

volunteer, spending countless hours of her time helping others throughout the Clarendon community. A long-time volunteer with the Boy Scouts, Alice also serves as President of the Clarendon Chamber of Commerce and is a member of Visions for Clarendon, the Clarendon American Legion Auxiliary, and a board member for the Monroe County Human Development Center. Alice also fought to save the annual Clarendon Christmas parade when it was on the verge of cancellation due to lack of funds and participation.

I have felt a long kinship to Clarendon, and I am grateful for the friendships I have made there. Clarendon is a community with a great spirit of volunteerism and caring. We should all embrace Alice's spirit of service and volunteerism. I send my heartfelt congratulations to her and her family.●

40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF HOT SPRINGS VIL- LAGE

● Mrs. LINCOLN. Mr. President, today I rise to recognize the residents of Hot Springs Village in my home State of Arkansas.

Hot Springs Village is a gated resort and retirement community in scenic west central Arkansas in the Ouachita Mountains. It is home to 15,000 residents and offers 11 recreational lakes for fishing, swimming and boating, 16 tennis courts, a fitness center, a 650-seat performing arts center, and over 20 miles of wooded nature trails.

During the week of April 17–25, Hot Springs Village will celebrate its 40th anniversary with events throughout the community, including concerts, golf tournaments, luncheons, open houses, and more. These events symbolize the culture, recreation, and community spirit that define Hot Springs Village and its citizens.

Mr. President, I salute the residents of Hot Springs Village for their efforts to maintain the heritage, beauty, and history of their community. I join all Arkansans to express my pride in this jewel of Arkansas.●

RECOGNIZING DENNYMIKE'S 'CUE STUFF INC.

● Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, though we often say in Maine that April can still be considered a winter month, we are hopeful that warmer weather is just around the corner. And one of our Nation's favorite summer pastimes is grilling outdoors—eating good food while enjoying the company of friends and family. While barbecue is traditionally considered Southern cuisine, one Maine company is out to redefine that notion—and having great success in this endeavor. As such, I rise today to recognize DennyMike's 'Cue Stuff Inc. for its numerous award-winning barbecue products.

DennyMike's got its start in 2002 when Dennis Michael—or DennyMike—

Sherman, a born and bred Mainer, opened DennyMike's Smokehouse BBQ and Deli in the popular seaside town of Old Orchard Beach. Mr. Sherman's purpose in opening this unique restaurant in Maine was to expose New Englanders to a cuisine he has loved since the 1970s, when he first experienced authentic Texas-style barbecue. In 2008, Mr. Sherman also launched a line of genuine, hand-crafted barbecue rubs and sauces for use by customers at home, whether it be to spice up meatloaf made in the oven or add flavor to seafood or steak cooked on the grill. The company is a member of the Kansas City BBQ Society and the National BBQ Association, among other organizations, ensuring that it is at the forefront of this burgeoning industry.

To create its unique sauces and rubs, DennyMike's utilizes high-quality ingredients such as clover honey, natural sea salt, and Barbados molasses. The company creates these products, which are all-natural and gluten-free, in small batches to ensure a richer flavor. The company markets a broad range of sauces like the Sweet 'N Spicy, DennyMike's original standard-bearer, as well as rubs that include the Fintastic, seasoned with a hint of citrus for a tangy twist on traditional Maine cuisine such as fresh fish and shrimp. From sweet and savory to strong and spicy, DennyMike's products are designed to please any discerning set of taste buds. DennyMike and his wife, Patty, accompanied by one full-time employee, produce the sauces and rubs, with five part-time workers supplementing as needed.

While some may scoff at the notion of an award-winning barbecue master hailing from Maine, Mr. Sherman has put such critics to shame with an impressive display of awards from organizations nationwide. In November, one of DennyMike's sauces was named the best barbecue sauce in the "All-Natural Hot" category at the 2010 Scoville Awards, while another of its distinctive rubs won top place in the "Dry Rub/All-Purpose" class. Decided through scrupulous blind tastings, the Scoville Awards are prestigious in the barbecue industry, and now comprise one of the world's most competitive gourmet food competitions.

Additionally, DennyMike's received five medals—two gold, one silver, and two bronze—from the National Barbecue Association, or NBBQA, last year, while also winning several awards for its distinct packaging from various organizations. At this year's NBBQA Conference and Expo, DennyMike's racked up seven awards, building on its record of accomplishment and success within the industry.

DennyMike's 'Cue Stuff has quickly made a name for itself by introducing quality, all-natural barbecue products to our home State. As he continues to promote his sauces and rubs at regional trade shows across New England, I am confident that word will

only spread faster of Mr. Sherman's creative and celebrated line of products. I thank Mr. Sherman for so vividly embodying the entrepreneurial spirit, and wish him continued success in his tasty quest.●

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 and a withdrawal which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:58 a.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, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1585. An act to increase awareness of physical activity opportunities at school, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3553. An act to exclude from consideration as income under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 amounts received by a family from the Department of Veterans Affairs for service-related disabilities of a member of the family.

H.R. 4178. An act to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to provide for deposit restricted qualified tuition programs, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 1963. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide assistance to caregivers of veterans, to improve the provision of health care to veterans, and for other purposes.

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

H. Con. Res. 255. Concurrent resolution commemorating the 40th anniversary of Earth Day and honoring the founder of Earth Day, the late Senator Gaylord Nelson of Wisconsin.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD) announced that on today, April 22, 2010, he had signed the following enrolled bill, previously signed by the Speaker of the House:

H.R. 4360. An act to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs blind rehabilitation center in Long Beach, California, as the "Major Charles Robert Soltes, Jr., O.D. Department of Veterans Blind Rehabilitation Center".

At 3:36 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by

Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House disagreed to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2194) entitled "An act to amend the Iran Sanctions Act of 1996 to enhance United States diplomatic efforts with respect to Iran by expanding economic sanctions against Iran", and agreed to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints the following as managers of the conference on the part of the House:

From the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. BERMAN, ACKERMAN, SHERMAN, CROWLEY, SCOTT of Georgia, COSTA, KLEIN of Florida, Ms. ROSLEHTINEN, Messrs. BURTON of Indiana, ROYCE, and PENCE.

From the Committee on Financial Services, for consideration of sections 3 and 4 of the House bill, and sections 101–103, 106, 203, and 401 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. FRANK of Massachusetts, MEEKS of New York, and GARRETT of New Jersey.

From the Committee on Ways and Means, for consideration of sections 3 and 4 of the House bill, and sections 101–103 and 401 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. LEVIN, TANNER, and CAMP.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 1585. An act to increase awareness of physical activity opportunities at school, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H.R. 3553. An act to exclude from consideration as income under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 amounts received by a family from the Department of Veterans Affairs for service-related disabilities of a member of the family; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

H.R. 4178. An act to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to provide for deposit restricted qualified tuition programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

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-5578. A communication from the Chief of Research and Analysis, Food and Nutrition Services, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Regulation Restructuring: Issuance Regulation Update and Reorganization to Reflect the End of Coupon Issuance Systems" (RIN0584-AD48) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 21, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5579. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics, Office of Extramural Programs, National Institute of Food and Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Veterinary Medicine Loan Repayment Program (VMLRP)" (RIN0524-AA43) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5580. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the fourth quarter report for calendar year 2009 of the Joint Improvised Explosive Device Defeat Organization; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5581. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 110-429, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5582. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, transmittal number: DDTC 10-007, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible affects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5583. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserve Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the States' contribution to the operating costs of a National Guard Youth Challenge Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5584. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the quality of health care provided by the Department of Defense; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5585. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the Export Administration Regulations Based on the 2009 Missile Technology Control Regime Plenary Agreements" (RIN0694-AE79) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 21, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5586. 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-2008-0020)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 21, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5587. 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 (75 FR 18072)" ((44 CFR Part 65)(Docket No. FEMA-2010-0003)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 21, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5588. 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 (75 FR 18086)" ((44 CFR Part 65)(Docket No. FEMA-2010-0003)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 21, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5589. 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 (77 FR 18090)" ((44 CFR Part 65)(Docket No. FEMA-2010-0003)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 21, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5590. 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-2010-0003)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 21, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5591. 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-2010-0003)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 21, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5592. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Burma that was declared in Executive Order 13047 of May 20, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5593. A communication from the Acting Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the notification of Congress that during the period of January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2009, no exceptions to the prohibition against favored treatment of a government securities broker or government securities dealer were granted by the Secretary of the Treasury; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5594. A communication from the Acting Fiscal Assistant Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to material violations or suspected material violations of regulations relating to Treasury auctions and other Treasury securities offerings for the period of January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5595. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, a legislative proposal relative to the issuance of coins to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the establishment of the National Park Service; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5596. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Categorical Exclusions from Environmental Review" (RIN3150-AI27) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 20, 2010; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5597. A communication from the Chief of Recovery and Delisting Branch, Endangered Species Program, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and