

and Space Act. This law created NASA as we know it today in order to “provide for research into problems of flight within, and outside the Earth’s atmosphere, and for other purposes.”

In 1961 a chimpanzee named ENOS, trained at Holloman Air Force Base in Alamogordo, was launched into orbit around Earth and safely returned after two full orbits. Fellow space travelers, Astronauts Drew Gaffney, Sidney Gutierrez, Mike Gutierrez, Edgar D. Mitchell, and former Senator Harrison J. Schmitt, whom I had the honor of working with years ago, all call New Mexico home.

White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico currently provides an alternative landing site for the space shuttle, serves as the primary training area for NASA space shuttle pilots and is used for research on the next generation of the space shuttle. NASA has collaborated with, and funded, research at the University of New Mexico, New Mexico State University, and New Mexico Tech. This funding has been used to continue to expand the limits of understanding in the fields of science and technology. NASA continues to work with Sandia and Los Alamos National Laboratories on cutting edge research and development programs.

New Mexico’s Holloman Air Force Base in Alamogordo is also home to the 2007 X-PRIZE Cup competition, the world’s largest air and space flight demonstration. In just a few days, on October 27 and 28, lunar lander vehicle competitions, launches, and air show performances will take place along with ground static displays of rockets, NASA displays, robotic displays, and military aircraft displays. I know that the competition will again be fierce for the X-PRIZE Cup, and I am very excited that all the action will take place in New Mexico.

I am proud of New Mexico’s role and rich history in space and with NASA. It is a great honor for New Mexico to contribute in so many ways to this remarkable program which has played such a large role in our Nation’s history and which continues to be so important to our advancement.

From the Mercury, Gemini, and Apollo missions of the 1960s space race to the shuttle age and beyond, NASA has been on the cutting edge of technology, and they are consistently pushing the limits of understanding. Through space exploration we continue to gain a clearer picture of the history of our universe, our planet, and ourselves.

In honor of 50 years of space flight, NASA will be hosting lecture series, future forums, and science expos throughout the country beginning this month and continuing through October of 2008. I am in awe of what NASA has done and can only anticipate what exciting things they will bring this country, and the world, over the next 50 years.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY PARTICIPATION IN SOLAR DECATHLON

• Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, I would like to take a moment to recognize the extraordinary efforts of one of the universities in my home State of California—Santa Clara University.

Twenty-eight SCU students are here in Washington this week to compete in the Solar Decathlon to build the most livable and energy efficient solar-powered house.

As one of only 20 university teams worldwide chosen by the U.S. Department of Energy to participate, the SCU team is making tremendous strides both on the Mall and in California to lead the charge in sustainable living. They are setting a fantastic example for youth throughout the Nation, and for future generations, in how we can work to save energy and reduce global warming pollution.

The SCU students have studied the innovative problem solving methods that are a staple of Silicon Valley and have incorporated those approaches in their work. They have gone above and beyond to demonstrate that people can have affordable, beautiful, functional housing that also saves energy, protects our environment, and reduces pollution.

In June, the SCU team started building their solar-powered home and then transported it across the country last month. Their state-of-the-art “green” home is fully equipped with bamboo I-beams, developed by the SCU engineering team, retractable walls, “smart” windows and solar thermal panels, in addition to generating its own solar electricity. The solutions to our environmental challenges lie in new technologies like these.

Buildings are responsible for 40 percent of greenhouse gas emissions. This means that taking the steps to make our homes more efficient will ensure a better, greener future for generations to come. Building energy efficient homes and buildings, increasing our use of solar power, and expanding the use of clean, renewable energy sources are some of the best ways to reduce the pollution that causes global warming.

I again commend the students of Santa Clara University for making the trip to Washington and for their efforts to blaze the trail for a better, cleaner environment.●

##### TRIBUTE TO JUSTICE WILLIAM E. MCANULTY, JR.

• Mr. DODD. Mr. President, I speak in memory of my dear friend, William E. McAnulty, Jr., justice of the Kentucky State Supreme Court. He died last month of lung cancer, at the age of 59.

Justice McAnulty should have been with us for many more years. But Bill lived a life that could have been called complete no matter when his book

closed—complete because it was full of love, full of humor, and full of path-breaking work.

Bill jumped at the chance to be the first African American to serve on Kentucky’s Supreme Court, declaring that he didn’t have time to wait to make history. “And to those many, many before me,” he added, “thank you for not waiting.”

And Justice McAnulty knew that, just as he owed a debt to the civil rights pioneers who came before him, he in turn would be remembered by those who came after: After his success, he said, black lawyers “will understand the door is open and they are able like any other lawyer or judge to enter. I’ve looked at my entire career as being someone who could pave the way for others behind me.”

“He was simply born to be a judge,” said a prominent Kentucky attorney. But when I met Bill at the University of Louisville law school, his accomplishments on the bench were still far in the future.

What I remember most from our student days together is his mischievous streak for practical jokes and his crackling sense of humor—qualities that served him wonderfully as a judge.

When a lawyer paused in the middle of a lengthy closing statement and asked Bill to wake a snoring juror, he replied: “You put him to sleep. You wake him up.” And when this University of Louisville graduate and lifelong Democrat was preparing for brain surgery in the last days of his life, he asked the doctor for assurances that he wouldn’t wake up a University of Kentucky fan or with the judicial perspective of Justice Clarence Thomas.

Bill faced his sudden illness and his imminent death with a bravery I wish we could all be blessed to emulate. In one sense, it was deeply unfair for that sickness to strike only a year after his crowning achievement, service on his State’s highest court. But as Bill would have told us, only a false measure of success could be stolen so easily.

Bill earned a much deeper kind. In the words of Ralph Waldo Emerson quoted at his funeral: “To laugh often and much; . . . To know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived—this is to have succeeded.”

So I join Bill’s surviving loved ones—his father William, his wife Kristi, and his four children—in their sadness. At the funeral, the presiding pastor implored Kentucky’s Governor, “We know you can’t give us another Judge McAnulty, but please give us somebody like him.”

A success like the life of Justice William E. McAnulty, Jr., is no cause for mourning. But we grieve Bill’s death, and I can’t deny that I will miss this best of friends very, very much.●

##### BORDER BINATIONAL HEALTH WEEK

• Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I wish to commemorate Border Binational