

in battle, for every victim of terror, knew that when an opportunity for peace presented itself, he must seize it. A pragmatic conclusion to be sure, but also a morally-centered one.

I was privileged to attend Yitzhak Rabin's funeral last week in Jerusalem, the city of his birth. He is buried among Israel's fallen heroes on Mount Herzl, and there could be no more appropriate place. He was a patriot and hero for Israel as a soldier and a leader, in wars of survival and in the struggle for peace.

The funeral was a powerful testimony to his achievements. Yitzhak Rabin, the military hero, was saluted by weeping soldiers, and buried with full military honors. Yitzhak Rabin, the peacemaker, was honored by the entire world. Dozens of heads of state and foreign dignitaries, from every corner of the globe, came to pay their respects. There could be no greater evidence of the incredible progress made by Yitzhak Rabin toward peace and ending Israel's isolation.

Most inspiring of all was the presence of leaders from seven Arab countries—Jordan, Egypt, Morocco, Tunisia, Qatar, Oman, and Mauritania—and the Palestinian Authority. Such a thing could not have happened even 3 years ago. The peace that Yitzhak Rabin was striving to build was brought to life by the presence of President Mubarak of Egypt, on his first visit to Israel, and by Jordan's King Hussein, who called Rabin "my brother."

It now falls to Shimon Peres, Israel's acting Prime Minister, to continue the work of his partner, Yitzhak Rabin. Israel is fortunate to have such a wise and capable leader ready to step in to the void created by this tragedy. Shimon Peres has served Israel with distinction over many years as Prime Minister, Foreign Minister, Defense Minister, and many other posts.

Shimon Peres is in many ways the architect of the Israeli-Palestinian agreements, and his commitment to achieving a comprehensive peace that protects Israel's security is unquestioned. If there is any consolation in this time of grief, it is that Yitzhak Rabin's partner, Shimon Peres, who shared Rabin's vision, will be able to carry that vision forward.

As the tributes to Yitzhak Rabin continue to flow forth from around the world, we must rededicate ourselves to supporting Israel in its pursuit of peace. It is a sad irony that at the moment of Yitzhak Rabin's death, Congress had allowed the Middle East Peace Facilitation Act—which Rabin considered essential to the success of his peace policies—to lapse.

While this problem was rectified following the funeral, we know that Congress will have many future opportunities to express support for the peace process. When we fail to do so, we undermine Israel's peace efforts and dishonor Yitzhak Rabin's legacy.

Let us commit to one another and to the memory of Yitzhak Rabin, that we

will place support for Israel's peace efforts above partisan or political disputes. Bringing peace to Israel and the Middle East—which was Rabin's life's work—deserves to be such a priority. If we fail to do this, all our words and tributes in praise of Yitzhak Rabin will ring hollow.

Let us also commit ourselves to condemning violence and the incendiary rhetoric of extremists, wherever we find it. The painful lesson of Rabin's death is that violent words can indeed have violent consequences. Tragically, "Death to Rabin" was not just a slogan. It is up to all of us to isolate those who use such words.

Israel and the world have lived 10 days without Yitzhak Rabin, and we are far poorer for his loss. While the pain does not fade easily, his memory can be a source of comfort. This past Sunday night, at the conclusion of the 7-day mourning period, tens of thousands of Israelis returned to the site of his assassination—renamed Yitzhak Rabin Square—and sang songs of peace in his honor.

For Israel, for the Jewish people, and for all who loved and respected Yitzhak Rabin, may his memory be a blessing. In death as in life, may he give hope and strength to his people.●

RECOGNITION OF MINNESOTA TEACHER OF THE YEAR

● Mr. GRAMS. Mr. President, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize an outstanding Minnesotan who has been chosen as Minnesota's "Teacher of the Year."

A resident of Owatonna, MN, Donald Johnson has been teaching for more than 27 years. This year he was selected as teacher of the year for his significant contributions to education.

Described by his principal at Owatonna Senior High School as a teacher who "lights up the classroom," Mr. Johnson specializes in history with a focus on American, European, art, and religious history.

Known for his quick wit and sense of humor, Mr. Johnson never shrinks from a challenge and never settles for the old way of teaching. He is always looking for new and innovative curriculum to challenge himself and bring out the best in his students.

Teachers like Donald Johnson represent the key to America's future. As our children face the challenges of the 21st century, it is dedicated educators like Mr. Johnson who accept the challenge of turning the young people of today into the leaders of tomorrow.

Mr. President, I hope that you and the rest of our Senate colleagues will join me in congratulating one of America's outstanding educators.●

TRIBUTE TO LT. GEN. WILLIAM M. KEYS

● Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, I rise to pay tribute to a great American, Lt. Gen. William M. Keys, who recently re-

tired from the U.S. Marine Corps. General Keys was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal in recognition of his exceptional service during the last few years of his long career. From the jungles of Vietnam to the sands of Kuwait, General Keys answered the call to duty, and today, on behalf of all Senators, I pause to thank him.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the full text of his award citation be printed in the RECORD.

The text of the citation follows:

CITATION TO ACCOMPANY THE AWARD OF THE
DEFENSE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL TO
WILLIAM M. KEYS

Lieutenant General William M. Keys, United States Marine Corps, distinguished himself by exceptionally distinguished service as Commander, United States Marine Forces, Atlantic, from June 1991 to July 1994. General Keys displayed dynamic leadership, doctrinal and operational boldness, and dogged determination in aggressively pursuing initiatives that enhanced the Force's ability to successfully prevail on the joint battlefield. He significantly improved the Commanders-in-Chief's ability to best utilize the operational capabilities of all the forces available. With the establishment of the United States Atlantic Command (USACOM) as the joint force integrator for CONUS-based forces, General Keys' leadership was crucial in shaping and defining many joint warfare concepts, including the standardized development of the Joint Air Force Component Commander (JFACC) concept within USACOM and United States Pacific Command. As Joint Task Force Commander for Ocean Venture 92, he built upon improved communications capabilities and better joint tactics, techniques, and procedures within the JFACC/JTCB. He also played a key role in the development of joint training concepts and exercise schedules currently emerging from USACOM. The distinctive accomplishments of General Keys culminate a distinguished career in the service of his country and reflect great credit upon himself, the United States Marine Corps, and the Department of Defense.●

LIECHTENSTEIN-BASED LOTTERY ROLLS OUT ON INTERNET

● Mr. LUGAR. Mr. President, I ask that the following article be printed in the RECORD.

The article follows:

[From Reuters News Service, Oct. 3, 1995]

LIECHTENSTEIN-BASED LOTTERY ROLLS OUT ON INTERNET

LONDON.—A new international lottery, licensed by the government of the tiny European principality of Liechtenstein, was launched via the Internet Tuesday.

InterLotto will give the world's 50 million Internet users the opportunity every week to win a jackpot of at least \$1 million by dialing up a new World Wide Web page on the Internet computer network.

"It is the first government-licensed lottery on the Internet," David Vanrenen, chairman of the International Lottery in Liechtenstein Foundation, told a news conference.

The launch in London, headquarters of the computer services firm Micro Media Services Ltd, which provides the hardware and technology for InterLotto, came on the heels of controversy over Britain's National Lottery.

The opposition Labor Party Monday criticized the National Lottery for making profits and there have been jibes that the lottery funds elitist causes.