

resources have grown with it, providing better protection for the sanctuary's future. Staff has increased from one to five and a half full time employees. The staff now has an office, a sea-bound vessel, monitoring programs, an advisory council and a new management plan to serve the sanctuary and its mission into the future.

I applaud everyone who has worked to protect the marine ecosystems of the Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary, and I wish the sanctuary staff and volunteers many years of ongoing success in protecting the California coastal environment. Please join me in celebrating the 15th Anniversary of Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary.●

#### DOROTHY HUGHES: IN MEMORIAM

● Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, I honor and share with my colleagues today the memory of a very special woman, Dorothy Hughes of Marin County, who died July 25, 2004. She was 80 years old.

Dorothy Hughes was born on her parents' sheep ranch in Woodland, CA in 1923. As a young girl, she attended the Hamlin School in San Francisco and in 1943 she graduated from Stanford University. She went on to earn her master's degree in European history at California State University at Sacramento.

Dorothy Hughes was a lifelong champion of humanitarian causes. Envisioning a "world that works for all of us," she campaigned tirelessly for peace and social justice. Dorothy also deeply felt the need to ensure decent health and social services for her community, and her unwavering dedication left a legacy of community-based health organizations in Marin County. In addition to founding the Campaign for a Healthier Community for Children, Marin Suicide Prevention Center and Marin Family Action, she also served as executive director of the Marin Association of Mental Health for more than two decades. Throughout her life, Dorothy remained committed to her convictions, often in the face of powerful opposition.

Dorothy Hughes was recognized numerous times for her invaluable contributions to the community. The Human Rights Commission's Martin Luther King, Jr. Humanitarian Award, and induction into the Marin Women's Hall of Fame are among the many honors she received.

A dynamic figure in Marin County, Dorothy touched countless lives during the 35 years she resided there. She was a deeply-loved member of the community whose courage and conviction inspired others, and she will be greatly missed. We take comfort in the knowledge that future generations will benefit from Dorothy's dedication, vision and leadership.●

#### 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.)

#### REPORT DECLARING THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO PERSONS TO COMMIT, THREATEN TO COMMIT, OR SUPPORT TERRORISM—PM 95

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:*

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the Federal Register and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent the enclosed notice, stating that the national emergency with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism is to continue in effect beyond September 23, 2004, to the Federal Register for publication. The most recent notice continuing this emergency was published in the Federal Register on September 22, 2003 (68 FR 55189).

The crisis constituted by the grave acts of terrorism and threats of terrorism committed by foreign terrorists, including the terrorist attacks in New York, in Pennsylvania, and against the Pentagon committed on September 11, 2001, and the continuing and immediate threat of further attacks on United States nationals or the United States that led to the declaration of a national emergency on September 23, 2001, has not been resolved. These actions pose a continuing unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism, and maintain in force the comprehensive sanctions to respond to this threat.

GEORGE W. BUSH.  
THE WHITE HOUSE, September 21, 2004.

#### MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 2823. A bill to provide for the adjustment of status of certain foreign agricultural workers, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to reform the H-2A worker program under that Act, to provide a stable, legal agricultural workforce, to extend basic legal protections and better working conditions to more workers, and for other purposes.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-9338. A communication from the Chairman, Farm Credit System Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Corporation's annual report for calendar year 2003; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9339. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislative and Regulatory Law, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products: Central Air Conditioners and Heat Pumps Energy Conservation Standards" (RIN1904-AB46) received on September 14, 2004; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-9340. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife, and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emergency Rule: Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Establishment of an Additional Manatee Protection Area in Lee County, Florida" (RIN1018-AT65) received on August 11, 2004; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-9341. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife, and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Designation of Critical Habitat for the Topeka Shiner" received on August 11, 2004; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-9342. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife, and Parks, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for *Astragalus Magdalene* var. *peirsonii* (Peirson's milk-vetch)" received on August 11, 2004; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-9343. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, Agency-issued documents related to its regulatory programs; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-9344. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department for Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Medicare Part B Monthly Actuarial Rates. Premium Ratio, and Annual Deductible Beginning January 1, 2005" (RIN0938-AN18) received on September 9, 2004; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-9345. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant