baseball games, contests and parades would come to be identified as traditional parts of the celebration as well. However, from the very beginning food, family and friends played central roles in these remembrances.

Many African Americans will continue this celebration through various activities in their local communities. I was honored to join Arkansans in celebrating Juneteenth in Little Rock this past weekend, and I challenge all Americans to join me in celebrating the rich history and countless contributions African Americans have made in our country, to remember the struggles for dignity and racial equality in America and to commit to fighting for equality in our schools, workplaces and in our communities.

THE BOSTON CELTICS—THE "HEROES AMONG US" AWARDS

Mr. KENNEDY. Madam President, the Boston Celtics are heroes on the basketball court, and they are heroes off the court as well. In 1997, they established the "Heroes Among Us" Awards to honor outstanding persons in the area who have had an especially significant impact on the lives of others. The award pays tribute to men and women who have made a difference because of their unselfish commitment to their community. Their extraordinary achievements take place in a wide variety of fields, and are made by persons of all ages and in all walks of life.

At each home game during the basketball season, the Celtics and their fans pay tribute to one of the honorees in a special presentation on the basketball court. So far, over 300 persons have received the "Heroes Among Us" award.

All of us in the Kennedy family are proud that one of this year's awards was made to my nephew Tim Shriver. He was honored for his leadership of the Special Olympics, which provides training in sports and opportunities to participate in competitive sports for children and adults with mental retardation in many nations throughout the world. Tim was honored in Boston last December during a Celtics game against the Utah Jazz, and several Special Olympics athletes were part of the ceremony on center court.

Massachusetts is proud of the Celtics and proud of this successful and inspiring awards program, which has become one of the most respected such initiatives in the Nation. I ask unanimous consent to print in the RECORD the names of the honorees for the 2003–2004 season.

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

Frank Kilroy (Danvers), Karen Butler and Tom Lee (Brockton), Atala Esquilin (Lynn), Karen, Bob and Alex Bean (Shrewsbury), Mary Soo Hoo (Boston), Caitlin Gorski (Hopkinton), Chris Constantino (Plymouth), Nadine Burgeson (Lakeville), Kellie Burgeson Surdis (Lakeville), Joe Lawless (Lynnfield), Dr. Arnold Scheller (Milton), Jackie Jenkins-Scott (Roxbury), Honorable Leslie Harris (Dorchester), Anne Norton (Boston), Lieutenant Paul D. Lucas (Boston), Firefighter Dorian Jenkins (Boston);

Firefighter Vincent Dimino (Boston), Cory Arno (Central Falls, RI), Mel Rubin (Chestnut Hill), Ryan and Hattie Wilkinson (Medfield), Mason Hedberg (North Attleboro), Myra Fox (Newton), Margela Olivier-Galette (Randolph), Lee and Allison Weissman (Springfield), Jesus Gerena (Jamaica Plain), Veryl Anderson (North Andover), Bob Michalczyk (Lowell), George Kouloheras (Lowell), Michael Danziger (Lincoln), Melinda Pellerin-Duck (Springfield), State Trooper Kevin Fogwill (Brookfield), Tony DeBlois (Randolph);

Matt Haymer (Andover), Brian, Calvin and David Owino (Framingham), Debby Sabin Kanzer (Lincoln), Daniel Gonzalez (Cambridge), David Goodfellow (Lakeville), Linda Brooks (Framingham), Greg deZarn-O'Hare (East Kingston, NH), Peter Bruce (South Dartmouth), Brendan McDonough (Dorchester), Ron Bielicki (Waltham), Tim Shriver (Washington, DC), Charity Bell (Jamaica Plain), Alex Cortes (Springfield), George Giddings (Yonkers, NY);

Charles Diggs (Norwood), Harvey Sanford (Boston), Willis Saunders (Boston), Boston Police Sergeant John Danilecki (Boston), Boston Police Officer Adam Gill (Boston), Boston Police Officer Michael Mylett (Boston), Boston Police Officer Michael Doyle (Boston), Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority Police Officer James St. Croix (Boston), Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority Police Officer Richard Lum (Boston), Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority Police Officer Chi Keung (Boston).

