

take on this important and difficult duty. I urge my colleagues to approve General Petraeus' promotion to the rank of lieutenant general.●

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will return to legislative session.

MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR—H.R. 4275

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, under rule XIV, I understand that H.R. 4275 is at the desk, and I ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 4275) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the 10-percent individual income tax rate, and for other purposes.

Mr. WARNER. I now ask for its second reading, and in order to place the bill on the calendar under the provisions of rule XIV, I object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard. The bill will be read a second time on the next legislative day.

NATIONAL SAFETY MONTH

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I turn to calendar 512, S. Res. 331, National Safety Month.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 331) designating June 2004 as National Safety Week.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. WARNER. I ask consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements related to the bill appear in the appropriate place in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 331) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 331

Whereas the mission of the National Safety Council is to educate and influence society to adopt safety, health, and environmental policies, practices, and procedures that prevent and mitigate human suffering and economic losses arising from preventable causes;

Whereas the National Safety Council works to protect lives and promote health with innovative programs;

Whereas the National Safety Council, founded in 1913, is celebrating its 91st anniversary in 2004 as the premier source of safety and health information, education, and training in the United States;

Whereas the National Safety Council was congressionally chartered in 1953, and is cele-

brating its 51st anniversary in 2004 as a congressionally chartered organization;

Whereas even with advancements in safety that create a safer environment for the people of the United States, such as new legislation and improvements in technology, the unintentional-injury death toll is still unacceptable;

Whereas citizens deserve a solution to nationwide safety and health threats;

Whereas such a solution requires the cooperation of all levels of government, as well as the general public;

Whereas the summer season, traditionally a time of increased unintentional-injury fatalities, is an appropriate time to focus attention on both the problem and the solution; and

Whereas the theme of "National Safety Month" for 2004 is "Crash-Free June", a national initiative intended to reduce motor vehicle crashes, which are the leading cause of injury death in the United States: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates June 2004 as "National Safety Month"; and

(2) requests that the President issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe such month with appropriate ceremonies and activities that promote acknowledgment, gratitude, and respect for the advances of the National Safety Council and its mission.

HONORING THE CONTRIBUTION OF WOMEN ON THE HOMEFRONT DURING WORLD WAR II

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I ask consent that the Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee, be discharged from further action on S. Con. Res. 103 and the Senate now proceed to its consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the concurrent resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

The concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 103), honoring the contribution of the women, symbolized by "Rosie the Riveter," who served on the home-front during World War II, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the concurrent resolution.

Mr. WARNER. I ask unanimous consent that the concurrent resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 103) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The concurrent resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. CON. RES. 103

Whereas during World War II, 6,000,000 women stepped forward to work in homefront industries to produce the ships, planes, tanks, trucks, guns, and ammunition that were crucial to achieving an Allied victory;

Whereas women worked in homefront industries as welders, riveters, engineers, designers, and managers, and held other positions that had traditionally been held by men;

Whereas these women demonstrated great skill and dedication in the difficult and often dangerous jobs they held, which enabled them to produce urgently needed military equipment at recordbreaking speeds;

Whereas the need for labor in homefront industries during World War II opened new employment opportunities for women from all walks of life and dramatically increased gender and racial integration in the workplace;

Whereas the service of women on the homefront during World War II marked an unprecedented entry of women into jobs that had traditionally been held by men and created a lasting legacy of the ability of women to succeed in those jobs;

Whereas these women devoted their hearts and souls to their work to assure safety and success for their husbands, sons, and other loved ones on the battle front;

Whereas the needs of working mothers resulted in the creation of child care programs, leading to the lasting legacy of public acceptance of early child development and care outside the home;

Whereas the needs of women on the homefront led to employer-sponsored prepaid and preventative health care never before seen in the United States; and

Whereas in 2000, Congress recognized the significance to the Nation of the industrial achievements on the homefront during World War II and the legacy of the women who worked in those industries through the establishment of the Rosie the Riveter World War II Home Front National Historical Park in Richmond, California, as a unit of the National Park System: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That Congress—

(1) honors the extraordinary contributions of the women whose dedicated service on the homefront during World War II was instrumental in achieving an Allied victory;

(2) recognizes the lasting legacy of equal employment opportunity and support for child care and health care that developed during the "Rosie the Riveter" era; and

(3) calls on the people of the United States to take the opportunity to study, reflect on, and celebrate the stories and accomplishments of women who served the Nation as "Rosies" during World War II.

