

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95—384—22  
U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE FOR TRAVEL FROM JULY 1 TO SEPT. 30, 2008—Continued

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Andrew Kerr .....	Dollar .....		2,432.00		9,846.40				9,846.40
Caroline Tees .....	Dollar .....		550.00		9,846.40				2,432.00
Richard Girven .....	Dollar .....		190.00		1,700.11				9,846.40
Senator Christopher Bond .....	Dollar .....		1,705.00						550.00
Louis Tucker .....	Dollar .....		3,162.00		3,760.80				1,700.11
Richard Girven .....	Dollar .....		3,162.00		11,901.09				190.00
Jennifer Wagner .....	Dollar .....		1,399.00		12,160.13				1,705.00
James Smythers .....	Dollar .....		664.00		13,932.68				3,760.80
Bryan Smith .....	Dollar .....		1,231.00		12,410.25				3,162.00
Randall Bookout .....	Dollar .....		672.00		13,932.68				11,901.09
Eric Pelofsky .....	Dollar .....		956.00		2,420.96				12,160.13
Paul Matulic .....	Dollar .....		989.00		7,953.25				1,399.00
Total .....			36,473.00		192,384.81				13,932.68

SENATOR JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER,  
Chairman, Committee on Intelligence, Nov. 5, 2008.

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U.S.C. 1754(b), MAJORITY LEADER FOR TRAVEL FROM AUG. 24 TO AUG. 31, 2008

Name and country	Name of currency	Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency
Marcel Lettre: .....	Dollar .....				7,896.07				7,896.07
United States .....	Dollar .....		936.00						936.00
Qatar .....									
Total .....			936.00		7,896.07				8,832.07

SENATOR HARRY REID,  
Majority Leader.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

## NOMINATIONS DISCHARGED

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session and the Foreign Relations Committee be discharged of PN2128; that the Commerce Committee be discharged from PN1994, except the nomination of Robert E. Day; PN2117 and PN2118; that the Senate proceed en bloc to their consideration; that the nominations be confirmed en bloc; the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table en bloc; that any statements related thereto be printed in the RECORD; that no further motions be in order; and the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

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

The nominations considered and confirmed are as follows:

## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career Minister:  
Asif J. Chaudhry, of Washington

Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor:  
Gary C. Groves, of Texas

Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Counselor:  
Alan D. Hrapsky, of Texas

IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD  
*To be rear admiral (lower half)*

Captain John H. Korn,  
Captain William D. Lee,  
Captain Charles D. Michel,  
Captain Roy A. Nash,  
Captain Michael N. Parks,

NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC  
ADMINISTRATION*To be lieutenant (junior grade)*

Kyle W. Ryan  
Oliver E. Brown

*To be ensign*

Gregory R. Schweitzer  
John H. Petersen  
Benjamin S. Bloss  
John F. Rossi  
Charlene R. Felkley  
Emily M. Rose  
Kevin W. Adams  
Matthew M. Forney  
Patricia E. Raymond  
Matthew J. Nardi  
Adam R. Reed  
Adrienne L. Hopper  
Rachel M. Sargent  
Jonathan E. Owen  
Ryan A. Wartick

NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC  
ADMINISTRATION*To be lieutenant (junior grade)*

Andrew R. Colegrove  
Anna-Elizabeth B. Villiard-Howe  
Nicholas C. Morgan  
Jeffrey G. Pereira  
Colin T. Klewer  
Harold B. Emmons III

Paul M. Chamberlain  
Michael W. O'Neal  
Julie L. Earp  
Kyle A. Byers  
Loren M. Ivory  
Andrew J. Ostapenko  
Laura T. Gallant  
Gregory R. Schweitzer  
Mark S. Andrews  
Megan R. Guberski  
Nathan E. Witherly  
Christine L. Schultz  
Claire V. Surrey  
Ronald L. Moyers, Jr.  
Brian D. Prestcott  
Glen A. Rice  
Patrick M. Redmond  
Russell A. Quintero  
Nathan B. Parker  
Jonathan R. Heesch  
Matthew C. Griffin  
Faith C. Opatrny

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR AND  
NOMINATIONS DISCHARGED

Mr. DORGAN. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate consider Calendar No. 757, the nomination of William Carr; and that the Judiciary Committee be discharged of PN1113, the nomination of Ricardo H. Hinojosa; that the Senate proceed en bloc to their consideration; that the nominations be confirmed en bloc; the motions to reconsider be laid on the table en bloc; that any statements related

thereto be printed in the RECORD; that no further motions be in order; and that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's actions.