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

KENTUCKY MOUNTAIN DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

• Mr. BUNNING. Madam President, I rise to honor and pay tribute to the Kentucky Mountain Development Corporation, KMHDC, for receiving one of the Fannie Mae Foundation's 6 Maxwell Awards for Excellence.

The Maxwell Awards of Excellence program showcases the outstanding work of nonprofit organizations in developing and maintaining housing for low-income Americans. Each year the award is given to only 6 projects nationwide. The Kentucky Mountain Development Corporation is a church-related nonprofit established in 1973, that provides save, decent, affordable homes for low-income families in Southeastern Kentucky. The staff of nearly 30 works with volunteers to build and repair houses for low-income families and provide financing for families with income too low to qualify for any other housing assistance. KMHDC originates and services low-interest loans and provides jobs and promotes economic development through housing production in rural Appalachia.

The Kentucky Mountain Development Corporation is an outstanding example of how Kentuckians use their entrepreneurial talent, drive, and vision to create opportunities not just for themselves, but for others. In the last 30 years, they have provided 600 homes

for low-income families and it has completed more than 400 home repairs to substandard owner occupied units.

Southeastern Kentucky is fortunate to have the Kentucky Mountain Development Corporation as a home-based business. I appreciate their loyalty to Kentucky and their community. The company is a shining example of leadership, hard work, and compassion. They are an inspiration to all throughout the Commonwealth.

Congratulations, Kentucky Mountain Development Corporation. You are Kentucky at its finest.●

WEST VIRGINIA DAY

• Mr. ROCKEFELLER. Madam President, I would like to take a moment to recognize the beautiful State which I am proud to call my home, West Virginia. Yesterday, June 20, was truly a day to celebrate our great State. One hundred and forty one years ago, West Virginia became the 35th State to join our Nation.

West Virginia's travel slogan "Wild and Wonderful" captures the essence of West Virginia's terrain. In reference to the spirit of our landscape abundant with roaming rivers and dense forests, the early settlers created the state "Mountaineers are always motto: free." To this day, West Virginia remains known for its breathtaking natural beauty. It is a growing destination for people from around the world interested in hiking, mountain biking, hunting, fishing, white water rafting, skiing, golf, and many other outdoor activities which take advantage of the natural beauty of the West Virginia hills.

Visitors to the State are often impressed by our sweeping vistas, mountainous terrain, and undisturbed wilderness. Much of our beauty is preserved for the ages in several world class National and State Parks.

While the landscape of the Mountain State is inspiring, it is the people of West Virginia who truly encapsulate the majesty and spirit of our State. Over the last 141 years, many different people have called West Virginia home. Native Americans came here for our rich hunting grounds. Civil War soldiers fought many battles on our land. diverse waves of immigrants worked in our thriving industries of glass, coal, steel, wood products, oil and the railroad. We have come so far over the last 141 years, and yet we maintain the same sense of pride in our culture, people, and rolling West Virginia hills.

These historical influences helped to diversify our population and create the vibrant culture we enjoy today. West Virginia culture is famous for its pottery, glass, history, stories, and in particular, its music. This music, including bluegrass, ballads and gospel songs, has a special tie to our culture and our people, telling of our history and our industry. Aside from what we produce, it is who we are that makes West Virginia a place of which to be proud. We

are a hard-working people, creative and sincere. The fervent, spirited people of West Virginia invigorate all aspects of the greater American society and culture.

With the world turning to a newer high technology economy, West Virginia remains at the forefront with its strong contributions to biometrics through its growing network of biometrics companies, government agencies and universities. While West Virginia contributes in the global economy, our traditional industries of coal, steel, timber, and chemicals continue proudly as the base of our economy. Some of our finest academic institutions offer strong programs in engineering, physics and medicine, which contribute to our growing success in new fields such as biometrics technology and development. Also, with the ever-expanding broadband internet, more West Virginians are joining the internet community. Particularly in the classroom, the presence of highspeed internet is keeping West Virginian students worldly and capable in this age of technology.

Now, as we stand at the gateway of the 21st Century, I am honored to recognize West Virginia's 141st birthday, and I am enormously proud to be a West Virginian.●

IN RECOGNITION OF ALAN MILBAUER'S RETIREMENT

• Mr. CARPER. Madam President, I pay tribute today to Alan Milbauer upon his retirement as vice president of public affairs for AstraZeneca. His dedication has won him the respect of coworkers and friends alike, along with the gratitude of many in our State. He has been, and remains, a trusted friend.

