

forces units, and units of the 82nd Airborne Division and the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), together with other units of the Armed Forces, have been prosecuting the war against terrorism by carrying out combat operations in Afghanistan, training operations in the Philippines, and other operations elsewhere;

Whereas in the aftermath of the President's announcement of Operation Iraqi Freedom in March 2003, the 75th Ranger Regiment, special forces units, and units of the 82nd Airborne Division, the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault) and the 173rd Airborne Brigade, together with other units of the Armed Forces, have been prosecuting the war against terrorism, carrying out combat operations, conducting civil affair missions, and assisting in establishing democracy in Iraq;

Whereas the airborne forces are and will continue to be at the ready and the forefront until the Global War on Terrorism is concluded;

Whereas of the members and former members of the United States combat airborne forces, all have achieved distinction by earning the right to wear the airborne's "Silver Wings of Courage", thousands have achieved the distinction of making combat jumps, 69 have earned the Medal of Honor, and hundreds have earned the Distinguished-Service Cross, Silver Star, or other decorations and awards for displays of such traits as heroism, gallantry, intrepidity, and valor;

Whereas the members and former members of the United States combat airborne forces are members of a proud and honorable fraternity of the profession of arms that is made exclusive by those distinctions which, together with their special skills and achievements, distinguish them as intrepid combat parachutists, special operation forces, and (in former days) glider troops; and

Whereas the history and achievements of the members and former members of the airborne forces of the United States Armed Forces warrant special expressions of the gratitude of the American people as the airborne community celebrates August 16, 2006, as the 66th anniversary of the first official jump by the Army Parachute Test Platoon: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates August 16, 2006, as "National Airborne Day"; and

(2) requests that the President issue a proclamation calling on Federal, State, and local administrators and the people of the United States to observe "National Airborne Day" with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

SENATE RESOLUTION 406—CONGRATULATING GRACELAND ON THE OCCASION OF ITS DESIGNATION AS A NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK

Mr. FRIST (for himself and Mr. ALEXANDER) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 406

Whereas Graceland—

(1) served as the home and private retreat of Elvis Aaron Presley from 1957 through 1977; and

(2) is intimately connected to the musical and cultural heritage of Elvis Aaron Presley;

Whereas Elvis Presley is—

(1) universally recognized as the "King of Rock and Roll";

(2) known to generations by only his first name; and

(3) widely agreed to be one of the most famous and influential American cultural icons of the 20th century;

Whereas Elvis Presley, having drawn on musical traditions including gospel, country, and rhythm and blues, contributed to the development, popularization, and evolution of the rock and roll genre;

Whereas Elvis Presley, having been an exceptionally talented vocalist and stage performer, experienced a career marked by unprecedented professional success and achievement;

Whereas Elvis Presley received numerous honors and accolades, including—

(1) 3 Grammys;

(2) 14 Grammy nominations; and

(3) a Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences;

Whereas the Recording Industry Association of America has officially recognized Elvis Presley as the number 1 Solo Artist in United States History because he has—

(1) achieved over 150 gold, platinum, or multi-platinum awards; and

(2) documented album sales exceeding 120,000,000 albums;

Whereas Elvis Presley is the only artist to be inducted into 3 major music halls of fame, including—

(1) the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1986;

(2) the Country Music Hall of Fame in 1998; and

(3) the Gospel Music Hall of Fame in 2001;

Whereas Elvis Presley continues to maintain a preeminent position on numerous Top Artist Achievements lists, including—

(1) "Most Chart Hits";

(2) "Most Top 10 Hits";

(3) "Most Top 40 Hits";

(4) "Most Weeks at the number 1 Position";

(5) "Most Consecutive number 1 Hits";

(6) "Most Consecutive Top 10 Hits"; and

(7) "Most Gold and Platinum Hits";

Whereas Elvis Presley was personally involved in the renovation and reconstruction of Graceland, and the unique design and decoration of Graceland enshrines his style, character, influence, and cultural legacy;

Whereas Graceland serves as a museum for promoting, celebrating, and maintaining the role of Elvis Presley in the history of the United States;

Whereas Graceland—

(1) is a historic residence built in the Classical Revival style; and

(2) was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1991;

Whereas Graceland continues to serve as a pilgrimage site for millions of Elvis Presley fans from around the world;

Whereas Graceland is recognized as one of the most visited historic house museums in the United States, attracting over 600,000 visitors each year; and

Whereas Graceland will continue to impact the popular culture of the United States by educating millions of visitors for years to come: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes Graceland as exceptionally valuable for promoting and illustrating the contributions of Elvis Presley to the music and popular culture of the United States;

(2) acknowledges the importance of designating Graceland as a National Historic Landmark for the purposes of recognizing and preserving that unique cultural attraction; and

(3) congratulates Graceland on the occasion of its designation as a National Historic Landmark.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 3173. Mr. OBAMA (for himself, Mr. COBURN, and Mr. FEINGOLD) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2349, to provide greater transparency in the legislative process; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 3174. Mr. COBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2944 submitted by Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. INHOFE) to the bill S. 2349, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 3173. Mr. OBAMA (for himself, Mr. COBURN, and Mr. FEINGOLD) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 2349, to provide greater transparency in the legislative process; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place insert the following:

SEC. ____ . PROHIBITION ON PAID COORDINATION LOBBYING ACTIVITIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Rule XXXVII of the Standing Rules of the Senate is amended by adding at the end the following:

"13. A Member of the Senate shall not engage in paid lobbying activity in the year after leaving the employment of the Senate, which shall include the development, coordination, or supervision of strategy or activity for the purpose of influencing legislation before Congress."

(b) CRIMINAL PROHIBITION.—Section 207(e)(1) of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting after "in his or her official capacity," the following: "or, within 1 year after that person leaves office, receives compensation for the development, coordination, or supervision of strategy or activity for the purpose of influencing legislation before either House of Congress,".

SA 3174. Mr. COBURN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 2944 submitted by Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, and Mr. INHOFE) to the bill S. 2349, to provide greater transparency in the legislative process; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place insert the following:

SEC. ____ .

"No unanimous consent may be granted to pass any bill which amends federal law, has a net budgetary effect, or authorizes new federal spending, unless—

(a) A quorum is present, which shall be ascertained by the Presiding Officer; or

(b) A petition signed by 100 Senators explicitly granting consent to passage is presented to the Presiding Officer and printed in the Congressional Record."

NOTICES OF HEARINGS/MEETINGS

PERMANENT SUBCOMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS

Mr. COLEMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations will hold two days of hearings on March 28 and 30, 2006, "Neutralizing The Nuclear And Radiological Threat: Securing the Global Supply Chain."

On March 28, the Subcommittee will focus on the domestic and international deployment of radiation detection equipment, as well as U.S. Government efforts to prevent radiological or nuclear terrorism. Three Government Accountability Office Reports will be released at the March 28th hearing. These reports include: 1. U.S. Customs and Border Protection Radiation Portal Monitor Program, RPMP, to install Radiation Portal Monitors, RPMs, at U.S. Ports of Entry; 2. the Department of Energy Second Line of Defense program to install RPMs at key international border crossings and ports; and 3. the successful importation of radiological sources across the northern and southern border.

On March 30, the Subcommittee will focus on the security of the global supply chain and update the May 2005 hearing, *The Container Security Initiative and the Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism: Securing the Global Supply Chain or Trojan Horse?* A Subcommittee staff report on global supply chain security will be released at the March 30 hearing.

In addition to examining forthcoming reports, the hearings will examine the other programs that form our layered defense against nuclear terrorism including the Container Security Initiative, the Megaports Initiative, and the Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism. Moreover, these hearings will examine the role of the Domestic Nuclear Detection Office, a new office created within DHS to coordinate global nuclear detection architecture.

The Subcommittee hearings are scheduled for Tuesday, March 28 at 9:30 a.m. and Thursday, March 30 at 10 a.m. in room 342 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building. For further information, please contact Raymond V. Shepherd III, Staff Director and Chief Counsel to the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, at 224-3721.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS AND FORESTS

Mr. CRAIG. Mr. President, the Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests has previously announced a hearing to be held on Wednesday, March 29, 2006, at 2:30 p.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC. In addition to the bills previously listed, the following bills will be included:

S. 1056, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the city of Henderson, NV, certain Federal land located in the city, and for other purposes; and S. 2373, to provide for the sale of approximately 132 acres of public land to the city of Green River, at fair market value.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, SD-364 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510-6150.

For further information, please contact Dick Bouts at (202) 224-7545 or Sara Zeher at (202) 224-8276.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. MCCAIN. Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Committee on Indian Affairs will meet on Tuesday, March 28, 2006, at 9:30 a.m. in room 485 of the Russell Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing on S. 1439, the Indian Trust Reform Act of 2005, Titles II through VI. Those wishing additional information may contact the Indian Affairs Committee at (202) 224-2251.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. MCCAIN. Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Committee on Indian Affairs will meet on Wednesday, March 29, at 9:30 a.m. in room 485 of the Russell Senate Office Building to conduct a business meeting on the following bills:

1. S. 2078, Indian Gaming Regulatory Act Amendments.
2. S. 1899, Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act Amendments.
3. S. 2245, Indian Youth Telemental Health Demonstration Project Act.

Those wishing additional information may contact the Indian Affairs Committee at (202) 224-2251.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a markup on Monday, March 27, 2006, at 10 a.m. in the Dirksen Senate Office Building Room 226.

Agenda

I. Nominations: Norman Randy Smith, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit; Patrick J. Schiltz, to be U.S. District Court Judge for the District of Minnesota; Steven G. Bradbury, to be an Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legal Counsel.

II. Bills: S. _____, Comprehensive Immigration Reform; Chairman's Mark; S. 1768, A bill to permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings; Specter, Leahy, Cornyn, Grassley, Schumer, Feingold, Durbin; S. 829, Sunshine in the Courtroom Act of 2005; Grassley, Schumer, Conlyn, Leahy, Feingold, Durbin, Graham, DeWine, Specter; S. 489, Federal Consent Decree Fairness Act; Alexander, Kyl, Cornyn, Graham, Hatch; S. 2039, Prosecutors and Defendants Incentive Act of 2005; Durbin, Specter, DeWine, Leahy, Kennedy, Feinstein, Feingold; S. 2292, A bill to provide relief for the Federal judiciary from excessive rent charges; Specter, Leahy, Cornyn, Feinstein, Biden; S. 2453, National Security Surveillance Act of 2006; Specter; S. 2455, Terrorist Surveillance Act of 2006; DeWine, Graham.

III. Matters; S.J. Res. 1, Marriage Protection Amendment; Allard, Sessions, Kyl, Hatch, Cornyn, Coburn, Brownback; S. Res. 398, A resolution relating to the censure of George W. Bush; Feingold.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

CONGRATULATING GRACELAND

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 406, which was submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 406) Congratulating Graceland on the occasion of its designation as a National Historic Landmark.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 406) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

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