

great American with Alaska and our Nation.●

#### TRIBUTE TO WALTER SCOTT, JR.

● Mr. NELSON of Nebraska. Mr. President, on the occasion of his 79th birthday, I want to take this opportunity to honor fellow Nebraskan Walter Scott, Jr. for his exceptional business and civic leadership and his significant contributions to the telecommunications, construction, and mining industries, as well as his community, State, and country.

Walter began his distinguished career at Peter Kiewit Sons' Inc., formerly Kiewit Construction, working during the summers for Kiewit's construction operations, where his father also worked. In 1953 after earning his civil engineering degree from Colorado State University, he became an engineer for Kiewit in Omaha. A year later, Walter joined the U.S. Air Force as an air installation officer, inspecting military construction projects. Upon returning to Kiewit after his service, Walter excelled in the company, being elected to the board of directors, then becoming vice president in 1964. In 1979 Walter was named president and, later that year, succeeded Peter Kiewit as chairman of the board.

Over the next decade, Walter used his leadership and keen insights to advance Kiewit and develop the company to its full potential. Foreseeing the needs of society, Walter began diversifying the company's investment to include mining, energy, and telecommunications interests. By 1992 this expansion had led to the division of Peter Kiewit Sons' Inc. into two major subsidiaries: Kiewit Construction Group, continuing the company's historical excellence in construction and mining; and Kiewit Diversified Group, later renamed Level 3 Communications, focusing on high-speed fiber optics networks and geothermal powerplants. Kiewit is now a Fortune 500 company and is a recognized industry leader.

To this day, Walter remains engaged in the industries he helped to shape, continuing as director and chairman emeritus at Kiewit and serving as chairman of the board at level 3. Walter's numerous contributions to business have been acknowledged with dozens of accolades, including the Horatio Alger Award, the Golden Plate Award from the American Academy of Achievement, and induction into the Nebraska Business Hall of Fame.

Beyond his notable accomplishments in business, Walter's civic service and philanthropic contributions have enriched Nebraska and left a lasting impact on our home State. In 1996 Walter helped create the Peter Kiewit Institute, working with the University of Nebraska to provide tomorrow's leaders in information science, technology, and engineering with an unparalleled education. Walter has also given his service to numerous community and

nonprofit organizations, including Creighton University, Joslyn Art Museum, Boys & Girls Club of the Midlands, Omaha Development Foundation, Omaha Zoological Society, and Nebraska Game and Parks Foundation. Additionally, I have had the pleasure of serving with Walter as a member of the Open World Board of Trustees, providing international leadership and building multi-national relationships to effect positive change in Eurasian countries.

In closing, Walter Scott's illustrious leadership and generous service has strengthened his community, state, and country. On behalf of our fellow Nebraskans and Americans, I thank Walter for his innovation and leadership and wish him the best for the future.●

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message from the President of the United States was communicated to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGE REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate a message from the President of the United States submitting a nomination which was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

(The nomination received today is printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 2:06 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, 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. 959. An act to increase Federal Pell Grants for the children of fallen public safety officers, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5014. An act to clarify the health care provided by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs that constitutes minimum essential coverage.

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

H. Con. Res. 268. A concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Women's Health Week, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that pursuant to Executive Order No. 12131, and the order of the House of January 6, 2009, the Speaker appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the President's Export Council: Mr. REICHERT of Washington and Mr. TIBERI of Ohio.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 301 of the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1381), as amended by Public Law 111-114, the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives

and the Majority and Minority Leaders of the Senate jointly reappoint on May 13, 2010, the following individuals to a 5-year term on the Board of Directors of the Office of Compliance: Ms. Barbara L. Camens of Washington, DC, as Chair and Ms. Roberta L. Holzwarth of Illinois.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 13101 of the HITECH Act (Public Law 111-5), and the order of the House of January 6, 2009, the Speaker reappoints the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the HIT Policy Committee for a term of 3 years: Mr. Paul Egerman of Weston, Massachusetts.

#### ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. BYRD) announced that he had signed the following enrolled bills, which were previously signed by the Speaker of the House:

S. 1067. An act to support the stabilization and lasting peace in northern Uganda and areas affected by the Lord's Resistance Army through development of a regional strategy to support multilateral efforts to successfully protect civilians and eliminate the threat posed by the Lord's Resistance Army and to authorize funds for humanitarian relief and reconstruction, reconciliation, and transitional justice, and for other purposes.

S. 3333. An act to extend the statutory license for secondary transmissions under title 17, United States Code, and for other purposes.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 959. An act to increase Federal Pell Grants for the children of fallen public safety officers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

The following concurrent resolution was read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 268. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Women's Health Week, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

#### ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, May 17, 2010, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 1067. An act to support stabilization and lasting peace in northern Uganda and areas affected by the Lord's Resistance Army through development of a regional strategy to support multilateral efforts to successfully protect civilians and eliminate the threat posed by the Lord's Resistance Army and to authorize funds for humanitarian relief and reconstruction, reconciliation, and transitional justice, and for other purposes.

S. 3333. An act to extend the statutory license for secondary transmissions under title 17, United States Code, and for other purposes.

## PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-100. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Senate of the State of Louisiana urging Congress to establish a National Military Family Relief Fund and create a simple and cost-effective way for taxpayers to lend a helping hand to military families in need; to the Committee on Armed Services.

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 43

Whereas, United States service members, especially national guardsmen and reservists, often face a significant salary reduction when called upon to serve our country; and

Whereas, recent studies show that fifty-five percent of married national guard members and reservists report a loss of income in relation to their civilian jobs when they are called to active duty, and fifteen percent experience a pay cut of thirty thousand dollars or more; and

Whereas, national guard members and reservists serving in the Global War On Terrorism make up a larger percentage of front-line fighting forces than in any other war in U.S. history; and

Whereas, all military families deserve thanks and recognition for their sacrifices, and helping to ease the financial pressures that challenge so many of America's finest families must be a top priority; and

Whereas, U.S. Congressman Bill Foster has introduced House Resolution 5941, legislation designed to provide relief for military families that would allow taxpayers to contribute to a National Military Family Relief Fund by filling a voluntary donation in a check-off box on federal income tax forms; and

Whereas, the individually determined donation for the National Military Family Relief Fund would be added to the supporter's tax bill or deducted from a rebate allowing U.S. citizens to support military families without placing any extra burden on the federal budget; and

Whereas, all service members and veterans who are serving, or have served, in Iraq or Afghanistan or other regions of service would be eligible for grants from the National Military Family Relief Fund; and

Whereas, military family relief funds have already been introduced or established in at least twenty-seven states with citizens, corporations and community organizations proving an eagerness to lend a helping hand by generously donating to military families in need. Therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Legislature of Louisiana memorializes the Congress of the United States to approve H.R. 5941 to establish a National Military Family Relief Fund and create a simple and cost-effective way for taxpayers to lend a helping hand to military families in need; be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to the secretary of the United States Senate and the clerk of the United States House of Representatives and to each member of the Louisiana delegation to the United States Congress.

POM-101. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Utah expressing support for policies that promote and foster energy innovation development in the state of Utah; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 15

Whereas, 23 U.S.C. Sec. 159 requires states to enact legislation requiring the revocation or suspension of an individual's driver license for at least six months upon conviction of any drug-related offense;

Whereas, 23 U.S.C. Sec. 159 requires withholding 10% of certain federal aid from states that fail to enact this legislation;

Whereas, the federal government should not dictate policy or legislation of this kind for the state;

Whereas, for Utah to be exempt from this federal requirement, the Governor must submit to the United States Secretary of Transportation a written certification that he is opposed to the enactment or enforcement of a law related to revocation of a person's driver license for any drug-related offense, and also submit a written certification that the Utah Legislature has adopted a resolution expressing opposition to the federal requirement; and

