

used for religious purposes, though some served as burial mounds. Particularly in the Midwest, American Indians often built the earthen mounds in the shape of animals; however, Man Mound, located in Sauk County in Greenfield Township, WI, is the one of the few effigy mounds in the shape of a man. Over 900 mounds once existed in Sauk County, yet over 75 percent of the mounds have been plowed, erased by floods or destroyed by looters and construction. Although the legs of Man Mound were partially destroyed during road construction in the early 1900s, preservation of Man Mound continues and further destruction to the mound has not occurred. Due to the shrinking number of mounds and the rare human shape of the mound in Greenfield Township, Man Mound needs to be recognized as a valuable part of history.

The Sauk County Historical Society dedicated Man Mound Park, the area surrounding the mound, in 1908 and has since made efforts to keep the mound in its original state. The efforts of the people of Sauk County and the Sauk County Historical Society to protect the effigy mound were progressive and laudable. Man Mound is believed to be the best preserved man-shaped Native American effigy mound remaining in the United States, a title only possible through the commitment of the Historical Society and the citizens of Sauk County.

On August 9, 2008, citizens from many parts the State of Wisconsin will gather to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the preservation of the Man Mound. The commemoration will highlight this unique Native American effigy mound, increase awareness of its value as a landmark and allow for further investigation as to whether there are more mounds in the area. Man Mound will serve as an educational resource for the people in Greenfield Township, Sauk County and Wisconsin. The preservation efforts by the people of Sauk County have not gone unnoticed. The Sauk County Historical Society, the Ho-Chunk Nation, the Wisconsin Historical Society, the Wisconsin Archeological Society, the General Federation of Women's Clubs-Wisconsin, the Wisconsin Archeological Survey and the Sauk County UW Extension, Arts and Culture Committee have dedicated valuable time and resources toward the commemoration of Man Mound. The individuals involved deserve recognition, praise and thanks for their hard work.●

RECOGNIZING THE PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES

● Mr. SPECTER. Mr. President, I seek recognition today to express my gratitude to the Philadelphia Phillies for their extraordinary effort during a recent mentoring event at PNC Park in Philadelphia on June 21, 2008. This particular event was the most recent in a series of events that have been an integral part of a youth outreach program.

Since my days as district attorney in Philadelphia, I have devoted a great

deal of time and attention to developing ways to reduce violent crime. I believe one of the best ways to reduce the rate of youth crime and violence is to develop mentoring programs with the explicit goal of imbuing the youth of Pennsylvania with ideals such as hard work and civic responsibility. With this goal in mind, I have worked diligently to secure funding for mentoring style programs and have subsequently held events focusing on mentoring and the issues of youth crime and violence throughout Pennsylvania including Philadelphia, Reading, Lancaster, York, Pittsburgh, and Allentown.

The mentoring events in which I have participated are intended to provide the young people of Pennsylvania with a day all their own and, simultaneously, highlight how fun and special mentoring relationships can be for everyone involved. It is my belief that when these young people see that there are positive role models readily available in their community to whom they can turn when searching for someone to emulate, the chance of perpetuating violent patterns of behavior will markedly decline. Specifically, youth involved in a formal mentoring program are 46 percent less likely to start using drugs and alcohol and 33 percent less likely to hit another person. Participants also attended school more regularly and completed their school work more consistently and on time. Finally, the children demonstrated improved peer and family relationships as a result of their involvement in mentoring. These indicators make me hopeful that wide-scale mentoring could have a tremendous impact in this city.

The day with the Philadelphia Phillies was no exception. Between the planning efforts and resources of the Phillies organization and the recommendations of my exceptional staff, the event turned out to be memorable for all those who attended. The accommodations the Phillies afforded the kids were exceptional. They went so far as to honor one young person from their own mentoring program and me, and we had the opportunity to get involved in the "First Ball" ceremony. I am sure this is a memory that this young man will carry with him for the rest of his life. I know it is one I will always reflect upon fondly.

In the wake of the numerous scandals plaguing professional athletics, the event on June 21, 2008, reminded all those in attendance how powerful professional athletes can be in serving as positive role models for the children of our communities. There is no doubt that the young people of the great Commonwealth of Pennsylvania will continue to look toward players such as Chase Utley, Tom Gordon, Jimmie Rollins, Pat Burrell, and others in the future when determining who they should emulate.

What I feel is most important to take away from this event is how signifi-

cantly it reflects the desire of the entire Philadelphia community to become involved in programs that have the potential to effect real change in the lives of our youth. When a group as notable as the Philadelphia Phillies sets aside time and resources to enhance the lives of our youth, it establishes a powerful standard for involvement for the rest of the community. For this program to be a success, it is essential to engage groups of caring professionals. The Phillies, much to my pleasure, have done just that.

I look forward to working further into the future with this great organization and the others that I hope will follow their lead.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mrs. Neiman, 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.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD) reported that he had signed the following enrolled bill, which was previously signed by the Speaker of the House:

S. 2967. An act to provide for certain Federal employee benefits to be continued for certain employees of the Senate Restaurants after operations of the Senate Restaurants are contracted to be performed by a private business concern, and for other purposes.

At 2:15 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 231. An act to authorize the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program at fiscal year 2006 levels through 2012.

S. 3145. An act to designate a portion of United States Route 20A, located in Orchard Park, New York, as the "Timothy J. Russert Highway".

S. 3218. An act to extend the pilot program for volunteer groups to obtain criminal history background checks.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3564) to amend title 5, United States Code, to authorize appropriations for the Administrative Conference of the United States through fiscal year 2011, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1714. An act to clarify the boundaries of the Coastal Barrier Resources System Clam Pass Unit FL-64P.

H.R. 3227. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow stocking fish in certain lakes in the North Cascades National Park, Ross Lake National Recreation Area, and Lake Chelan National Recreation Area.

H.R. 4010. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 West Percy Street in Indianola, Mississippi, as the "Minnie Cox Post Office Building".

H.R. 5057. An act to reauthorize the Debbie Smith DNA Backlog Grant Program, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5464. An act to direct the Attorney General to make an annual grant to the A Child Is Missing Alert and Recovery Center to assist law enforcement agencies in the rapid recovery of missing children, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5506. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 369 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive in Jersey City, New Jersey, as the "Bishop Ralph E. Brower Post Office Building".

H.R. 5618. An act to reauthorize and amend the National Sea Grant College Program Act, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolutions, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 297. Concurrent resolution recognizing the 60th anniversary of the beginning of the integration of the Armed Forces.

H. Con. Res. 369. Concurrent resolution honoring the men and women of the Drug Enforcement Administration on the occasion of its 35th anniversary.

H. Con. Res. 381. Concurrent resolution honoring and recognizing the dedication and achievements of Thurgood Marshall on the 100th anniversary of his birth.

At 5:16 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House of Representatives having proceeded to reconsider the bill (H.R. 6331) to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to extend expiring provisions under the Medicare Program, to improve beneficiary access to preventive and mental health services, to enhance low-income benefit programs, and to maintain access to care in rural areas, including pharmacy access, and for other purposes, returned by the President of the United States with his objections, to the House of Representatives, in which it originated, it was resolved, that the said bill pass, two-thirds of the House of Representatives agreeing to pass the same.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 1714. An act to clarify the boundaries of Coastal Barrier Resources System Clam Pass Unit FL-64P; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 3227. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow stocking fish

in certain lakes in the North Cascades National Park, Ross Lake National Recreation Area, and Lake Chelan National Recreation Area; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 4010. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 West Percy Street in Indianola, Mississippi, as the "Minnie Cox Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 5506. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 369 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive in Jersey City, New Jersey, as the "Bishop Ralph E. Brower Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 5618. An act to reauthorize and amend the National Sea Grant College Program Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

The following concurrent resolutions were read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 297. Concurrent resolution recognizing the 60th anniversary of the beginning of the integration of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

H. Con. Res. 369. Concurrent resolution honoring the men and women of the Drug Enforcement Administration on the occasion of its 35th anniversary; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 3268. A bill to amend the Commodity Exchange Act, to prevent excessive price speculation with respect to energy commodities, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on July 15, 2008, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 2967. An act to provide for certain Federal employee benefits to be continued for certain employees of the Senate Restaurants after operations of the Senate Restaurants are contracted to be performed by a private business concern, and for other purposes.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-410. A letter from the Society for Radiation Oncology Administrators urging the Senate to add certain medical imaging technologies to the list of procedures for which minimum education and credential standards are currently required; to the Committee on Finance.

POM-411. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the State of New Jersey urging Congress to not require purchase of flood insurance based on new flood insurance rate maps; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 74

Whereas, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is charged with reviewing, revising, and updating flood insurance rate maps Under section 1360 of the "National Flood Insurance Act of 1968" (42 U.S.C. s.4101); and

Whereas, as part of the this charge, through the National Flood Insurance Pro-

gram's Map Modernization Program, FEMA is conducting a national reassessment of flood insurance rate maps as authorized and funded by the United States Congress; and

Whereas, FEMA is currently reviewing and revising the maps for the Bayshore area in Monmouth County, and has determined that the existing beach and dune system located along the Raritan Bay in the Borough of Keansburg, Monmouth County, does not comply with the requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program's regulations found at section 65.10 of title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations concerning FEMA Levee Accreditation; and

Whereas, as a result of FEMA's flood map modernization effort, several thousand residents of the State in the Township of Hazlet, the Borough of Keansburg, the Township of Middletown, and the Borough of Union Beach will be now be required to purchase flood insurance; and

Whereas, the currently effective maps for the affected area are from 1983, prior to the federal regulations established in 1986 which are the basis for the determination that the area is in non-compliance; and

Whereas, H.R. 3121, known as the "Flood Insurance Reform and Modernization Act of 2007," currently pending in the United States Senate, would make a number of changes to the National Flood Insurance Program, including prohibiting FEMA from adjusting the chargeable flood insurance premium rate based on an updated flood insurance rate map, or requiring the purchase of flood insurance for a property not subject to such a purchase requirement before the updating of the map, until such time as an updated map is completed for the entire district of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers affected by the map: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of New Jersey:

1. This House urges the United States Congress to enact legislation that would prohibit the Federal Emergency Management Agency from requiring the purchase of new flood insurance based on revised flood insurance rate maps developed as part of the National Flood Insurance Program's Map Modernization Program so that New Jersey residents do not have to incur the cost of the purchase of flood insurance.

2. Duly authenticated copies of this resolution, signed by the President of the Senate and attested by the Secretary thereof, shall be transmitted to the President of the United States, the Majority Leader and Minority Leader of the United States Senate, the Speaker, Majority Leader and Minority Leader of the United States House of Representatives, all members of the United States Congress representing the State of New Jersey, and the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

POM-412. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the State of Michigan urging Congress to reauthorize transportation funding with appropriate recognition of the importance of the Great Lakes' infrastructure to the nation's economy; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 194

Whereas, the future viability of the United States' economy depends on the ability to produce and export marketable products. The state of Michigan is an integral part of the North American manufacturing supply chain, with its international borders and waterways. The Detroit and Port Huron crossings are the busiest land borders in the entire country, bringing \$2 trillion in trade value into this country each year; and