

our troops into Iraq. While I knew it was the right decision, it was certainly not an easy one at the time. She pushed hard and urged me to take the strongest possible position against the war. She was my voice and my megaphone.

What makes all of Susan's accomplishments so much greater is the fact that she did much of this split between Washington and Baltimore. She was born and raised a Washingtonian but made Baltimore her home and the place she raised her family. She was as comfortable talking about restaurants on Federal Hill as Adams Morgan. When I was elected to the U.S. Senate, Susan was with me as I traveled throughout the State. She welcomed the opportunity to expand our representation to all of Maryland. Together we held press conferences on the Eastern Shore, visited editorial boards in western Maryland, and attended ribbon cuttings from Aberdeen to Fort Meade. Susan made herself familiar with nearly every Maryland smalltown newspaper and most of their publishers and could tell you about their editors without missing a beat.

After 27 years, I take as much pride as Susan in the fact that she really has had more opportunities than anyone else to share my voice and my positions on issues of importance with the people of Maryland and the Nation. I have enjoyed working side-by-side with her and having her as an anchor of Team Cardin. I have learned from her, and I thank her for her time. Her quick words, honesty, and dedication to public service will be missed by me, Myrna, and my entire staff. It is with heartfelt gratitude that I wish her well in this next stage of her life.

REMEMBERING EUGENE RUEHLMANN

Mr. PORTMAN. Madam President, today I wish to remember Eugene Ruehlmann, former mayor of Cincinnati, OH, for his leadership, his visions, and his dedication to his community and for his distinguished career in law and public service. Mr. Ruehlmann passed away at the age of 88 on June 8, 2013.

A native Cincinnatian, Mr. Ruehlmann's talents were recognized early on when he was voted "Boy Mayor of Cincinnati" in 1942 as a teenager. His public service career officially took off years later after he served our Nation in the U.S. Marine Corps in World War II, earned degrees from the University of Cincinnati and Harvard Law School and launched a successful law practice. Ultimately, Mr. Ruehlmann served 12 years on the Cincinnati City Council beginning in 1959 and served as the mayor of Cincinnati from 1967–1971.

Known as a "Clean Gene" for his principled leadership and legendary integrity, Mr. Ruehlmann was instrumental in advancing Cincinnati as a major league city. His leadership in-

cluded guiding the early transformation of downtown Cincinnati with the development of the new Fountain Square Plaza, Riverfront Stadium, the establishment of an NFL team, the Cincinnati Bengals, and constructing Cincinnati's Convention Center.

Following the race riots in 1967, Mr. Ruehlmann worked to heal the city. He reformulated the city's Human Relations Commission, and founded the Mayor's Housing Coordinating Committee and the city's Project Commitment.

He has given his time to numerous charitable and community organizations, such as Children's Hospital, Children's Hospital Medical Center, Greater Cincinnati Foundation, the Work and Rehabilitation Center, March of Dimes and the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

Mr. Ruehlmann was awarded an Honorary Doctorate from the University of Cincinnati in 2011. In 1998, he was named a Great Living Cincinnatian by the Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce for his lifetime of service and leadership. In 1970, the Urban League of Cincinnati honored him with a special award for Outstanding Achievement in Public Service.

He built a successful law practice as founder of the Strauss, Troy and Ruehlmann law firm, as a partner with Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease in Cincinnati, and as a director on the Board of the Center for Resolution of Disputes.

In all these years, and with all these accomplishments, he remained a devoted family man. He and his late wife, Virginia, were married for 61 years and raised 8 children, 25 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Mr. President, I would like to honor Eugene Ruehlmann for his dedication to the City of Cincinnati, to his community and to his family.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

RECOGNIZING BOY SCOUT TROOP 414

• Mr. BROWN. Madam President, I rise today to commemorate Boy Scout Troop 414 in Wellington, Lorain County, OH.

For more than a century, the Boy Scouts of America has evolved along with America. This organization has helped create a foundation for boys to realize their responsibilities as citizens. Boy Scouts learn to value leadership, discipline, equality, justice, and integrity—but, perhaps, the greatest lesson shared with Scouts is the importance of service.

Good citizenship matters. It strengthens our democracy, transforms strangers into neighbors, and helps move us closer to becoming a more just and open society.

Troop 414, one of the oldest troops in Ohio, remains active in the local community. From volunteering and main-

taining the county fairgrounds to collecting items for the local food bank and organizing monthly camping trips, Troop 414 provides new opportunities for boys to contribute to Northeast Ohio.

As an Eagle Scout, I am especially proud of the Eagle Scouts in Troop 414: Alex Coker, Bradley Cuthbert Jr., Connor Dunwoodie, Aaron Ferguson, Stephen Ferguson, and Michael Savel.