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

The nominations considered and confirmed en bloc are as follows:

## UNITED STATES SENTENCING COMMISSION

William B. Carr, Jr., of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term expiring October 31, 2011.

Ricardo H. Hinojosa, of Texas, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission for a term expiring October 31, 2013.

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Foreign Relations Committee be discharged of PN730; the HELP Committee be discharged of PN2019, PN2020, PN2022, PN2132, PN2024, PN2104, and PN2119; and the Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee be discharged of PN2058 and PN2086; and that the Senate proceed en bloc to their consideration; that the nominations be confirmed en bloc, and the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table; that no further motions be in order, and any statements relating to the nominations be printed in the Record; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate return to legislative session.

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

The nominations considered and confirmed en bloc are as follows:

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Gene Allan Cretz, of New York, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Libya.

## NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD

Douglas D. Randall, of Missouri, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2014.

Ray M. Bowen, of Texas, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2014.

France A. Cordova, of Indiana, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2014.

## U.S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

*To be medical director*

Paul J. Andreason  
Wanda D. Barfield  
Charles H. Beymer  
Susan Blank  
Michael J. Boquard  
Brenton T. Burkholder  
Jay C. Butler  
Michael A. Carome  
Martin S. Cetron  
Susan T. Cookson  
Michael M. Engलगau  
Carol Friedman  
Richard P. Hedlund  
Dale J. Hu  
Stephen G. Kaler  
Newton E. Kendig  
Jeffrey B. Kopp  
Eric A. Mann  
Aubrey K. Miler  
Eric D. Mintz

Allyn K. Nakashima  
Elena H. Page  
Brent Pennington  
Calman P. Prussin  
Steven G. Scott  
Robert J. Simonds  
Mark J. Tedesco  
Douglas B. Trout  
Jonathan T. Weber  
Jane R. Zucker

*To be senior surgeon*

Kenneth L. Brooks  
Erlinda R. Casuga-Marquez  
Ahmed M. Elkashef  
Douglas H. Esposito  
Alicia M. Fry  
Rosemarie Hirsch  
Stephen P. Kachur  
Charles E. Lee  
Sarah R. Linde-Feucht  
Julie M. Magri  
Katherine C. Palatianos  
Mary C. Porvaznik  
Stephen M. Rudd  
Taraz Samandari  
Julia A. Schillinger  
Michael G. Wilcox  
Jason J. Woo  
Darius S. Yorichi

*To be surgeon*

Anthony M. Dunnigan  
Mark R. Dybul  
Nancy W. Knight  
Dianna L. Mahoney  
Kelton H. Oliver  
Pragna Patel  
Tobe M. Propst  
Jeffrey D. Schulden  
David L. Sprenger  
Greggory J. Woitte  
David Wong

*To be senior assistant surgeon*

Daisy Y. Eng  
Daniel Molina

*To be dental director*

Michael C. Arnold  
Timothy S. Bishop  
William F. Catelli II  
John F. Caudill II  
Jeffery R. Combs  
Dean J. Coppola  
Steven D. Florer  
Carl J. Gustke  
Daniel J. Hickey  
Joseph G. Hosek  
Thomas E. Jordan  
Mary G. Murphy  
Rebecca V. Neslund  
James T. Owen  
Thomas A. Reese  
Suzanne K. Saville

*To be senior dental surgeon*

Anita Arnold  
Ronald C. Cox  
Glen A. Eisenhuth  
Richard L. Firnhaber  
Ronald L. Fuller  
Stanley K. Gordon  
Christine K. Heng  
Arlene M. Lester  
John E. Lorincz  
Aaron R. Means, Sr.  
Kathleen M. Oconnor-Moran  
Richard D. Stricklin  
Todd M. Tovarek

*To be dental surgeon*

Ruben S. Acuna  
Joyce D. Biberica  
William J. Esposito  
Katrina J. Leslie  
Anthony L. Likes  
Kimberly Woods Montoya  
Adrian R. Palmer  
Stella Yuk Kwan Lau Wisner

*To be nurse director*

Ana Marie L. Balingit-Wines  
Eileen D. Bonneau  
Sheila D. Carnes  
Laurie S. Irwin-Pinkley  
David W. Kelly  
David L. Kerschner  
Kathleen M. Kobus  
Carol L. Konchan  
Mary M. Leemhuis  
Michael D. Lyman  
Robert W. Mayes  
Jerilyn Anderson McClain  
Genise Y. Nixon  
Monique V. Petrofsky  
Gilbert P. Rose  
Cindy L. Wilson  
Beverly R. Wright

*To be senior nurse officer*

Victoria L. Anderson  
Linda J. Belsito  
Susan K. Brown  
Michael P. Bryce  
Annette R. Debiset  
Joanne Derdak  
Mary Y. Elkins  
Susan K. Fritz  
Byron C. Glenn  
Wanda W. Gonzalez  
Joan F. Hunter  
Mary L. Kinkade  
Colleen O. Lee  
Jaime Muniz  
Priscilla J. Powers  
Doris L. Raymond  
Letitia L. Rhodes  
Bonnie A. Saylor  
Sylvia Trent-Adams  
Joyce B. Watson  
Daniel J. Weskamp

*To be nurse officer*

Dawn A. Anderson-Gary  
Ileana Barreto-Pettit  
Patricia A. Barrett  
Valene N. Bartmess  
Jason M. Bischoff  
Marie A. Casey  
Susanna N. Choi  
Brian R. Cronenwett  
Derwent O. Daniel  
John W. David, Jr.  
Diane Douglas  
Kimberly J. Elenberg  
Eileen M. Falzini  
Dion E. Franklund  
Barbara A. Fuller  
Serina A. Hunter-Thomas  
Jackie Kennedy-Sullivan  
Carol S. Lincoln  
Lisa A. Marunycz  
Tami L. McBride  
Alberta M. McCabe  
Sherry L. McReynolds  
Anita E. Pollard  
Letitia B. Robinson  
Thomas M. Scheidel  
Jeffery R. Semak  
Judith B. Sutcliffe  
Victoria F. Vachon

*To be senior assistant nurse officer*

Mark D. Cruz  
Kaori Donohue  
Bryan H. Emery  
Coleen R. Fett  
Joshua E. Hardin  
James E. Thomas  
William T. Williamson  
Anh P. Wright

*To be assistant nurse officer*

James K. Lyons  
Adriana M. Meyer-Alonzo

*To be engineer director*

David M. Apanian  
Bryan L. Fischer  
Michael G. Gressel

Robert B. McVicker  
Robert J. Reiss  
Keith P. Shortall  
Mark A. Stafford  
George W. Styer  
Maurice C. West

*To be senior engineer officer*

Steven L. Bosiljevac  
Gary S. Earnest  
Cheryl Fairfield Estill  
Chucuri A. Kardous  
James H. Ludington  
Jamie D. Natour  
Steven E. Raynor  
Daniel C. Tompkins  
Dennis J. Wagner  
Marjorie E. Wallace  
Mary M. Weber  
Richard S. Wermers

*To be engineer officer*

Steven J. Dykstra  
Keith E. Foy  
David E. Harvey  
Kelly G. Hudson  
David E. Johnson  
Mathew J. Martinson  
Jennifer E. Mosser  
Brent D. Rohlfis  
Chad A. Snell

*To be senior assistant engineer officer*

Sean T. Bush  
Jennifer Lynn Caparoso  
Jeremy B. Nickels

*To be scientist director*

Peter I. Hartsock  
Lauren C. Iacono-Connors  
Rosa J. Key-Schwartz  
Helena O. Mishoe  
Joyce L. Smith  
William H. Taylor I, II

*To be senior scientist*

Christine J. Benally  
John J. Eckert  
Laurence M. Grummer-Strawn  
Leslie A. MacDonald

*To be scientist*

Rachel N. Avchen  
Dan-My T. Chu  
Danice K. Eaton  
Lisa N. Pealer  
Diana L. Schneider

*To be environmental health officer director*

Alan S. Echt  
Robert F. Hennes  
Michael E. Herring  
Joseph L. Hughart  
Robert S. Newsad  
Douglas C. Pickup  
Richard E. Turner  
Paul T. Young

*To be senior environmental health officer*

Eric J. Esswein  
Deborah A. Greco  
William J. Greim  
Michael P. Keiffer  
Joe L. Maloney  
David H. McMahon  
Gary D. Perlman  
Edward A. Pfister  
Edwin Vazquez

*To be environmental health officer*

Charles M. Blue  
William C. Crump  
Timothy E. Jiggins  
Mary B. O'Connor  
Harrichand Rhambarose  
Daniel J. Yereb

*To be senior assistant environmental health officer*

Robert A. Gibbs  
Christopher T. Smith

*To be veterinary director*

Sean F. Altekruse

Stephanie I. Harris  
Hugh M. Mainzer  
Stephanie R. Ostrowski

*To be senior veterinary officer*

Terri R. Clark  
Victoria A. Hampshire  
Alfred W. Montgomery  
Daniel R. Oleary

*To be veterinary officer*

Gregory L. Langham

*To be pharmacist director*

J. R. Eric Edwards  
Mary A. Fong  
Marie B. Greenwood  
George J. Havens II  
Martin Jagers  
Anthony E. Keller  
Michael R. Lilla  
M. Carlene McIntyre  
Murray F. Potter  
Nicholas A. Quaglietta  
Renee J. Roncone  
Margaret A. Simoneau  
Thomas J. Troshynski

*To be senior pharmacist*

Christine Hee-Kyung Chung  
Michelle Dillahunt  
Terry A. Hook  
Mary E. Kremzner  
Nitin K. Patel  
Robert G. Pratt  
Nita Sood  
Brenda L. Stodart  
Matthew J. Tarosky  
Lisa L. Tonrey

*To be pharmacist*

Matthew R. Baker  
David A. Bates  
William H. Bender  
Sye D. Bennefield  
Mary A. Bickel  
Bradley M. Bishop  
Michael P. Bourg  
Catherine Y. Chew  
Chae Un Chong  
Tamara A. Close  
Michael A. Eddy  
Rebecca E. Garner  
Gary B. Hobbs  
Marci C. Kiester  
Kristy M. Klinger  
Vlada Matusovsky  
Nina C. Mezu-Nwaba  
Margaret A. Rincon  
Spencer S. Salis  
Tina M. Spence  
Jacqueline K. Thomas  
Vasavi T. Thomas  
Gerardo Z. Vazquez  
Chi-Ann Yu Wu

*To be senior dietitian*

Juli M. Haws  
Ann M. Staten

*To be dietitian*

Robert M. Collison

*To be senior therapist*

Jessie Whitehurst  
Rita B. Shapiro

*To be therapist*

Corey S. Dahl  
Frederick V. Lief  
Henry P. McMillan  
Robert E. Roe, Jr.  
Jon M. Schultz

*To be health services director*

William M. Gosman  
Greg A. Ketcher  
Robert J. Lyon  
W. Henry MacPherson  
Margaret A. McDowell  
Michael R. Miner  
Janet Reen Saul

*To be senior health services officer*

Carol E. Auten  
Gregory D. Cliff  
Valerie A. Darden  
Michael J. Flood  
Mark S. Floss  
Richard R. Kauffman  
Elijah K. Marlin, Jr.  
Philip S. McRae  
Sheila P. Merriweather  
David J. Miler  
Sunil Patel  
Anthony Sanchez  
Phillip L. Toy  
Jeanean D. Willis-Marsh

*To be health services officer*

David J. Bellware  
Keith W. Cespon  
Rhondalyn R. Cox  
Gregory J. Flaitz  
Anna T. Gonzales  
Dione Marie Harjo  
Beth Anne Henson  
Theresa A. Minter  
Daisy D. Mitchell  
Michelle A. Pelkey  
Jacqueline D. Rodrigue  
Tobey Manns Royal  
Scott J. Salvatore  
Angela K. Shen

*To be senior assistant health services officer*

Brian T. Burt  
Sean R. Byrd  
Torrey B. Darkenwald  
Eduardo R. Faytong  
James D. Hall, Jr.  
Carl A. Huffman I, II  
Jason S. Jurkowski  
Raquel A. Peat  
Angel E. Sanchez  
Stephen C. Smith  
Anthony A. Walker  
Darin S. Wiegiers  
Elaine C. Wolff

NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD

G.P. Peterson of Colorado, to be a Member of the National Science Board, National Science Foundation, for a term expiring May 10, 2014.

NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE ARTS

Barbara Ernst Prey, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2014.

U.S. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

*To be medical director*

Matthew T. McKenna  
Zachary Taylor III

*To be senior surgeon*

Timothy R. Cote  
Juliette Morgan

*To be surgeon*

Henry C. Baggett III  
Edward C. Doo  
Paul D. Heiderscheidt  
John T. Redd  
Joseph P. Simon

*To be senior assistant surgeon*

Scott J. Filler  
Monique R. Fountain  
Ana I. Guzman  
Karen C. Lee  
Lori A. Pollack  
James J. Sejvar  
Michael C. Thigpen

