

gives me great pleasure to recognize his accomplishments.

Judge Fuentes is a man of great intellect and a distinguished record of public service. He is constantly seeking to improve himself, as can be attested to by his pursuit of master's degrees in Latin American affairs and liberal arts during his time as a sitting judge. Those who have had the opportunity to work with Judge Fuentes universally praise his integrity as well as the depth and breadth of his knowledge of the law.

Through a great internal drive and determination, Judge Fuentes has risen from Newark Municipal Court Judge to his current post of judge for the 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. Judge Fuentes also has the distinction of being the first Hispanic-American to sit on this prestigious court, an honor he has truly earned.

Judge Fuentes is a good, honest, decent man. He is an exemplar of the coveted American ideal of public service. It was truly an honor to be able to recommend his nomination to President Clinton. We are truly fortunate to have someone of his immense capabilities and desire for public service sitting as a judge on the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. ●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, 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.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:10 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 1295. An act to designate the United States Post Office located at 3813 Main Street in East Chicago, Indiana, as the "Lance Corporal Harold Gomez Post Office".

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

H.R. 1795. An act to require that before issuing an order, the President shall cite the authority for the order, conduct a cost benefit analysis, provide for public comment, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2346. An act to authorize the enforcement by State and local governments of certain Federal Communications Commission regulations regarding use of citizens band radio equipment.

H.R. 3100. An act to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to prohibit tele-

marketers from interfering with the caller identification service of any person to whom a telephone solicitation is made, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5272. An act to provide for a United States response in the event of a unilateral declaration of a Palestinian state.

The message further announced that the House has agreed to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4365) to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to children's health.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The message also further announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills and joint resolutions:

S. 1324. An act to expand the boundaries of the Gettysburg National Military Park to include the Will House, and for other purposes.

H.R. 999. An act to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to improve the quality of coastal recreation waters, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4700. An act to grant the consent of the Congress to the Kansas and Missouri Metropolitan Culture District Compact.

H.J. Res. 72. An act granting the consent of the Congress to the Red River Boundary Compact.

The enrolled bills were signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. THURMOND).

At 12:57 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the report of committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4733) making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 5:18 p.m. a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed following enrolled bills and joint resolutions:

S. 1295. An Act to designate the United States Post Office located at 3813 Main Street in East Chicago, Indiana, as the "Lance Corporal Harold Gomez Post Office."

H.R. 2647. An Act to amend the Act entitled "An Act relating to the water rights of the Ak-Chin Indian Community" to clarify certain provisions concerning the leasing of such water rights, and for other purposes.

H.J. Res. 109. A joint resolution making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2001, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bills were signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. THURMOND).

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

H.R. 5272. An act to provide for a United States response in the event of a unilateral declaration of a Palestinian state.

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, September 28, 2000, he

had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 1324. An act to expand the boundaries of the Gettysburg National Military Park to include the Wills House, and for other purposes.

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-10949. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the notice of delay relative to the report on secondary inventory and parts shortages; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-10950. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "Human Rights Abusers Act of 2000"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-10951. A communication from the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "National Flood Insurance Act Amendments of 2000"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-10952. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a copy of a report entitled "Audit of the Accounts And Operations of the Washington Convention Center Authority for Fiscal Years 1997 Through 1999"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-10953. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Government in the Sunshine Act for calendar year 1999; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-10954. A communication from the Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oranges, Grapefruit, Tangerines, and Tangelos Grown in Florida; Increase in the Minimum Size Requirements for Dancy, Robinson, and Sunburst Tangerines" (Docket Number: FV00-905-3 FR) received on September 26, 2000; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-10955. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of five rules entitled "Triallate, (S-2, 3, 3-trichloroallyl diisopropylthiocarbamate); Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL #674408), "Indoxacarb; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL #6747-8), "Propamocarb hydrochloride; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL #6745-8), "Dimethomorph, (E,Z) 4-[3-(4-Cholophenyl)-3-(3, 4-dimethoxyphenyl)-1-oxo-2-propenyl]morpholine; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL #6747-9), and "Flucarbazone-sodium; Time-Limited Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL #6745-9) received on September 26, 2000; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-10956. A communication from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rev. Rul. 2000-46-BLS-LIFO Department Store Indexes—August 2000" (Rev. Rul. 2000-46) received on September 27, 2000; to the Committee on Finance.