

processors. Sen. Jim Jeffords, I-Vt., says the group is grossly exaggerating the cost as a scare tactic.

Ken Bailey, associate professor of dairy markets at Pennsylvania State University, said even an increase of a few cents could hurt sales of milk, which has dropped in popularity. The percentage of raw milk being turned into milk to drink declined from 40 percent in 1980 to 28 percent in 2000, with the rest used to make cheese or other dairy products.

When the retail price of milk went up in May and June, sales fell 3 percent, Bailey said.

"It doesn't make sense to design a whole federal policy around a small and declining segment of the dairy market," Bailey said. "What the federal government should be doing is getting out the way and encouraging innovation and the creation of new dairy products. In Europe, liquid yogurt beverages are very popular. Our thinking is still stuck back in the 1950s when everybody had a glass of milk with dinner."

Carl Greene, a sixth generation dairy farmer in Berlin, N.Y., said that with a little help from Washington, he is optimistic that the farm he works with his brother and father will survive for a long time to come.

"Any help we get will make us more competitive," he said. "We'll reinvest it back into the farm."

Beth Kennett, who runs a bed and breakfast out of her Rochester farmhouse to help make ends meet, said the city folks who visit seem willing to help once they see what's at stake. People need to realize that retail milk prices which have stayed fairly steady at \$2.62 to \$2.76 a gallon over the last eight years are a bargain and don't reflect the farmers' true cost, Kennett said.

"Our guests, once they see the hard work that goes into it, say they'd be more than happy to pay an extra nickel for milk to keep Farmer Bob going," Kennett said. "We're not asking to make huge profits. We're just asking to survive."●

#### DAVID DIETZ

● Mr. BIDEN. Mr. President, I rise today to honor a great Delawarean and a great American, David Dietz. David is a stellar example of an individual whose remarkable success in business has not diminished his commitment to the betterment of his community and those in need.

If you traveled around Delaware asking folks about David Dietz, you would quickly learn the extent of his impact. In the business world, David has served on numerous committees, won an abundance of awards, and his restaurant, the Brandywine Brewing Company, in Greenville, has been named the Best of Delaware several times over. Yet I believe that it is when David steps out of his role as businessman and entrepreneur he truly shines.

David is a man with many causes—juvenile diabetes, child abuse prevention—but it is his involvement with women's health that moves me to recognize him today.

In 1993, as a response to Delaware's high breast cancer mortality rate, my wife Jill was driven to form the Biden Breast Health Initiative. BBHI is a nonprofit organization devoted to educating young women on breast health and the importance of early detection

in fighting breast cancer. Two years ago, BBHI introduced the Educate For Life scholarship program, which offers three grants to Delaware high school seniors—one student from each of Delaware's counties—who will pursue educational opportunities in the fields of health care or education. This year, as well as the year of its inception, the Educate for Life benefit has been sponsored by David's restaurant, and it has been a resounding success.

David not only generously donates his time and expertise to the planning and implementation of the event, but also a portion of the evening's proceeds. We could not do it without him and his staff.

For his deeply felt responsibility to the community, for his dedication to being a man of action and not just words, and for his ability to reach out to others in need, I am pleased to acknowledge David Dietz.●

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under authority of the order of the Senate of January 7, 2003, the Secretary of the Senate, on November 18, 2004, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 2986. An act to amend title 31 of the United States Code to increase the public debt limit.

The message also announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 2986. An act to amend title 31 of the United States Code to increase the public debt limit.

Under the authority of the order of January 7, 2003, the enrolled bill was signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS) on November 18, 2004.

#### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:06 a.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, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3204. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the tercentenary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin, and for other purposes.

#### ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The message also announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 434. An act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to sell or exchange all or part of certain parcels of National Forest System land in the State of Idaho and use the proceeds derived from the sale or exchange for National Forest System purposes.

S. 1146. An act to implement the recommendations of the Garrison Unit Tribal Advisory Committee by providing authorization for the construction of a rural health

care facility on the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, North Dakota.

S. 1241. An act to establish the Kate Mullany National Historic Site in the State of New York, and for other purposes.

S. 1727. An act to authorize additional appropriations for the Reclamation Safety of Dams Act of 1978.

S. 2042. An act for the relief of Rocco A. Trecosta of Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

S. 2214. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3150 Great Northern Avenue in Missoula, Montana, as the "Mike Mansfield Post Office".

S. 2302. An act to improve access to physicians in medically underserved areas.

S. 2484. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to simplify and improve pay provisions for physicians and dentists and to authorize alternate work schedules and executive pay for nurses, and for other purposes.

S. 2640. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1050 North Hills Boulevard in Reno, Nevada, as the "Guardians of Freedom Memorial Post Office Building" and to authorize the installation of a plaque at such site, and for other purposes.

S. 2693. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1475 Western Avenue, Suite 45, in Albany, New York, as the "Lieutenant John F. Finn Post Office".

S. 2965. An act to amend the Livestock Mandatory Price Reporting Act of 1999 to modify the termination date for mandatory price reporting.

H.R. 1284. An act to amend the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 to increase the Federal share of the costs of the San Gabriel Basin demonstration project.

H.R. 4794. An act to amend the Tijuana River Valley Estuary and Beach Sewage Cleanup Act of 2000 to extend the authorization of appropriations, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5163. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to provide the Department of Transportation a more focused research organization with an emphasis on innovative technology, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5213. An act to expand research information regarding multidisciplinary research projects and epidemiological studies.

H.R. 5245. An act to extend the liability indemnification regime for the commercial space transportation industry.

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

At 1:05 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 146. Concurrent resolution to direct the Secretary of the Senate to make corrections in the enrollment of the bill S. 150.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1350) to reauthorize the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, and for other purposes.

At 3:10 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 bill (S. 150) to make permanent the moratorium on taxes on Internet access and multiple and discriminatory taxes on electronic commerce imposed by the Internet Tax Freedom Act, without amendment.

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

H.R. 5360. An act to authorize grants to establish academics for teachers and students of American history and civics, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 524. Concurrent Resolution directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make certain corrections to the enrollment of H.R. 1350.

At 5:24 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4324. An act to amend chapter 84 of title 5, United States Code, to provide for Federal employees to make elections to make, modify, and terminate contributions to the Thrift Savings Fund at any time, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5365. An act to treat certain arrangements maintained by the YMCA Retirement Fund as church plans for the purposes of certain provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment:

S. 2781. An act to express the sense of Congress regarding the conflict in Darfur, Sudan, to provide assistance for the crisis in Darfur and for comprehensive peace in Sudan, and for other purposes.

#### ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED DURING ADJOURNMENT

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on November 18, 2004, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 2986. An act to amend title 31 of the United States Code to increase the public debt limit.

#### 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-9902. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Nutrition Labeling: Nutrient Content Claims on Multi-serve, Meal-type Meat and Poultry Products" (RIN0583-AD07) received on November 16, 2004; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9903. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Rural Development, De-

partment of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reinvention of the Section 514, 515, 516, and 521 Multi-Family Housing Programs" (RIN0575-AC13) received on November 4, 2004; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9904. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Glyphosate; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL#7683-9) received on November 9, 2004; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9905. A communication from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hexythiazox; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL#7684-2) received on November 9, 2004; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9906. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary for Rural Development, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Business and Industry and Loans; Revision to Definition of Rural Areas" (RIN0570-AA39) received on November 9, 2004; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9907. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Importation of Fruits and Vegetables" (Doc. No. 02-106-2) received on November 9, 2004; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9908. A communication from the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Official Brucellosis Tests" (Doc. No. 02-070-3) received on November 9, 2004; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9909. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Walnuts Grown in California; Decreased Assessment Rate" (FV04-984-2) received on November 6, 2004; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9910. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Marketing Order Regulating the Handling of Spearmint Oil Produced in the Far West; Revision of the Salable Quantity and Allotment Percentage for Class 3 (Native) Spearmint Oil for the 2004-2005 Marketing Year" (Doc. No. FV04-985-2) received on November 6, 2004; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9911. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Domestic Dates Produced or Packed in Riverside County, California, Increased Assessment Rate" (Doc. No. FV04-987-2) received on November 6, 2004; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-9912. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Long-Term Strategy to Reduce Corrosion and the Effects of Corrosion on the Military Equipment and Infrastruc-

ture of the Department of Defense"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-9913. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department's Fiscal Year 2003 purchases from foreign entities; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-9914. A communication from the Director of Research and Engineering, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Foreign Comparative Testing Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-9915. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Environmental Technology Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-9916. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Registration Fee Change" (RIN1400-AB97) received on November 9, 2004; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-9917. A communication from the Alternate OSD FRLO, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "TRICARE; NDAA-02 and a Technical Correction Included in the NDAA-03" (RIN0720-AA89) received on November 6, 2004; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-9918. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Defense's Fiscal Year 2004 Performance and Accountability Report; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-9919. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department's contractors' commercial and industrial type functions; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-9920. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations; 69 FR 61445" (44 CFR 67) received on November 6, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-9921. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility; 69 FR 61445" (44 CFR 64) received on November 6, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-9922. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility; 69 FR 6144" (44 CFR 64) received on November 6, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-9923. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the national emergency with respect to Iran that was declared in Executive Order 12170 of November 14, 1979; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-9924. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the national emergency with respect to Syria that