Mr. WARNER. I ask unanimous consent that the Senator from Virginia be made a cosponsor of that resolution.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2004

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:45 a.m., Tuesday, May 18; I further ask that following the prayer and the pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then begin a period of morning business for up to 60 minutes, with the first 30 minutes under the control of the majority leader or his designee and the second 30 minutes under the control of the Democratic leader or his designee; provided that following morning business, the Senate begin consideration of H.R. 3104, providing medals for our service men and women as provided under the previous order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. WARNER. I ask consent the Senate recess from 12:30 to 2:15 for the party luncheons.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, tomorrow, following morning business, the Senate will begin consideration of the service medals legislation. Under the previous order, there will be a short period of debate prior to a vote on passage. If all time is used, that vote will occur at approximately 11:15 a.m. The vote on the service medals bill will be the first vote of the day.

The Senate will then resume consideration of the Department of Defense authorization bill. We are prepared to consider amendments and I encourage Senators to notify us of their intent to offer amendments so we can begin to schedule for their consideration. It is the leader's intention to complete action on this bill by the end of the week.

Following the party luncheons, the Senate is scheduled to proceed to a cloture vote on the nomination of Marcia Cooke to be a district judge for the Southern District of Florida. Discussions on the state of judicial nominations are ongoing, and it is possible we may not require this cloture vote.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:45 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. WARNER. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I now ask unanimous consent the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:13 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, May 18, 2004, at 9:45 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate May 17, 2004:

THE JUDICIARY

MICHAEL H. SCHNEIDER, SR., OF TEXAS, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS, VICE JOHN H. HANNAH, JR., DECEASED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

CHRISTOPHER WILLIAM DELL, OF NEW JERSEY, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF ZIMBABWE.

INTER-AMERICAN FOUNDATION

NADINE HOGAN, OF FLORIDA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE INTER-AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR A TERM EXPIRING JUNE 26, 2008, VICE FRANK D. YTURRIA, TERM EXPIRED.

JACK VAUGHN, OF TENNESSEE, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE INTER-AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 20, 2006, VICE PATRICIA HILL WILLIAMS, TERM EXPIRED.

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

THE FOLLOWING CANDIDATES FOR PERSONNEL ACTION IN THE REGULAR COMPONENT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE SUBJECT TO QUALIFICATIONS THEREFOR AS PROVIDED BY LAW AND REGULATIONS:

1. FOR APPOINTMENT

To be assistant surgeon

DANIEL MOLINA

JAMES D. WARNER

THE FOLLOWING CANDIDATES FOR PERSONNEL ACTION IN THE REGULAR COMPONENT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE SUBJECT TO QUALIFICATIONS THEREFOR AS PROVIDED BY LAW AND REGULATIONS:

1. FOR APPOINTMENT:

To be assistant surgeon

SONGHAI BARCLIFT
ANTHONY DUNNIGAN
DAISY ENG
RICHARD HEDLUND
MITCHELL MATHIS
MATTHEW OLNES
TOBE PROPST
GREGORY WOITTE

THE FOLLOWING CANDIDATES FOR PERSONNEL ACTION IN THE REGULAR COMPONENT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE SUBJECT TO QUALIFICATIONS THEREFOR AS PROVIDED BY LAW AND REGULATIONS:

1. FOR APPOINTMENT

To be medical director

ALVIN ABRAMS
KELLY J. ACTON
ROBERT F. ANDA
JON K. ANDRUS
ROBERT J. BERRY
SUZANNE BINDER
EDWARD A. BRANN
RICHARD T. CALDWELL
VITO M. CASERTA
KENNETH G. CASTRO
ROBERT T. CHEN
THOMAS J. CREELMAN
JEFFREY A. CUTLER
DEAN F. EFFLER
DELORES A. ENDRES
RUTH A. ETZEL
MARIO E. FAJARDO
JOHN T. FRIEDRICH
HELENE D. GAYLE
THOMAS P. GROSS
DOUGLAS H. HAMILTON
HARRY W. HAVERKOS
BARBARA L. HERWALDT
SCOTT D. HOLMBERG
JOSEPH P. ISER
JOSEPH M. KACZMARCZYK
JONATHAN E. KAPLAN
CAROLYN V. LEE
SCOTT R. LILLIBRIDGE
NEIL J. MAKELA
THURMA MCCANN GOLDMAN
RICHARD J. MILLER
MELINDA MOORE
THOMAS R. NAVIN
RICHARD W. NISKA
STEPHEN M. OSTROFF
THOMAS A. PETERMAN
FRANK O. RICHARDS JR.
LAWRENCE D. ROBERTSON JR.
WILLIAM M. SAPPENFIELD
PAUL J. SELIGMAN
MARY K. SERDULA
PHILLIP L. SMITH
MICHAEL E. ST LOUIS
LOIS F. STEELE
RICHARD W. STEKETEE
ROBERT V. TAUXE
HUGH K. TYSON
WILLIAM C. VANDERWAGEN
DONNA L. VOGEL
RONALD J. WALDMAN
JOHN W. WARD
JAY D. WENGER
SCOTT F. WETTERHALL
STEFAN Z. WIKTOR
ALLEN J. WILCOX
LYNNE S. WILCOX
RAY YIP

To be senior surgeon

STEVEN B. AUERBACH
MARGARET C. BASH
RALPH T. BRYAN
JAY C. BUTLER
GEOFFREY M. CALVERT
RICHARD J. CALVERT
GRANT L. CAMPBELL
ARTURO H. CASTRO
DONALD W. CLARK
GEORGE A. CONWAY
ROBERT L. DANNER JR.
MARK E. DELOWERY
LUIS G. ESCOBEDO
ARTHUR J. FRENCH III
AURELIO GALATI
STEVEN K. GILSON
MARTA L. GWINN
DAVID M. HARLAN
GEORGE H. HAYS JR.
RICHARD L. HAYS
CLARE HELMINIAK
BRADLEY S. HERSH
PAUL J. HIGGINS
NOREEN A. HYNES
KATHLEEN L. IRWIN
WILLIAM J. KASSLER
VIRGINIA B. KOPELMAN
SANDRA L. KWEDER
EVE M. LACKRITZ
WILLIAM C. LEVINE
JAMES A. LEWIS

RONALD LIEBERMAN
BORIS D. LUSHNIAK
FRANK J. MAHONEY
WILLIAM J. MARX JR.
ELAINE MILLER
JOHN S. MORAN
PHUC NGUYEN-DINH
MANETTE T. MALACANE NIU
ELIZABETH ORTIZ-RIOS
BRADLEY A. PERKINS
ROGER D. PROCK
ROBERT E. QUICK III
STEPHEN J. RITH-NAJARIAN
EVELYN M. RODRIGUEZ
LISA S. ROSENBLUM
ANNE SCHUCHAT
STEVEN G. SCOTT
DONALD J. SHARP
SAM S. SHEKAR
MITCHELL SINGAL
LAURENCE M. SLUTSKER
DANIEL M. SOSIN
THOMAS K. STEMPEL
DAVID L. SWERDLOW
JORDAN W. TAPPERO
JACK A. TAYLOR
JUDITH THIERRY
THOMAS J. WALSH
WALTER W. WILLIAMS
JESSIE S. WING

To be surgeon

H. ALAN ARBUCKLE
SUSAN BLANK
KIM C. BROWNELL
D. W. CHEN
SCOTT F. DOWELL
ROSEMARIE HIRSCH
SARAH R. LINDE-FEUCHT
KAREN L. PARKO
MARY C. PORVAZNIK
STEVEN G. SCOTT
KENNETH SOWINSKI
STEVE J. TIERNEY

To be senior assistant surgeon

WILLIAM H. DUNN JR.
DIANA L. DUNNIGAN
DAVID R. GAHN
JOHN M. HARDIN
TANIA A. HURLBUTT
DOROTHY A. JENSEN
PAUL D. MAHER
MARIE A. RUSSELL
JOHN W. VANDERHOOF
JULIA C. WATKINS

To be dental director

VICTOR R. ALOS
MICHAEL J. ALPERT
WILLIAM D. BAILEY
BARBARA B. BEACH
ROBERT A. BEST
STEVEN M. BOE
FRED E. COY III
ALAN R. DEUBNER
M. ANN DRUM
WILLIAM E. EVANS
MICHAEL R. FOUNTAIN
RICHARD T. HIGHAM
BENJAMIN F. HOWARD
JAMES J. JAN
JAN T. JOSEPHSON
GARY J. KAPLOWITZ
JAMES M. LOGAN
MICHAEL L. MARK
RAY M. MCCULLOUGH
GENE J. MCELHINNEY
MARIAN P. MEHEGAN
ROBERT J. MORK
MARK E. NEHRING
STEVEN R. NEWMAN
MIGUEL RICO
JOHN L.M. ROBINSON
RAUL A. ROMAGUERA
ROBERT H. SELWITZ
JAMES E. SHEATS
SANDRA L. SHIRE
JEANNE R. TUCKER
BARRY H. WATERMAN
CLIFFORD D. WHITE
RICHARD H. WHITE
RUSSELL C. WILLIAMS JR.

To be senior dental surgeon

JEROME B. ALFORD
WILLIAM E. ATWOOD
RONALD E. BAJUSCAK
STEVEN J. BAUNE
THOMAS L. BERTEL
MITCHELL J. BERNSTEIN
SAMUEL L. BUNDRANT
APRIL C. BUTTS
ROBERT A. CABANAS
WILLIAM L. CANADA
ROGER L. CHO
DAVID L. CLEMENS
MICHAEL E. CRUTCHER
SCOTT K. DUBOIS
JEROME S. HOLBROOK
NORMAN W. JAMES
RODNEY F. KIRK
RAYMOND F. LALA
MARGARET L. LAMY
LAURENCE B. LANE