

Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Panama.

Nominee: Phyllis Marie Powers.

Post: Panama.

(The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

1. Self: No contributions.
2. Spouse: None.
3. Children and Spouses: None.
4. Parents: Deceased.
5. Grandparents: Deceased.
6. Brothers and Spouses: None.
7. Sisters and Spouses: Pamela and Donald Curley, \$200, August 2008, Brett Green, Campaign for District Judge in Wilkesboro, NC; Patricia and Charles Miller, No contributions.

*Francis Joseph Ricciardone, Jr., of Massachusetts, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career Minister, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Turkey.

Nominee: Francis Joseph Ricciardone, Jr.,
Post: Ankara.

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Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

1. Self: None.
2. Spouse: None.
3. Children and Spouses: Francesca Mara Ricciardone and Micah White: None. Chiara Teresa Ricciardone: None.
4. Parents: Francis J. Ricciardone, Sr.: \$100, 2008, Republican National Committee. (Mother deceased).
5. Grandparents: Deceased.
6. Brothers and Spouses: Michael and Elizabeth Ricciardone: None. James and Lisa Ricciardone: None. David and Beverly Ricciardone: None.
7. Sisters and Spouses: Theresa Ricciardone and Peter Thayer: None. Marguerite Ricciardone and David R. Stone: \$100, 2/2010, Ellen Gibbs (D), Selectman, Wellesley, MA.

Mr. KERRY. Mr. President, for the Committee on Foreign Relations I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORDS on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

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

*Foreign Service nominations beginning with Karen S. Sliter and ending with Elia P. Vanechanos, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on June 28, 2010.

*Foreign Service nominations beginning with James K. Chambers and ending with Cameron Munter, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on June 28, 2010.

*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.

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. BENNET:

S. 3690. A bill to provide for additional quality control of drugs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. WEBB:

S. 3691. A bill to establish rules to assist consumers to compare airfares and other costs applicable to tickets for air transportation, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that fees charged for carry-on and checked baggage on passenger aircraft are subject to the excise tax imposed on transportation of persons by air, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. LINCOLN (for herself and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 3692. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the deductibility of mortgage insurance premiums; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY:

S. 3693. A bill to provide funding for the settlement of lawsuits against the Federal Government for discrimination against Black Farmers; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 3694. A bill to prohibit the conducting of invasive research on great apes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 3695. A bill to fight criminal gangs; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY:

S. 3696. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act with regard to certain exemptions under that Act for direct care workers and to improve the systems for the collection and reporting of data relating to the direct care workforce, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. DEMINT:

S.J. Res. 38. A joint resolution proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States; read the first time.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska (for himself and Mr. INHOFE):

S. Res. 605. A resolution designating September 13, 2010, as "National Celiac Disease Awareness Day"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 571

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. HAGAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 571, a bill to strengthen the Nation's research efforts to identify the causes and cure of psoriasis

and psoriatic arthritis, expand psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis data collection, and study access to and quality of care for people with psoriasis and psoriatic arthritis, and for other purposes.

S. 987

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 987, a bill to protect girls in developing countries through the prevention of child marriage, and for other purposes.

S. 1183

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1183, a bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to provide assistance to the Government of Haiti to end within 5 years the deforestation in Haiti and restore within 30 years the extent of tropical forest cover in existence in Haiti in 1990, and for other purposes.

S. 1553

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. GOODWIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1553, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the National Future Farmers of America Organization and the 85th anniversary of the founding of the National Future Farmers of America Organization.

S. 1703

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. LEMIEUX) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1703, a bill to amend the Act of June 18, 1934, to reaffirm the authority of the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for Indian tribes.

S. 3036

At the request of Mr. BAYH, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3036, a bill to establish the Office of the National Alzheimer's Project.

S. 3211

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3211, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to diabetes self-management training by designating certain certified diabetes educators as certified providers for purposes of outpatient diabetes self-management training services under part B of the Medicare Program.

S. 3381

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. BARRASSO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3381, a bill to amend the Clean Air Act to modify certain definitions of the term "renewable biomass", and for other purposes.

