

that a hearing has been scheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will be held on Monday, April 16, 2007, at 2:30 p.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony on S. 731, the National Carbon Dioxide Storage Capacity Assessment Act of 2007 and S. 962, the Department of Energy Carbon Capture and Storage Research, Development, and Demonstration Act of 2007.

Due to the limited available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send it to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510-6150, or by e-mail to Gina_weinstock@energy.senate.gov.

For further information, please contact Allyson Anderson or Gina Weinstock.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to hold a hearing during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, April 10, 2007, at 2:30 p.m., in Room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The hearing entitled "Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) and the Future of 911 Services," will examine current issues and future challenges related to the provision of enhanced 911 (E911) services, and S. 428, the "IP-Enabled Voice Communications and Public Safety Act of 2007."

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

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to hold a hearing during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, April 10, 2007, at 11 a.m., in Room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building. The purpose of the hearing is to review the Federal Trade Commission Reauthorization Act.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON READINESS AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, April 10, 2007, at 3 p.m., in both closed and open sessions, to receive testimony on overseas basing plans, military installation, environmental and base closure programs in review of the Defense authorization request for fiscal year 2008 and the future years Defense program.

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

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Nicole Knoll and Grant Gustafson of my staff be granted floor privileges for the duration of today's session.

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

Mr. ISAOKSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Tyler Thompson, of my staff, be granted the privileges of the floor for the remainder of the debate on S. 5 and S. 30.

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

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Guy Clifton, a fellow in Senator HATCH's office, be granted floor privileges during the stem cell debate.

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

HONORING COACH EDDIE G. ROBINSON

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 143, submitted earlier today.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows: A resolution (S. Res. 143) honoring Coach Eddie G. Robinson.

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

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 143) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 143

Whereas Eddie G. Robinson, the former coach of the Grambling State University Tigers, was born on February 13, 1919, in Jackson, Louisiana;

Whereas after graduating from high school, Eddie G. Robinson attended Leland College in Baker, Louisiana, where he played quarterback on the college's football team and graduated with a baccalaureate of arts degree;

Whereas in 1941, Eddie G. Robinson accepted a football coaching position at Grambling State University, which, at the time, was known as the Louisiana Negro Normal and Industrial Institute;

Whereas during his 57-year tenure as the Grambling State University football coach, Eddie G. Robinson established himself as a legend in the world of sports and a Louisiana hero;

Whereas Eddie G. Robinson broke through the glass ceiling that had always undermined

the true potential of African-American players and coaches;

Whereas Eddie G. Robinson won 408 games, which was more games won than any coach before him;

Whereas Eddie G. Robinson won 17 championships in the Southwestern Athletic Conference;

Whereas Eddie G. Robinson held the championship title 9 times for Historically Black Colleges and Universities;

Whereas Eddie G. Robinson sent more than 200 players into the National Football League (NFL), including Paul "Tank" Younger, who was the first NFL player from a predominantly African-American college and, from then on, Coach Robinson was personally responsible for paving the way for all African-American players to have opportunities in the NFL and others to play at majority White schools;

Whereas Eddie G. Robinson's achievements are not limited to his athletic victories;

Whereas Eddie G. Robinson taught his players the meaning of teamwork and patriotism, providing them lessons that extended far beyond the football field;

Whereas his contributions have also provided for one of the most exciting match-ups in college sports—the Bayou Classic football game, which Eddie G. Robinson and his sports information director, the late Collie J. Nicholson, created; and

Whereas Eddie G. Robinson was able to serve Grambling State University with such great distinction in large part because of the continuing support of his wife Doris, his two children, Eddie Jr. and Lillian Rose Watkins, his grandchildren, and his great-grandchildren: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) notes with deep sorrow and solemn mourning the death of Coach Eddie G. Robinson, a Louisiana hero and a great American;

(2) extends its heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Doris Robinson and the family of Eddie G. Robinson; and

(3) honors and, on behalf of the Nation, expresses deep appreciation for Coach Eddie G. Robinson's outstanding service to Grambling State University, to Louisiana, and to his country.

HONORING THE MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY SPARTANS

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 144 submitted earlier today.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

The resolution (S. Res. 144) honoring the Michigan State University Spartans on winning the 2007 Men's National Collegiate Hockey Championship.

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

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I am happy to join with my colleague from Michigan, Senator DEBBIE STABENOW, in supporting this resolution, which recognizes the Spartans hard work, grit and determination in winning Michigan State University's third NCAA Men's Hockey championship. The Spartans secured the 2007 National Title in dramatic fashion by overcoming a 1 to 0 deficit to defeat Boston College 3 to 1 in the NCAA Men's Championship Final. This victory is a

great source of pride for all those affiliated with Michigan State University and for the entire state of Michigan.

Championships are won by doing all the little things right, by not giving up, and by trusting one another regardless of the obstacles. All of these traits were on display Saturday night when, in the waning moments of the championship game, the Spartans mounted a final charge to capture the 2007 NCAA Title. The Spartans scored 3 goals in the final 10 minutes of play. The game was tied until the last minute of regulation, when Justin Abdelkader scored the go-ahead goal with 18.9 seconds remaining. The Spartans solidified this hard-fought victory by scoring an empty netter set up by an Eagle team that desperately fought to tie the game.

The Spartans upset victory before a record setting crowd of 19,432 at the Scottrade Center in St. Louis completed a highly entertaining and rewarding season. MSU Hockey's third NCAA title is being celebrated today in East Lansing, Michigan. The members of the championship team are being honored with a parade followed by a rally at Munn Ice Arena. This is a victory for the Spartan team and MSU community, as well as for the many fans, friends, and family whose strong and unwavering support was exhibited throughout the Spartans' memorable championship season.

Each member of the MSU team made important contributions to the Spartans' success, including players Justin Abdelkader, Tim Crowder, Jeff Dunne, Tyler Howells, Brandon Gentile, Ethan Graham, Bobby Jarosz, Justin Johnston, Tim Kennedy, Kurt Kivisto, Chris Lawrence, Bryan Lerg, Jeff Lerg, Zak McClellan, Jim McKenzie, Steve Mnich, Chris Mueller, Michael Ratchuk, Matt Schepke, Chris Snavely, Jay Sprague, Daniel Sturges, Nick Sucharski, Ryan Turek, Daniel Vukovic, Brandon Warner, Head Coach Rick Comley, Assistant Coaches Tom Newton and Brian Renfrew, and Athletic Trainer Dave Carrier.

MSU Spartans' Head Coach Rick Comley, who was named a 2007 National Coach of the Year finalist, became the third coach in college hockey history to win national titles at two institutions, the first with Northern Michigan University. Coach Comley recorded his 714th career victory on Saturday. He currently holds the distinction of being the third winningest coach amongst active hockey coaches and fifth winningest in NCAA Hockey history. He has continued the successful Spartan Hockey tradition established by Ron Mason, the Spartans' former head coach, current athletic director, and the all-time winningest NCAA Hockey coach.

Throughout the 2007 championship season, the MSU men's hockey team has demonstrated a commitment to unselfish play, always placing team success ahead of individual accomplishments. However, I would be remiss if I

did not acknowledge the outstanding individual effort displayed by sophomore goal tender Jeff Lerg, whose instrumental play throughout the season helped to secure the title and earned him both NCAA Midwest Regional MVP honors and a place on the Frozen Four All Tournament team.

I know my colleagues in the Senate join me in congratulating Coach Comley and the 2007 Michigan State University Spartans on their NCAA Men's Hockey National Championship.

MSU SPARTAN HOCKEY NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I rise today to commend the Michigan State University Spartans on winning the 2007 Men's National Collegiate Hockey Championship.

