

should be paid for and not add to the deficit. I want my colleagues to know that I will continue to seek to have this spending dropped from the bill or offset with appropriate spending cuts.

I congratulate my good friend from Mississippi, Senator COCHRAN, who managed the Homeland appropriations bill for using the Budget Act successfully to control the spending in his bill. I look forward to working with my colleagues on the remaining appropriations bills to continue that success.

I ask unanimous consent that a table displaying the budget points of order raised during consideration of the Department of Homeland Security appropriations bill for fiscal year 2005 and their cost be inserted in the RECORD.

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

TEN-YEAR COST OF DEMOCRATIC AMENDMENTS TO THE
FISCAL YEAR 2005 HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS
BILL DEFEATED BY BUDGET POINTS OF ORDER
(Budget authority, in billions of dollars)

Amendment ^a	PoO ^b	2005	2005–14
3580—Schumer—Port security R&D grants ..	302(f)	0.2	1.7
3596—Murray—Port security	302(f)	0.3	3.3
3597—Byrd—Misc. homeland programs	302(f)	2.0	22.1
3604—Dodd—First responders	302(f)	15.8	175.2
3617—Lautenberg—Coast Guard	302(f)	0.1	1.1
3624—Mikulski—Firefighter assistance grants	302(f)	0.2	1.7
3632—Clinton—High threat area funding increase	302(f)	0.6	6.9
3649—Byrd—TSA and SPR	501(b)	0.0	0.5
3655—Schumer—Border security	302(f)	0.4	3.9
3656—Schumer—Rail security	302(f)	0.4	3.9
Subtotal		19.9	220.2
Interest on amendments ^c		0.0	65.2
Total including interest		19.9	285.3

^a The increases in spending in several of these amendments may be for very similar or identical purposes.

^b 302(f): Amendment exceeded Homeland Security 302(b) allocation; 501(b): Amendment provided advance appropriations in an account not identified for advance appropriations by the conference report on H. Con. Res. 95, the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2004.

^c Approximated based on budget authority.

Source: Senate Budget Committee Republican Staff.

TRIBUTE TO ERNIE ALLEN OF KENTUCKY

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to a friend of over 40 years—a fellow Kentuckian who has had a national impact. It is an honor and a privilege to congratulate my good friend, Ernie Allen, on winning the Henry Clay Distinguished Kentuckian Award from the Kentucky Society of Washington. Ernie's work as President and CEO of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children makes him a most worthy recipient. As I mentioned, I've known Ernie for over 40 years, dating back to our days at Manual High School in Louisville. On the same day I won election as president of the high school, Ernie was elected president of the junior high school. We both went on to attend the University of Louisville, and were fraternity brothers.

Knowing Ernie so well, I can assure you that his dedication to rescuing missing children runs deep. Over twenty years ago, when I was the Jefferson County Judge-Executive, Ernie was the Director of the Louisville/Jefferson

County Crime Commission. That Commission was the first of its kind to bring police officers and social workers together on behalf of kids. Just one innovation Ernie came up with back then was to make a fingerprint card for as many Kentucky kids as possible, and send that card home to the child's parents to hang on to in the awful event their child ever went missing. A young man on my staff today still has his card, two decades later.

Ernie's work in Kentucky established him as a national leader for his cause as early as 1981. At that time, no nationwide organization existed to share and distribute information on missing children. If a child was abducted and taken over a State line, or even a county line, the chances that law enforcement in the new jurisdiction had all the information necessary to save that child were small. Ernie led the effort to lobby Congress to establish laws so that police could talk to each other across boundaries about missing kids. His work and patience bore fruit in 1984, when President Ronald Reagan signed the bill creating the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children as a public-private partnership.

Under Ernie's leadership, the Center has created the CyberTipline, an online reporting service that former Vice President Al Gore has called "the 911 for the Internet." They created the AMBER Alert System, notifying citizens statewide when a child has been kidnapped. They've worked on over 98,000 cases, and have been involved in the successful recovery of over 83,000 kids. Last year they had an astonishing success rate of 95 percent.

Mr. President, Ernie has labored for 20 years to save children from ghastly fates, and parents from horrible nightmares. It's a heartbreaking job at times. It provides a window into the ugliest parts of the human soul. But thanks to Ernie and the Center, there are a lot of success stories. Last month, a woman in Oklahoma City left her four-month-old baby in the back seat of her running car to pick up her other child from school. When she emerged a minute later, the car was gone. The police issued an AMBER Alert. They quickly tracked down the car and collared the kidnapper. Thankfully, the baby was still safely strapped in his car seat. We can all imagine his mother's relief. Multiply that feeling by 83,000 children saved, and you begin to see the good Ernie and the National Center do.