A native of Brooklyn, NY, Alan was born on August 30, 1943, to Francis and Irving Milbauer. He received his early education in Brooklyn and went on to earn degrees in pharmacy and law at the University of Connecticut in 1965 and 1968, respectively.

Alan has spent most of his career in the pharmaceutical industry, except for a brief experience in the field of consumer marketing research. He began his industry experience as attornev for the Pharmaceuticals Research and Manufacturers of America, PhRMA, before coming to Delaware and joining Zeneca Pharmaceuticalsthen Atlas Chemicals—in 1969. In 1976, he was appointed director of regulatory affairs. He became vice president of planning in 1985 and vice president of marketing in 1991. Prior to the merger of Astra and Zeneca, Alan served as vice president of external affairs for Zeneca Pharmaceuticals.

As a member of the U.S. AstraZeneca leadership team, Alan's responsibilities include Federal and State government affairs, corporate external communications, public relations and ally development, corporate and community affairs, and public policy. As a major international healthcare business en-

gaged in the research, development, manufacturing and marketing of pharmaceuticals and healthcare services, Alan has provided strong leadership and served as a role model to many. According to friends, he has been described as the "conscience" for the company. He has long sought to ensure that AstraZeneca was mindful of its corporate responsibility to the community. Alan brought the human side to the corporate world. He also played a role in helping bring AstraZeneca's United States headquarters to Delaware during my years as Governor.

Alan serves as a board director for the Delaware Theatre Company, Delaware Public Policy Institute, and is a trustee of the University of the Sciences in Philadelphia. He is also a member of the board of directors of the Vox Medical Center for Patient Education and Health Literacy, and is a member of the Connecticut Bar. Alan's leisure interests include travel, theater, reading, and playing golf.

Alan and his wife of 37 years, Nancy, live in Wilmington, DE. They have three children, Karen, Stephen and Jennifer, and two grandchildren, twins Jacob and Rachel.

Through Alan's efforts, he has made a real difference in the lives of thousands of individuals and enhanced the quality of life for our State. Upon his retirement, he will leave behind a legacy of commitment to public service for both his children and grandchildren and for others to follow. I thank him for the friendship that we share, and I congratulate him on a remarkable and distinguished career. I wish him and his family only the very best in all that lies ahead for each of them.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 1:24 p.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 bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4567. An act making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4568. An act making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes.

At 6:15 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, without amendment:

S. 1848. An act to amend the Bend Pine Nursery Land Conveyance Act to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to sell the Bend Pine Nursery Administration Site in the State of Oregon.

S. 2238. An act to amend the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 to reduce losses to properties for which repetitive flood insurance claim payments have been made.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 458. Concurrent resolution directing the Secretary of the Senate to make technical corrections in the enrollment of the bill S. 2238.

The message further announced that pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276d, clause 10 of rule I, and the order of the House of December 8, 2003, the Speaker appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the United States Delegation of the Canada-United States Interparliamentary Group: Mr. HOUGHTON of New York, Chairman, Mr. DREIER of California, Mr. SHAW of Florida, Mr. STEARNS of Florida, Mr. MANZULLO of Illinois, Mr. SMITH of Michigan, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. SOUDER of Indiana, and Mr. TANCREDO of Colorado.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 4568. An act making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 4567. An act making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4520. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to remove impediments in such Code and make our manufacturing, service, and high-technology businesses and workers more competitive and productive both at home and abroad.

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-8028. A communication from the Chief, Policy and Rules Division, Office of Engineering and Technology, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Review of Part 15 and other Parts of the Commission's Rules" (FCC04-98) received on June 15, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8029. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "In the Matter of Lineline and Link-Up" (FCC04-87) received on June 15, 2004; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-8030. A communication from the Legal Advisor, International Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "In the Matter of Amendment of the Commission's Space Station Licensing Rules and Policies; 2000 Biennial Regulatory Review—Streamlining and Other Revisions of Part 25 of the Commission's Rules Governing the Licensing of, and Spectrum Usage by, Satellite