With more than 30 additional active troop members under the guidance of Scoutmaster Darrell French, I know that the future of scouting is bright in Ohio. •

REMEMBERING MASTER SERGEANT WILLIAM SEYMOUR "BULL" EVANS

• Mr. CARDIN. Madam President, today I would like to pay tribute to U.S. Marine Corps MSgt William Seymour "Bull" Evans of Cresaptown, MD. "Bull" Evans was a member of the legendary Marine Corps Raiders and fought valiantly in some of the most pivotal battles of the South Pacific during World War II and the Korean war. "Bull" Evans remains one of the most decorated military servicemen in western Maryland. He amassed an impressive number of medals and awards, including the Purple Heart with four clusters; two Presidential citations; the Bronze Star; Silver Star; Navy Cross; and many others over the course of a 15-year military career.

Evans' strength as a swimmer was recognized early in his youth in Cresaptown, where he could frequently be found swimming in the Potomac River even during the winter months. When Evans was 18, he enlisted in the Marine Corps, where he eventually became an expert in amphibious assault techniques and was selected to serve with the elite 2nd Battalion, First Marine Raiders. Evans was on his first furlough, in Honolulu, when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor in 1941. He was among the first volunteers for the newly-organized Second Battalion, First Marine Raiders, a special operations force formed in response to the attack. Evans' heroic acts have made him a legend among Marines—36 hours of continuous action on Midway Island, a solitary advance to stop an assault on his unit while pinned down by the enemy on Tulagi, and singlehandedly stringing barbed wire to prevent an attack on his unit's position near Guadalcanal. His penchant for rapidly advancing into enemy territory by himself established his reputation as the "One Man Army" and earned him the nickname "Bull" among his brothers in arms.

Following Evans' service in World War II and as the conflict grew in Korea, he volunteered to join the 1st Marine Division and, in spite of injuries sustained in earlier campaigns, signed a waiver allowing him to fight. After being seriously wounded by machine-gun fire and shrapnel, Evans returned to the battlefield to assist in

training South Korean troops and was later assigned to a military police unit in Japan where he reunited with his wife and children.

“Bull” Evans also earned a unique distinction when, in 1952, he became the only Marine authorized to wear a beard, despite military regulations against it. During the Korean war, when Maj. Gen. John T. Selden instructed all Marines to be clean shaven, he issued an edict that “For honor and distinction, Sgt Evans will be exempt from this order and permission to let his beard grow is granted.”

After serving with distinction in two wars, MSgt “Bull” Evans died suddenly and unexpectedly of cardiac failure in 1954. High-ranking officials from both the United States and Japan, standing side-by-side with thousands of Marines, attended his funeral.

I am pleased that because of the advocacy of local veterans, historians, and political leaders in western Maryland, the legacy of this true American hero will be preserved by dedicating a portion of U.S. Route 220 through his hometown of Cresaptown, MD to USMC MSgt William “Bull” Evans on June 29, 2013. I commend the efforts of Ron Miller, Jim Stakem, Pete Martz, and Terry Evans to share the story of “Bull” Evans and to establish a permanent and lasting memorial in his honor, and I appreciate the leadership of State Senator George Edwards and the Maryland State Highway Administration in making this memorial a reality. I don’t think we can ever be reminded too frequently of the extraordinary valor of our men and women in uniform so I am grateful we are establishing a fitting tribute to an exemplary member of what Tom Brokaw so appropriately called the “Greatest Generation.”●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Thomas, 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 messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-1822. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, Departmental Offices, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant

to law, the report of a rule entitled “Garnishment of Accounts Containing Federal Benefit Payments” (RIN1505-AC20) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 7, 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1823. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Prevailing Rate Systems; Redefinition of the Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN, and Southwestern Wisconsin Appropriated Fund Federal Wage System Wage Areas” (RIN3206-AM75) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 5, 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1824. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Prevailing Rate Systems; Redefinition of the Clayton-Cobb-Fulton, GA, Nonappropriated Fund Federal Wage System Wage Area” (RIN3206-AM84) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 5, 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1825. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Director, Office of Management and Budget, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 28, 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1826. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Education’s fiscal year 2012 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act); to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1827. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department’s fiscal year 2012 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act); to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1828. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, “Status of the Implementation of Recommendations from the 2008 ODCA Audit Report Titled ‘Review of the District’s Cash Advance Fund’”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1829. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 20-76, “Certified Business Enterprise Compliance Temporary Act of 2013”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1830. A communication from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Veterans Affairs’ Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1831. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of the Interior’s Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1832. A communication from the Chief Executive Officer, Corporation for National

and Community Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General and the Corporation for National and Community Service’s Report on Final Action for the period from October 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1833. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, U.S. Postal Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General’s Semiannual Report and the Postal Service’s response to the report for the period of October 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1834. A communication from the Chairman of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semi-Annual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1835. A communication from the Chief Executive Officer, Millennium Challenge Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General’s Semiannual Report for the period of October 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1836. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1837. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Agriculture’s Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1838. A communication from the Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General and a Management Report for the period from October 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1839. A communication from the Chairman of the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1840. A communication from the Secretary of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Labor’s Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1841. A communication from the Acting Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General and the Chairman’s Semiannual Report on Final Action Resulting from Audit Reports, Inspection Reports, and Evaluation Reports for the period from October 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1842. A communication from the Administrator of the Agency for International Development (USAID), transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2012 through March 31, 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1843. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant