or preclude anyone from achieving success and providing for his or her family.

The enactment of the EPA was only the first step, and while women's salaries have risen dramatically, we have more work to do to end employment and pay discrimination.

Let's remember that all Americans are created equal and deserve equal treatment.

We should keep that in mind, not just today on this anniversary, but every day.

CONGRATULATING PATTY DURANT, RECIPIENT OF THE AHWATUKEE FOOTHILLS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE 2009 WOMEN IN BUSINESS PALO VERDE AWARD

# HON. HARRY E. MITCHELL

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, June 10, 2009

Mr. MITCHELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the achievements of Patty Durant as the recipient of the 2009 Women in Business Palo Verde Award. The Ahwatukee Foothills Chamber recently honored Patty at the Ahwatukee Women in Business Faces of Success event, which recognizes present and future businesswomen. The award is given to female Chamber members who are role models for other women in business.

Patty is involved with her local business community in many different ways. She is a long-time Ahwatukee Foothills Chamber of Commerce member, treasurer of the Board of Directors, and past chairwomen of its women in business committee. For the past two years, she has served on the Tukee Home Tour committee, a group which organizes events to allow participants the opportunity to view remodeled homes in the community. In addition to her involvement with the chamber, she is a sales representative for Ahwatukee Foothills and Tempe offices of Empire Title Agency.

Presently, Patty serves as a co-chair of the Chamber Scholarship sub-committee, evi-

dence of her commitment to the support of future businesswomen. At the same event at which she was honored for her achievements, she presented 2009 Desert Vista High School graduate Dana Wygle with the Ahwatukee Chamber of Commerce Women in Business Scholarship award.

Madam Speaker, please join me in recognizing Patty Durant for her contributions to her local business community and her efforts to encourage the endeavors of future business-women.

RECOGNIZING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2009 SHELTER HOUSE, INC. VOLUNTEER AWARDS

## HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, June 10, 2009

Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Shelter House, Inc., and more particularly the contributions that its volunteers make in service to our community. Shelter House and its outstanding volunteers serve Northern Virginia by coming to the aid of some of those most in need of support and assistance. Volunteers are critical in helping Shelter House achieve its mission of breaking the cycle of homelessness by providing crisis intervention, temporary housing, training, counseling, and programs to promote self sufficiency.

Shelter House is a community-based, non-profit organization. It was formed in 1981 when several ecumenical groups came together to better serve low-income individuals and families. Shelter House operates two shelters, the Katherine K. Hanley Family Shelter and the Patrick Henry Family Shelter, which provide temporary housing for families in our community who find themselves homeless. In addition, Shelter House offers transitional housing services throughout Fairfax County. As part of the effort to stop the cycle of homelessness, the services provided by Shelter

House continue even after individuals enter permanent housing.

Individuals, organizations, and businesses dedicate their time, money, and wherewithal to help Shelter House succeed in its efforts to end homelessness in Fairfax County. These relationships are critical assets to Shelter House and a leading cause for its successes. Shelter House has recognized the specific contributions from its partners and volunteers and named the following recipients of its 2009 Volunteer Awards: Ending Homelessness Award: Lord of Life Lutheran Church; Youth Volunteer Award: Simrun Soni; Unsung Hero Award: Mary Joyce; Special Events Award: Jack and Jill of Northern Virginia; Friend of Shelter House Kids Award for the Patrick Henry Family Shelter: Ira Kirschbaum; Friend of Shelter House Kids Award for the Katherine K. Hanley Family Shelter: Ron Koch; Community Partner Award for the Patrick Henry Family Shelter: Interior Redesign Industry Specialists, National Capitol Area; Community Partner Award for the Katherine K. Hanley Family Shelter: Clifton Community Women's Club; and Community Champion Awards: Miller and Smith; Junior League of Northern Virginia and Capital One.

The outstanding efforts of the above-mentioned individuals and organizations merit special recognition, but one must acknowledge the impact of all Shelter House volunteers who work to provide secure and structured environments for families and connect them with the supportive services they require. These volunteers help make Shelter House one of the most effective organizations in the battle to end homelessness by empowering families to reach their full potential.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in expressing our gratitude for the efforts of these volunteers and their colleagues at Shelter House. The selfless commitment of these individuals provides enumerable benefits to Northern Virginia as a community as well as life-changing services to the individuals in need.

#### SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4. agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest-designated by the Rules Committee-of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the Congressional Record on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, June 11, 2009 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

#### MEETINGS SCHEDULED JUNE 16

9:30 a.m.

Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2010 and the Future Years Defense Program for ballistic missile defense programs; to be possibly followed by a closed session in SVC-217.

SD-106

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine new ideas for sustainable development and economic growth.

Finance

To hold hearings to examine climate change legislation, focusing on tax considerations.

10:30 a.m.

Commerce, Science, and Transportation To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Inez M. Tenenbaum, Chair, Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC).

SR-253

2 p.m.

Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine pandemic influenza preparedness and the federal workforce.

SD-342 10 a.m.

2:15 p.m.

Foreign Relations

Business meeting to consider S. 962, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2009 through 2013 to promote an enhanced strategic partnership with Pakistan and its people; to be immediately followed by a business meeting in SD-419, to consider the nominations of Nancy J. Powell, of Iowa, to be Director General of the Foreign Service, Christopher William Dell, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Kosovo, and Patricia A. Butenis, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, and to serve concurrently and

without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic Maldives, all of the Department of

S-116, Capitol

Armed Services

Airland Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2010 and the Future Years Defense Program for Army modernization and management of the Future Combat Systems Program.

SR-222

Judiciary

Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine cell phone text messaging rate increases and the state of competition in the wireless market.

SD-226

Commerce, Science, and Transportation To hold hearings to examine the nominations of Julius Genachowski, of the District of Columbia, to be Chairman, and Robert Malcolm McDowell, of Virginia, to be a Member, both of the Federal Communications Commission.

SR-253

Environment and Public Works

To hold hearings to examine the status and progress of New Orleans hurricane and flood prevention and coastal Louisiana restoration.

SD-406

Appropriations

Financial Services and General Government Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2010 for the Small Business Administration and the General Services Administration.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Business meeting to consider Affordable Health Choices Act, subcommittee assignments, and any pending nomina-

Energy and Natural Resources

National Parks Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2010 for the National Park Service and proposed expenditures under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

SD-366

SR-325

Armed Services

SeaPower Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2010 and the Future Years Defense Program for Navy shipbuilding programs. SR-232A

JUNE 17

Commerce, Science, and Transportation Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine aviation safety, focusing on the role and responsibility of commercial air carriers and employees.

SR-253

To hold an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Justice.

SD-226

2 p.m.

Aging

To hold hearings to examine Social Security in the 21st Century.

SD-562

Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine over-thecounter derivatives, focusing on modernizing oversight to increase transparency and reduce risks.

SD-538

Commerce, Science, and Transportation To hold hearings to examine the consumer wireless experience.

SR-253

Energy and Natural Resources

Public Lands and Forests Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine S. 409, to secure Federal ownership and management of significant natural, scenic, and recreational resources, to provide for the protection of cultural resources, to facilitate the efficient extraction of mineral resources by authorizing and directing an exchange of Federal and non-Federal land, S. 782, to provide for the establishment of the National Volcano Early Warning and Monitoring System, S. 874, to establish El Rio Grande Del Norte National Conservation Area in the State of New Mexico, S. 1139, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into a property conveyance with the city of Wallowa, Oregon, and S. 1140, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Deschutes County, Oregon.

SD-366

3 p.m.

Armed Services

Readiness and Management Support Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2010 and the Future Years Defense Program for military construction, environmental, and base closure programs. SR-222

### JUNE 18

2:30 p.m.

Armed Services

Emerging Threats and Capabilities Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2010 and the Future Years Defense Program for United States Special Operations Command.

SR-222

## JUNE 23

9:30 a.m.

Armed Services

Personnel Subcommittee

Closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2010.

SR-232A

11 a.m.

Armed Services

Airland Subcommittee

Closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2010.

SR-222

Armed Services

Strategic Forces Subcommittee

Closed business meeting to mark up those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2010.

SR-222