

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

THE 350th ANNIVERSARY OF NEW CASTLE, DELAWARE

• Mr. BIDEN. Mr. President, we in Delaware, the first State to ratify the Constitution, take great pride in our history, and a special part of that history is represented by the City of New Castle, which is celebrating its 350th anniversary this year.

New Castle was founded by the Dutch in 1651 as Fort Casimir. Because of its strategic location on what is now the Delaware River, the settlement was sought and held by a series of colonial powers, the Dutch, the Swedes and, finally, the British.

When William Penn was given authority over the so-called "lower three counties," which became the State of Delaware, he traveled to New Castle to take possession. When the counties were granted an independent legislature, New Castle became the colonial capital, and briefly, the first State capital, of Delaware.

Despite a devastating fire in 1824, which destroyed many of the structures on the historic, river-front street called The Strand, and all the changes and pressures of the intervening years, New Castle's colonial history is still a defining and very visible part of the town's life and character.

Several of its remaining colonial era buildings have been converted into museums, including the Dutch House, which dates to the 17th Century, and the Old Court House, which was built in 1732 and was the meeting place for the colonial and State assemblies from that year until 1777. George Read was one of three signers of the Declaration of Independence who lived in New Castle; although his house was destroyed by the Great Fire, the current Read House, which was built by his son in 1801, is one of the most striking attractions of the town.

But New Castle itself is not a museum. It is a residential town, it is a vibrant community. New Castle is home to two churches that date back to the earliest part of the 18th Century, and they have active congregations today. Families live in the homes that were built so long ago, families who add their own mark to those of previous owners, with a sensitivity and obligation to preserve the unique character of the town, New Castle is, not surprisingly, a National Landmark Historic Area.

With its history as a colonial seat for the legislature and the courts, New Castle has a tradition of political activity and public leadership, and many of its citizens have played prominent roles throughout the history of Delaware and our nation.

In addition, as a personal point, although I know it is a perspective shared by many Delawareans, New Castle is one of my favorite places in our State. It is more than historic and scenic; it is, simply, beautiful, a place

where the past and present meet with remarkable harmony and spirit. It is inspiring.

I share the pride of Delaware with the Senate, and with the Nation, today, in marking the 350th anniversary of the founding of New Castle, and I am proud to extend congratulations and best wishes to the mayor, city council, trustees and all the citizens and friends of the town, which is a valued and unique treasure to us all. •

TRIBUTE TO LARRY WADE MORRIS

• Mr. SHELBY. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Mr. Larry Wade Morris from Alexander City, AL who assumed the presidency of the Alabama State Bar this past July. Larry has worked hard throughout his extensive career to gain a reputation as one of the premier trial lawyers in the Nation. He has also endeavored to become a civic leader and an outstanding public servant. I want to congratulate Larry on his tremendous accomplishments and to recognize his progression from promising young lawyer out of the University of Alabama in 1968 to the distinguished President of the Alabama State Bar in 2001.

If you looked up the definition of a true Alabamian in the dictionary, you would not find a better description than Larry Morris. His character and work ethic are beyond reproach, and the Southern values instilled in him from his youth continue to guide him today. Born in Alexander City, AL, Larry grew up attending public school in Montgomery. He graduated from Robert E. Lee High School and finished his undergraduate education at Auburn University. At that point, Larry made the decision to attend law school at the University of Alabama and join the long list of prominent Alabamians who have attended this respected legal institution. He received his law degree from the University in 1968, and had the distinction of serving as the president of the Student Bar Association. After graduation, Larry returned to his hometown of Alexander City to begin his impressive career in the legal profession. Larry is now the Senior Partner in the firm of Morris, Haynes & Hornsby.

Larry has demonstrated exceptional leadership abilities throughout his scholastic and professional careers. His service as president of the Student Bar Association was very highly regarded and helped to hone the skills that he has demonstrated during his professional and political life. In 1973, he served as the president of the Young Lawyer's Section of the Alabama State Bar. He is a past president of the Chamber of Commerce for Alexander City, has served on the Task Force for Judicial Elections for the Alabama State Bar and is also a past president of the Alabama Trial Lawyers Association. From 1974 through 1978, he was elected to serve in the Alabama State Legislature. During this time, he had

the distinction of being named Outstanding Freshman Legislator by the Alabama Press Association.

Larry Morris is a loyal, dedicated man who has always been very generous with his time and support for community affairs. In addition to his duties as president of the Alabama State Bar Association, Larry is also a member of the University of Alabama Law School Foundation and the Leadership Committee for the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Alabama. He is a member of the American Board of Trial Advocates, and serves on the Task Force for Multidisciplinary Practice for the Alabama State Bar.

The many accomplishments and accolades of Larry Morris attest to his dedication to civic leadership and his deep belief in the law. I could not think of a better individual to represent the state of Alabama as the president of the State Bar Association. I join Larry's wife, Beverly, and their four children, Mark, Clark, Brian and Kevin Russell, in honoring his achievements. I know that they are proud of Larry, as are the many of us who have known him over the years. •

THE BEACH BOYS

• Mr. CLELAND. Mr. President, The Beach Boys' sunny vocal harmonies are one of the signature sounds of the modern era. Over four decades, the California quintet has become one of the most successful American bands in the history of rock and roll and their songs remain an important part of America's cultural landscape.

The Beach Boys were largely a family affair that came together in the Los Angeles suburb of Hawthorne, CA, in 1961. The three brothers, Brian, Carl and Dennis Wilson, formed the group with their cousin, Mike Love, and a friend, Alan Jardine. They were joined by another of their friends, Bruce Johnston, in 1965.

Brian Wilson and Mike Love cowrote the majority of the band's many hit singles which were known for their harmonic invention and complex vocal and instrumental arrangements. The lyrics are celebrated today for their deft use of technical lingo balanced with youthful naivete.

The Beach Boys have ridden a wave of success for almost 40 years. They have recorded number one singles, garnered a huge fan base, and, by creating a sound that was uniquely their own, secured their position in Americana. They have been inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and have been honored with the National Association of Recording Arts and Sciences Lifetime Achievement award which they received at this year's Grammy awards.

As we approach the 40th Anniversary of both the release of their first single and their first tour, I would like to recognize the contribution that these men have made, not only to the landscape

of American music, but to the lives of their fans and fellow Americans. I have always been a fan of The Beach Boys' music, but I came to recognize their devotion to other causes when I met Mike Love through our mutual work with veterans. He told me that the group as a whole and the members individually have supported important causes throughout their years together. I learned about the Carl Wilson Foundation, which raises millions of dollars each year for cancer patients and research, and I discovered that the group has always been involved in fund-raising performances that benefit a variety of groups. Bruce Johnston is dedicated to environmental causes and has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Surfrider Foundation since its inception in the mid-1980's.

Mike Love has been a longtime supporter of environmental causes and was among speakers at the Earth Summit in Rio DeJaniero in 1992 and Earth Day 2000 on the Mall in Washington, DC. Mike created the Love Foundation, which supports national environmental and educational initiatives. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Incline Academy in Incline Village, Nevada, and has been responsible for raising over \$1 million to benefit the school.

While the Beach Boys are known and loved for their musical accomplishments, the men and women whose lives the group has touched are perhaps The Beach Boys' greatest legacy. As Winston Churchill said, "What is the use of living if it be not to strive for noble causes and to make this muddled world a better place for those who will have it after we are gone?"

I ask that my colleagues join me in celebrating the accomplishments of The Beach Boys and wishing them continued success in their future musical and personal journeys.●

RECOGNIZING JOHN O. QUINN

● Mr. TORRICELLI. Mr. President, I bring to the attention of the Senate the accomplishments of one of my constituents who recently suffered a most tragic and untimely death. John O. Quinn, born on October 27, 1968 and originally from New Jersey, was senselessly murdered on August 25, 2001 while living in Puerto Cortes, Honduras.

John had moved to Honduras in November of 1999 to help the residents of Puerto Cortes, Honduras recover from the devastation that Hurricane Mitch wreaked on the country. Up to the time of his death he was still living in the country and providing humanitarian and development aid to the people of Honduras.

Now an act of violence has cut short this promising young life. While we hope his killers will quickly be brought to justice, I want today to pay tribute to what John did in the brief years of his life.

John O. Quinn was a truly special person. He possessed a quality that

very few people exhibit. He took joy in helping others. His unselfishness and passion for helping the less fortunate will always be remembered and will never be forgotten by those to whom he so generously dedicated his time.

John was committed to helping people all over the world. His desire to help impoverished people took him to Honduras, Guatemala, Mozambique and Ecuador. In all of these countries he vigorously sought out people who were in desperate need of the development and humanitarian aid that he enthusiastically provided.

John was the cofounder and executive director of the organization Action for Community Transformation, ACT. He founded ACT in January 2000 as an international development organization dedicated to empowering people in need to find their own sustainable solutions to problems of poor health, lack of education and poverty. Action for Community Transformation provides assistance in four major areas of development: healthcare; youth development; education and vocational training; and income generation.

As executive director of ACT, John's work was guided by the belief that respect for people comes first, urgent situations call for rapid responses, and greater participation leads to greater commitment. This last principle is the very definition of John's lifework. When John participated in development and aid projects, he did so with all his heart. He committed himself to helping others. The focus of his life was the people and communities that he felt it was his responsibility to serve. The help that John provided to victims of Hurricane Mitch in Puerto Cortes, Honduras illustrates John's dedication to and enthusiasm for helping people who desperately needed help.

While working in Puerto Cortes, Honduras, John developed a micro lending program which allowed 45 families who lost everything during Hurricane Mitch to start micro enterprises. He was also responsible for the design and installation of a potable water system in Puerto Cortes, Honduras. He helped build a school and kindergarten that is attended by ninety-one students and he contributed to the construction of a medical clinic and over eighty houses for locals whose homes were destroyed by Hurricane Mitch. Characteristically, when John had time off from his activities associated with ACT, he spent it instructing the residents of the area in the English language. He was always looking for new people that he could help.

Felicita Carcamo, a teacher in Puerto Cortes, Honduras enthusiastically praised John in the local newspaper. She said that Quinn loved the poor and was dedicated to the people of the area. A man who will be remembered in such a fashion must have been a truly wonderful person. John was this kind of a person.

John's desire to help the poor and less fortunate began well before he

came to the aid of the victims of Hurricane Mitch in Honduras and Guatemala. After graduating from the University of Vermont in 1991 he immediately joined the Peace Corps. As a member of the Peace Corps, John was stationed in Macas, Ecuador for three years. While there he worked to develop community health programs; community development programs; and livestock and agroforestry programs.

In a procession honoring John's life, residents of Puerto Cortes, Honduras carried signs that read "John Quinn, the community cries now that you have left us, and you will always live with us" and "for your dedication to others, God has thanked you."

In memory of his death, John's family has established the John Quinn Memorial Scholarship Fund that goes towards paying for the education of children living in Honduras.

The help that John provided to the people of Honduras, Guatemala, Mozambique and Ecuador and his desire to help those who could not help themselves, must never be forgotten. Even though his life has been tragically cut short, he accomplished much in his lifetime and touched many lives. His family can be justly proud of John, even as they mourn his loss.●

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ACADEMY OF THE SACRED HEART

● Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, earlier this month people in my home state of Michigan gathered to celebrate the 150th birthday of the Academy of the Sacred Heart an institution that, even though it was founded for the "sake of one child," has been providing excellence in education to countless individuals. This celebration culminated on Sunday, September 16, 2001, when His Eminence Adam Cardinal Maida, Archbishop of Detroit conducted a celebratory liturgy for this the oldest independent school in the State of Michigan.

This year marks the third centenary anniversary of Detroit, MI. In that time, many changes have dramatically altered the city as it evolved from a small trading outpost into an international center of commerce and industry. Through all these changes, one thing has remained constant for the past century and a half: the Society of the Sacred Heart's commitment to educating the youth of metro Detroit. During this time, the Academy of the Sacred Heart has been an institution dedicated to the education of mind, body and spirit. This focus on educating the whole person has enabled the Academy to develop students that embody the hallmarks of a Catholic education: intellectual rigor combined with service to God and others.

The Academy began in 1821 when the co-founder of the University of Michigan, Father Gabriel Richard asked the Society of the Sacred Heart to establish a foundation in Detroit. In 1849,