

proud tradition of hailing from Butte, I say: may the road rise to meet you, may the wind be always at your back, may the sun shine warm upon your face, the rains fall soft upon your fields and, until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand.

THE HONORABLE STEPHEN M. MCNAMEE

Mr. KYL. Mr. President, it is with great pride that I rise today to honor a respected jurist and dedicated public servant upon the occasion of his stepping down as the Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the District of Arizona.

The Honorable Stephen M. McNamee earned his bachelor of arts in history from the University of Cincinnati in 1964. He received his master of arts degree in 1967 and his juris doctor degree in 1969 from the University of Arizona.

Judge McNamee began his professional career as an assistant U.S. attorney, a position he held from 1971 to 1985. During that time, he was chief of the civil division in Tucson, chief assistant U.S. attorney, and first assistant U.S. attorney.

In 1985, President Reagan appointed him U.S. attorney for the District of Arizona. He made prosecuting violent crime within the 21 Native American communities in Arizona a top priority, particularly the prosecution of those who victimize Native American children. He also implemented model collection procedures for fines and penalty assessments of Federal defendants—the source of funding for the entire Victims of Crime Act program. Additionally, he testified before congressional committees on behalf of the Department of Justice regarding a variety of issues from terrorist threats to the southwest border, to child abuse and neglect on Indian reservations, to theft of Indian artifacts from archeological sites, to the reauthorization of the Victims of Crimes Act of 1984. At the behest of Attorney General Richard Thornburgh, he helped organize the first major conference to bring together American and Mexican criminal justice officials.

In 1990, he was appointed to the Federal bench by President George H.W. Bush, and in that capacity he developed a similar program to bring Mexican and U.S. Federal judges together to learn about each other's processes and procedures. As the chief judge of the District of Arizona, Judge McNamee managed a burgeoning docket. Since 1999, the filing of criminal cases went up 80 percent and civil case filings went up 59 percent. Nevertheless, under his leadership, the number of cases pending for 3 years or more has declined nearly 20 percent.

Judge McNamee has been an active liaison to Congress for the Administrative Office of the United States Courts and the Federal judiciary. He was appointed to the board of directors of the Federal Judges Association and has

served on several Ninth Circuit and District of Arizona committees addressing a wide range of issues, from capital cases to racial, religious, and ethnic fairness to security issues.

As a distinguished member of the community, Judge McNamee has been the recipient of almost two dozen international, national, and State commendations and awards. He exemplifies the highest standards that we have come to expect from our judiciary, and we thank him for his service.

GREEN MOUNTAIN COFFEE ROASTERS: TOP CORPORATE CITIZEN

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, it gives me great pleasure to congratulate Mr. Bob Stiller, president and chief executive officer, and the 600 employees of Green Mountain Coffee Roasters on their selection as the Nation's top corporate citizen by Business Ethics Magazine. In the best traditions of Vermont, Green Mountain Coffee Roasters is about more than making a profit—they are about fostering a strong commitment to corporate social responsibility.

Through the company's support of organizations like the Rainforest Alliance, a non profit dedicated to protecting ecosystems, and Coffee Kids, an international nonprofit seeking to improve the quality of life for children and families in coffee-growing communities, Green Mountain Coffee Roasters has been a pioneer in the fair trade coffee movement. The company has also taken its socially responsible mission into the halls of our government, when, in 2002, Green Mountain formed a joint alliance with the U.S. Agency for International Development aimed at improving the livelihoods for those in improvised coffee growing regions.

Green Mountain has maintained these strong corporate ethics while continuing to build a robust earnings record. In 2005, the company reported revenue of \$161.5 million, with net income of \$9 million, a 15-percent increase over the year prior. And in the first quarter of fiscal year 2006, Green Mountain's fair trade coffee represented 26-percent of total sales, an increase of 68-percent compared to the same period last year.

I commend this outstanding Vermont company and ask unanimous consent that the Business Ethics article naming Green Mountain Coffee Roasters as the Nation's top corporate citizen be printed in the RECORD, along with a recent editorial from the Burlington Free Press.

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

[From Business Ethics Magazine, Spring 2006]

100 BEST CORPORATE CITIZENS FOR 2006—CELEBRATING COMPANIES THAT EXCEL AT SERVING A VARIETY OF STAKEHOLDERS WELL

"We take them coffee picking, and they do some hand sorting of beans in the hot sun," says Winston Rost, Green Mountain Coffee

Roaster's director of coffee appreciation, describing the annual trip he leads of a dozen employees, visiting coffee-growing cooperatives in Vera Cruz and Oaxaca, Mexico. With a newfound appreciation for how hard the work is, some roasters say they'll never spill another bean again, Rost adds. This kind of attention to the human element of business offers a hint at why Green Mountain Coffee of Waterbury, Vt., is No. 1 this year on the list of the 100 Best Corporate Citizens.

Since its founding in 1981, the company has been socially and environmentally active, "but it wasn't all that extensive or organized at first," recalls CEO Bob Stiller. Green Mountain upped the ante in 1989 when it formed an environmental committee and created a rainforest nut coffee to support the Rainforest Alliance, a non-profit dedicated to protecting ecosystems. The company has grown increasingly active in the countries where coffee is grown and has been a pioneer in the fair trade movement, which pays coffee growers stable, fair prices. But the biggest change came in the early 1990s when the company began sending its employees on trips to see where the coffee is grown. Many employees "said it changed their lives," Stiller adds.

Green Mountain, with 600 employees, saw 2005 revenue of \$161.5 million with net income of \$9 million, a 15 percent increase over the year prior. Since 1988, it has donated more than \$500,000 to Coffee Kids, an international nonprofit seeking to improve the quality of life for children and families in coffee-growing communities. Through the Coffee Kids program, the company supports a micro-lending facility in Huatusco, Mexico and a sustainable sanitation system in Cosaulan, Mexico. It also has provided financial support to the FomCafe cooperative's quality control training program, which helps farmers earn higher profits for coffee.

In 2006 Green Mountain will release its first corporate responsibility report. "We are focusing on measurement so we can understand the economic and social impact of the company and create indices so we can better focus those efforts," Stiller says. "Just the process of getting all that information in one place is valuable," notes Michael Dupee, vice president of corporate social responsibility. "It makes you think about and gain insight into what's working and what's not, so even if you never published anything, it's worthwhile."

In 2004 the company expanded from one executive in social responsibility to three. Besides Dupee's position, there is a director of sustainable coffee and a vice president of environmental affairs. Some 45 percent of Green Mountain's coffee is purchased farmer-direct, which cuts out the share middle men take. And 20 percent of coffee sold is certified fair trade, which incorporates principles of environmental sustainability and respect for cultural identity, while guaranteeing growers minimums of \$1.26 per pound when commodity prices might be far lower. Consumer interest in fair trade is growing, Stiller says, "because through their purchases they are wanting to make a difference in the lives of growers."

Efforts like these have earned Green Mountain a spot in the top 10 on Business Ethics' list for four years running. Its meticulous attention to corporate social responsibility conveys well what the 100 Best Corporate Citizens list is about. The best-managed firms today—in this era when societal expectations of business are rising—can no longer focus solely on stockholder return. Companies that aim to prosper over the long term also emphasize good jobs for employees, environmental sustainability, healthy community relations, and great products for customers.

Seeking to put numerical ratings on service to these various stakeholder groups, the 100 Best Corporate Citizens list uses data provided by KLD Research & Analytics of Boston. It employs statistical analysis to identify those major public U.S. companies that excel at serving a variety of stakeholders well, using eight measures of service: stockholders, community, governance, diversity, employees, environment, human rights, and product.

[From the Burlington Free Press, Apr. 29, 2006]

WATERBURY COFFEE FIRM DESERVES HIGH PRAISE

Vermont should take pride in the accomplishments of Green Mountain Coffee Roasters Inc., the Waterbury company named the nation's top corporate citizen by Business Ethics magazine.

For this company, which employs 600 people, the human dimension clearly matters. Employees, the local community and coffee workers in far-away places have benefited from Green Mountain Coffee's refreshing divergence from the standard of bottom-line business.

In its annual "100 Best Corporate Citizens," Business Ethics magazine praised Green Mountain Coffee for its corporate social responsibility, in particular its commitment to fair trade, a Free Press story said. Fair trade ensures coffee growers are paid fairly with a guaranteed minimum price. Sales of the company's fair trade coffee have done extremely well, especially with a lucrative deal signed last fall with McDonald's restaurants in the Northeast.

Not only are the company's ethics admirable, Green Mountain also makes money—a winning combination that other businesses should heed for long-term success.

Within the organization, employees receive a firsthand education on the product they handle. Every year, a group of U.S. workers travel to coffee-growing areas in Mexico to experience the hard labor of picking and sorting beans. According to the magazine's Web site, the annual trips have given these employees a real appreciation of the work done in Mexico. It can be a life-changing experience.

The magazine, which has compiled the corporate citizens' list for seven years, has included Green Mountain Coffee in four of those years, including a second place last year. Chittenden Corp. was the only other Vermont business on the list, coming in at 26th place. The bank also deserves recognition.