On Saturday, April 7, 2007, the Michigan State University Men's Hockey Team won the 2007 Men's Hockey National Collegiate Athletic Association Championship by defeating Boston College by a score of 3 to 1.

In a hard-fought game, and going into the final period with a one-goal deficit, the Spartans charged ahead to tie the game, and then triumphantly scored a game-winning goal with only 18.9 seconds remaining of play.

This victory constituted MSU Hockey's third national championship, and the first since 1986. Each member of the MSU Hockey organization made essential contributions to the team's success.

MSU Spartans' Head Coach Rick Comley has become only the third coach in college hockey history to win national titles at two institutions, and has earned over 700 career wins.

A record crowd of over 19,000 people attended the Frozen Four Championship game in St. Louis, and the enthusiasm shown by the people of Michigan and the students of MSU demonstrate Michigan's strong support for the MSU Hockey organization.

I know how important the families and friends of the team have been in providing unwavering support and always cheering on their Spartans.

In the final weeks of the season, with an uncertain forecast of their playoff position, the Spartans rallied together with unrivaled team character and focus, and starting with the 1st round playoffs in Grand Rapids, MI, they went on undefeated to clinch the championship.

Michigan State University has always stood as a center for excellence in both athletics and scholarship, especially with the guidance of University President Lou Anna K. Simon, and athletic director and renowned former MSU Hockey coach, Ron Mason.

I am a proud MSU alumnus myself, and was beyond delighted to see this great team win the national championship.

The MSU Spartans displayed unparalleled team camaraderie, and have shown their ability to unite both on

and off the ice has led them to well-fought victories.

The Spartan Hockey Team demonstrated superior strength, skill, perseverance and determination and has made Michigan State University and the entire State of Michigan proud.

I congratulate the MSU Spartan Hockey Team on winning the 2007 NCAA Championship and recognize all the players, coaches, staff, fans, and others who were instrumental in this great achievement.

Again, this is a wonderful day for Michigan State University. We are very proud of our hockey members and particularly proud of a member of my staff, Jeff Muich, whose brother Steve is a member of that team. So with pride we congratulate Michigan State University on this wonderful achievement.

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 144) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 144

Whereas, on Saturday, April 7, 2007, the Michigan State University (MSU) Men's Hockey Team won the 2007 Men's Hockey National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Championship by defeating Boston College by a score of 3 to 1;

Whereas entering the final period with a one-goal deficit, the Spartans rallied to tie the game at 1 to 1, and with 18.9 seconds remaining in regulation, scored the go-ahead goal to secure MSU Hockey's third national championship, and first since 1986;

Whereas the MSU Spartans won the NCAA Midwest Regional in Grand Rapids, Michigan, to qualify for the Frozen Four finals, making them the first Central Collegiate Hockey Association team to reach the tournament finals since 1998;

Whereas each member of the MSU Hockey organization made essential contributions to the team's success, including players Justin Abdelkader, Tim Crowder, Jeff Dunne, Tyler Howells, Brandon Gentile, Ethan Graham, Bobby Jarosz, Justin Johnston, Tim Kennedy, Kurt Kivisto, Chris Lawrence, Bryan Lerg, Jeff Lerg, Zak McClellan, Jim McKenzie, Steve Mnich, Chris Mueller, Michael Ratchuk, Matt Schepke, Chris Snavely, Jay Sprague, Daniel Sturges, Nick Sucharski, Ryan Turek, Daniel Vukovic, and Brandon Warner, Head Coach Rick Comley, Assistant Coaches Tom Newton and Brian Renfrew, and Athletic Trainer Dave Carrier;

Whereas MSU Spartans' Head Coach Rick Comley, who was named a 2007 National Coach of the Year finalist, became the third coach in college hockey history to win national titles at two institutions, the first with Northern Michigan University, and has recorded over 700 career victories, making him the third winningest coach amongst active coaches, and fifth winningest in NCAA history;

Whereas at the Frozen Four Championship game in St. Louis, a record 19,432 people attended and the enthusiasm shown by the