

passed—when the Americans With Disabilities Act became law. No one who took part in those honorable causes can doubt that public service, at its best, is noble.

The moral challenges of our time can seem less clear. But they still demand conviction and courage and character. They still require young men and women with faith in our process. They still demand idealists, captured by the honor and adventure of service. They still demand citizens who accept responsibility and who defy cynicism, affirming the American faith, and renewing her hope. They still demand the President and Congress to find real unity in the public good.

If we remember this, then America will always be the country of tomorrow, where every day is a new beginning and every life an instrument of God's justice.

Mr. President, Elizabeth and Robin join me in wishing you and Mrs. Clinton all the best as you embark on your second term. May God bless you, and each inhabitant of this House, and may God bless America.

Mr. CRAIG. Thank you, very much, Mr. President, and I note the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

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

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, before I ask for some unanimous-consent agreements and do the close, I want to commend, also, the remarks of Senator Dole that were just printed in the RECORD by the distinguished Senator from Idaho. I attended the ceremony where Senator Dole received the Presidential Medal of Freedom. I must say, it was one of the most inspiring events I have ever attended.

First of all, I think the President deserves credit for presenting this very deserving leader of our country the Medal of Freedom.

Second, I think I have probably never been to an event where there was more of a combination of a feeling of good will, appreciation for our veterans, patriotism and humility and humor, all wrapped in one event. It was really an inspiration.

Bob Dole's remarks, which are in the RECORD, are typical of Bob. He said almost nothing about the fact that he was receiving this honor, other than the fact that he would cherish it. He, instead, chose to talk about American soldiers and the service they gave and the American experiment, Government, history—magnificent remarks. Also, he had that special moment of history where I thought for a moment he was going to be sworn in to be President of the United States instead of being given the Medal of Freedom.

It was a tremendous occasion. I am very proud that Bob Dole received this recognition, and I am delighted we put his statement in the RECORD for all Americans to read it.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-930. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation and the Secretary of Defense, transmitting jointly, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Coast Guard; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-931. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Entity List" (RIN0694-AB24) received on January 27, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-932. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Financial Assistance for Research and Development Projects" (RIN0648-ZA26) received on January 27, 1997; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-933. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska" received on January 27, 1997; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-934. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Surface Mining, Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Texas Regulatory Program and Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation Plan" (TX025FOR) received on January 27, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-935. A communication from the Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Duplication Fees" (RIN3150-AF60) received on January 27, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-936. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Migratory Bird Hunting" (RIN1018-AD94) received on January 27, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-937. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including a rule entitled "Determination of Threatened Status" (RIN1018-AB75, AB88) received on January 27, 1997; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-938. A communication from the Administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Office of the Inspector General for the period April 1 through September 30, 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-939. A communication from the Director of Regulations Policy, Management Staff, Office of Policy, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Dental Devices" received on January 27, 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-940. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the consolidated financial statements of the American Red Cross; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-941. A communication from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget,

Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the cumulative report on rescissions and deferrals dated January 1, 1997; referred jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975, as modified by the order of April 11, 1986, to the Committee on Appropriations, to the Committee on the Budget, to the Committee on Finance, and to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. STEVENS, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. Res. 33. A resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. Res. 34. A resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. JEFFORDS, from the Committee on Labor and Human Resources, without amendment:

S. Res. 35. An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-22. A resolution adopted by the Military Order of the World Wars relative to the reevaluation of the national military strategy; to the Committee on Armed Services.

POM-23. A resolution adopted by the Military Order of the World Wars relative to the flag; to the Committee on Armed Services.

POM-24. A resolution adopted by the Military Order of the World Wars relative to terrorism; to the Committee on Armed Services.

POM-25. A resolution adopted by the Military Order of the World Wars relative to the retention of nuclear deterrent capabilities; to the Committee on Armed Services.

POM-26. A resolution adopted by the Military Order of the World Wars relative to national security; to the Committee on Armed Services.

POM-27. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of New Jersey; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

RESOLUTION NO. 126

Whereas, During the horrific period when the Nazis ruled Europe, many Jews in Germany and Eastern Europe saw Switzerland as the only safe haven for their assets because of Switzerland's neutrality and Switzerland's banking secrecy laws; and

Whereas, As a result of the Holocaust, many of the accounts established in Swiss banks were dormant after the end of World War II; and

Whereas, In 1962 Switzerland set up a system in which any money found in dormant accounts of which no claim had been made for five years and thought to belong to Holocaust victims was put into a special government account to be used to support charitable organizations; and

Whereas, The world has recently become aware of the probable misuse of those funds to compensate Swiss citizens for property expropriated by former communists regimes in Eastern Europe; and

