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For further information, please contact David Brooks at (202) 224-9863 or Allison Seyferth at (202) 224-4905.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON WATER AND POWER

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a hearing has been scheduled before the Subcommittee on Water and Power of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. The hearing will be held on Thursday, November 5, 2009, at 2:30 p.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony on the following bills: S. 1757, to provide for the prepayment of a repayment contract between the United States and the Uintah Water Conservancy District, and for other purposes; S. 1758, to provide for the allocation of costs to project power with respect to power development within the Diamond Fork System, and for other purposes; and S. 1759, to authorize certain transfers of water in the Central Valley Project, and for other purposes.

Because of the limited time 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, United States Senate, Washington, DC 20510-6150, or by email to Gina_Weinstock@energy.senate.gov.

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AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on October 28, 2009, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled "Dark Pools, Flash Orders, High Frequency Trading, and Other Market Structure Issues."

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

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on October 28, 2009, at 2:30 p.m. in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

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

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on October 28, 2009, at 10 a.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

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

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on October 28, 2009, at 9:30 a.m., in room 406 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building to hold a hearing entitled "Legislative Hearing on S. 1733, Clean Energy Jobs and American Power Act."

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

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on October 28, 2009.

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on October 28, 2009, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Effective Strategies for Preventing Health Care Fraud."

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

AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE ON CONTRACTING OVERSIGHT

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on October 28, 2009, at 2:30 p.m. to conduct a hearing entitled, "Achieving the President's Objectives: New OMB Guidance to Combat Waste, Inefficiency, and Misuse in Federal Government Contracting."

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

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on October 28, 2009, from 2-4:30 p.m. in room 562 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATIONAL PARKS

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on National Parks be au-

thorized to meet during the session of the Senate on October 28, 2009, at 2 p.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

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

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, on behalf of Senator MARK UDALL, I ask unanimous consent that a fellow in his office, Matt Bowen, be granted floor privileges for the duration of the month of October.

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

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Lauren Bateman, Caren Street, and Maria Urbina, from Senator REID's office, be granted the privilege of the floor for the month of October.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider Calendar Nos. 504, 505, 506 to and including 511, except the nomination of BG Michael J. Walsh, 512 to and including 514, 519, 520, and all nominations on the Secretary's desk in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, and Navy; that the nominations be confirmed en bloc; the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table en bloc; that no further motions be in order; that any statements relating to the nominations be printed in the RECORD; provided further that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and the Senate then return to legislative session.

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

The nominations considered and confirmed en bloc are as follows:

NOMINATIONS

IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Gladys Commons, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

Christine H. Fox, of Virginia, to be Director of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation, Department of Defense.

IN THE AIR FORCE

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be general

Lt. Gen. Mark A. Welsh, III

IN THE ARMY

The following named officers for appointment to the grade indicated in the United States Army under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

To be brigadier general

Colonel Kelly J. Thomas

The following named officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the

grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be brigadier general

Col. David L. Weeks

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. William B. Caldwell, IV

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Keith M. Huber

The following named officers for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

To be major general

Brigadier General Joseph J. Anderson
 Brigadier General Mark S. Bowman
 Brigadier General Robert B. Brown
 Brigadier General Edward C. Cardon
 Brigadier General Walter L. Davis
 Brigadier General Genaro J. Dellarocco
 Brigadier General William F. Grimsley
 Brigadier General Michael T. Harrison, Sr.
 Brigadier General David R. Hogg
 Brigadier General Karl R. Horst
 Brigadier General Reuben D. Jones
 Brigadier General Brian A. Keller
 Brigadier General Stephen R. Lanza
 Brigadier General Michael S. Linnington
 Brigadier General Francis G. Mahon
 Brigadier General Joseph E. Martz
 Brigadier General William C. Mayville, Jr.
 Brigadier General James C. McConville
 Brigadier General James M. McDonald
 Brigadier General Phillip E. McGhee
 Brigadier General Patricia E. McQuiston
 Brigadier General William N. Phillips
 Brigadier General Dana J. H. Pittard
 Brigadier General David E. Quantock
 Brigadier General Michael S. Repass
 Brigadier General Todd T. Semonite
 Brigadier General Thomas W. Spoehr
 Brigadier General Kurt J. Stein
 Brigadier General Michael J. Terry
 Brigadier General Simeon G. Trombitas
 Brigadier General Keith C. Walker
 Brigadier General Perry L. Wiggins

IN THE NAVY

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be vice admiral

Vice Adm. David J. Dorsett

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be vice admiral

Vice Adm. Robert S. Harward, Jr.

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be vice admiral

Vice Adm. Harry B. Harris, Jr.

IN THE COAST GUARD

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Coast Guard Reserve to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. John S. Welch

The following named officers for appointment in the United States Coast Guard to the grade indicated under title 14, U.S.C., section 271:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Captain Daniel B. Abel
 Captain Vincent B. Atkins
 Captain Stephen E. Mehling
 Captain Karl L. Schultz
 Captain Sandra L. Stosz
 Captain Cari B. Thomas
 Captain Christopher J. Tomney

IN THE AIR FORCE

PN981 AIR FORCE nominations (51) beginning ROBERT B. O. ALLEN, and ending TED K. WINRIGHT, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

PN1099 AIR FORCE nomination of Christopher J. Ogrady, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 15, 2009.

