

tireless advocate of promoting the movement of new ideas generated by scientists and engineers in our universities and national laboratories out into the commercial marketplace. Widely respected for his substantive thinking on such topics, Pat has tirelessly worked on legislative solutions that would bridge the cultural gap existing between the differing worlds of academia, government and industry. I believe this effort to be critical towards ensuring the future ability of America to compete in a global market.

During World War II and the subsequent Cold War, federal investment in science and technology was seen as essential to maintaining America's national security. A by-product of federal investment was an infrastructure of world-leading high tech defense companies, laboratories and universities and subsequent creation of an entire new generation of products and industries. With the end of the Cold War, the defense rationale for continued investment is not as politically compelling and the growth of information technologies continues to change the landscape for American business.

We are now in a period of transition, looking for ways to move from the old system of innovation where the government funded the science, paid for development and then purchased the final product—to a new system that preserves both our country's security and its competitive economic advantage. It is not an exaggeration to say that Pat has been a major contributor in the development of science and technology policy during this turbulent transition period. My office and I particularly respect his work for Senator HOLLINGS as an architect of both the Advanced Technology Program and the Manufacturing Extension Program, both of which help move technology and information out to the manufacturing floors of America's workplaces. Pat has always been open minded, has carefully listened and will be remembered as a joy to work with. My staff and I hope that Pat will find some time to write and reflect on the technology policy issues he's been grappling with for so long, and welcome fresh insights from him. The Senate owes him a large debt of thanks for his fine work here. Good luck in California, Pat, and best wishes to your wonderful wife and daughter.

#### 82ND ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, today marks the 82nd anniversary of the beginning of one of the most tragic episodes in human history. Beginning in 1915, the Government of the Ottoman Turks waged a vicious campaign of genocide against the people of Armenia. One and a half million Armenians were killed in the following eight years. Over 500,000 more Armenians were forced into exile from their homeland and compelled to seek havens in other lands.

The extraordinary resiliency of the Armenian people can be seen by what they have accomplished in their new lands. Nations around the world have benefited from the spirit and perseverance of the Armenians. No nation has benefited more from the contributions of the Armenian Diaspora than the United States. My own state of Massachusetts is blessed with a large and vigorous community of Armenians who have played an important role in all aspects of public and private life in our state.

I commend the tireless efforts of the Armenian Assembly of America and the Armenian National Committee for their outstanding work in informing Americans about the history and culture of Armenia and its people. In honoring Armenians throughout the world today, we also pledge to do all we can to banish genocide against any peoples anywhere from the face of the earth.

#### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 2 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 8 Concurrent resolution recognizing the significance of maintaining the health and stability of coral reef ecosystems.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 39. An act to reauthorize the African Elephant Conservation Act.

H.R. 400. An act to amend title 35, United States Code, with respect to patents, and for other purposes.

H.R. 449. An act to provide for the orderly disposal of certain Federal lands in Clark County, Nevada, and to provide for the acquisition of environmentally sensitive lands in the State of Nevada.

H.R. 688. An act to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to require at least 85 percent of funds appropriated to the Environmental Protection Agency from the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund to be distributed to States for cooperative agreements for undertaking corrective action and for enforcement of subtitle I of such Act.

H.R. 1272. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the United States Fire Administration, and for other purposes.

At 6:26 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Goetz, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1273. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the National Science Foundation, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1274. An act to authorize appropriations for the National Institute of Standards and Technology for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1275. An act to authorize appropriations for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other purposes.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and second times by unanimous consent and referred as indicated:

H.R. 39. An act to reauthorize the African Elephant Conservation Act; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 400. An act to amend title 35, United States Code, with respect to patents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 449. An act to provide for the orderly disposal of certain Federal lands in Clark County, Nevada, and to provide for the acquisition of environmentally sensitive lands in the State of Nevada; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 688. An act to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to require at least 85 percent of funds appropriated to the Environmental Protection Agency from the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund to be distributed to States for cooperative agreements for undertaking corrective action and for enforcement of subtitle I of such Act; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 1272. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the United States Fire Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 1273. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the National Science Foundation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

