

Mr. Castillo, originally hired in 1953, was recruited as an Inventory Management Specialist Intern for the United States Air Force in 1959, where his assignments included Inventory Manager and Weapon System Logistics Officer (WSLO), supporting the Atlas ICBM Missile Squadrons assigned to the Strategic Air Command. His subsequent assignments were with the United States Army, where he worked for the U.S. Army Security Assistance Command (USASAC) in New Cumberland, Pennsylvania for 24 years. In 1997, he received a promotion to Division Chief of the Asia, Pacific and Americas Case Management Division.

Mr. Castillo has consistently received Sustained Superior Performance awards or promotions throughout his career, and has established a reputation of outstanding service among his superiors and colleagues.

Mr. Castillo will be honored at a retirement luncheon on Thursday, March 30, 2000. It is with great pleasure that I congratulate John Castillo for his 47 years of dedicated service to the Department of Defense, and I wish him continued success in all of his future endeavors.●

RECOGNITION OF DR. MICHAEL AND SHAINIE SCHUFFLER

● Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, I take the floor today to recognize the contributions of two remarkable residents of my state, Dr. Michael and Shainie Schuffler, who have dedicated their lives to strengthening their community, fostering leadership qualities in our young people and working tirelessly to improve the health of countless people.

Michael and Shainie met during their college years in Chicago where they both shared a keen interest in medicine. In 1970, the couple moved to Seattle and have since continued to make the Seattle area a better place. After their move to Seattle, Shainie became actively involved in the Hadassah Hospital. Hadassah is a volunteer women's organization that works to strengthen a partnership with Israel, ensure Jewish continuity, and realize their potential as a dynamic force in American society. In Seattle and around the United States, Hadassah enhances the quality of American and Jewish life through its education and Zionist youth programs, promotes health awareness, and provides personal enrichment and growth for its members.

After joining Hadassah, Shainie found herself inspired by its founder, Henrietta Szold, and has worked tirelessly for the past fifteen years on specific projects at both the chapter and regional levels including the Women's Symposium and last year's Bigger Gifts dinner and has served as the President of Hadassah's Seattle Chapter.

Shainie's dedication to the Seattle community is also evident in her many other involvements such as the Council

of Women's Presidents for the Jewish Federation, Jewish Family Service, and the Jewish Federation of Greater Seattle.

I believe that one of the most important aspects of Shainie's work is her dedication to today's youth. Under her leadership as the Seattle area's Director of Admissions for the Alexander Muss High School in Israel, hundreds of local students have been given the opportunity to attend the Alexander Muss High School in Israel and has become one of the most successful youth programs in Seattle. I applaud her tireless efforts and believe that her work has directly impacted the lives of thousands of people throughout our state.

Michael has been equally dedicated to both his career as a leading doctor of Gastroenterology and as a volunteer in his community. Michael is a world authority on the pathology and clinical manifestations of neurological disorders of the intestinal tract and has been recognized by his colleagues for his many accomplishments.

Michael's work does not end, however, when he leaves the hospital. Like his wife, he has dedicated countless hours to Hadassah by serving as a visiting professor of Gastroenterology and as an Hadassah associate. He has also worked to encourage leadership qualities in our children through the Jewish Federation's Young Leadership Program, serving as its co-chair for three years.

One of his greatest loves in life is pro-Israel activism and has dedicated his time to furthering this cause through American Israel Public Affairs Committee otherwise known as AIPAC. He served as the Chairman of AIPAC from 1986 to 1994, strengthening the support of AIPAC across Washington state and furthering its reputation as the leading organization on United States-Israel relations.

Throughout their different commitments Michael and Shainie have always supported one another and recognized the importance of each other's work. Theirs is a true partnership and one that has positively impacted the people of our state. I ask my colleagues to join me as I applaud the outstanding and inspiring work of Dr. Michael and Shainie Schuffler.●

MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 2366. An act to provide small business certain protections from litigation excesses and to limit the product liability of nonmanufacturer product sellers.

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-8199. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "April 2000 Applicable Federal Rates" (Rev. Rul. 2000-19), received March 22, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-8200. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulation Z, Truth in Lending" (R-1050), received March 24, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8201. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of Thrift Supervision, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Transfer and Repurchase of Government Securities" (RIN1550-AB38), received March 24, 2000; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-8202. A communication from the Acting Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Circular 97-16" (FAC 97-16), received March 24, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8203. A communication from the Deputy Director, Office of Government Ethics transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Exemption Under 18 U.S.C. 208(b)(2)" (RIN3209-AA09), received March 14, 2000; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-8204. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Glufosinate Ammonium, Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL #6498-1), received March 24, 2000; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-8205. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, a report entitled "Deterioration Factors for Nonroad Engines"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8206. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, a report entitled "Choosing a Percentile of Acute Dietary Exposure as a Threshold of Regulatory Concern"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8207. A communication from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: Revision, NUHOMS 24-P and NUHOMS 52-B", received March 24, 2000; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8208. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Texas, Control of Air Pollution from Volatile Organic Compounds Vent Gas Control and Offset Lithographic Printing Rules" (FRL # 6567-5), received March 24, 2000; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-8209. A communication from the Secretary of the Interior, and the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Atlantic Striped Bass Studies—1999 Biennial Report to Congress"; to