

and safeguard the lives of our citizens and servicemembers.

Mr. Jyo has demonstrated the highest values and ideals in his many accomplishments throughout his distinguished Federal service. Upon retirement, he will have served the Federal Government for 39 years, 11 months and 13 days. He has succeeded at every job position in his career, which covers every facet of the design/construction/management continuum of the construction industry. He has used his considerable leadership and management skills on behalf of the Army Corps and the Nation to achieve much success.

As the chief of the Far East Surveillance Branch from 1982 to 1986, Mr. Jyo pioneered the regionalization concept at the Pacific Ocean Division, POD. His program managers monitored engineering, design and construction efforts at the Japan and Far East Districts with the focus of providing valued-added service to the districts and our regional partners with the Army and Air Force. Mr. Jyo's branch became the "strike" arm of POD's rapid deployment force which led and provided hands-on project management and technical assistance to the districts. His teams would deploy to the districts to support them during times of peak workload or during crisis situations making them invaluable to District operations. He also had the responsibility of keeping U.S. Army, Pacific and Pacific Air Forces informed and involved in our large construction program overseas. Many of the principles and policies he pioneered are still being followed at POD today. During this timeframe, Mr. Jyo led by example when he deployed to Ft. Drum for 2 months to lead the planning and programming efforts to provide quality facilities for the 10th Mountain Division.

During his tenure as the chief, Technical Engineering Division, 1986 to 1987, Mr. Jyo provided quality technical services to all the districts in POD. In addition, he instituted the concept of life-cycle technical services by sending his technical reviewers to the field to assist the construction offices in coming up with viable solutions to sticky construction problems. This formed the basis of the latter consolidation of the technical review and quality assurance staffs at POD. Responsive to the customer, Mr. Jyo has consistently strived to provide high-quality technical services and products in a responsive manner.

As the chief of Military Division, Mr. Jyo led the planning, engineering, and construction of the military program POD-wide. Through his leadership and experience, POD has become the proven leader in project execution and accomplishment.

As the acting director of Engineering and Construction Directorate, Mr. Jyo forged a solid link between engineering, design, and construction quality. He brought all of POD's technical assets together to work toward common

goals to provide responsive service and engineering and construction excellence to POD. The Engineering and Construction Directorate was the largest directorate at POD and included the operational elements of design, construction, engineering services, environmental, cost engineering as well as design and construction quality assurance. Mr. Jyo maintained technical excellence by pioneering innovative design and procurement tools, such as the construction indefinite delivery-indefinite quantity contracting for Tripler Army Medical Center, later to be applied across the division programs, and such technical tools as the Computer Aided Drafting and Design, CADD, and Geographical Information Systems (GIS). By combining the technical elements of design, engineering and construction quality assurance into one division, he unified the quality function and created "life cycle" accountability for a design/construction continuum. Mr. Jyo truly was an innovator and made POD a better organization.

Since 1997, Mr. Jyo has been the deputy district engineer for programs and project management for the Honolulu District. He has continued to utilize his leadership skills to accomplish considerable successes on their behalf. He has executed programs and projects in a team-oriented matrixed organization. He has led the effort to incorporate a quality management system into the district along with International Organization for Standardization 9001 certification. He has instituted a learning organization with a system of After Action Reviews and Lessons-Learned. He is successfully leading the district through its biggest construction program with highly visible programs such as the Stryker Brigade Combat Team and C-17 implementation in Hawaii. Under his leadership, the Honolulu District has achieved the highest customer satisfaction rating in its history.

Mr. Jyo is a recognized representative of the Corps in the Pacific Region. He has established lasting relationships with the Hawaii Congressional Delegation as well as the Governors of Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas Islands. Mr. Jyo's efforts have made lasting impacts on the abilities of our service men and women to fight the global war on terror, bolster the region's economy while ardently protecting the environment.

Mr. Jyo played an instrumental role in expanding the civil works and capital improvement programs to Guam, American Samoa, Kwajalein, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. In addition, Mr. Jyo oversaw the construction of the Alenaio Stream Flood Control project in Hilo, HI, which was completed in 1997 at a cost of \$16 million. During the storm of November 2000, the improvements prevented approximately \$13 million in damages and remains fully functional today.

Prominent projects on the island of Oahu include the construction and renovation of military housing and improving facilities at Hickam AFB, Wheeler, Schofield, Aliamanu, and Fort Shafter. In 1989, HED began the design of the \$110 million Hale Koa—Phase 2 recreational hotel at Fort DeRussy in Waikiki. Upon its completion in 1994, the Fort DeRussy area was transformed into a visually pleasing enhancement of Waikiki for the benefit of the military and civilian communities.

His lifelong contributions and achievements to the Army are considerable. His recognized leadership and ability to forge lasting relationships and his clear vision describes an outstanding individual who has dedicated his life to public service. Ray Jyo's distinguished career may be coming to an end, but his loyalty to the goals of the Army and the Nation will carry on. On behalf of a grateful Nation, thank you for your service and for a job well done.●

TRIBUTE TO PAMELA ALTMeyer-ALVEY

● Mr. LUGAR. Mr. President, I rise today to congratulate a distinguished Hoosier, Mrs. Pamela Altmeyer of Indianapolis, IN, who this year celebrates 25 years of leadership at Gleaners Food Bank of Central Indiana.

Mrs. Altmeyer is a 1964 graduate of Ben Davis High School in Indianapolis and studied at Vincennes University, the University of Indianapolis, and the University of Wisconsin at Madison. She has 35 years of experience in managing nonprofit organizations and is a valuable contributor as a member of numerous boards of important community associations.

Gleaners Food Bank was formed in 1980 in a garage in Indianapolis and, under the leadership of Mrs. Altmeyer and other dedicated individuals, has grown into the largest nonprofit provider of assistance to needy families in our State. Over the last 12 months, Gleaners has distributed nearly 11 million pounds of food and other critical grocery products to 400 hunger relief charities in 29 central Indiana counties. Since inception Gleaners has distributed over 173 million pounds of product to Hoosiers in their time of need.

I have had the joy of working closely with Mrs. Altmeyer and Gleaners Food Bank in procuring resources for needy Hoosiers. I believe that, both as a Nation and as individuals, we can do more to improve the lives of those in need. I am deeply grateful for Mrs. Altmeyer's important service and leadership as well as for the remarkable work done by her colleagues at Gleaners Food Bank of Central Indiana.●

BIRTH OF KATHERINE RILEY LUGAR

● Mr. LUGAR. Mr. President, I am pleased to share the news of the birth

of Katherine Riley Lugar on December 28, 2005, at Sibley Memorial Hospital in Washington, DC. Katherine was a healthy 8 pounds, 1 ounce at birth. Her parents are David Riley Lugar, son of Richard and Charlene Lugar; and his wife, Katherine Graham Lugar, daughter of Lawrence and Jane Graham. Katherine was born at 4:20 p.m. and in the next few hours was joined in the hospital delivery room by Jane Graham, Richard and Charlene Lugar, and David's brother, John Lugar with his wife, Kelly. We shared together a wonderful experience. On the next day, Katherine met her sister, Elizabeth Merrell Lugar, who was born at Sibley Memorial Hospital on May 25, 2004. The two girls and their parents are now safe and healthy in their McLean, VA, residence.

Katherine and David were married on June 3, 2000, in St. David's Episcopal Church in Austin, TX. Katherine, a graduate of the University of Colorado, is Vice President of Federal Government Relations for St. Paul Travelers. David Lugar, who came with us to Washington, along with his three brothers, 29 years ago, graduated from Langley High School in McLean, VA, and Indiana University. He is a partner of Quinn Gillespie & Associates. Both Katherine and David are well known to many of our colleagues and their staff members. We know that you will understand our excitement and our joy that they and we have been given this divine blessing and responsibility for a glorious new chapter in our lives.●

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 appropriate committees.

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

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-5221. A communication from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Report on Fiscal Year 2005 Competitive Sourcing Efforts; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5222. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the semi-annual report on the continued compliance of Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Moldova, the Russian Federation,

Tajikistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan with the 1974 Trade Act's freedom of emigration provisions, as required under the Jackson-Vanik Amendment; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5223. A communication from the President of the United States of America, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to entering a free trade agreement with the Republic of Peru; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5224. A communication from the Inspector General, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, the report of a draft bill entitled "Enhanced Protection of the Internal Revenue Service and Its Employees Act of 2005"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5225. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the impact of the Andean Trade Preference Act on U.S. trade and employment from 2003 to 2004; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5226. A communication from the Regulations Officer, Office of Disability and Income Security Programs, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Part D Subsidies" (RIN0960-AG03) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5227. 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 "Annual Cumulative List of Changes in Plan Qualification Requirements" (Notice 2005-101) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5228. 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 "Consent Procedures for Changes Under Simplified Service Cost and Simplified Production Methods" (Rev. Proc. 2006-11) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5229. 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 "Annual Update of No-Rule Rev. Proc." (Rev. Proc. 2006-3) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5230. 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 "Bureau of Labor Statistics Price Indexes for Department Stores—October 2005" (Rev. Rul. 2005-79) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5231. 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 "RIC Commodity Swaps" (Rev. Rul. 2006-1) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5232. 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 "Applicable Federal Rates—January 2006" (Rev. Rul. 2006-4) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5233. 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 "Revocation of Rev. Rul. 74-503" (Rev. Rul. 2006-2) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5234. 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 "Japanese YKs" (Rev. Rul. 2006-3) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5235. 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 "TD: Refunding Regulations under Section 141" ((RIN1545-AU98) (TD9234)) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5236. 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 1374 Effective Dates" ((RIN1545-BD95) (TD9236)) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5237. 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 "Guidance under Sec. 7874 for Determining Ownership by Former Shareholders or Partners of Domestic Entities" ((RIN1545-BE94) (TD9238)) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5238. 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 "Acceptance Agent Revenue Procedure" (Rev. Proc. 2006-10) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5239. 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 "Internal Revenue Code section 482: Allocation of Income and Deductions Among Taxpayers" (Rev. Proc. 2006-9) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5240. 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 "Reporting Requirements under Temporary Income Tax Regulations on Conversions to Roth IRAs" (Rev. Proc. 2006-13) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5241. 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 "Automatic Accounting Method Change Procedures for Intangibles" (Rev. Proc. 2006-12) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5242. 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 "Updating Rev. Proc. 2006-7 and 2005-1" (Rev. Proc. 2006-7) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5243. 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 "Extension of Transition Relief for Certain Partnerships and Other Pass-Thru Entities under section 470" (Notice 2006-2) received on January 4, 2006; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5244. 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 "Information Reporting for Distributions with Respect to Securities Issued by Foreign Corporations"