PN1100 AIR FORCE nomination of Michael R. Spencer, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 15, 2009.

PN1101 AIR FORCE nominations (4) beginning SCOTT A. PAFFENROTH, and ending ROBERT M. TAYLOR, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 15, 2009.

PN1102 AIR FORCE nominations (4) beginning MISAEEL C. ALONSO, and ending DERICK B. WILLSEY, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 15, 2009.

PN1103 AIR FORCE nominations (6) beginning DANA J. ALBALATE, and ending LUZ E. RODRIGUEZ, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 15, 2009.

IN THE ARMY

PN366 ARMY nomination of Charles T. Kirchmaier, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 23, 2009.

PN984 ARMY nomination of Bruce P. Crandall, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

PN985 ARMY nominations (5) beginning KENNETH E. DUVAL, and ending RANDALL M. ZEEGERS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

PN986 ARMY nominations (11) beginning JENNIFER E. CHOATE, and ending RODNEY E. RUDOLPH, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

PN1039 ARMY nominations (11) beginning LEAR E. DUTTON, and ending MARCUS C. WHITE, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 30, 2009.

PN1040 ARMY nominations (19) beginning DANIEL T. AMES, and ending THOMAS B. WHEATLEY, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 30, 2009.

PN1104 ARMY nominations (2) beginning KENNETH E. LAWSON, and ending KRISTINA D. MOELLER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 15, 2009.

PN1105 ARMY nominations (5) beginning LAWRENCE C. DENNIS, and ending JOHN H. TATUM, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 15, 2009.

PN1106 ARMY nominations (13) beginning BARRY R. BARON, and ending ISTVAN SZASZ JR., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 15, 2009.

IN THE COAST GUARD

PN889 COAST GUARD nomination of Thomas J. Riley, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 6, 2009.

PN890 COAST GUARD nomination of Shadrack L. Scheirman, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 6, 2009.

PN891 COAST GUARD nomination of Chad R. Harvey, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 6, 2009.

PN892 COAST GUARD nomination of Michele L. Schallip, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 6, 2009.

PN977 COAST GUARD nominations (9) beginning Edgars Auzenbergs, and ending Michael F. Wilson, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

PN978 COAST GUARD nominations (4) beginning Melinda D. McGurer, and ending Royce W. James, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

PN979 COAST GUARD nominations (64) beginning Nicholas A. Bartolotta, and ending Jerald L. Woloszynski, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

PN1035 COAST GUARD nominations (114) beginning Ladonn A. Allen, and ending James A. Williamson, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 30, 2009.

PN1095 COAST GUARD nominations (256) beginning Jennifer L. Adams, and ending Bradford W. Youngkin, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 15, 2009.

IN THE MARINE CORPS

PN987 MARINE CORPS nomination of Bradley L. Lowe, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

IN THE NAVY

PN988 NAVY nomination of Daniel A. Freilich, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

PN989 NAVY nominations (5) beginning ROBERT R. LIU, and ending NATASHA L. FLEMENS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

PN990 NAVY nominations (11) beginning IRWIN ELSTEIN, and ending DOUGLAS A. TOMLINSON, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

PN991 NAVY nominations (7) beginning RUSSELL P. BATES, and ending TIMOTHY G. NASELLO, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

PN992 NAVY nominations (58) beginning OSCAR D. ANTILLON, and ending MATTHEW T. WILLIAMS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

PN993 NAVY nominations (55) beginning DOYLE S. ADAMS, and ending EUGENE WOZNIAK, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

PN994 NAVY nominations (30) beginning RYAN M. ANDERSON, and ending BRENT E. TROYAN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

PN995 NAVY nominations (90) beginning RUBEN A. ALCOCER, and ending MICHAEL

P. YUNKER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

PN996 NAVY nominations (87) beginning ANACLATO B. ANCHETA JR., and ending LAWRENCE S. ZOBACK, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

PN997 NAVY nominations (136) beginning OSMEL ALFONSO, and ending MARJORIE A. WYTZKA, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

PN998 NAVY nominations (28) beginning WILLIAM M. ANDERSON, and ending JEFFREY R. WESSEL, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

PN999 NAVY nominations (201) beginning PAUL J. ALEA, and ending GEOFFREY W. WILSON, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 21, 2009.

PN1107 NAVY nomination of Raul L. Barrientos, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 15, 2009.

PN1108 NAVY nominations (4) beginning RICARDO B. EUSEBIO, and ending DAVID L. WILKEY, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 15, 2009.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate will now return to legislative session.

RECOGNIZING THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GEORGE BUSH INTERCONTINENTAL AIRPORT

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 326, which was submitted earlier today.

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

The bill clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 326) recognizing the 40th anniversary of the George Bush Intercontinental Airport in Houston, Texas.

