

A tree will also be planted as living testimony for decades of Nebraskans to come that they owe the tremendous system of trails that those in Lincoln continue to enjoy to the leadership of Mayor Helen Boosalis.

In closing, I would like to quote from the invitation for this Sunday's event:

It was once said that Helen Boosalis has governed this city with graciousness, with tenacity, with determination, with understanding, with ability, with hope, with vision, with fairness, and with many other valued attributes. Now it's time to honor her with the naming of Helen Boosalis Trail.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 2:16 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House disagree to the amendment of the Senate to the bill H.R. 3058 making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and independent agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes, and agree to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints the following members as the managers of the conference on the part of the House: Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. WOLF, Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky, Mr. TIAHRT, Mrs. NORTHUP, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. SWEENEY, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. REGULA, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. OLVER, Mr. HOYER, Mr. PASTOR, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. ROTHMAN, and Mr. OBEY.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1973. An act to make access to safe water and sanitation for developing countries a specific policy objective of the United States foreign assistance programs, and for other purposes.

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

H. Con. Res. 260. Concurrent resolution recognizing the 40th anniversary of the Second Vatican Council's promulgation of *Nostra Aetate*, the declaration on the Relation of

the Roman Catholic Church to non-Christian religions, and the historic role of *Nostra Aetate* in fostering mutual interreligious respect and dialogue.

At 4:21 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House disagree to the amendment of the Senate to the bill H.R. 3010 making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes, and agree to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints the following members as the managers of the conference on the part of the House: Mr. REGULA, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. WICKER, Mrs. NORTHUP, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. SHERWOOD, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. WALSH, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. OBEY, Mr. HOYER, Mrs. LOWEY, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, and Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 4:36 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 1285. An act to designate the Federal building located at 333 Mt. Elliott Street in Detroit, Michigan, as the "Rosa Parks Federal Building".

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

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 1969. A bill to express the sense of the Senate regarding Medicaid reconciliation legislation to be reported by a conference committee during the 109th Congress.

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-4582. A communication from the Acting Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Determination of Threatened Status for the Southwest Alaska Distinct Population Segment of the Northern Sea Otter (*Enhydra lutris kenyoni*)" (RIN1018-A144) received on November 2, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4583. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation

of Critical Habitat for *Allium munzii* (Munz's Onion)" (RIN1018-AJ10) received on November 2, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4584. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Listing with Designation of Critical Habitat for Gila Chub" (RIN1018-AG16) received on November 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4585. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Delaware; Ambient Air Quality Standard for Ozone and Fine Particulate Matter" (FRL7992-3) received on November 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4586. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Repeal of NOx Budget Program COMAR 26.11.27 and 26.11.28" (FRL7992-5) received on November 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4587. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Utah; Provo Attainment Demonstration of the Carbon Monoxide Standard, Redesignation to Attainment, Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes, and Approval of Related Revisions" (FRL7992-6) received on November 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4588. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Update to Materials Incorporated by Reference" (FRL7985-6) received on November 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4589. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Primary Aluminum Reduction Plants" (FRL7992-8) received on November 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4590. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision to the Guideline on Air Quality Models (appendix W to 40 CFR Part 51): Adoption of a Preferred General Purpose (Flat and Complex Terrain) Dispersion Model and Other Revisions" (FRL7990-9) received on November 1, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4591. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Reserve Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the differing Army and Air Force policies for taking adverse administrative actions

against National Guard officers in a state status and a determination by the Secretary of Defense as to whether changes are needed in those policies; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4592. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, transmitting, pursuant to law, a list of 24 officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4593. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, transmitting, authorization of Lieutenant General William T. Hobbins, United States Air Force, to wear the insignia of the grade of general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4594. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, transmitting, authorization of Major General Michael W. Peterson, United States Air Force, to wear the insignia of the grade of lieutenant general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4595. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, transmitting, authorization of Major General Michael D. Maples, United States Army, to wear the insignia of the grade of lieutenant general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4596. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, transmitting, authorization of Rear Admiral Patrick M. Walsh, United States Navy, to wear the insignia of the grade of vice admiral in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4597. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to advance billing in the month of September, 2005; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4598. A communication from the Administrator, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Addition of San Marino to the List of Countries Eligible to Export Meat Products to the United States" (RIN0583-AC91) received on November 4, 2005 to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4599. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Congressionally Mandated Evaluation of the State Children's Health Insurance Program: Final Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4600. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Disease Control, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Possession, Use, and Transfer of Select Agents and Toxins—Reconstructed Replication Competent Forms of the 1918 Pandemic Influenza Virus Containing Any Portion of the Coding Regions of All Eight Gene Segments" received on November 4, 2005; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4601. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Statistical Programs of the United States Government: Fiscal Year 2006"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4602. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, trans-

mitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prevailing Rate Systems; Redefinition of the Central North Carolina Appropriated Fund Wage Area" (RIN3206-AK83) received on November 4, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. LUGAR, from the Committee on Foreign Relations: Agreement with Canada on Pacific Hake/Whiting (Treaty Doc. 108-24) (Ex. Rept. 109-5). Text of the resolution of ratification as reported by the Committee on Foreign Relations:

Resolved (two-thirds of the Senators present concurring therein),

That the Senate advises and consents to the ratification of the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Canada on Pacific Hake/Whiting, done at Seattle, November 21, 2003.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Ms. STABENOW:

S. 1973. A bill to provide an immediate Federal income tax rebate to help taxpayers with higher fuel costs, to express the sense of the Senate regarding full funding of LIHEAP, and to provide consumer protections against fuel price gouging, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida:

S. 1974. A bill to provide States with the resources needed to rid our schools of performance-enhancing drug use; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. OBAMA:

S. 1975. A bill to prohibit deceptive practices in Federal elections; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself and Mr. KYL):

S. 1976. A bill to make amendments to the Iran Nonproliferation Act of 2000; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. STEVENS:

S. 1977. A bill to repeal section 5 of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. CHAFEE (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, Ms. SNOWE, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. CARPER, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. KERRY, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. CLINTON, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. BOND, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. VITTER):

S. Res. 301. A resolution commemorating the 100th anniversary of the National Audubon Society; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. MCCONNELL (for himself and Mr. DODD):

S. Con. Res. 62. A concurrent resolution directing the Joint Committee on the Library to procure a statue of Rosa Parks for placement in the Capitol; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 103

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 103, a bill to respond to the illegal production, distribution, and use of methamphetamine in the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 368

At the request of Mr. LAUTENBERG, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 368, a bill to provide assistance to reduce teen pregnancy, HIV/AIDS, and other sexually transmitted diseases and to support healthy adolescent development.

S. 431

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the names of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH), the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) and the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING) were added as cosponsors of S. 431, a bill to establish a program to award grants to improve and maintain sites honoring Presidents of the United States.

S. 633

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 633, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of veterans who became disabled for life while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States.

S. 709

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. DOLE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 709, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish a grant program to provide supportive services in permanent supportive housing for chronically homeless individuals, and for other purposes.

S. 1014

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1014, a bill to provide additional relief for small business owners ordered to active duty as members of reserve components of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

S. 1082

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the names of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) and the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. BYRD) were added as cosponsors of S. 1082, a bill to restore Second Amendment rights in the District of Columbia.

S. 1110

At the request of Mr. ALLEN, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. BAUCUS) was added as a cosponsor