To compile the list, eight measures of service are considered by Business Ethics: stockholders, community, governance, diversity, employees, environment, human rights, and the product, the magazine's Web site said.

There are many companies in Vermont that take their social responsibilities seriously. In 1990, Vermont Businesses for Social Responsibility was created by a group of businesspeople who shared the belief that companies have a duty to their employees, the environment and their communities as well as to their stockholders. Last month, the organization named Green Mountain Power of Colchester its "Large Company Leader of the Year" for the company's socially responsible approach to business. It's an impressive award, and a rare one for a utility.

With companies like Green Mountain Coffee, Chittenden Corp., and Green Mountain Power in our midst, the bar has been set high for other companies in the state and across the country. Bravo to them for leading the way.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

HONORING JANE HUNN

• Mr. BAYH. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to a remarkable science teacher, Jane Hunn, from Tippecanoe Valley Middle School in Akron. Last week, Jane was honored with the 2005 Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching, the Nation's highest honor for teaching in these fields.

Jane is the only winner from Indiana and one of just 100 middle and high school teachers nationwide to receive this prestigious award. This award is an extraordinary honor to Jane. It recognizes her hard work and dedication to her students and their academic achievement.

Now more than ever, education is the key to greater personal opportunity. Here in Washington, I have fought to ensure that education is available and accessible to all our Nation's students. However, the real, heroic work is done on the ground, in our schools, by teachers like Jane.

Jane has concentrated on including hands-on learning in her classroom as a way to challenge and inspire her students. In her own words, she "would much rather put the students in the active role of discoverers than be the fountain of knowledge. They really own their discoveries when they do activities and put together their own findings." By allowing them to take an active role in their own education, Jane has made science accessible to every student regardless of his or her learning ability.

Through countless hours of work both inside and outside the classroom, Jane has demonstrated her commitment to ensuring the success of future generations and to encouraging the curiosity and development of our Hoosier youth. I am sure that hundreds of Akron students both past and present, along with their families, join me in expressing my sincere gratitude for her efforts.

On behalf of the State of Indiana, I thank Jane for her dedication to her profession and our young people, and I am proud to enter her name in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD of the Senate.●

AWARD TO DR. PHILIP GOLD

• Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, today I rise to congratulate Dr. Philip Gold on receiving the Rabbi Norman F. Feldheim Award. The Rabbi Norman F. Feldheim Award was established to pay tribute to those members of Congregation Emanu El who have conspicuously and exceptionally reflected Rabbi Feldheim's qualities of love for and loyalty to the synagogue, service to the community, and the personal traits of humility, loving kindness, care, and love. Dr. Gold receives this award as part of the ceremonies marking the 115th anniversary of the founding of the congregation.

Dr. Philip M. Gold has been an extraordinarily devoted leader of Congregation Emanu El through his service as a member of its board of directors since 1990. He served as secretary, second vice-president, vice-president, and, from 2000 until 2002, he served as the president of the congregation.

During his remarkable tenure with Congregation Emanu El, Dr. Gold has masterfully guided it through a period of leadership change. He has been an inspirational leader of the congregation with a deep love for Judaism, participation in worship and education, and an exemplary commitment to Jewish values and their application to contemporary society.

In addition to his immense contributions to Congregation Emanu El, Dr. Gold is a highly respected physician and teacher, and he has been recognized by his colleagues as a leader in the field of medicine. He has served as the president of various medical organizations, and he has received numerous awards for his work and achievements.

As his family, colleagues, patients, and fellow congregants would attest, Dr. Philip M. Gold is a truly deserving recipient of an award that honors the importance of integrity, character, ethics, humility, and love for others. Throughout his life, Dr. Gold has consistently embodied the best ideals of human values.

I congratulate Dr. Philip M. Gold on receiving the Rabbi Norman F. Feldheim Award and wish him continued success in his future endeavors.●

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF NORTH AUGUSTA, SOUTH CAROLINA

• Mr. GRAHAM. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the 100th anniversary of North Augusta, SC. Preceded by the settlements of Hamburg and Campbelltown, North Augusta was founded on the north bank of the Savannah River in 1892 by James U. Jackson, whose development company planned the city's original layout. Officially chartered a town on April 11, 1906, North Augusta remained small and mostly residential until the early 1950s when the Savannah River Site was built. Thereafter, the town tripled in size, becoming a city. During the next half century, as new subdivisions were constructed around the city, commercial development flourished. Today, North Augusta is known for its first-class recreational facilities, community league sports teams, and caring people. It is a city that prides itself on responsive government and a strong sense of community. With a healthy respect for its past, an emerging riverfront, and careful growth, the city's future is bright.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

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