Whereas, the state of Utah shall enforce its own driver license law, which provides that Utah's Driver License Division is not required to suspend a person's license for a violation of certain drug-related offenses if the violation did not involve a motor vehicle and the convicted person is participating in, or has successfully completed, substance abuse treatment at a licensed substance abuse treatment program that is approved by the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health or is participating in, or has successfully completed, probation through the Department of Corrections Adult Probation and Parole; Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein, declare their opposition to the enactment or enforcement of a federal law mandating, in all circumstances, the revocation or suspension of an individual's driver license upon conviction of any drug-related offense; be it further

*Resolved*, That the Legislature and the Governor declare the state's determination to enforce its own law on the subject, which provides that persons convicted of certain drug-related offenses will not have their driver licenses revoked or suspended if the violation did not involve a motor vehicle and the convicted person is participating in, or has successfully completed, substance abuse treatment at a licensed substance abuse treatment program that is approved by the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health or is participating in, or has successfully completed, probation through the Department of Corrections Adult Probation and Parole; be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be prepared and delivered to the Governor of the state of Utah, and that the Governor submit a copy of the resolution to the United States Secretary of Transportation; be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Utah Department of Transportation and to the members of Utah's congressional delegation.

POM-102. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Utah urging Congress to amend federal law to ensure that consumers have the right to access their Fair Isaac Corporation credit scores or any other source for credit scores used by Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, or Ginnie Mae from the three major credit agencies annually at no cost; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 7

Whereas, under the Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act of 2003, consumers are entitled to a free credit report once each year from any credit agency, including the nation's three major credit bureaus, which are Experian, Trans Union, and Equifax;

Whereas, the credit scores used in over 90% of financial transactions, including Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, and Ginnie Mae, are a

version of a Fair Isaac Corporation (FICO) credit score;

Whereas, FICO's website, www.MyFico.com, is the only location where consumers may access their true FICO credit scores;

Whereas, FICO takes the credit information furnished by Experian, Trans Union, and Equifax and calculates that information using an algorithm to develop the three credit scores;

Whereas, after Experian partially severed its relationship with FICO in 2009, consumers can no longer access their FICO/Experian credit score;

Whereas, now consumers can only access their Trans Union/FICO and Equifax/FICO credit scores on FICO's website, and they are charged \$14.95 each, while lenders and other creditors can still access all three FICO credit scores from the three major credit agencies;

Whereas, although other companies have developed their own credit scores using their own formulas, ranges, and scores, lenders and creditors and other financial service companies generally do not consider them reliable;

Whereas, these scores generated by other companies are often found to be substantially different than the FICO credit scores, even though they are widely promoted as the actual consumer credit score;

Whereas, current federal law should be changed to address the consumers' right to access their FICO credit scores from the three major credit agencies once each year;

Whereas, when consumers access their free credit report from www.AnnualCreditReport.com, they should be given the right to their FICO credit scores annually at no cost;

Whereas, credit agencies should not be required to bear any pass through costs from FICO in providing free FICO credit scores once each year to consumers;

Whereas, credit agencies should allow consumers the right to access their credit scores from each major credit agency used by Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, and Ginnie Mae; and

Whereas, by making it possible for consumers to access their credit scores, which are used in almost every financial transaction, true fairness will return to the credit scoring access system; Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein, urge the United States Congress to amend federal law to ensure that consumers have the right to access their Fair Isaac Corporation credit scores or any other source for credit scores used by Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, or Ginnie Mae from the three major credit agencies annually at no cost; be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Majority Leader of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to the members of Utah's congressional delegation.

POM-103. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Utah urging the President and Congress to refrain from designating new national monuments in the San Rafael Swell area, the Cedar Mesa area, and any other area in Utah; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 11

Whereas, the Antiquities Act, 16 U.S.C. Sec. 431, empowers the President of the United States to singlehandedly bypass congressional, state, and local land management policies and tie up any federal land in Utah through national monument declarations;