

that care in a more cost effective way. Hugh has even opened his own home to provide a measure of stability to a young person in need of encouragement and opportunity. Countless disadvantaged individuals have benefitted from his dedicated work, much of which was done behind the scenes but always with the best interest of the people he served in mind.

Hugh has been the recipient of many awards over the span of his career, including the United Way Social Worker of the Year and the Sioux Falls Catholic Schools' Hall of Fame. The State of South Dakota has also benefitted from Hugh's expertise in the field of social services. He has served on many State committees and task forces created to best serve the poorest of our State.

Hugh and I share a commitment to providing access to affordable housing, recognizing that it is a critical ingredient for future success. His honorable service has been marked by a true sense of dedication to providing consistent guidance and stewardship. His warm sense of humor puts everyone around him at ease, and he treats each person with respect and dignity. My wife Barbara and I are proud to count Hugh as a friend, as well as an ally in the pursuit of social justice.

I commend Hugh for his passionate and tireless commitment to serving those in need. He has worked for affordable housing for 30 years, and will take his tireless work ethic to the Department of Veterans Affairs as an outreach worker for homeless veterans. I wish Hugh and his wife Jan all the best in the future.●

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF AGAR, SOUTH DA- KOTA

● Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, today I pay tribute to the 100th anniversary of the founding of Agar, SD. This rural community in Sully County is small, but its size is its strength. Agar is a warm, caring community full of people who are always willing to lend a helping hand.

When Chicago and Northwestern Railway Company decided to connect two of its lines, Agar was formed on the land of Charles Agar. Within the first year, several buildings had been constructed. The little town continued to flourish as an agricultural hub. A post office, newspaper, ice cream shop, and a bank were all started in 1910. In May of 1910, the town constructed an artesian well that flowed at 78 gallons per minute.

Agar's centennial celebration promises to be a great time, with bull riding, dances, and a softball tournament. The town will also be having a 2-day wagon train, covering beautiful farmland as well as the famous Sutton Bay Golf Resort. This weekend centennial celebration will gather together "Agarians" of all generations to celebrate all that this very proud community has accomplished.

One hundred years ago, this small town was founded on hard work and perseverance. Today, those values continue to permeate everything this town does. Small towns like Agar are the backbone of South Dakota, and I am proud to congratulate them on reaching this historic milestone.●

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

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 10:08 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 5139. An act to provide for the International Organizations Immunities Act to be extended to the Office of the High Representative in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the International Civilian Office in Kosovo.

At 10:34 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, 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. 3885. An act to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program on dog training therapy.

H.R. 5145. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the continuing professional education reimbursement provided to health professionals employed by the Department of Veterans Affairs.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2711) to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for the transportation of dependents, remains, and effects of certain Federal employees who die while performing official duties or as a result of the performance of official duties.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 106 of the Higher Education Opportunity Act (Public Law 110-315) and the order of the House of January 6, 2009, the Speaker appoints the following members on the part of the House of Representatives to the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity for a term of 6 years: Upon the recommendation of the Majority Leader: Dr. Carolyn Williams of Bronx, New York, Dr. William "Brit" Kirwan of

Adelphi, Maryland, and Dr. Benjamin J. Allen of Cedar Falls, Iowa; Upon recommendation of the Minority Leader: Dr. Art Keiser of Parkland, Florida, Mr. Arthur Rothkopf of Washington, DC, and Dr. William Pepicello of Phoenix, Arizona.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 3410. A bill to create a fair and efficient system to resolve claims of victims for economic injury caused by the Deepwater Horizon incident, and to direct the Secretary of the Interior to renegotiate the terms of the lease known as "Mississippi Canyon 252" with respect to claims relating to the Deepwater Horizon explosion and oil spill that exceed existing applicable economic liability limitations.

S. 3421. A bill to provide a temporary extension of certain programs, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. HARKIN for the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

*Adam Gamoran, of Wisconsin, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Board for Education Sciences for a term expiring November 28, 2011.

*Deborah Loewenberg Ball, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Board for Education Sciences for a term expiring November 28, 2012.