S. 3397

At the request of Mrs. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3397, a bill to amend the Controlled

Substances Act to provide for take-back disposal of controlled substances in certain instances, and for other purposes.

S. 3402

At the request of Mr. LEMIEUX, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3402, a bill to encourage residential use of renewable energy systems by minimizing upfront costs and providing immediate utility cost savings to consumers through leasing of such systems to homeowners, and for other purposes.

S. 3447

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3447, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve educational assistance for veterans who served in the Armed Forces after September 11, 2001, and for other purposes.

S. 3466

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3466, a bill to require restitution for victims of criminal violations of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3486

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Ohio, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. BURRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3486, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to repeal the prohibition on collective bargaining with respect to matters and questions regarding compensation of employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs other than rates of basic pay, and for other purposes.

S. 3510

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mrs. HAGAN) and the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) were added as cosponsors of S. 3510, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the 15-year recovery period for qualified leasehold improvement property, qualified restaurant property, and qualified retail improvement property.

S. 3517

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3517, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the processing of claims for disability compensation filed with the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

S. 3572

At the request of Mrs. LINCOLN, the name of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3572, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the 225th anniversary of the establishment of the Nation's first law enforcement agency, the United States Marshals Service.

S. 3578

At the request of Mr. JOHANNIS, the names of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) and the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) were added as cosponsors of S. 3578, a bill to repeal the expansion of information reporting requirements for payments of \$600 or more to corporations, and for other purposes.

S. 3581

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WEBB) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3581, a bill to implement certain defense trade treaties.

S. 3585

At the request of Mr. UDALL of Colorado, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3585, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to reform Department of Defense energy policy, and for other purposes.

S. 3622

At the request of Mr. JOHANNIS, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3622, a bill to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to finalize a proposed rule to amend the spill prevention, control, and countermeasure rule to tailor and streamline the requirements for the dairy industry, and for other purposes.

S. 3624

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the names of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) and the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) were added as cosponsors of S. 3624, a bill to encourage continued investment and innovation in communications networks by establishing a new, competition analysis-based regulatory framework for the Federal Communications Commission.

S. 3643

At the request of Mr. JOHANNIS, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 3643, a bill to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to reform the management of energy and mineral resources on the Outer Continental Shelf, to improve oil spill compensation, to terminate the moratorium on deep-water drilling, and for other purposes.

S. 3645

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3645, a bill to direct the Secretary of Education to establish and administer an awards program recognizing excellence exhibited by public school system employees providing services to students in pre-kindergarten through higher education.

S. 3653

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the names of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE), the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. BARRASSO) and the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 3653, a bill to remove unelected, unaccountable bureau-

crats from seniors' personal health decisions by repealing the Independent Payment Advisory Board.

S. 3654

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3654, a bill to amend title 11 of the United States Code to include firearms in the types of property allowable under the alternative provision for exempting property from the estate.

S. 3667

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3667, a bill to amend part A of title IV of the Social Security Act to exclude child care from the determination of the 5-year limit on assistance under the temporary assistance to needy families program, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 519

At the request of Mr. DEMINT, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 519, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the primary safeguard for the well-being and protection of children is the family, and that the primary safeguards for the legal rights of children in the United States are the Constitutions of the United States and the several States, and that, because the use of international treaties to govern policy in the United States on families and children is contrary to principles of self-government and federalism, and that, because the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child undermines traditional principles of law in the United States regarding parents and children, the President should not transmit the Convention to the Senate for its advice and consent.

AMENDMENT NO. 4531

At the request of Mr. JOHANNIS, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4531 intended to be proposed to H.R. 5297, an act to create the Small Business Lending Fund Program to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to make capital investments in eligible institutions in order to increase the availability of credit for small businesses, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Ms. CANTWELL (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 3694. A bill to prohibit the conducting of invasive research on great apes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Ms. CANTWELL. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce legislation to end the use of Great Apes in invasive research and urge my Senate colleagues to support the Great Ape Protection Act.