

Vision Caucus, I realize that we will not achieve all of these objectives overnight. But I know supporting the work of vision rehabilitation practitioners and providers like the Cleveland Sight Center is the right thing to do. And I am confident that we will succeed.

NEGRO LEAGUES BASEBALL MUSEUM'S 20TH ANNIVERSARY

Mrs. McCASKILL. Mr. President, I ask the Senate to join me in honoring the 20th anniversary of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City, MO.

This Friday's Legacy Awards, honoring Major League Baseball's brightest stars, kicks off what promises to be a season's worth of events marking the 90th year of the establishment of the Negro Leagues, and the 20th anniversary of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum. As a Missourian, I am proud that Kansas City is home to what is not only a local jewel but a National treasure which honors the Negro Leagues, its legendary players, and its place in the American civil rights movement.

In 1920, Andrew "Rube" Foster established the Negro Leagues at the Paseo YMCA in Kansas City. The Leagues flourished from 1920 through well into the 1950s. Once forward-thinking baseball executives signed such standout African-American players as Jackie Robinson and Roy Campanella, interest in the Negro Leagues began to wane. By 1960, as the civil rights movement gained momentum and the best players found their rightful place in the Major Leagues, the Negro Leagues finally folded.

In its heyday, the Negro Leagues was a firmly entrenched and beloved part of African-American culture in Kansas City and throughout the upper Midwest, Northeast, and Southern regions of the United States. The museum's Bob Kendrick tells us that many ministers would start church services early on Sundays when the Kansas City Monarchs had a home game on the calendar. Men, women, and children would leave right after church just in time to get to the ballpark, dressed in their Sunday finest, to watch the game. It was the highest level of competition, and players like "Cool Papa" Bell, "Satchel" Paige, and Josh Gibson always made the game exciting.

Kansas City's beloved Buck O'Neil, a former Negro Leagues player, Monarchs' manager and Major League Baseball's first African-American coach, helped establish the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in 1990. Back then it was a tiny one-room office in the historic 18th & Vine District in Kansas City. Its mission—the same as it is today—was to preserve and celebrate the history of African-American baseball.

As chairman of the board, Buck O'Neil and his crew took the job seriously, working hard to raise money, acquire what curator Dr. Raymond Doswell has turned into an amazing

collection of original memorabilia, and bring worldwide attention to the museum. By 1997, the museum was robust enough to move into its current 10,000 square foot home at 18th & Vine, where today the story of the Negro Leagues comes to life through its exhibits.

Over time, the museum has had the privilege of welcoming visitors from around the world, and such dignitaries as U.S. Presidents Bill Clinton and George W. Bush. The museum's National Advisory Board is flush with prominent individuals from the worlds of sports, politics, and the media, all of whom have come to recognize the important role the Museum plays in telling the story of civil rights, sports, and culture in 20th century America. George Will, Ernie Banks, Colin Powell, Lou Brock, former U.S. Senator Alan Simpson, and noted documentary producer Ken Burns are all members of this amazing group of supporters.

In many ways this museum is Buck O'Neil's legacy. Buck, 94 years young at the time of his death in 2006, left a permanent inspirational mark on the game of baseball and all who were fortunate enough to have crossed his trailblazing path. Kansas City—and America—are fortunate to call him our own.

On this the 20th anniversary of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum, I ask that we pause for a moment to pay tribute not only to Buck O'Neil, but to the many unsung African-American baseball heroes who helped the Negro Leagues flourish until the better instincts of baseball executives ultimately made the need for such a league obsolete. This remarkable chapter of American history will be preserved forever thanks to the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum.

Mr. President, I ask that the Senate join me in recognizing the 20th anniversary of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum, a truly American treasure.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Pate, 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.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 4:26 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 bill, without amendment:

S. 2949. An act to amend section 1113 of the Social Security Act to provide authority for increased fiscal year 2010 payments for temporary assistance to United States citizens returned from foreign countries, to provide necessary funding to avoid shortfalls in the Medicare cost-sharing program for low-income qualifying individuals, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-4430. A communication from the Administrator, Risk Management Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "General Administrative Regulations; Subpart X—Interpretations of Statutory and Regulatory Provisions" (7 CFR Part 400) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 4, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4431. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Review Group, Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Daily Economic Loss Assistance Payment Program" (RIN0560-A107) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 4, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4432. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, an Executive Order issued on January 16, 2010 relative to the augmentation of the active Armed Forces for the effective conduct of operational missions, including those involving humanitarian assistance, related to relief efforts in Haiti necessitated by the earthquake on January 12, 2010; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4433. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Home Mortgage Disclosure" (Docket No. 1379) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 23, 2009; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4434. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Investment Management, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Custody of Funds or Securities of Clients by Investment Advisers" (RIN3235-AK32) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 4, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4435. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Investment Management, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary Rule Regarding Principal Trades with Certain Advisory Clients" (RIN3235-AJ96) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 4, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4436. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 12947 with respect to terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4437. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund Premium and One Percent Deposit" (RIN3133-AD63) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4438. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Organization and Operations of Federal Credit Unions; Underserved Areas (IRPS 08-2)" (RIN3133-AD48) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4439. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prompt Corrective Action; Amended Definition of Post-Merger Net Worth" (RIN3133-AD43) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4440. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Risk-Based Capital Guidelines; Capital Adequacy Guidelines; Capital Maintenance; Regulatory Capital; Impact of Modifications to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles; Consolidation of Asset-Backed Commercial Paper Programs; and Other Related Issues" (Docket No. R-1368) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4441. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Corporation Finance, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Shareholder Approval of Executive Compensation of TARP Recipients" (RIN3235-AK31) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4442. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "HOPE for Homeowners Program; Statutory Transfer of Program Authority to HUD and Conforming Amendments to Adopt Recently Enacted Statutory Charges" (RIN2502-AI76) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 21, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4443. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-8107)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 21, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4444. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64)(Docket No. FEMA-8103)) received in the Office of the