*Margaret R. McLeod, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Board for Education Sciences for a term expiring November 28, 2012.

*Bridget Terry Long, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Board for Education Sciences for a term expiring November 28, 2012.

*David K. Mineta, of California, to be Deputy Director for Demand Reduction, Office of National Drug Control Policy.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 3885. An act to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program on dog training therapy; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 5145. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the continuing professional education reimbursement provided to health professionals employed by the Department of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

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 Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mrs. MCCASKILL):

S. 3425. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to require the provision of behavioral health services to members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces necessary to meet pre-deployment and post-deployment readiness and fitness standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 3426. A bill to amend the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 to require monthly reporting to the Secretary of Agriculture of items contained in the cold storage survey and the dairy products survey of the National Agricultural Statistics Service; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. SCHUMER (for himself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 3427. A bill to institute an identification requirement for the purchase of pre-paid mobile devices; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. UDALL of New Mexico (for himself and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. 3428. A bill to designate the Memorial of Perpetual Tears, which honors victims of driving while impaired, as the official National DWI Victims Memorial; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 3429. A bill to require the Comptroller General of the United States to carry out a study on procurement under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 3430. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the tip tax credit to employers of cosmetologists and to promote tax compliance in the cosmetology sector; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself and Mr. NELSON of Florida):

S. 3431. A bill to improve the administration of the Minerals Management Service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BAYH, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. BOND, Mr. VITTER, Mr. ENZI, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. WICKER, Mr. RISCH, and Mr. THUNE):

S. Res. 540. A resolution honoring the entrepreneurial spirit of small businesses in the United States during "National Small Business Week", beginning May 23, 2010; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 211

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET) was added as a cosponsor of S. 211, a bill to facilitate nationwide availability of 2-1-1 telephone service for information and referral on human services and volunteer services, and for other purposes.

S. 493

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the names of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN) and the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) were added as cosponsors of S. 493, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the establishment of ABLE accounts for the care of family members with disabilities, and for other purposes.

S. 752

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) and the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER) were added as cosponsors of S. 752, a bill to reform the financing of Senate elections, and for other purposes.

S. 1055

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1055, a bill to grant the congressional gold medal, collectively, to the 100th Infantry Battalion and the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, United States Army, in recognition of their dedicated service during World War II.

S. 1545

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1545, a bill to expand the research and awareness activities of the National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention with respect to scleroderma, and for other purposes.

S. 1627

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1627, a bill to improve choices for consumers for vehicles and fuel, and for other purposes.

S. 1859

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1859, a bill to reinstate Federal matching of State spending of child support incentive payments.

S. 1939

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1939, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify presumptions relating to the exposure of certain veterans who served in the vicinity of the Republic of Vietnam, and for other purposes.

S. 2947

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2947, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to classify automatic fire sprinkler systems as 5-year property for purposes of depreciation.

S. 3157

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN) was added as a cospon-

sor of S. 3157, a bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow time for pensions to fund benefit obligations in light of economic circumstances in the financial markets of 2008, and for other purposes.

S. 3201

At the request of Mr. UDALL of Colorado, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. ROCKEFELLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3201, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to extend TRICARE coverage to certain dependents under the age of 26.

S. 3223

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. BENNETT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3223, a bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Public Health Service Act to provide parity under group health plans and group health insurance coverage for the provision of benefits for prosthetics and custom orthotics and benefits for other medical and surgical services.

S. 3231

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3231, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain tax incentives for alcohol used as fuel and to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to extend additional duties on ethanol.

S. 3248

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3248, a bill to designate the Department of the Interior Building in Washington, District of Columbia, as the "Stewart Lee Udall Department of the Interior Building".

S. 3269

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3269, a bill to provide driver safety grants to States with graduated driver licensing laws that meet certain minimum requirements.

S. 3295

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3295, a bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to prohibit foreign influence in Federal elections, to prohibit government contractors from making expenditures with respect to such elections, and to establish additional disclosure requirements with respect to spending in such elections, and for other purposes.

S. 3305

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3305, a bill to amend the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 to require oil polluters to pay the full cost of oil spills, and for other purposes.