*To be senior dental surgeon*

Seyed H. Mortazavi

*To be dental surgeon*

Juan K. Packer  
Phillip A. Wilson  
Paul A. Wong

*To be senior assistant dental surgeon*

Jodine C. Anderson

Carol L. McDaniel

*To be nurse director*

Holly A. Williams

*To be senior nurse officer*

Ann M. McCarthy

*To be nurse officer*

Kristal E. Dye

Susan E. Erwin

Martin A. Foreman

Brant B. Goode

Veronica M. Gordon

Jerri L. McGinnis

Dorothy R. Merchant

Elvira D. Mosely

Rebecca S. Noe

Arlene M. Patuc

Carolyn R. Stacy-Wilkin

Debra Tubbs

*To be senior assistant nurse officer*

Anne M. Arceo

Helen E. Ballantyne

Demetrius Chapman

Summer A. Cutting

Dan Fletcher III

Melissa A. George

Shawna L. Hutchins

Deborah N. Lamping

*To be engineer officer*

Jeffrey A. Murray

*To be senior assistant engineer officer*

Varsha B. Savalia

*To be scientist*

David J. McIntyre

Danisha L. Robbins

*To be senior environmental health officer*

Paul M. Lewis

*To be environmental health officer*

Brian L. Lewelling

Mathew J. Thomas

John T. Whitesides

*To be senior assistant environmental health officer*

Jeffrey T. Dickson

Molly E. Patton

*To be pharmacist*

Steven A. Labrozzi

Judy L. Rose

Jamie L. Shaddon

*To be senior assistant pharmacist*

Kristina J. Ballinger

Jefferson Frey

Katie E. Johnson

Randi R. Lanier

Jeffrey J. Mallette

Lori B. Moore

Allison M. Paynter

Vincent S. Sansone

Courtney M. Suggs

Judith B. Thompson

Leo B. Zadecky

*To be senior assistant therapist*

James M. Cowher

*To be health services officer director*

Clifford D. Brown

*To be health services officer*

Irwin W. Fish

*To be senior assistant health services officer*

Julia H. Bryan

Alnissa T. Carter

Michael C. Clay

Martha S. Fermin

Lori A. Goodman

Rachael Trimpert Schmidt

Cameron C. Scott

Michael R. Tilus

Emily J. Williams

*To be junior assistant health services officer*

Kristi R. Anderson

Keren Arkin

Sarah E. Coleman

Matthew R. Daab

James C. Decker

Dimana Dimitrova

Elizabeth A. Franklin

David M. Gianferante

Marilou Gonzalez

Rebecca Hardy

Amy J. Hatcher

Sara A. Kierpiec

Tina Pattaratornkosohn

Jeffrey R. Strich

Xi Hua Yang

John I. Young

#### JUDICIARY

Alfred S. Irving, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Kathryn A. Oberly, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals for the term of fifteen years.

#### LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will now return to legislative session.

#### DR. WALTER CARL GORDON, JR. POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 6859, which is at the desk.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 6859) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1501 South Slappey Boulevard in Albany, Georgia, as the "Dr. Walter Carl Gordon, Jr. Post Office Building."

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

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read three times and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate, and any statements relating thereto be printed in the RECORD.

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

The bill (H.R. 6859) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

#### JOSEPH A. RYAN POST OFFICE BUILDING

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be discharged from further consideration of S. 3681 and that the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

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

The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 3681) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5070 Vegas Valley Drive in Las Vegas, Nevada, as the "Joseph A. Ryan Post Office Building."

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

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate, and any statements related to the bill be printed in the RECORD.

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

The bill (S. 3681) was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed, as follows:

S. 3681

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. JOSEPH A. RYAN POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5070 Vegas Valley Drive in Las Vegas, Nevada, shall be known and designated as the "Joseph A. Ryan Post Office Building".

(b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the facility referred to in subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Joseph A. Ryan Post Office Building".

#### AUTHORIZING A COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT FOR THE FEDERAL JUDICIARY

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. 3711, introduced earlier today.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 3711) to authorize a cost of living adjustment for the Federal judiciary.

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

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I rise to express support for a bill introduced by myself, the minority leader, and others to provide a cost-of-living salary adjustment to Federal judges.

The Framers of our Constitution were men of great vision and foresight. One of their great innovations was the establishment of an independent judiciary, which is to function as a coequal branch of government.

The Framers knew that justice and the rule of law would only prevail if judges are free from executive and legislative interference. In order to preserve the autonomy of judges, the Framers established safeguards. One of these safeguards was the assurance that judicial pay could not be diminished during a judge's service on the bench. This safeguard was important enough that it was included in the first section of article III of the Constitution.

Unfortunately, in terms of real dollars, we in Congress have allowed judicial pay to dwindle. Since 1969, the salaries of Federal judges have significantly declined when adjusted for inflation. The Office of the United States Courts estimates judicial pay has declined by 25 percent.

Preserving judicial integrity is a bipartisan goal. Earlier this Congress a