

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO CLARION FELCHLE

• Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, today I recognize the public service career of Clarion "Clem" Felchle, who will retire from the U.S. Postal Service on January 3, 2011, after 36 years of Federal service.

Clem's career with the U.S. Postal Service began as a distribution clerk in Grand Forks, ND, followed by tour supervisor of mails in Bismarck, ND; superintendent of postal operations in St. Cloud, MN; director of city operations, director of mail processing and manager of processing & distribution, Fargo, ND; postmaster, processing & distribution manager in Sioux Falls, SD; bulk main center manager, Kansas City, KS, with his final assignment as Dakotas district manager in Sioux Falls. He received PCES Superior Achievement awards in 2006 and 2007, as well as the "Above and Beyond" award given by the National Employer Support for the Guard and Reserve for his strong support of our Nation's military.

Clem has witnessed numerous changes within the Postal Service during his career. He provided dedicated and tireless service and contributed greatly to the betterment of the organization. Throughout his service, he has always been committed to those tried and true missions and mottos of the Postal Service: "To provide postal services to bind the nation together through the personal, educational, literary and business correspondence of the people. It shall provide prompt, reliable and efficient services to patrons and render services to all communities" and "Neither snow nor rain nor heat nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds." As Dakotas district manager, Clem has helped guide postal customers and postal employees through various challenges. Technological advances have put the emphasis of some postal duties on machines rather than manpower and many small community post offices have been forced to close or reduce services.

Clem has approached these challenges and changing times with the utmost level of professionalism, dedication and a sense of humor. I have appreciated the level of response from Clem and his staff over the years and I commend him for his great public service career. I wish Clem all the best in his retirement and again thank him for his dedicated service to the U.S. Postal Service. •

TRIBUTE TO GREG HARMON

• Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, today I recognize a public servant from my home State of South Dakota. Greg Harmon is retiring from the National Weather Service, NWS, after 37 years of Federal service, including the last 20

years as the meteorologist in charge of the National Weather Service in Sioux Falls, SD.

During his many years at the National Weather Service, Greg always displayed a steadfast awareness of the effect the weather has on everyone. Greg began his career as a summer intern with the NWS in Eugene, OR, before becoming the fire weather program manager for the western region in Salt Lake, UT.

During his many years at the National Weather Service, Greg always displayed a steadfast awareness of the impact of weather on the citizens of South Dakota. Greg and his staff have utilized their collective expertise to educate and inform South Dakotans on the general aspects of the weather but have also provided expert guidance in times of extreme weather events, from tornadoes and hail to floods and blizzards.

As an example of Greg's work and leadership, I recall the events of May 30, 1998, when a violent tornado struck the small town of Spencer, SD. The event killed six residents and almost destroyed the entire community. Just before the tornado hit Spencer, the warning siren was silenced when electrical power to the community was cut off. Following the tornado, I initiated efforts at the Federal level to fund a weather radio network to cover much of South Dakota's population and geography. The NOAA weather radio can be the most effective warning system, but at the time of the Spencer event only a few larger communities had the system. Greg became my partner in helping to educate the general public on the importance of the weather radio and in helping to expand the communications system so that most of the State could receive the weather radio signal.

During his years of public service, Greg has witnessed many changes in the development of weather observation and climate forecasts. His skills, professional attitude and dedication to his work has been a shining example to our community and our state. It is my hope that Greg leaves the National Weather Service post knowing he greatly impacted the lives of many people by the protection of life and property during adverse weather conditions.

I wish Greg all the best in his retirement. •

PRESERVING FOREIGN CRIMINAL ASSETS FOR FORFEITURE ACT OF 2010

Mr. BROWN of Ohio. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Judiciary Committee be discharged from further consideration of S. 4005, and 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 bill clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 4005) to amend title 28, United States Code, to prevent the proceeds or instrumentalities of foreign crime located in the United States from being shielded from foreign forfeiture proceedings.

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

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

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

The bill (S. 4005) was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed, as follows:

S. 4005

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

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Preserving Foreign Criminal Assets for Forfeiture Act of 2010".

SEC. 2. PRESERVATION OF PROPERTY SUBJECT TO FORFEITURE UNDER FOREIGN LAW.

Section 2467(d)(3)(A) of title 28, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

"(A) RESTRAINING ORDERS.—

"(i) IN GENERAL.—To preserve the availability of property subject to civil or criminal forfeiture under foreign law, the Government may apply for, and the court may issue, a restraining order at any time before or after the initiation of forfeiture proceedings by a foreign nation.

"(ii) PROCEDURES.—

"(I) IN GENERAL.—A restraining order under this subparagraph shall be issued in a manner consistent with subparagraphs (A), (C), and (E) of paragraph (1) and the procedural due process protections for a restraining order under section 983(j) of title 18.

"(II) APPLICATION.—For purposes of applying such section 983(j)—

"(aa) references in such section 983(j) to civil forfeiture or the filing of a complaint shall be deemed to refer to the applicable foreign criminal or forfeiture proceedings; and

"(bb) the reference in paragraph (1)(B)(i) of such section 983(j) to the United States shall be deemed to refer to the foreign nation.".

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY,
DECEMBER 15, 2010

Mr. BROWN of Ohio. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. tomorrow, Wednesday, December 15; that following the prayer and the pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date; that the morning hour be deemed to have expired; that the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; that following any leader remarks there be a period of morning business until 11 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each; that following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of the motion to concur with respect to H.R. 4853, the vehicle for the tax compromise, as provided under the previous order.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. BROWN of Ohio. Mr. President, Senators should expect a series of up to four rollcall votes at approximately noon tomorrow. At 2:15, the Senate will proceed to vote on the motion to pro-

ceed to executive session to consider START.

As a reminder, under a previous order, there will be several farewell speeches tomorrow: Senator BAYH at 10 a.m., Senator VOINOVICH at 10:30 a.m., and Senator LINCOLN following the 2:15 vote.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M.
TOMORROW

Mr. BROWN of Ohio. Mr. President, if there is no further business before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it adjourn under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 9:24 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, December 15, at 9:30 a.m.