Twenty years ago, it was literally easier to find a stolen car than a missing child. Now because of Ernie, that is no longer the case. Parents across America owe Ernie thanks for the peace of mind they have every day, knowing that should the unspeakable ever happen, an incredible man is running a fine organization dedicated to rescuing their child. Kentucky, America, and the United States Senate pay tribute to Ernie Allen, and hope he will be on the side of justice and mercy for many years to come.

Mr. President, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring this American hero whose roots run deep in the Kentucky Bluegrass.

I yield the floor.

ALEJANDRO FERNANDEZ

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize Alejandro Fernandez as one of Mexico's leading musical performers and a strong supporter of philanthropic causes throughout the world.

A Latin Grammy award winner, Mr. Fernandez is among Mexico's most famous balladeers. He has entertained sold-out audiences throughout the world and is performing in Las Vegas today in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month.

Alejandro's musical talent is hardly surprising. His father, Vicente Fernandez, is a legend in Mexico as the undisputed king of the style of music called "ranchera."

Alejandro Fernandez has contributed tremendously to global music and culture and has also used his fame to support many charitable endeavors. He has worked with the Ronald McDonald House Foundation Charity to support the Hispanic American Commitment to Education Resources scholarship program, the Nation's largest scholarship program for Hispanic students. Mr. Fernandez also has been a strong supporter of World Children's Day, a global fundraising effort that benefits the Ronald McDonald House Foundation Charity and other children's organizations in over 100 countries.

I hope my colleagues will join me in thanking Alejandro Fernandez for sharing his tremendous musical talents with the citizens of Las Vegas today and for his efforts to support charitable programs throughout the world.

LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 2003

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I rise today to 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.

On August 18, 2001 in Ithaca, NY, Michael Palahicky, 20, punched a man and called him an anti-gay epithet. He was charged with harassment as a bias crime.

I believe that the 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. I believe that by passing this legislation and changing current law, we can change hearts and minds as well.

FORMER SENATOR BROCK ADAMS

Ms. CANTWELL. Mr. President, last week, Washington State and the Nation lost a dedicated civic servant who

gave much of his life to serving the public when former Senator Brock Adams passed away following a long battle with Parkinson's disease.

Today, his family and friends are gathered to remember his life and legacy—and it is truly a long legacy—from fighting for civil rights to protecting the environment to standing up for people suffering from AIDS.

Brock made his commitment to public service clear early in his life by serving as student body president at the University of Washington. It was not long afterwards that he became the youngest United States attorney in the entire Nation.

Over the course of his career, Brock would go on to serve the people of Washington State in the House of Representatives and ultimately in the Senate. He also served the country, as President Jimmy Carter's Secretary of Transportation. His accomplishments in that role are epitomized by his work to help create Amtrak.

Brock will be long remembered for hard work on behalf of Washington and the Nation. My thoughts and prayers are with his wife Betty and the rest of his family during this sad time.

AMERICAN YOUTH PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I rise to commend and congratulate the American Youth Philharmonic Orchestra of Annandale, VA on its fortieth anniversary.

The cultural and political history of the United States has changed dramatically over the last five decades. During that time, however, the American Youth Philharmonic Orchestras have provided a vital service for young musicians throughout northern Virginia and the District of Columbia. The 2004–05 concert season will commemorate the 40th year in which the American Youth Philharmonic Orchestras have trained new generations of children, teenagers, and young adults to become extraordinary musicians. To give an example of the marvelous impact that this institution has had, over 100 public and private schools from Washington's metropolitan area are represented within the orchestra's current enrollment. The students of the American Youth Philharmonic constantly strive for excellence in their performances; such preparation increases the chance that they will seek to make a positive impact on our society, whether through the arts or other endeavors.

With a group of approximately 400 students, the orchestra has represented Virginia and the District of Columbia with distinction in the performances at the Kennedy Center, the Festival of Youth Orchestras, and the Spoleto Festival in South Carolina. Remembering this Nation's tragic losses on September 11, 2001, the Philharmonic performed a touching concert, entitled "The Spirit of Freedom," at New

York's Carnegie Hall in January 2002. In addition to their exceptional performances in the United States, the American Youth Philharmonic was a dignified cultural ambassador for this country at the International Rachmaninoff Festival in Russia, the Aberdeen International Youth Festival in Scotland, and the British Festival of Youth Orchestras. The young men and women of the orchestra have offered the diplomatic language of music to our friends abroad, and they deserve to be recognized for their efforts.