President of the Senate on January 21, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4445. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2008-0020)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 21, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4446. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 65)(Docket No. FEMA-2008-0020)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 21, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4447. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations" ((44 CFR Part 67)(Docket No. FEMA-2008-0020)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 21, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4448. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Criminal and Civil Penalties Under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act" ((44 CFR Part 206)(Docket No. FEMA-2009-0007)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 21, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4449. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department's 2010 Report on Foreign Policy-Based Export Controls; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4450. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Israel; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4451. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to final cost and performance goals for coal-based technologies; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4452. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Effect of Private Wire Laws on Development of Combined Heat and Power Facilities"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4453. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Electric Reliability Organization Revised Mandatory Reliability Standards for Interchange Scheduling and Coordination" (Docket No. RM09-8-000) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 4, 2010; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4454. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Regulations; Areas of the National Park System; Yellowstone National Park, Winter Use" (RIN1024-AD73) received during adjournment

of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 4, 2010; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4455. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Regulations; Areas of the National Park System; Grand Teton National Park, John D. Rockefeller, Jr. Memorial Parkway, Winter Use" (RIN1024-AD82) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 4, 2010; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4456. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report related to the Colorado River System Reservoirs for calendar year 2010; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-4457. A communication from the Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Removal of the Brown Pelican (*Pelecanus occidentalis*) From the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife" (RIN1018-AV28) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 20, 2010; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4458. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulations, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Alternate Fracture Toughness Requirements for Protection Against Pressurized Thermal Shock Events" (RIN3150-AI01) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 20, 2010; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4459. A communication from the Federal Register Certifying Officer, Financial Management Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Offset of Tax Refund Payments to Collect Past-Due, Legally Enforceable Nontax Debt" (RIN1510-AB20) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 23, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4460. A communication from the Federal Register Certifying Officer, Financial Management Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Debt Collection Authorities under the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996" (RIN1510-AB19) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 23, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4461. A communication from the Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Administration's processing of continuing disability reviews for fiscal year 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4462. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2010 Section 1274A CPI Adjustments" (Rev. Rul. 2010-2) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2010; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4463. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Temporary Rules Allowing Issuers to Purchase and Hold Their Own Tax-Exempt Bonds" (Rev. Rul. 2010-7) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2010; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4464. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "LITFE 1256(g)(7)(C) Qualified Board or Exchange" (Rev. Rul. 2010-3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2010; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4465. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates—January 2010" (Rev. Rul. 2010-1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2010; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4466. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Section 305 Treatment of a Stock Distribution by a Publicly Traded Regulated Investment Company or Real Estate Investment Trust in Which the Shareholders Have an Election to Receive Money or Stock, Subject to an Aggregate Limitation on the Amount of Money to be Distributed" (Revenue Procedure 2010-12) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2010; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4467. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notice Delaying the Effective Date of Revenue Ruling 2006-57" (Notice 2009-95) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2010; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4468. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Temporary Suspension of AHYDO Rules" (Notice 2010-11) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2010; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4469. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Use of Controlled Corporations to Avoid the Application of Section 304" ((RIN1545-B114)(TD9477)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2010; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4470. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Notice 2008-55" (Notice 2010-3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2010; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4471. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Apportionment of Tax Items among the Members of a Controlled Group of Corporations" (TD9476) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2010; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4472. A communication from the Writer/Editor, Bureau of Immigration and Customs

Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safe Harbor Procedures for Employers Who Receive a No-Match Letter: Rescission" (RIN1653-AA59) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 15, 2010; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4473. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to loan guarantees to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4474. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2010-0001–2010-0014); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4475. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2010-0224–2010-0232); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4476. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interim Final Requirements for School Improvement Grants" (RIN1810-AB06) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 20, 2010; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4477. A communication from the Acting Director, Legislative and Regulatory Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Valuation of Benefits and Assets; Expected Retirement Age" (29 CFR Part 4044) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 4, 2010; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4478. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Definition of 'Plan Assets'—Participant Contributions" (RIN1210-AB02) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2010; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4479. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the Department's competitive sourcing efforts during fiscal year 2009; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4480. A communication from the Office Manager, Office of the National Coordinator for HIT, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Health Information Technology: Initial Set of Standards, Implementation Specifications, and Certification, Criteria for Electronic Health Record Technology" (RIN0991-AB58) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 12, 2010; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4481. A communication from the Secretary, Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a performance re-

port to the President and the Congress for the Prescription Drug User Fee Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4482. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Head Start Impact Study Final Report—January 2010"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4483. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Remote Location Filing" (RIN1505-AB20) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2010; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4484. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 18-255, "Fiscal Year 2010 Budget Support Act of 2009"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4485. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 18-263, "Public Land Surplus Standards Amendment"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4486. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 18-264, "Fire Alarm Notice and Tenant Fire Safety Amendment Act of 2009"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4487. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 18-265, "Whistleblower Protection Amendment Act of 2009"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4488. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 18-266, "Prescription Drug Dispensing Practices Reform Act of 2009"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4489. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 18-267, "Disclosure of Information to the Council Amendment Act of 2009"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4490. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 18-268, "Fiscal Year 2010 Limited Grant-Making Authority Clarification Temporary Act of 2009"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4491. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 18-269, "African American Civil War Memorial Freedom Foundation, Inc. African-American Civil War Museum Approval Temporary Act of 2009"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4492. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 18-270, "Retirement Incentive Temporary Amendment Act of 2009"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4493. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report

on D.C. Act 18-271, "Fiscal Year 2010 Income Tax Secured Revenue Bond and General Obligation Bond Issuance Temporary Approval Act of 2009"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4494. A communication from the Auditor of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "District's Earmark Process Needs Improvement"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4495. A communication from the General Counsel, Government Accountability Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the number of federal agencies that did not fully implement a recommendation made by the Office in response to a bid protest during fiscal year 2009; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4496. A communication from the Chief Privacy Officer, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2009 Report to Congress on Data Mining Technology and Policy"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4497. A communication from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semi-Annual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2009 through September 30, 2009; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4498. A communication from the President's Pay Agent, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on locality-based comparability payments; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4499. A communication from the Deputy Chief of the Regulatory Management Division, Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Naturalization for Certain Persons in the U.S. Armed Forces" (RIN1615-AB85) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 19, 2010; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4500. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law an annual report relative to military and overseas voters; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-4501. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "'Imported Directly' Requirement Under the United States-Bahrain Free Trade Agreement" (RIN1505-AC13) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 5, 2010; to the Committee on Finance.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. BURR (for himself, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. WEBB):

S. 2951. A bill to authorize funding to protect and conserve lands contiguous with the Blue Ridge Parkway to serve the public, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. FRANKEN:

S. 2952. A bill to establish funds to rapidly create new jobs in the private and public sector; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. WEBB (for himself and Mr. WARNER):

S. 2953. A bill to modify the boundary of Petersburg National Battlefield in the Commonwealth of Virginia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. 2954. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to apply the ban on contributions and expenditures by foreign nationals to domestic corporation which are owned or controlled by foreign principals; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. FEINGOLD:

S. 2955. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a temporary payroll increase tax credit for certain employers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 2956. A bill to authorize the Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians Water Rights Settlement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. LEMIEUX:

S. 2957. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to temporarily reduce payroll taxes of employees and employers by one-half, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. REID (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BAYH, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BOND, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. BURR, Mr. BURRIS, Mr. BYRD, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DODD, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FRANKEN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GREGG, Mrs. HAGAN, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHANNIS, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KAUFMAN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KIRK, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEMIEUX, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SPECTER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. VITTER, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 397. A resolution relative to the death of Charles McCurdy ("Mac") Mathias, Jr., former United States Senator for the State of Maryland; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. REID:

S. Res. 398. A resolution to authorize representation by the Senate Legal Counsel in

the case of *Schonberg, et al. v. Sanders, et al.*; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. ENSIGN (for himself and Mr. REID):

S. Res. 399. A resolution honoring the heroic actions of Court Security Officer Stanley Cooper, Deputy United States Marshal Richard J. "Joe" Gardner, the law enforcement officers of the United States Marshals Service and Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, and the Court Security Officers in responding to the armed assault at the Lloyd D. George Federal Courthouse on January 4, 2010; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BURRIS (for himself and Mr. DURBIN):

S. Con. Res. 49. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that a commemorative postage stamp should be issued to honor the life of Elijah Parish Lovejoy; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 259

At the request of Mr. BOND, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 259, a bill to establish a grant program to provide vision care to children, and for other purposes.

S. 619

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 619, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to preserve the effectiveness of medically important antibiotics used in the treatment of human and animal diseases.

S. 694

At the request of Mr. DODD, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 694, a bill to provide assistance to Best Buddies to support the expansion and development of mentoring programs, and for other purposes.

S. 781

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 781, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for collegiate housing and infrastructure grants.

S. 1121

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1121, a bill to amend part D of title V of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to provide grants for the repair, renovation, and construction of elementary and secondary schools, including early learning facilities at the elementary schools.

S. 1179

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1179, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit taking minors across State lines in circumvention of laws requiring the involvement of parents in abortion decisions.

S. 1203

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Minnesota