

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO CHIEF DONALD F. CONLEY

• Ms. AYOTTE. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize and congratulate chief of police Donald F. Conley of the Nashua, NH, Police Department for his 32 years of dedicated service to the law enforcement profession, the City of Nashua, and the State of New Hampshire.

After serving in the U.S. Marine Corps, Chief Conley began his law enforcement career with the U.S. Capitol Police and then joined the Nashua Police Department in 1980. He was promoted to sergeant in 1988, lieutenant in 1995, captain in 1998, and deputy chief of police in 2002. He was named the chief of police in 2007.

During his long tenure as a police chief, Donald Conley has been a leader in promoting community-oriented policing, improving public safety within the State of New Hampshire, and promoting sound public policies and practices that have helped keep New Hampshire one of the safest States in the Nation. Chief Conley has worked tirelessly with his peers and with other public safety officials to better the administration of justice.

As Donald Conley celebrates his retirement, I want to commend him on a job well done and ask my colleagues to join me in wishing him and his wife Tricia well in all future endeavors.●

RECOGNIZING THE JUNIOR LEAGUE OF BALTIMORE

• Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the 100th anniversary of the Junior League of Baltimore. Mary Goodwillie founded the Junior League of Baltimore in 1912 with the goal of engaging educated young ladies to help alleviate the ills of the city. The league members began working with underprivileged women and children in Baltimore. Their early advocacy efforts helped bring about reduced work hours for women and better living conditions for children. Throughout its 100-year history, the league has harnessed the spirit of volunteerism to help countless families in Baltimore with projects ranging from a nursery school for blind and deaf children in the 1940s, a drug abuse education program in the 1970s, and the Kids in the Kitchen nutrition education program today.

Once, the league was a volunteer activity for well-to-do women; today, it is a training ground where women interested in nonprofit management, social work, and public service professions receive hands-on experience. Volunteer activities are designed to empower diverse women from all walks of life to make a difference in their community.

The Junior League of Baltimore is part of the Association of Junior Leagues International and continues

its foremothers' legacy of service and advocacy, emphasizing collaboration, coalition building, and responsiveness to community needs. The Junior League of Baltimore's recent projects include art programs, family support services, and partnerships with various organizations such as Read Across America, in addition to its innovative nutrition education program designed to fight childhood obesity.

I would ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the Junior League of Baltimore on 100 years of service to Baltimore, and in thanking league members past and present for all that they have done and are doing to enrich the lives of the citizens of Baltimore and Maryland.●

TRIBUTE TO DR. KENNETH HALL

• Mr. CORNYN. Mr. President, today I would like to commend the extraordinary career of Buckner International CEO Dr. Kenneth Hall, who will soon be retiring from the Dallas-based organization after 19 years of dedicated service. Throughout his tenure, he has promoted founder R.C. Buckner's mission of bringing unconditional Christian love to needy children. Hall has been instrumental in expanding the scope of Buckner's activities, which are inspired by the biblical principles of James 1:27: "Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world."

A Baptist minister by training, R.C. Buckner devoted his life to helping children whose families had been displaced or broken by war, poverty, and other hardships. The mustard seed of Buckner International was planted on a hot July day in 1877, when Dr. Buckner gathered concerned citizens around an old oak tree in Paris, TX, and asked for their assistance in building a home for orphans. From a humble collection that day of \$27, Dr. Buckner created Buckner Orphans' Home in Dallas in 1879. Now known as Buckner Children's Home, it is one of the oldest orphanages west of the Mississippi River.

One hundred and thirty-five years after the famous oak tree meeting, Buckner International is aiding more than 400,000 people in countries across the world. Dr. Hall became its fifth President and CEO in 1994. Under his leadership, the endowment surpassed \$200 million, and the organization established a new global ministry program. It now does charitable work in China, the Dominican Republic, Egypt, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guatemala, Honduras, India, Kenya, Mexico, Peru, Russia, Sierra Leone, South Korea, and Vietnam. Buckner also runs several retirement communities in Texas, and provides an extensive array of services to assist and empower families in crisis.

I am grateful for all that Dr. Hall has done to improve the lives of the vulner-

able and underprivileged, both at home and abroad. I join my colleagues in saluting him for his tireless efforts, which have brought joy and comfort to so many. He deserves recognition as a true humanitarian and a true American patriot.●

TRIBUTE TO JOHN E. FRAMPTON

• Mr. GRAHAM. Mr. President, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing John E. Frampton on the occasion of his retirement as director of the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources, SCDNR.

John has dedicated the past 35 years to advancing and improving the State of South Carolina's natural resources and quality of life. He has been a tireless advocate of wildlife preservation in South Carolina and across the United States. As director of SCDNR, he served as the chief administrator for natural resources in the State and was responsible for management and supervision of the agency's five divisions.

Leading with passion, determination, and humility, John has worked to protect and promote South Carolina's natural resources at every level around the State. John joined SCDNR in 1974 as an assistant district biologist. Prior to his appointment as director, he served as a regional wildlife biologist, chief of wildlife, and assistant director for development and national affairs. On April 2, 2003, Mr. Frampton was selected as the agency's director by the SCDNR Board.

John is an active member of multiple regional, national, and international wildlife organizations and served as a past president of both the Southeastern Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies and the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies. Because of his dedicated leadership and commitment to conservation, John was appointed to the National Marine Protected Area Federal Advisory Committee by the Secretary of Commerce and appointed to the prestigious Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council by the Secretary of Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture in 2010.

John's well-deserved acknowledgments and recognitions highlight the impact he has had on the conservation community at the State and national level. John has received numerous honors and awards over his career, including the International Canvasback Award from the North American Waterfowl Management Plan Committee, the Clarence W. Watson Award from the Southeastern Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, the Shooting, Hunting and Outdoor Trades', SHOT, Business Person of the Year Award, the Henry S. Mosby Award from the National Wild Turkey Federation, the Captain David Hart Award by the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, and the Seth Gordon Award by the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies. Additionally, John is recognized for initiating South Carolina's

Ashepool, Combahee, and South Edisto, ACE, Basin Project in 1988 and continues to serve on the ACE Basin Task Force. He is an invaluable asset to the conservation community and as a leader has set an example for future SCDNR directors to follow.

Born in Summerville, SC, John holds a bachelor of science degree in marine biology from the College of Charleston. He later received a master of arts in teaching degree in biology from the Citadel and a master of science degree in wildlife biology from Clemson University. He is a certified wildlife biologist through the Wildlife Society.

I ask that the Senate join me in celebrating John Frampton's lifelong dedication to the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources, the State of South Carolina, and our Nation. I wish John the very best in his future endeavors.●

REMEMBERING BRIAN DONNELLY

● Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, my colleague Senator DEBBIE STABENOW and I would like to pay tribute to Brian Donnelly. The measure of a man is seen from many vantage points, from the family he loves, to the good work he has done, to the lives he has positively influenced along the way. By this measure, Brian Donnelly lived a full and prosperous life. We see that in the words of his adoring and devoted wife and family; we see that in the seemingly endless outpouring of affection from his colleagues, friends, and associates; and we see that even from those he prosecuted.

Brian Donnelly, who died suddenly last month, was a dedicated civil servant from my home State of Michigan. He devoted his life to upholding the law and serving the citizens of Michigan. This devotion and commitment can be seen through Brian's 25 years of service as a prosecutor, most recently for Kalkaska County. Brian was a skilled and highly respected litigator who was known to work long days, often returning to the office after dinner. Brian was admired not only by his colleagues but by those on both sides of the bench. His commitment both to his work and to his family was evident to all who knew him.

Brian graduated from Michigan State University and received his law degree from the University of Michigan School of Law. He married his wife Ruthann in July of 1987, and they remained partners for the rest of his life. While Brian's life was full of many successes, he also experienced tragedy. Brian's brother, Mac J. Donnelly, Jr., was killed in the line of duty while working as a police officer in Lansing, MI, in 1977. His brother's death helped encourage Brian to pursue a successful career as a prosecutor. It also led to his continued support of Michigan Concerns of Police Survivors, MI-C.O.P.S., an organization dedicated to supporting the families of fallen officers. He took what was a personal tragedy

and transformed it into a lifelong, positive pursuit that filled a void for many across Michigan.

