

New Business Committee. He was elected vice president of the ISEA in 2006 and, on the national level, was a member of the NEA Resolutions Committee.

As Chris retires from his presidency of the Iowa State Education Association, I wish him the very best. Chris' service to education as a teacher and ISEA leader remind me of the quote by American essayist Christopher Morley who said, "Things of the spirit differ from things material in that the more you give the more you have."

Indeed, Chris Bern has much. I wish him the best in his future endeavors.●

HOSMER, SOUTH DAKOTA

● Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota. Mr. President, today I wish to pay tribute to the 125th anniversary of the founding of the town of Hosmer, SD. Located in Edmunds County, Hosmer is a close-knit community with a rich cultural heritage and a strong tradition of farming.

Named after Stella Hosmer, the railroad agent's wife, the town was founded in 1887 and officially incorporated in 1904. Early settlers arrived in Hosmer shortly after the town's founding. Most were German-Russians, who persevered despite drought, poor land, and grasshopper infestations. Thanks in part to its location along the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific Railroad, by the 1920s Hosmer was a flourishing community. Local businesses popped up, including general stores, cream stations, churches, a drug store, meat market, and a hotel.

Today in Hosmer they still honor the traditions of their German-Russian ancestors. Kuchen, German-style noodles, and German-style sausage are just a few of their culinary specialties, available in local establishments. Many residents proudly make their own sausage, much like the intrepid settlers who founded Hosmer 125 years ago.

The people of Hosmer will be celebrating their quasiquicentennial June 29 to July 1 with a complete schedule of events. There will be entertainment for children in the park, a free meal, car show, parade, dances, music, and performances. It promises to be a weekend full of family fun.

Mr. President, 125 years after its founding, Hosmer continues to be a small town that represents the best South Dakota has to offer. I am honored to congratulate the people of Hosmer on this memorable occasion.●

TRIBUTE TO ALECK SHILAOS

● Mr. LEE. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize the exemplary service of Chief Aleck Shilaos, who has served in law enforcement for 43 years and as the chief of police for the city of Price, UT for 25 years.

Shilaos began his career in 1969 as the first parking officer ever hired by the University of Utah. When the university's security force became an official police department, Aleck joined

the police force. The school's biggest need for police stemmed from theft at the University Hospital, where felons from Utah's prison system would receive medical treatment. The crime wave was quickly stopped, saving the hospital untold long-term costs.

In 1972, Shilaos accepted a position with the Lakewood, CO Police Department, where he served for a decade and continued to improve his merits as a nationally ranked pistol shooter. Those skills helped him to gain immediate respect from fellow officers when he joined the police force in his hometown of Price a decade later. Five years later, he was named chief of police in Price, a position he would hold for the next quarter of a century.

Under Shilaos's leadership, the Price Police Department advanced into the information age. With Shilaos at the helm, Price began implementing technologies that increased efficiency and paved the way for the next generation of police officers.

Shilaos graduated from the FBI National Academy in 1995, created his department's first detective division, and a new field training program. Additionally, Shilaos looked beyond his own department and helped to found a regional drug strike force and SWAT team, and implemented the DARE anti-drug program in local schools.

Shilaos also fought a brave personal battle against non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. Diagnosed in 2010, the disease is now in remission. Shilaos recently commented that the good days now outnumber the bad ones.

Aleck Shilaos has been an outstanding public servant for the city of Price, UT and will surely be missed. His career is an example of leadership, dedication, and commitment. I wish he and his wife Shirley a long and enjoyable retirement, and thank him for his dedicated service.●

RECOGNIZING INDIANA PRAIRIE FARMER MAGAZINE

● Mr. LUGAR, Mr. President, today I would like to recognize a publication in the State of Indiana that is not only making sure to supply useful information that will help Hoosier farm families thrive but is also taking the time to honor exceptional families through the Master Farmer award program.

As one of 18 State and regional subsidiaries of Farm Progress, Indiana Prairie Farmer is constantly striving to ensure that our farmers are equipped with the information and support necessary to handle the difficult tasks facing agriculturalists. At the helm of this initiative is editor Tom Bechman who not only brings experience from a small tenant dairy farm but is also nationally known for his coverage of Midwest agronomy, conservation, no-till farming, farm management, farm safety, high-tech farming and personal property tax relief.

Considered one of the top honors an Indiana farmer can receive, the first

Master Farmer was presented in December 1925 in Chicago. The first 21 Indiana farmers to receive the award had an average farm size of 202 acres. The program was discontinued in 1935 due to the Great Depression and reinstated by James C. Thompson, then-managing editor of the *Prairie Farmer*, in 1968. More than 200 Indiana farmers have been recognized since the program was reborn. In addition, roughly a dozen people who are not farmers but who made great contributions to Indiana agriculture have been recognized as Honorary Master Farmers. In 2006, Purdue University's College of Agriculture joined *Indiana Prairie Farmer* as co-sponsor of the award and has since been supported by two Glenn W. Sample dean's of the College of Agriculture, making sure that it maintained its reputation as a top award.

As a farmer myself, I am honored as both a Hoosier and member of the agriculture industry to have the great work of my fellow agriculturalists recognized by Mr. Bechman and the *Indiana Prairie Farmer*. Their tireless efforts to identify and reward Indiana farmers for their work to provide the safest, most abundant and least expensive food supply in the world is humbling and deserves the utmost recognition.