H.R. 1274. An act to authorize appropriations for the National Institute of Standards and Technology for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 1275. An act to authorize appropriations for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### 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-1689. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the certification regarding the incidental capture of sea turtles; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1690. A communication from the Chairman of the Interagency Coordinating Committee on Oil Pollution Research, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the oil pollution research and technology plan; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1691. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Maritime Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1692. A communication from the Director of Congressional Relations, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1693. A communication from the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a summary relative

to the NASA Crows Landing Facility; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1694. A communication from the Under Secretary for Acquisition and Technology, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the plan for coordinating and eliminating unnecessary duplication of operations; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1695. A communication from the Administrator from the Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule relative to increase in fees and charges, received on April 18, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1696. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule relative to export certification of animal products, received on April 18, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1697. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule relative to viruses, serums, toxins, and analogues, received on April 18, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1698. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Defense, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "Eligibility for the Defense Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1699. A communication from the Chief, Programs and Legislative Division, Office of Legislative Liaison, Department of the Air Force, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a multi-function cost comparison study relative to Tinker Air Force Base (AFB), Oklahoma; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1700. A communication from the Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the second special impoundment message for fiscal year 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, Committee on the Budget, Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, Committee on Armed Services, Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Committee on Finance, Committee on Governmental Affairs, and the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1701. A communication from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the interim report on the Lead-Based Hazard Control Grant Program; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1702. A communication from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the Comprehensive Needs Assessment; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1703. A communication from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation entitled "Public Housing Management Reform Act of 1997"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1704. A communication from the Acting President and Chairman of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report with respect to transactions involving exports to Poland; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1705. A communication from the Acting Director of the Office of Surface Mining,

Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules including one entitled "Texas Regulatory Program," (TX-017-FOR) received on March 20, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1706. A communication from the Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Lost Creek Dam Weber Basin Project, Utah; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1707. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule relative to royalties, rentals and bonuses, (RIN 1010-AC01) received on April 17, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1708. 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 relative to permit application process, (RIN1029-AB91) received on April 17, 1997; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1709. 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, four rules including a rule entitled "Food and Drugs," (RIN0919-AA19) received on April 3, 1997; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

EC-1710. A communication from the Chairman of the Consumer Products Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report on the administration of the government in the Sunshine Act for calendar year 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1711. A communication from the Executive Director of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Toward a More Equitable Relationship: Structuring the District of Columbia's State Functions"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1712. A communication from the Chairman Pro Tempore of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-61 adopted by the Council on March 4, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1713. A communication from the Executive Director of the District of Columbia Financial Responsibility and Management Assistance Authority, transmitting, pursuant to law, a request for additional appropriations for fiscal year 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1714. A communication from the President of the Federal Financing Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, the fiscal year 1996 management report; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1715. A communication from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the management report of the Government National Mortgage Association for fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1716. A communication from the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Federal Housing Administration Management Report for fiscal year 1995; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1717. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Thrift Savings Plan" received on April 16, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1718. A communication from the Director of the Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule relative to excepted service, (RIN3206-AH67) received on April 16, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1719. A communication from the Chairman of the Christopher Columbus Fellowship Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the system of internal accounting and financial controls in effect during fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1720. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule relative to disease status, received on April 17, 1997; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1721. A communication from the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report for fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1722. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including a rule entitled "Guides for the Jewelry, Precious Metals and Pewter Industries"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1723. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The Maritime Administration Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 1998 and 1999"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1724. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the U.S. Coast Guard; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1725. A communication from the Chairman of the Surface Transportation Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, two rules including a rule entitled "Railroad Consolidation Procedures"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1726. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on northeast multispecies harvest capacity; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1727. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on bluefin tuna for calendar years 1995 and 1996; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1728. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Chesapeake Bay; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1729. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on grant-in-aid for fisheries for calendar years 1995 and 1996; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1730. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the summary of scientific studies of the hatchery system in the Pacific Northwest; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1731. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report regarding highly migratory species; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1732. A communication from the Managing Director of the Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to

law, eight rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1733. A communication from the Acting Associate Managing Director for Performance Evaluations and Records Management, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, seven rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1734. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The Surface Transportation Safety Act of 1997"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1735. A communication from the General Counsel of the Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, one hundred and ten rules; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1736. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale Marine Sanctuary" (RIN0648-AH99) received on March 28, 1997; to Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1737. A communication from the Director of the Office of Global Programs, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "NOAA Climate and Global Change Program" (RIN0648-ZA29) received on April 22, 1997; to Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1738. A communication from the National Marine Fisheries Services, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska" received on March 25, 1997; to Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1739. A communication from the National Marine Fisheries Services, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, four rules including a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska" received on March 25, 1997; to Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1740. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a certification relative to a proposed Manufacturing License Agreement; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1741. A communication from the Chairman Pro Tempore of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, copies of D.C. Act 12-63 adopted by the Council on March 4, 1997; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1742. A communication from the Director of the U.S. Trade and Development Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the annual audit for fiscal year 1996; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-1743. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries of the National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States" (RIN0648-AI21) received on March 25, 1997; to Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1744. A communication from the Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries of the National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a rule entitled "Fisheries of

