula is believed to contain a newborn star and is about 1,500 light years from earth. This means that what Mr. McNeil saw actually occurred a millennium and a half ago, and is just now being seen on earth.

I salute Mr. McNeil for his discovery. The thirst for knowledge and appreciation for science that he has shown serves as an example for all Kentuckians.●

##### LEWISTON ELKS LODGE NO. 896 CELEBRATES 100-YEAR ANNIVERSARY

• Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, it is with great honor that I congratulate the Lewiston Elks Club, Lodge No. 896, on its 100-year anniversary. The organization has overcome multiple obstacles in its efforts to continue the fellowship among its members, and more important, its consistent and significant contributions to the local community.

Lodge No. 896 was first chartered on March 8, 1904 by just eight members. The organization envisioned by the original eight founders has grown to include more than 13,000 members over the past century. Today it is the largest Elks Club in Idaho. Successful recruitment efforts bring in 15 to 18 new members each month, making the Lewiston lodge one of the Nation's best. Together, the Elks have made countless positive impacts on the Lewiston area, and have been stellar ambassadors of our great State.

The Lewiston Elks Lodge has endured two devastating fires, the first of which occurred in 1904 after the club's second meeting. The second fire happened in 1969, and spurred the group to move the lodge to a new location overlooking the beautiful Snake River, which passes through Lewiston. It was at its present location that disaster made a third attempt. In 1998, the lodge was closed for more than 18 months after a landslide on the hillside below threatened the structure. Despite these obstacles, the Lewiston Elks have continued their community service.

The service projects carried out by the Lewiston Elks are significant. They serve people of all ages, and from every walk of life. Some projects include making Christmas baskets, supporting a drug awareness program, poster contests, and an annual food caravan for needy families. The Elks also express their support for individuals and groups in the community by sponsoring a number of awards recognizing Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Special

Olympics, and Teenager of the Month and Year. Education is another area that the Elks are firm in their support. The Lewiston club offers yearly scholarships to local youth ranging from \$100 to \$1,000.

Perhaps one of the greatest contributions from this organization is the support it offers to the Idaho State Elks Rehabilitation Hospital. The modern hospital, located in Boise, serves nearly 12,000 patients a year and is working on a proposal to provide rehabilitation services to military veterans returning from war zones. With the support of the Lewiston Elks and other organizations, the hospital plans to open a new Hearing and Balance Center in the next few months.

On behalf of the citizens of the Lewiston area, and the entire State of Idaho, I thank Lodge No. 896 for their commitment to their community. It is the standard set by the Lewiston Elks that encourages local youth to strive to improve themselves, and for neighbors to help one another. Their selflessness has allowed everyone in the community to benefit. Congratulations to the Lewiston Elks for their endurance and dedication for the past 100 years.●

#### 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 Environment and Public Works.

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

#### NOTIFICATION OF THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY BLOCKING PROPERTY OF PERSONS UNDERMINING DEMOCRATIC PROCESSES OR INSTITUTIONS IN ZIMBABWE—PM 69

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:*

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent the enclosed notice

to the *Federal Register* for publication. It states that the national emergency blocking the property of persons undermining the democratic processes or institutions in Zimbabwe is to continue in effect beyond March 6, 2004.

The crisis caused by the actions and policies of certain members of the Government of Zimbabwe and other persons to undermine Zimbabwe's democratic processes or institutions has not been resolved. These actions and policies pose a continuing, unusual, and extraordinary threat to the foreign policy of the United States. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared on March 6, 2003, blocking the property of persons undermining democratic processes or institutions in Zimbabwe and to maintain in force the sanctions to respond to this threat.

GEORGE W. BUSH,  
THE WHITE HOUSE, March 2, 2004.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:30 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate.

H.R. 3769. An act 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".

#### ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The message also announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 714. An act to provide for the conveyance of a small parcel of Bureau of Land Management land in Douglas County, Oregon, to the county to improve management of and recreational access to the Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bill was signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS).

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 3769. An act 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"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

#### ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, March 3, 2004, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 714. An act to provide for the conveyance of a small parcel of Bureau of Land Management land in Douglas County, Or-

egon, to the county to improve management of and recreational access to the Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area, and for other purposes.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-6569. A communication from the President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a transaction involving U.S. exports to the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6570. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Shareholder Reports and Quarterly Portfolio Disclosure of Registered Management Investment Companies" (RIN3235-AG64) received on March 2, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6571. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amended Service Obligation Reporting Requirements for U.S. Merchant Marine Academy and State Maritime Academy Graduates" (RIN2133-AB57) received on March 2, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6572. A communication from the Attorney, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Upper Interior Impact" (RIN21270-AH61) received on March 2, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6573. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Law, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Alternative Fuel Transportation Program; Private and Local Government Fleet Determination" (RIN1904-AA98) received on March 2, 2004; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6574. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Law, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Human Reliability Program" (RIN1992-AA29) received on March 2, 2004; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6575. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation to authorize the reclassification of fees paid into the Nuclear Waste Fund as offsetting collections, in an amount equal to appropriations for nuclear waste disposal; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6576. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Lands Highway Program; Transportation Planning Procedures and Management Systems Pertaining to the Forest Service, Including the Forest Highways Programs" (RIN2125-AE55) received on March 2, 2004; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6577. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Lands Highway Program;