After his death last month, Ruthann was inundated with letters of condolence from across our State. Some of these condolence letters even came from people Brian had prosecuted, who praised his fairness and decency and expressed sorrow for his loss. To be respected by one's colleagues is a sign of a job well done, but to be respected by one's adversaries is the mark of a truly unique man. Posthumously, Brian was honored by the Prosecuting Attorneys Association of Michigan for his outstanding service as a prosecutor in Kalkaska County, an honor he richly deserved.

Brian Donnelly left a legacy of nobility and dedicated public service for Michigan and for the legal profession. He will be missed, but his many efforts and the good he has done will be remembered for years to come. Senator STABENOW and I are proud to honor him today.●

TRIBUTE TO MAJOR GENERAL JEFFREY J. DORKO

● Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I would like to pay tribute to MG Jeffrey J. Dorko, deputy commanding general for military and international operations for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, who is retiring from Active Duty service on Friday, February 10, 2012. As we reflect on the career of this exemplary public servant, I express appreciation for his distinguished and selfless service on behalf of a grateful nation. It is his sacrifice, along with the sacrifices of countless others in uniform around the world, which helps to keep our Nation strong and secure.

Major General Dorko has accumulated more than 33 years of service to our country, and, more important, has amassed an impressive record of accomplishments. His military career began in 1978 as a platoon leader, company executive officer, and assistant battalion operations officer for the 299th Engineer Battalion at Fort Sill, OK. Over the next three decades, he served three tours of duty with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in Germany and was deployed in support of Operations Joint Endeavor and Joint Guard in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

From 2007 to 2008, Major General Dorko assumed command of the U.S. Army Engineer Division, Gulf Region, headquartered in Baghdad, Iraq, in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. And currently, as the deputy commanding general for military and international operations for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Major General Dorko is responsible for the successful execution of more than \$28 billion in design, construction, and environmental projects.

I know Major General Dorko would want us to also recognize his family's many sacrifices throughout his exemplary career. Major General Dorko's dedicated service and sound leadership

have served as useful examples to our men and women in uniform. I know my Senate colleagues join me in congratulating Major General Dorko and honoring his distinguished record of service to our country. I wish him the best as he embarks on the next chapter of his life.●

RECOGNIZING DELOITTE LLC

● Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. President, last week I had the privilege of speaking at the LATINA Style 50 Awards Ceremony and Diversity Leaders Conference, which is held each year to recognize leaders in corporate diversity. A premier and well-respected publication, LATINA Style 50 honored Deloitte LLC with its Company of the Year award, in recognition of its commitment to fostering an inclusive workplace for Latinas and professionals from diverse backgrounds and perspectives. I would like to congratulate Deloitte for receiving this honor.

Deloitte has a long legacy of developing leaders and giving back to its communities. From establishing the accounting industry's first women's initiative in 1993, to operating an external advisory council, chaired by Dr. Sally Ride, that oversees its women's initiatives, Deloitte has been a leader in promoting diversity in the workplace. Deloitte also focuses its efforts externally through its support of a broad range of community groups, including several that serve Hispanics.

Deloitte's CEO, Joe Echevarria, personifies the career and development opportunities available at the organization. Of Puerto Rican heritage, Mr. Echevarria began working at Deloitte as an audit recruit from the University of Miami. Today, he oversees 45,000 professionals who specialize in multiple industries, in nearly 90 U.S. cities. He understands inclusive and empowering policies aren't just good for his employees—they are good for business.

It is a pleasure to congratulate Deloitte, its employees, and Deloitte CEO, Mr. Joseph Echevarria, on being named Company of the Year by LATINA Style 50, and I encourage other companies to follow the lead of Deloitte in growing and developing diverse talent in their executive suites and boardrooms.●

TRIBUTE TO DOYLE ROGERS

● Mr. PRYOR. Mr. President, for over 50 years, Doyle W. Rogers has been a proud resident of the city of Batesville, AR. Next month, Batesville will honor him by designating March 6, 2012, as Doyle Rogers Day. Through his many endeavors, Doyle has found success through visionary leadership and hard work. It is in that spirit that I rise today to recognize a man I consider a great businessman and an even greater Arkansan.

Doyle Rogers was born in Diaz, AR, in 1918, and raised in Newport. After attending Arkansas State University in