

Out there into the darkest of all evils, to so rise above!

Who will go?

Who will give up their fine young lives?

To Save The World, all in their most magnificent short lifetimes so unfurled?

Who will go?

All we have. . .

Are but moments in time!

In our short lives! To grab hearts, to Heaven rise. . . To Make A Difference. . . in all our short lives!

Who will give?

Give up their arms and legs, their bright eyes and faces so have all of they! And take up that charge?

To so make our world, a better place to live? Who will go?

What families shall live?

With such heartache, because to this country their fine sons and daughters lives did so give!

Who will cry? And who will go?

Who up to Heaven shall so rise?

All of those fine patriots, whom have so died. . . and all of those loving mother's now with tears in eyes!

And all of those fine families, All of these, and all of those!

To Heaven, They Will Go! They will go!

Amen!•

IDAHO TEENS RAISE AWARENESS OF DATING VIOLENCE

• Mr. CRAPO. Mr. President, during the first full week of February this year, we recognized the third annual National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Week. In addition to the U.S. Senate, close to 50 national, State, and local agencies and organizations and many Governors also participated in the awareness efforts this year. Domestic violence and legal advocates, education and child advocacy organizations, public officials and law enforcement have joined this nationwide effort to raise awareness of teen dating violence. I am pleased to report that Idaho students, under the guidance of the Idaho Coalition Against Sexual and Domestic Violence, are among the Nation's leaders in this campaign. Members of the Idaho Teen Advisory Council, a coalition of Idaho teens from cities and towns statewide, have volunteered to be the first voices speaking out against dating violence and emotional abuse in their respective communities and schools.

As we look back on another successful Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Week, I would like to call public attention to the following Idaho students who work to promote healthy relationships among their peers not just during the awareness week but all year long:

Sarah Marie Grigg from Pinehurst; Katherine Kilbourne from Osburn; Tiffany Delphous from Elk River; James Walker from Orofino; Benjamin Allen from Kooskia; Kyle Conger from Kooskia; Samantha Larsen from Weiser; Megan Keller from Kuna; Kelsey Eldridge from Boise; Katie Seale from Boise; Christi Avery from Boise; Challis Lewis from Jerome; Bronwen Kate Raff from Hailey; Erika Ramirez from American Falls; Monique Betty from Pocatello; Natalie Milligan from Idaho Falls; Jordyn Bochenek

from Rexburg; Jaden Cook from Rexburg/Madison High, and Haley Nord from Caldwell.

I proudly and publicly honor these students today for their selfless and committed contribution to reducing teen dating violence and emotional abuse in Idaho.●

LEAP YEAR CAPITAL OF THE WORLD

• Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I wish to recognize Anthony, NM, today for being the Leap Year Capital of the World. A leap year only occurs once every 4 years, and is something to be celebrated. Anthony has taken this unique day and made it a staple celebration for their community.

Twenty years ago in Anthony, two neighbors who shared a common birthday, February 29, decided they should find other people with the same unique situation and have a giant birthday party; after all, it only happens once every 4 years. Mary Ann Brown and Birdie Lewis created the Worldwide Leap Year Birthday Club which now has almost 500 members. Because of the popularity of the birthday club, they have also created the Worldwide Leap Year Anniversary Club for couples who celebrate their anniversaries on this special day.

The Anthony Chamber of Commerce has planned several events this year for those with leap year birthdays and anniversaries and also for those with birthdays on the other 365 days of the year. The Worldwide Leap Year Festival will be kicked off with a parade, and then those attending will enjoy a leap year birthday dinner complete with birthday cake. Also in attendance will be Josephine Concho Abeita, a true New Mexico native, born in 1908, 4 years before New Mexico was even a State. Ms. Abeita will celebrate her 100th birthday and her 25th actual leap year birthday. I want to commend the citizens of Anthony and the creative way they have designed to promote their city. I wish them much success for this year's celebration.●

TRIBUTE TO DIANE WOLF

• Mr. LAUTENBERG. Mr. President, sadly, I wish to pay tribute to Diane Wolf, who died January 10 at the age of 53. Diane was someone many of us in the Senate knew well. She was unabashed in her interest in government and worked tirelessly to improve the world in which we live. She was willing at all times to use her personal resources to make issues clearly understood and actively supported. She considered it an obligation of our democracy to express herself on the importance of matters under consideration by the Congress.