I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring *Indiana Prairie Farmer* for their work on behalf of Indiana farmers and the Master Farmer award program. I am privileged to represent a State so dedicated to this vital industry and its participants.●

RECOGNIZING INNOVATIVE LIVESTOCK SERVICES

● Mr. ROBERTS. Mr. President, you have heard me recount numerous stories on the importance of agriculture in my home State of Kansas. Many of these stories center around the fact that cattle outnumber people by more than two to one, and I often joke that cattle are usually in a better mood. In recent years, the Kansas livestock industry has accounted for nearly 50 percent of all agricultural cash receipts within the State.

Mr. LEE Borck, chairman, and Mr. Andrew Murphy, president and chief executive officer, of Innovative Livestock Services have played a key role within the livestock industry. I want to take this opportunity to recognize part of the Innovative Livestock Services operation, Ward Feed Yard, on celebrating 50 years of feeding cattle. Great Bend Feeding and Ward Feed Yard, both part of the Innovative Livestock Services operation, have now been in business for more than 50 years. There is no doubt in the strong heritage, optimistic outlook and positive economic development this cattle feeding company has created in Kansas. Just as the beef industry is a leading segment of the agriculture industry in Kansas, with the leadership of Mr. Borck and Mr. MURPHY, Innovative

Livestock Services is a true champion within the beef industry.

Today I wish to say congratulations to all of those who have helped over the past 50 years and to wish Ward Feed Yard nothing but the best for the next 50 years. Congratulations to all of the partners, employees, customers, community leaders and industry representatives on a job well done.●

REPORT OF THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY THAT WAS DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 13159 OF JUNE 21, 2000, WITH RESPECT TO THE RISK OF NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION CREATED BY THE ACCUMULATION OF WEAPONS-USABLE FISSILE MATERIAL IN THE TERRITORY OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION—PM 51

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within 90 days prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the emergency declared in Executive Order 13159 of June 21, 2000, with respect to the risk of nuclear proliferation created by the accumulation of a large volume of weapons-usable fissile material in the territory of the Russian Federation is to continue beyond June 21, 2012.

It remains a major national security goal of the United States to ensure that fissile material removed from Russian nuclear weapons pursuant to various arms control and disarmament agreements is dedicated to peaceful uses, subject to transparency measures, and protected from diversion to activities of proliferation concern. The accumulation of a large volume of weapons-usable fissile material in the territory of the Russian Federation continues to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. For this reason, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared with respect to the risk of nuclear proliferation created by the accumulation of a large volume of weapons-usable fissile material in the territory of the Russian Federation and maintain in force these emergency authorities to respond to this threat.

BARACK OBAMA.
THE WHITE HOUSE, June 18, 2012.

REPORT ON THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY THAT WAS ORIGINALLY DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 13466 OF JUNE 26, 2008, WITH RESPECT TO NORTH KOREA—PM 52

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within 90 days prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13466 of June 26, 2008, expanded in scope in Executive Order 13551 of August 30, 2010, and addressed further in Executive Order 13570 of April 18, 2011, is to continue in effect beyond June 26, 2012.

The existence and risk of proliferation of weapons-usable fissile material on the Korean Peninsula, and the actions and policies of the Government of North Korea that destabilize the Korean Peninsula and imperil U.S. Armed Forces, allies, and trading partners in the region continue to constitute an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency with respect to these threats and maintain in force the measures taken to deal with that national emergency.

BARACK OBAMA.
THE WHITE HOUSE, June 18, 2012.

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. BOXER:

S. 3304. A bill to redesignate the Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters located at 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue N.W. in Washington, D.C., as the "William Jefferson Clinton Federal Building", to redesignate the Federal building and United States Courthouse located at 200 East Wall Street in Midland, Texas, as the "George H.W. Bush and George W. Bush United States Courthouse and George Mahon Federal Building", and to designate the Federal building housing the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives Headquarters located at 99 New York Avenue N.E., Washington D.C., as the "Eliot Ness ATF Building", and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. LEE):

S. 3305. A bill to clarify authority granted under the Act entitled "An Act to define the exterior boundary of the Uintah and Ouray Indian Reservation in the State of Utah, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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

S. 3306. A bill to establish a United States Boxing Commission to administer the Professional Boxing Safety Act of 1996, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Mr. CASEY):

S. 3307. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the credit for increasing research activities, to increase such credit for amounts paid or incurred for qualified research occurring in the United States, and to increase the domestic production activities deduction for the manufacture of property substantially all of the research and development of which occurred in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HELLER:

S. 3308. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the furnishing of benefits for homeless veterans who are women or who have dependents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. MURRAY:

S. 3309. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the assistance provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to homeless veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. KOHL (for himself and Mr. HATCH):

S. Res. 495. A resolution designating the period beginning on June 17, 2012, and ending on June 23, 2012, as "Polycystic Kidney Disease Awareness Week", and raising awareness and understanding of polycystic kidney disease and the impact such disease has on patients; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 491

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. COBURN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 491, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to recognize the service in the reserve components of the Armed Forces of certain persons by honoring them with status as veterans under law, and for other purposes.

S. 697

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 697, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for amounts paid by a spouse of a member of the Armed Services for a new State license or certification required by reason of a permanent change in the duty station of such member to another State.