Whereas, Every effort should be made to assure that surviving family members of

Holocaust victims receive the money in dormant accounts that is legitimately and properly theirs; and

Whereas, In those instances in which no surviving members come forward or can be located, the monies in those accounts should be used to help Holocaust survivors throughout the world who are indigent and in need of financial assistance; and

Whereas, The President of the United States and the Congress of the United States should undertake all appropriate actions to encourage the government of Switzerland to establish a fund consisting of those unclaimed monies and to make those monies available to Holocaust survivors throughout the world who are indigent and in need of financial assistance; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. This House calls upon the President of the United States and the Congress of the United States to undertake all appropriate actions to encourage the government of Switzerland to establish a fund consisting of the monies in any unclaimed accounts in Swiss banks belonging to victims of the Holocaust and to make those monies available to Holocaust survivors throughout the world who are indigent and in need of financial assistance.

2. Duly authenticated copies of this resolution, signed by the Speaker of the General Assembly and attested by the Clerk thereof, shall be transmitted to the President of the United States, the Vice President of the United States, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the majority and minority leaders of both Houses, and every member elected to the Congress from this State.

POM-28. A resolution adopted by the Metropolitan Nashville Arts Commission of Nashville, Tennessee relative to the Joe L. Evins Appalachian Center Crafts; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. MCCAIN, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: William M. Daley, of Illinois, to be Secretary of Commerce.

(The above nomination was reported with the recommendation that he be confirmed.)

Mr. MCCAIN. Mr. President, for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, I report favorably eight nominations lists in the Coast Guard, which were printed in full in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on January 7, 1997, 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.

(The nominations ordered to lie on the Secretary's desk were printed in the RECORD of January 7, 1997, at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

The following Regular officers of the U.S. Coast Guard for promotion to the grade of lieutenant commander:

Brian C. Conroy Chris J. Thornton
 Ronald J. Magoon Keith F. Christensen
 Arlyn R. Madsen, Jr. Douglas W. Anderson

Timothy J. Custer
 Nathalie Dreyfus
 Scott A. Kitchen
 Kurt A. Clason
 Jack W. Niemiec
 Gregory W. Martin
 Rhonda F. Gadsden
 Nona M. Smith
 Glen B. Freeman
 William H. Rypka
 Robert C. Lafean
 Gerald F. Shatinsky
 Thomas J. Curley III
 Steven M. Hadley
 Jerome R. Crooks, Jr.

John F. Eaton, Jr.
 Charles A. Howard
 David H. Dolloff
 Mark A. Hernandez
 Stephen E. Maxwell
 Robert E. Ashton
 David W. Lunt
 Abraham L.

Boughner
 William J. Milne
 Glenn F. Grahl, Jr.
 Gregory W. Blandford
 Anne L. Burkhardt
 Douglas C. Lowe
 Thomas M. Miele
 Eddie Jackson III
 Anthony T. Furst
 Matthew T. Bell, Jr.
 Duane R. Smith
 Marc D. Stegman
 Kevin K. Kleckner
 William G. Hishon
 James A. Mayors
 Larry A. Ramirez
 Wyman W. Briggs
 Benjamin A. Evans
 Gwyn R. Johnson
 Tracy L. Slack
 Geoffrey L. Rowe
 Thomas C. Hasting, Jr.

John M. Shouey
 William H. Oliver II
 Edward R. Watkins
 Talmadge Seaman
 William S. Strong
 Mark E. Matta
 Richard C. Johnson
 Janis E. Nagy
 James O. Fitton
 Salvatore G.

Palmeri, Jr.
 Terry D. Converse
 Mark D. Rizzo
 John R. Lussier
 Gregory P. Hitchen
 Melvin W. Bouboulis
 Richard W. Sanders
 Melissa Bert
 Jason B. Johnson
 Anita K. Abbott
 Raymond W. Pulver
 Verne B. Gifford
 Stuart M. Merrill
 Scott N. Decker
 Joseph E. Vorbach
 Peter W. Gautier
 Kevin E. Lunday
 Matthew T. Ruckert
 Brian R. Bezio
 Christopher M.

Smith
 Christine L.
 MacMillian
 Anthony J. Vogt
 Joanna M. Nunan
 James A. Cullinan
 Joseph Segalla
 Donald R. Scopel
 John J. Plunkett
 Gwen L. Keenan

Christopher M.
 Rodriquez
 Richard J. Raksnis
 Patrick P.
 O'Shaughnessy
 Mark C. Riley
 Spencer L. Wood
 Eric A. Gustafson
 Ricardo Rodriquez
 Christopher E.

Austin
 Randall A. Perkins III
 Richard R. Jackson, Jr.
 Timothy B. O'Neal
 Pete V. Ortiz, Jr.
 Robert P. Monarch
 Paul D. Lange
 Edward J. Hansen, Jr.

Donald J. Marinello
 Paul E. Franklin
 Charles A. Milhollin
 Steven A. Seiberling
 Dennis D. Dickson
 Scottie R. Womack
 Timothy N. Scoggins
 Ronald H. Nelson
 Gene W. Adgate
 Henry M. Hudson, Jr.
 Barry J. West
 Frank D. Gardner
 Jeffrey W. Jessee
 Ralph Malcolm, Jr.
 George A. Eldredge
 Donald N. Myers
 Scott E. Douglass
 Richard A.

Paglialonga
 John K. Little
 James E. Hawthorne, Jr.

Samuel Walker VII
 Jay A. Allen
 Robert R. Dubois
 Gordon A. Loebel
 Robert J. Hennessy
 Gary T. Croot
 Thomas E. Crabbs
 Samuel L. Hart
 Steven D. Stilleke
 Webster D. Balding
 John S. Kenyon
 Christopher N. Hogan
 Douglas J. Conde
 Thomas D. Combs III
 William R. Clark
 Beverly A. Havlik
 Donna A. Kuebler
 Thomas H. Farris, Jr.
 Timothy A. Frazier
 Timothy E. Karges
 Rocky S. Lee
 David Self
 Randy C. Talley
 John D. Gallagher
 Robert M. Camillucci
 Robert G. Garrott
 Christopher B. Adair
 Gregory W. Johnson
 Eric C. Jones
 Scott A. Memmott
 Marc A. Gray
 Anthony Popiel
 Graham S. Stowe
 Matthew L. Murtha
 Christopher P.

Calhoun
 James M. Cash
 Kyle G. Anderson
 Dwight T. Mathers
 Jonathan P. Milkey
 Pauline F. Cook
 Matthew J. Szigety
 Robert J. Tarantino
 Russel C. Laboda

John E. Harding
 Andrew P. Kimos
 Craig S. Swirbliss
 John T. Davis
 John V. Arenstam
 Anthony R.
 Gentilella
 John M. Fitzgerald

John G. Turner
 Kirk D. Johnson
 Ramoncito R.
 Mariano
 David R. Bird
 Leigh A. Archbold
 William B. Brewer
 Dana G. Doherty
 William G. Kelly

The following Reserve officers of the U.S. Coast Guard for promotion to the grade of lieutenant commander:

Monica L. Lombardi Sloan A. Tyler
 Michael E. Touseley Donald A. LaChance
 Laticia J. Argenti II
 Thomas F. Lennon Karen E. Lloyd

The following individual for appointment as a permanent regular commissioned officer in the U.S. Coast Guard in the grade of lieutenant commander:

Laura H. Guth

The following officers of the U.S. Coast Guard Permanent Commissioned Teaching Staff at the Coast Guard Academy for promotion to the grade indicated:

To be commander

Robert R. Albright II Lucretia A. Flammang

To be lieutenant commander

James R. Dire

The following officers of the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve for promotion to the grade indicated:

To be captain

Francis C. Buckley
To be commander
 Sharon K. Richey Allen K. Harker

Pursuant to the provisions of 14 U.S.C. 729, the following-named commanders of the Coast Guard Reserve in the grade of captain:

Ronald G. Dodd John M. Richmond
 Michael E. Thompson

The following Regular officers of the U.S. Coast Guard for promotion to the grade of captain:

Joseph F. Ahern David W. Ryan
 Scott F. Kayser Mark G.
 Jeffrey G. Lantz Vanhaverbeke
 James B. Crawford Jeffrey A. Florin
 Adan D. Guerrero James Sabo
 William J. John C. Simpson
 Hutmacher Paul C. Ellner
 Walter S. Miller William C. Bennett
 Glenn L. Snyder Steven A. Newell
 Mark E. Blumfelder Joel R. Whitehead
 Douglas P. Rudolph Douglas E. Martin
 Richard W. Goodchild James J. Lober, Jr.
 John L. Grenier Richard A. Rooth
 Jon T. Byrd Wayne D. Gusman
 Timothy S. Sullivan Lawrence M. Brooks
 Michael J. Devine

The following Reserve officer of the U.S. Coast Guard for promotion to the grade of captain:

Catherine M. Kelly

Pursuant to the provisions of 14 U.S.C. 729, the following-named lieutenant commanders of the Coast Guard Reserve to be permanent commissioned officers in the Coast Guard Reserve in the grade of commander:

Roy F. Williams Jacqueline V.
 Stephen N. Jackson Wyland
 Theodore B. Royster David P. Roundy
 William C. Hansen Lawrence A. Gass
 George J. Schuler Thomas Plesnarski
 Joseph A. Keglovits Kristin Q. Corcoran