Diane served on countless committees ranging from the arts to government. In addition to her role as a benefactor of the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York, Diane Wolf was ac-

tive in the cultural atmosphere in our nation's Capital. There, she worked on the boards of trustees for the U.S. Senate Preservation Board, the Foundation for the National Archives, and the Washington National Opera, as well as holding board positions on the Library of Congress Madison Council, Smithsonian Council of American Art, and the Kennedy Center National Committee, among others. In 1985, she was appointed by President Reagan to the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts, and Diane had an immediate impact in this new role. She worked to change the design on U.S. coins and allow creativity and American history to serve as the basis for their design. While her effort to revolutionize our coinage did not materialize, Diane displayed the tenacity and commitment that characterized everything she undertook.

Diane Wolf was blessed with a loving family who took pleasure in every aspect of her life and her interests. Though she was taken from them far too early in her life, memories of her being will be the greatest of family treasures. As we look to the future, let us pause and remember Diane Wolf, an outstanding, caring human being who dedicated her life to helping others. She will be missed by all who knew her.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mrs. Neiman, 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 and withdrawals which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 2663. A bill to reform the Consumer Product Safety Commission to provide greater protection for children's products, to improve the screening of noncompliant consumer products, to improve the effectiveness of consumer product recall programs, and for other purposes.

S. 2664. A bill to extend the provisions of the Protect America Act of 2007.

S. 2665. A bill to extend the provisions of the Protect America Act of 2007 until July 1, 2009.

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-5188. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pyroxsulam; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 8349-9) received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5189. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cyfluthrin; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 8350-3) received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5190. A communication from the Secretary of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act in a Treasury Appropriation Fund; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-5191. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report on the Department's Operation and Financial Support for Military Museums; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5192. A communication from the General Counsel, Department of Defense, transmitting, the Department's proposed National Defense Authorization Bill for fiscal year 2009; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5193. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the funding needed to sustain key military equipment; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5194. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Iranian Assets Control Regulations, Narcotics Trafficking Sanctions Regulations, Burmese Sanctions Regulations, Sudanese Sanctions Regulations" (31 CFR Parts 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 545, 560, 585, 586, 587, 588, 593, 594, and 595) received on February 19, 2008; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5195. A communication from the Program Analyst, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Response to Petitions for Reconsideration on EDR Final Rule" (RIN2127-AK12) received on February 20, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5196. A communication from the Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Wireless E911 Location Accuracy Requirements" (FCC 07-166) received on February 8, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5197. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to its use of category rating; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5198. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Seaway Regulations and Rules: Periodic Update, Various Categories" (RIN2135-AA27) received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5199. A communication from the Trial Attorney, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled

"Passenger Train Emergency Systems; Emergency Communication, Emergency Egress, and Rescue Access" (RIN2130-AB72) received on February 20, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5200. A communication from the Senior Trial Attorney, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Railroad Operating Rules: Program of Operational Tests and Inspections; Railroad Operating Practices: Handling Equipment, Switches and Fixed Derails" (RIN2130-AB76) received on February 20, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5201. A communication from the Program Analyst, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cargo Carrying Capacity of Motor Home and Travel Trailers" (RIN2127-AJ57) received on February 20, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5202. A communication from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Radiation Source Use and Replacement"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5203. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report for fiscal year 2007 relative to alternative fuel vehicles; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5204. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Financial Report for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5205. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Energy (Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the implementation of Energy Conservation Standards Activities; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5206. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department's Alternative Fuel Vehicle program for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5207. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Maryland; Revised Definition of Volatile Organic Compound" (FRL No. 8532-4) received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5208. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maine; Open Burning Rule" (FRL No. 8526-5) received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5209. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Revisions to Control Volatile Organic Compound Emissions; Volatile Organic Compound Control for El Paso, Gregg, Nueces, and Victoria Counties and the Ozone Standard Nonattainment Areas of Beaumont/Port Arthur, Dallas/Fort Worth,

and Houston/Galveston" (FRL No. 8532-1) received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5210. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans; Montana; Revisions to Administrative Rules of Montana, and Interstate Transport of Pollution" (FRL No. 8527-1) received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5211. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Amendments to Existing Regulation Provisions Concerning Reasonably Available Control Technology" (FRL No. 8532-6) received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5212. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dibasic Esters; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 8341-4) received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5213. A communication from the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Clean Watersheds Needs Survey 2004 Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5214. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Medicare bundled end-stage renal disease prospective payment system; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5215. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on defense trade cooperation; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5216. A communication from the Chair, Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the activities of the Goldwater Foundation in fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5217. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Ensuring Access to Health Insurance Coverage in the Large Group Market"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5218. A communication from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Exceptions or Alternatives to Labeling Requirements for Products Held by the Strategic National Stockpile" (Docket No. 2006N-0466) received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5219. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the implementation of the Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5220. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to testing for rapid detection of adulteration of food; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5221. A communication from the Ombudsman, Energy Employees Compensation Program, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5222. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Child Welfare Outcomes 2002-2005: Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5223. A communication from the Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Performance and Accountability Highlights"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5224. A communication from the Director, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to privacy and security for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5225. A communication from the Secretary, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Accounting for Laws that Apply Differently to the United States Postal Service and its Private Competitors"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5226. A communication from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 17-291, "Rhode Island Metro Plaza Revenue Bonds Approval Act of 2008" received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5227. A communication from the Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Quarterly Report for January 2008; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5228. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prevailing Rate Systems: Definition of the Municipality of Bayamon, PR, to a Nonappropriated Fund Federal Wage System Wage Area" (RIN3206-AL43) received on February 14, 2008; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5229. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prevailing Rate Systems: Abolishment of Rock Island, Illinois, as a Nonappropriated Fund Federal Wage System Wage Area" (RIN3206-AL44) received on February 14, 2008; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5230. A communication from the Director, Office of the Combined Federal Campaign, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Solicitation of Federal Civilian and Uniformed Service Personnel for Contributions to Private Voluntary Organizations—Eligibility and Public Accountability Standards" ((RIN3206-AL47) (5 CFR Part 950)) received on February 14, 2008; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5231. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Letter Report: Certification of the Fiscal Year 2008 Total Non-Dedicated Local Source Revenues in Support of the District's \$333,840,000 General Obligation Bonds (Series 2007C)"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5232. A communication from the Executive Director, White House Commission on

Remembrance, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Annual Report on the National Moment of Remembrance for fiscal year 2007; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5233. A communication from the White House Liaison, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Attorney General, received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5234. A communication from the White House Liaison, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of action on the nomination for the position of Assistant Attorney General, received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5235. A communication from the White House Liaison, Office of Legal Policy, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the designation of an acting officer for the position of Assistant Attorney General, received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5236. A communication from the White House Liaison, Civil Rights Division, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination and designation of an acting officer for the position of Assistant Attorney General, received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5237. A communication from the White House Liaison, Tax Division, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination and action on the nomination for the position of Assistant Attorney General, received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5238. A communication from the White House Liaison, Environmental and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of action on a nomination, received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5239. A communication from the White House Liaison, Civil Division, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Attorney General, received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5240. A communication from the White House Liaison, Office of the Associate Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Associate Attorney General, received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5241. A communication from the White House Liaison, Office of the Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Deputy Attorney General, received on February 21, 2008; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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. MENENDEZ:

S. 2667. A bill to direct the Attorney General to make an annual grant to the A Child Is Missing Alert and Recovery Center to assist law enforcement agencies in the rapid recovery of missing children, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. ENSIGN):

S. 2668. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to remove cell phones from listed property under section 280F; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. PRYOR, Ms. COLLINS, and Mr. KERRY):

S. 2669. A bill to provide for the implementation of a Green Chemistry Research and Development Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. ISAKSON (for himself and Mr. CHAMBLISS):

S. Res. 461. A resolution designating March 1, 2008 as "World Friendship Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 394

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 394, a bill to amend the Humane Methods of Livestock Slaughter Act of 1958 to ensure the humane slaughter of nonambulatory livestock, and for other purposes.

S. 396

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WEBB) was added as a cosponsor of S. 396, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to treat controlled foreign corporations in tax havens as domestic corporations.

S. 431

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 431, a bill to require convicted sex offenders to register online identifiers, and for other purposes.

S. 588

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. MARTINEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 588, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to increase the Medicare caps on graduate medical education positions for States with a shortage of residents.

S. 911

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 911, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to advance medical research and treatments into pediatric cancers, ensure patients and families have access to the current treatments and information regarding pediatric cancers, establish a population-based national childhood cancer database, and promote public awareness of pediatric cancers.

S. 988

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) was added as a cosponsor of S.