

**SERVICE-LEARNING GOES NATIONAL—LEADING SCHOOLS ARE ANNOUNCED**

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, the Corporation for National Service recently announced the first winners of the National Service-Learning Leader Schools program, a Presidential initiative to recognize outstanding schools for their achievements in the field of service-learning.

Learn and Serve America, one of the three national service programs of the Corporation for National Service, is sponsoring the Leader Schools initiative. In this, its pilot year, the program is honoring 70 high schools in 41 states and the District of Columbia for thoughtfully and effectively integrating community service into the lives of students. The goals of the program are to promote civic responsibility, improve school and student performance, and strengthen local communities.

Four schools from Massachusetts—Drury High School in North Adams, Hudson High School, Phillips Exeter Academy, and Sharon High School have been leaders in our state on service-learning, and were honored by this designation. I commend them for the important work that they have accomplished in making community service an integral part of school life. These schools are impressive models for Massachusetts and for the nation.

The Leader Schools program is not simply an awards program. The schools being honored today are also making a two year commitment to help other schools include service-learning in their curriculum.

In May 1996, President Clinton announced his intention to identify and honor the schools that have done the best job of encouraging, organizing, and leading the service-learning movement. He said, "We should make service to the community a part of every high school in America and a part of the life of every dedicated citizen in the United States."

Many of us have seen local service-learning programs in action and the inspiring way that students of all ages respond and work together to improve their communities.

The Corporation for National Service also administers AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps that is engaging over 40,000 Americans in intensive, service activities. In addition, it administers the National Senior Service Corps, which is involving nearly half a million Americans age fifty-five and older to share their time and talents to help solve local problems. These three outstanding programs are all achieving great success under the strong leadership of our former colleague in the Senate, Harris Wofford, who is the chief executive officer of the Corporation.

I also commend Carol Kinsley, a member of the Corporation's Board of Directors, for her strong commitment and leadership in the field of service-learning. The dedication of citizens

like Carol are contributing immensely to the success of our national service programs.

I ask unanimous consent that the list of Leader Schools be printed in the RECORD.

These seventy schools were honored in a ceremony held at the Kennedy Center last week. These schools are leaders in education reform, and I commend them for all they are doing so well for our country and its future.

There being no objection, the list was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

**1999 NATIONAL SERVICE-LEARNING LEADER SCHOOLS**

Charles Henderson High School, Troy, AL; Mesa High School, Mesa, AZ; Saguaro High School, Scottsdale, AZ; Community ACTION Academy at Balboa High School, San Francisco, CA; Los Molinos High School, Los Molinos, CA; Pioneer High School, San Jose, CA; Eagle Rock School and Professional Development Center, Estes Park, CO; Grand Junction High School, Grand Junction, CO;

Waterford High School, Waterford, CT; Bell Multicultural High School, Washington, DC; PEAK (Program for Educational Alternatives in Kent County), Dover, DE; Mainland High School, Daytona Beach, FL; Rutherford High School, Panama, FL; South Lake High School, Groveland, FL; Carver High School, Columbus, GA; Konawaena High School, Kealahou, HI; Olomana School, Kailua, HI.

Marion High School, Marion, IA; Shelley High School, Shelley, ID; Harry D. Jacobs High School, Algonquin, IL; PACE High School, Blue Island, IL; West Vigo High School, West Terre Haute, IN; DeSoto High School, DeSoto, KS; Glasco High School, Glasco, KS; Airlie High School, Bossier City, LA.

Drury High School, North Adams, MA; Hudson High School, Hudson, MA; Phillips Academy, Andover, MA; Sharon High School, Sharon, MA; Fairmount-Harford High School, Baltimore, MD; Orono High School, Orono, ME; ACE High School, Stambaugh, MI; Benilde-St. Margaret's School, St. Louis Park, MN; Carver-Scott Educational Cooperative, Chaska, MN.

Bailey Alternative High School, Springfield, MO; McComb High School, McComb, MS; Jamesville High School, Jamesville, NC; Louisburg High School, Louisburg, NC; Southern Wayne High School, Dudley, NC; Westside High School, Omaha, NE; Bernards High School, Bernardsville, NJ; Cape May County Technical School, Cape May Court House, NJ; Fair Lawn High School, Fair Lawn, NJ.

Monmouth County Academy of Allied Health and Science, Neptune, NJ; La Cueva High School, Albuquerque, NM; Scotia-Glenville High School, Scotia, NY; North Olmsted High School, North Olmsted, OH; Steubenville High School, Steubenville, OH; Upper Arlington High School, Upper Arlington, OH; Ponca City Senior High School, Ponca City, OK; Crook County High School, Prineville, OR.

Abington Senior High School, Abington, PA; Conrad Weiser Area High School, Robesonia, PA; Cumberland High School, Cumberland, RI; Pickens Senior High School, Pickens, SC; Spring Valley High School, Columbia, SC; Wren High School, Piedmont, SC; Teen Learning Center, Cleveland, TN.

American Institute for Learning, Austin, TX; M'Lee Brooks, Bryan High School, Bryan, TX; Dixie High School, St. George, UT; Horizonte Instruction and Training Cen-

ter, Salt Lake City, UT; Judge Memorial Catholic High School, Salt Lake City, UT; Brooke Point High School, Stafford, VA.

Thetford Academy, Thetford, VT; Granite Fall High School, Granite Falls, WA; Malcolm Shabazz City High School, Madison, WI; Menasha High School, Menasha, WI; Elkins Mountain School, Elkins, WV; West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and the Blind, Romney, WV.

**THE VERY BAD DEBT BOXSCORE**

Mr. HELMS. Mr. President, at the close of business Friday, June 25, 1999, the federal debt stood at \$5,599,474,776,223.74 (Five trillion, five hundred ninety-nine billion, four hundred seventy-four million, seven hundred seventy-six thousand, two hundred twenty-three dollars and seventy-four cents).

One year ago, June 25, 1998, the federal debt stood at \$5,504,168,000,000 (Five trillion, five hundred four billion, one hundred sixty-eight million).

Twenty-five years ago, June 25, 1974, the federal debt stood at \$469,234,000,000 (Four hundred sixty-nine billion, two hundred thirty-four million) which reflects a debt increase of more than \$5 trillion—\$5,130,240,776,223.74 (Five trillion, one hundred thirty billion, two hundred forty million, seven hundred seventy-six thousand, two hundred twenty-three dollars and seventy-four cents) during the past 25 years.

**MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT**

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

**REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE ORDER OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION AND THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS CONVENTION IMPLEMENTATION ACT—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—PM 42**

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

*To the Congress of the United States:*

On November 14, 1994, in light of the danger of the proliferation of nuclear, biological, and chemical weapons (weapons of mass destruction) and of the means of delivering such weapons, using my authority under the International Emergency Economic Powers