

tremendous honor. I wish this budding historian the best of luck in the future.●

#### ANDREW IVY

● Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize Mr. Andrew Ivy, an exceptional history teacher and role model from Kirkland, WA. Mr. Ivy has been named Teacher of the Year by the Richard T. Farrell Teacher of Merit Award for outstanding success in teaching history. This national award is presented every year to an educator who develops and uses innovative and creative teaching methods that interest students in history and help them make exciting discoveries about the past. As a teacher at International Community School in Kirkland, WA, Mr. Ivy has shown exemplary commitment to making history education engaging and exciting, while involving his students in the National History Day Program.

National History Day is a yearlong program in which students explore historical topics related to an annual theme. Participants qualify for national competition after competing in several local and State competitions. In preparing his students for the program, Mr. Ivy's work ethic and research skills provided students with the tools necessary to be successful in competition.

Teachers like Mr. Ivy play an important role in education. By teaching about the nations past they keep our history a part of our current lives. When children question, and discuss our history, teachers are doing something profoundly patriotic; they are helping students understand who we are as a nation—the importance of our common heritage and the values that make us unique.

Andrew Ivy has proven exceptional. His drive to offer his students the best education possible has led him to invest a great deal of personal study in his curriculum. He regularly attends training classes to ensure that the material he teaches is accurate and current. Additionally, Mr. Ivy often tries new approaches to his teaching method in order to keep his classroom interested and challenged. His curriculum often changes to meet his very own high standards and his students greatly benefit from all of his efforts.

Mr. President, I find it heartening that there are educators in this country who devote so much time and effort to shaping the minds of our young people. I hope you and our colleagues will join me in recognizing Mr. Andrew Ivy for his dedication to educating the potential leaders of tomorrow.●

#### AMERICAN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION STAR OF LIFE AWARD RECIPIENTS

● Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I am pleased to rise today to announce seven Star of Life award recipients from the State of Oregon.

The Star of Life is awarded each year by the American Ambulance Association recognizing America's top paramedics.

The reliable responsiveness and medical and safety expertise performed by paramedics throughout the neighborhoods and communities of our country deserves high recognition and praise.

Paramedics are the first to respond to the urgent health and safety needs of our Nation's citizens, providing an invaluable contribution to our society. The men and women of this profession truly are dedicated to helping others as they perform a myriad of vital services from delivering babies to rescuing the lives of individuals in harm's way.

Mr. President, I would like to recognize the following Oregonians who received the 2005 Star of Life Award: Victor Hoffer, Elizabeth Fullmer, Greg Sorenson, Michael Beaulieu, Shelly Solum, David Landstrom, and Brett LaCroix.

I want to congratulate each of these individuals for their esteemed service and recognition in receiving this prestigious award.

Oregon is proud and privileged to call Victor, Elizabeth, Greg, Michael, Shelly, David and Brett its own.

These Star of Life award recipients exemplify their extraordinary performance among a profession that provides critical services to our communities and our Nation. I am most grateful for their service.●

#### TRIBUTE TO HAZEL HANON AND GRACE SIERS

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I rise in honor of two exceptional women. Hazel Hanon and Grace Siers, both of Britton, SD, are the last two active charter members of Marshall Post No. 3507 Ladies Auxiliary in Britton for the Veterans of Foreign Wars Lady Auxiliary.

Hazel, now 87 years old, joined for her husband and brother who both served during World War II in the U.S. Navy and Air Force respectively.

Grace, now 90 years old, has many family members who served in the military. Her husband served in World War I, and her three brothers in World War II. She has also had five sons, a grandson, and a granddaughter serve our country.

Hazel and Grace have devoted their time and energy to the group by holding banquets, selling poppies, and even compiling a dessert cookbook. It is a privilege for me to honor them today for their past dedication and their continuing support of our veterans of foreign wars.●

#### 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-2626. A communication from the Chairman and President, Export-Import Bank of

the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to the Republic of Korea; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2627. A communication from the Chairman and President, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving exports to Qatar; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2628. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Market Regulation, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulation NMS" ((RIN3235-AJ18) (Release No. 34-51808)) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2629. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel for Equal Opportunity and Administrative Law, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of Assistant Secretary for Housing/Federal Housing Commissioner, received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2630. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel for Equal Opportunity and Administrative Law, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of President, Government National Mortgage Association, received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2631. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel (Banking and Finance), Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Terrorism Risk Insurance Program—Additional Claims Issues; Insurer Affiliates" (RIN1505-AB09) received on June 8, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2632. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations (70 FR 29633)" ((Docket No. FEMA-D-7571) (44 CFR 65)) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2633. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "List of Communities Eligible for the Sale of Flood Insurance (70 FR 21159)" ((Docket No. FEMA-7776) (44 CFR 64)) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2634. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility (70 FR 25787)" ((Docket No. FEMA-7877) (44 CFR 64)) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2635. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility (70 FR 20299)" ((Docket No. FEMA-7875) (44 CFR Part 64)) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2636. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations (70 FR 29637)" (44 CFR

67) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2637. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations (70 FR 29638)" (44 CFR 67) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2638. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations (70 FR 29639)" (44 CFR 67) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2639. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations (70 FR 29634)" (44 CFR 67) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2640. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Child Welfare Outcomes 2002: Annual Report"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2641. A communication from the Deputy Executive Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Parts 4022 and 4044) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2642. A communication from the Chairman, International Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of an investigation entitled "The Impact of Trade Agreements Implemented Under Trade Promotion Authority"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2643. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appeals Settlement Guidelines: Sports Industry Media Rights Acquired in Connection with a Sports Franchise" (UICL 167. 03-03) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2644. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Charitable Contributions of Certain Motor Vehicles, Boats, and Airplanes" (Notice 2005-44) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2645. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Supplemental Information for Notice 2003-47 and Announcement 2005-19, Executive Stock Option Transaction and Settlement Initiative" (Announcement 2005-39) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2646. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Section 965—Limitations on Dividends Received Deductions" (Notice 2005-38) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2647. A communication from the Chief, Regulatory Review Group, Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "American Indian Livestock Feed Program" (RIN0560-AH26) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2648. A communication from the Assistant Administrator, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Shark Quotas and Season Lengths" ((RIN0648-AT07) (I.D. No. 020205F)) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2649. A communication from the Acting White House Liaison, Technology Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of Under Secretary for Technology, received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2650. A communication from the Acting White House Liaison, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of Under Secretary for International Trade, received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2651. A communication from the Acting White House Liaison, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of Assistant Secretary and Director General, received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2652. A communication from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's monthly report on the status of its licensing and regulatory duties; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2653. 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 "GEORGIA SIP: Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans and Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Georgia, Redesignation of Atlanta Severe 1-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area to Attainment for Ozone; Maintenance Plan; Motor Vehicle Emission Budgets; Revisions to Rules for Air Quality" (FRL No. 7924-7) received on June 14, 2005 to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2654. 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 "GEORGIA SIP. 1-Hour Severe Ozone Nonattainment Area and Severe Area Vehicle Miles Traveled" (FRL No. 7924-2) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2655. 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 "OHIO SIP. 1-Hour Ozone Standard for Ozone Maintenance" (FRL No. 7925-3) received on June 14, 2005 to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2656. 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 "Hazardous Waste Management System; Identification and Listing of Hazardous

Waste; Dyes and/or Pigments, Production Waste; Land Disposal Restrictions for Newly Identified Waste; CERCLA Hazardous Substance Designation and Reportable Quantities" (FRL No. 7924-9) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2657. 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 "Hazardous Waste Management System; Modification of the Hazardous Waste Manifest System; Correction" (FRL No. 7925-1) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2658. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990, as amended; to the Committee on Armed Services.

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EC-2661. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990, as amended; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-2662. A communication from the Director, Federal Judicial Center, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Center's annual report for the 2004 calendar year; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2663. A communication from the Rules Administrator, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clarifying of Release Gratuities—Release Transportation Regulations to More Closely Conform to Statutory Provisions" (RIN1120-AB21) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2664. A communication from the Rules Administrator, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Over-The-Counter (OTC) Medications: Technical Correction" (RIN1120-AB29) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2665. A communication from the Rules Administrator, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Infectious Disease Management: Voluntary and Involuntary Testing" (RIN1120-AB03) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2666. A communication from the Rules Administrator, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bureau of Prisons Emergencies" (RIN1120-AB07) received on June 14, 2005; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted: