

Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 79. Concurrent resolution permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony to award a Congressional gold medal to Jackie Robinson (posthumously), in recognition of his many contributions to the Nation.

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-1124. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Closure of pollock in statistical area 630 in the Gulf of Alaska" received on February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1125. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone (Including 3 Regulations): [CGD05-05-008], COTP Western Alaska 05-002], [COTP Western Alaska 05-001]" (RIN1625-AA00) received on February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1126. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulated Navigation Area; [CGD07-04-153], Brunswick, Georgia, Turtle River, in the Vicinity of the Sidney Lanier Bridge" (RIN1625-AA11) received on February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1127. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulations (Including 3 Regulations): [CGD05-04-179], [CGD08-04-036], [CGD08-04-042]" (RIN1625-AA09) received on February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1128. A communication from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, United States Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulations (Including 5 Regulations): [CGD11-05-009], [CGD01-05-006], [CGD01-05-013], [CGD01-05-007], [CGD01-05-008]" (RIN1625-AA09) received on February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1129. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army, Department of the Army, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Water Resources Act of 2000 received on February 8, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1130. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Fish and Wildlife Service, 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 the Buena Vista Lake

Shrew" (RIN1018-AT66) received on February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1131. A communication from the Chief Financial Officer, Paralyzed Veterans of America, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of an audit for fiscal year 2004 received on February 28, 2005; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1132. A communication from the Federal Liaison Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Search and Examination Fees for Patent Cooperation Treaty Applications Entering the National Stage in the United States" (RIN0651-AB84) received on February 28, 2005; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1133. A communication from the Deputy Executive Director, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" received on February 17, 2005; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1134. A communication from the President, James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Foundation's Annual Report for the year ending September 30, 2004 received on February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1135. A communication from the Director, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, reports entitled "The National Healthcare Quality Report 2004" and "The National Healthcare Disparities Report 2004" received on February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1136. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applicable Federal Rates—March 2005" (Rev. Rul. 2005-13) received February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1137. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance Related to Section 936 Termination" (Notice 2005-21) received February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1138. A communication from the Acting Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revenue Procedure Modifying and Superseding Rev. Proc. 2000-20" (Rev. Proc. 2005-16) received February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1139. A communication from the Chairman, U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Performance Budget Justification for Fiscal Year 2006" received on February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1140. A communication from the General Counsel, Government Accountability Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Competition in Contracting Act of 1984 received on February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1141. A communication from the Independent Counsel, Office of Independent Council, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office's 2004 Annual Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1142. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on assistance provided by the Department of Defense to civilian sporting events during calendar year 2004 received on February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1143. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, four reports relative to the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2005 received on February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1144. A communication from the Principal Deputy for Personnel and Readiness, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the authorization to wear the insignia of the grade of vice admiral; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1145. A communication from the Principal Deputy for Personnel and Readiness, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the authorization to wear the insignia of the grade of lieutenant general; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1146. A communication from the Principal Deputy for Personnel and Readiness, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the authorization to wear the insignia of the grade of admiral; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1147. A communication from the Office of Personnel and Readiness, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a retirement; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1148. A communication from the Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Cooperative Threat Reduction Annual Report to Congress Fiscal Year 2006" received February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1149. A communication from the Principal Deputy Undersecretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to The Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001 received on February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1150. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Annual Report on the Department of Defense Mentor-Protege Program" received on February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1151. A communication from the Executive Secretary and Chief of Staff, U.S. Agency for International Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance, received on February 28, 2005; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1152. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. HATCH:

S. 476. A bill to authorize the Boy Scouts of America to exchange certain land in the