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

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 326) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 326

Whereas the George Bush Intercontinental Airport in the City of Houston, Texas (referred to in this resolution as "IAH"), was first opened for operation on June 8, 1969;

Whereas in 1997, IAH was named in honor of the Nation's 41st President, George Herbert Walker Bush, a longtime resident of Houston who, as a member of the Houston congressional delegation, was present at the 1969 opening of the airport;

Whereas IAH is the largest airport in Houston, serving over 43,000,000 passengers in 2008,

is the 8th-largest airport in the United States and the 16th-largest in the world for total passengers served;

Whereas more than 700,000,000 people have passed through IAH's gates since its opening;

Whereas IAH has grown to become a world-class international gateway offering service to more than 109 domestic and 65 nonstop international destinations in over 32 countries;

Whereas in 1990, the city of Houston named the IAH international arrivals building, now the IAH Terminal D, in honor of the distinguished Congressman for the 18th District of Texas, George Thomas "Mickey" Leland, a renowned antipoverty activist who died tragically in 1989 while on a humanitarian visit to Ethiopia;

Whereas IAH operates the largest passenger international arrivals facility in the Nation and was selected by the Department of State and the Department of Homeland Security as the first "Model Port" for its efficiency in welcoming international passengers arriving in the United States;

Whereas IAH is a regional and world leader in air cargo processing, consolidation, and distribution;

Whereas IAH is a critical component of the Houston economy, supporting more than 151,000 jobs and contributing over \$24,000,000,000 in economic benefits to the Houston region; and

Whereas IAH serves 30 airlines and is the headquarters and major hub for award-winning Continental Airlines, which is celebrating its 75th anniversary in 2009: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Senate, That the Senate—
(1) recognizes the 40th anniversary of the founding of the George Bush Intercontinental Airport; and

(2) congratulates officials of the George Bush Intercontinental Airport, the Houston Airport System, and the city of Houston, Texas, for the airport's record of excellent service to the citizens of Houston and the national air transportation system.

SUPPORTING THE GOALS OF THE NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH 2009

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 327, which was submitted earlier today.

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

The bill clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 327) supporting the goals and ideals of National Domestic Violence Awareness Month 2009 and expressing the sense of the Senate that Congress should continue to raise awareness of domestic violence in the United States and its devastating effects on families and communities, and support programs designed to end domestic violence.

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

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. 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, with no intervening action or debate, and that any statements related to the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 327) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 327

Whereas the President has designated October 2009 as "National Domestic Violence Awareness Month";

Whereas domestic violence affects people of all ages as well as racial, ethnic, gender, economic, and religious backgrounds;

Whereas females are disproportionately victims of domestic violence, and 1 in 4 women will experience domestic violence at some point in her life;

Whereas on average, more than 3 women are murdered by their husbands or boyfriends in the United States every day;

Whereas in 2005, 1,181 women were murdered by an intimate partner constituting 78 percent of all intimate partner homicides that year;

Whereas women ages 16 to 24 experience the highest rates, per capita, of intimate partner violence;

Whereas 1 out of 3 Native American women will be raped and 6 out of 10 will be physically assaulted in their lifetimes;

Whereas the cost of intimate partner violence exceeds \$5,800,000,000 each year, \$4,100,000 of which is for direct medical and mental health care services;

Whereas ¼ to ½ of domestic violence victims report that they have lost a job due, at least in part, to domestic violence;

Whereas the annual cost of lost productivity due to domestic violence is estimated at \$727,800,000 with over 7,900,000 paid workdays lost per year;

Whereas some landlords deny housing to victims of domestic violence who have protection orders or evict victims of domestic violence for seeking help after a domestic violence incident, such as by calling 911, or who have other indications that they are domestic violence victims;

Whereas 92 percent of homeless women experience severe physical or sexual abuse at some point in their lifetimes;

Whereas approximately 40 to 60 percent of men who abuse women also abuse children;

Whereas approximately 15,500,000 children are exposed to domestic violence every year;

Whereas children exposed to domestic violence are more likely to attempt suicide, abuse drugs and alcohol, run away from home, and engage in teenage prostitution;

Whereas one large study found that men exposed to physical abuse, sexual abuse, and adult domestic violence as children were almost 4 times more likely than other men to have perpetrated domestic violence as adults;

Whereas nearly 1,500,000 high school students nationwide experienced physical abuse from a dating partner in a single year;

Whereas 13 percent of teenage girls who have been in a relationship report being hit or hurt by their partners and 1 in 4 teenage girls has been in a relationship in which she was pressured by her partner into performing sexual acts;

Whereas adolescent girls who reported dating violence were 60 percent more likely to report one or more suicide attempts in the past year;

Whereas there is a need for middle schools, secondary schools, and post-secondary schools to educate students about the issues of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, and stalking;

Whereas 88 percent of men in a national poll reported that they think that our society should do more to respect women and girls;

Whereas a recently released multi-State study shows conclusively that the Nation's domestic violence shelters are addressing