If we were to gauge the success of the American Youth Philharmonic by the rate at which its students are accepted to the best musical and educational schools in the United States, we would see that the American Youth Philharmonic is unrivaled in its training of our Nation's best and brightest. Members of the American Youth Philharmonic have continued their study of music at the Oberlin Conservatory, the Juilliard School, Carnegie Mellon, and the Cleveland Institute of Music, while others proudly accepted offers to Harvard, Princeton, Stanford, and the University of Southern California, to name a few.

Beyond the beauty of the sound generated in their performances, the American Youth Philharmonic Orchestras have given their time and service to the surrounding communities of Northern Virginia and the District of Columbia. The American Youth Philharmonic created a music mentorship program that trains designed high-school members to offer free tutoring to younger musicians in the area. In this way, the students of the orchestra are able to strengthen their own abilities as teachers while providing an enriching experience to those who are limited by financial circumstances or their special needs. Recognizing the value of this community service, the First Place Arts Council of Fairfax County, VA recognized the American Youth Philharmonic with the Arts for Special Audiences Award in 2000.

We must also credit the constant dedication of Maestro Luis Haza for the brilliance of the American Youth Philharmonic. Mr. Haza has given 20 years of service to this ensemble in addition to his 29 years of ongoing performance as a violinist with the esteemed National Symphony Orchestra. Born in Santiago, Cuba, Mr. Haza was honored with a Washington Immigrant Achievement Award in 2004, and he truly demonstrates a commitment to the values of democracy and freedom on which this country was founded. While Mr. Haza has shared his talent for musical direction with the London Symphony Orchestra, our own National Symphony Orchestra, and the national orchestras of Panama, El Salvador, and Guatemala, his passion for music is never more evident than in his direction of the American Youth Philharmonic. Mr. Haza has dedicated a lifetime to sharing the gift of music with young people throughout the

Americas, and his legacy to this country will be reflected in the values of his students for many years to come.

CONGRATULATING GEORGE BRUNSTAD

Mr. DODD. Mr. President, I congratulate one of my Connecticut constituents, George Brunstad, on an extraordinary achievement. A few weeks ago, George, a resident of Ridgefield, became the oldest person to swim across the English Channel.

George, who celebrated his 70th birthday on August 25, began his record-breaking swim three days later when he left Dover, England shortly after 9 a.m. on Saturday, August 28. He reached Sangatte, on the French coast, after midnight on Sunday, completing the 21-mile stretch in 15 hours and 59 minutes. Prior to George, the oldest person to swim the Channel was Clifford Batts, who was about 100 days shy of his 68th birthday.

Let me tell my colleagues a little about George Brunstad. He is a retired Air Force pilot who flew B-52 bombers. For 20 years, he piloted jumbo jets for American Airlines. Currently, he is a swim coordinator for children at the YMCA in Wilton, CT, where he is affectionately known as "Grandpa George." George and his wife Judy are active members of the Wilton Baptist Church, where George serves as a Deacon. For 20 years, George has been associated with Pivot Ministries, a group that helps men who are recovering from drug and alcohol addiction.

While George was on the swim team in college, he had been away from the sport for 20 years before he saw a sign at the Wilton YMCA advertising competitive swimming for adults. That was 31 years ago, and George Brunstad hasn't stopped swimming since. He is a World Masters Open Water Swimming Champion and has won more than 100 national championship medals in U.S. Masters Swimming.

But George Brunstad's feat last month was much more than an athletic achievement. Last year, George and Judy traveled on a mission to the island nation of Haiti with their church. They were appalled by the incredible poverty that continues to afflict that nation. They were particularly saddened by the large numbers of homeless children they saw in Haiti. And they decided to do what they could to help those children.

George and Judy are founding members of the board of directors of the Center of Hope, an organization devoted to building an orphanage and school in the Haitian city of Hinche. Hinche has 80,000 people, most of whom are desperately poor and lack basic needs like clean water, shelter, medical care, transportation, and education.

George decided that his swim across the Channel would be a perfect way to raise money for the Center of Hope. In total, he managed to raise over \$11,000. As someone who has been to Haiti numerous times, and as a Senator who