the Caribbean" (RIN0648-AI47) received on March 28, 1997; to Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1745. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries of the National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, three rules including a rule concerning the Gulf of Mexico Sustainable Fisheries Program (RIN0648-AI88); to Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1746. A communication from the Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries of the National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, five rules including a rule concerning fisheries; to Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1747. A communication from the Director of the Office of Sustainable Fisheries of the National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, twelve rules including a rule concerning fisheries; to Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1748. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, five rules including a rule concerning fisheries (RIN 0648-AJ32, AJ78, AJ11, AJ43, AI15); to Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. THURMOND, from the Committee on Armed Services:

The following-named officer for appointment in the U.S. Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, United States Code, section 601:

##### *To be general*

Lt. Gen. George T. Babbitt, Jr., 3032.

The following-named officers for appointment in the Reserve of the Air Force to the grade indicated under title 10, United States Code, section 12203:

##### *To be major general*

Brig. Gen. John J. Batbie, Jr., 7759.

Brig. Gen. Winfred N. Carroll, 8742.

Brig. Gen. Dennis M. Gray, 5184.

Brig. Gen. Grant R. Mulder, 6734.

Brig. Gen. Virgil J. Toney, Jr., 3240.

##### *To be brigadier general*

Col. William E. Albertson, 6512.

Col. Paul R. Cooper, 1006.

Col. Gerald P. Fitzgerald, 6393.

Col. Patrick J. Gallagher, 3723.

Col. Edward J. Mechenbier, 3853.

Col. Jeffrey M. Musfeldt, 8617.

Col. Allan R. Poulin, 0569.

Col. Giuseppe P. Santaniello, 7772.

Col. Robert B. Siegfried, 5248.

Col. Robert C. Stumpf, 5111.

Col. William E. Thomlinson, 6969.

The following-named officer for appointment in the U.S. Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, United States Code, section 601:

##### *To be lieutenant general*

Maj. Gen. Tad J. Oelstrom, 3287.

The following-named officer for appointment in the U.S. Air Force to the grade indi-

cated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, United States Code, section 601:

##### *To be general*

Lt. Gen. Richard B. Myers, 7092.

The following-named officer for appointment in the U.S. Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, United States Code, section 601:

##### *To be general*

Lt. Gen. Ralph E. Eberhart, 7375.

The following-named officer for appointment in the U.S. Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, United States Code, section 601:

##### *To be lieutenant general*

Maj. Gen. John B. Hall, Jr., 5835.

The following-named officer for appointment in the U.S. Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, United States Code, section 601:

##### *To be lieutenant general*

Maj. Gen. Claudia J. Kennedy, 0477.

The following-named officer for appointment in the U.S. Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, United States Code, section 601:

##### *To be lieutenant general*

Maj. Gen. Tommy R. Franks, 0864.

The following-named officer for appointment in the Reserve of the U.S. Marine Corps to the grade indicated under title 10, United States Code, section 12203:

##### *To be major general*

Maj. Gen. Kevin B. Kuklok, 6010.

The following-named officers for appointment in the U.S. Marine Corps to the grade indicated under title 10, United States Code, section 624:

##### *To be brigadier general*

Col. James R. Battaglini, 5336.

Col. James E. Cartwright, 5961.

Col. Stephen A. Cheney, 1702.

Col. Christopher Cortez, 9054.

Col. Robert M. Flanagan, 2865.

Col. John F. Goodman, 3509.

Col. Gary H. Hughey, 9286.

Col. Thomas S. Jones, 2831.

Col. Richard L. Kelly, 9290.

Col. Ralph E. Parker, Jr., 6337.

Col. John F. Sattler, 0580.

Col. William A. Whitlow, 5394.

Col. Frances C. Wilson, 7788.

The following-named officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Navy to the grade indicated under title 10, United States Code, section 12203:

##### *To be rear admiral (lower half)*

Capt. Karen A. Harmeyer, 8014.

The following-named officer for appointment in the U.S. Marine Corps to the grade indicated under title 10, United States Code, section 624:

##### *To be major general*

Brig. Gen. Terrence P. Murray, 7177.

The following-named officer for appointment as Judge Advocate General of the U.S. Navy and for appointment to the grade indicated under title 10, United States Code, section 5148:

##### *To be rear admiral*

Capt. John D. Hutson, 9946.

The following-named officer for appointment in the U.S. Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, United States Code, section 601: