

restoration activities and has worked to interpret and communicate the multiple stories of this important island to millions of visitors. The Commission has participated in a number of initiatives, including archeological excavation, lighthouse restoration, and exhibit installation, to protect and manage the historic resources of the park.

The U.S. Congress recognized the significance of Mackinac when it established the Mackinac Island National Park in 1875, making it the Nation's second National Park after Yellowstone. In 1895, park ownership was transferred to the State of Michigan, creating Michigan's first State park. In 1958, the Mackinac Island State Park Commission established the Historical Preservation and Museum Program. This program has served as the primary caretaker and purveyor of the Island's considerable tale. I am pleased to extend my warmest congratulations to those individuals involved with this program who have painstakingly restored and preserved Mackinac Island for future generations.

TRIBUTE TO JOHN ENGBER

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize John Engber for his 11 years of service to the U.S. Senate and the people of Washington State. John served as my State Director during this time, and he was a critical part of my staff. On June 1, he ended his tenure in my office. We were sad to see him go, but we wish him all the best in his next endeavor.

John was a thoughtful and dedicated public servant. As my State Director, he helped ensure that even though Washington State residents are 2,500 miles from DC, their needs are up-front and center. Overseeing my State operations, he was responsible for listening to the people in our communities and for connecting them to the Senate and the Federal Government. And thanks to his hard work, residents of towns from Forks to Clarkston have access to me and my office.

One of John's greatest accomplishments during his time with my office was his help in drafting the recently enacted Wild Sky Wilderness law. John worked closely with local leaders, the environmental community, outdoor enthusiasts, and others to create a wilderness proposal built on community consensus. We faced some tremendous obstacles over the 9 years that we worked on the bill, but John helped us all remain dedicated to the goal of preserving Wild Sky for future generations.

Finally, I would like to thank John for his years of service to me and the people of Washington State. His leadership and his dedication are truly appreciated, and I know that he will always have Washington State's interests at heart. I wish him happiness and success as he moves on to the next phase of his career.

11TH ANNUAL CONGRESSIONAL HEALTH SCREENINGS

Mr. CRAPO. Mr. President, I would like to bring to the Chamber's attention the 11th Annual Congressional Health Screenings and I would like to commend my colleague, Senator SHELBY, for his leadership at this event. The Congressional Health Screenings occur each year during National Men's Health Week the week prior to Father's Day. I encourage all of my colleagues and their staffs to participate in these screenings. As U.S. Senators, we must set an example and not only encourage healthy habits but practice them as well. This year's program offers a number of convenient screenings, including prostate specific antigen, PSA, cholesterol, glucose, blood pressure, and body fat tests, as well as health education materials. The purpose of this event is to increase our awareness of health issues and to help develop comprehensive strategies to improve our health and that of our families.

The state of men's health has become a national crisis. Because of poor health habits, lack of health insurance, failure to seek timely medical attention, and dangerous occupations, men are afflicted with more maladies and die younger than women. Today, men are living approximately 5 fewer years than that of their female counterparts and are dying at higher rates for 9 out of the Nation's top 10 causes of death. This includes death from cancer, diabetes, suicide, accidents, and diseases of the heart, kidney, and liver. When speaking about cancer, it is important to note that one in two men in his lifetime will be diagnosed with cancer and one in six will be diagnosed with prostate cancer.

The Men's Health Network, along with Women Against Prostate Cancer, use National Men's Health Week to emphasize the fact that prostate health issues and prostate cancer is not merely a "man's disease." Each year thousands of wives, daughters, sisters, and friends are impacted—often in devastating ways—by the loss and/or suffering of a man from prostate health issues. Early and regular screenings significantly increase the chance of early detection and successful treatment.

I am pleased to report that we are steadily making progress. Last year during September's Prostate Awareness Month, Men's Health Network and the Washington Redskins held a prostate screening at FedEx Field in Landover, MD. Over 300 people gathered to help their fathers, grandfathers, sons, uncles, and friends move one step closer toward a happier, healthier future. Five of the gentlemen screened had potentially dangerous PSA readings.

There is no better time than now to become more proactive with regard to men's health. Women are 100-percent more likely than men to regularly visit their doctors for annual examinations and to seek out preventative services.

Half of the Nation's elderly widows living in poverty did not face economic hardships before the deaths of their husbands. Men between the ages of 45 and 54 are three times more likely to die of heart attacks, 1.5 times more likely to die from heart disease, and 1.5 times more likely to die from cancer than women.

Half of the estimated 54,000 men diagnosed this year with colon cancer will die from it. Over 185,000 men are expected to develop prostate cancer in 2008—almost 15 percent of these cases are expected to be terminal. Preventive measures, such as prostate specific antigen exams, blood pressure and cholesterol screens, and routine self-testing exams for these and other types of cancers that target men can lead to invaluable early detection that will increase the survival rates for such cancers by almost 100 percent.

In addition, I must reiterate the need for an Office of Men's Health in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to tackle many of these aforementioned issues. Last year, I introduced S. 640, the Men's Health Act, which would establish such an office. The Office on Women's Health in the department does a fantastic job of saving the lives of thousands of women and improving the lives of many more. Similarly, an Office of Men's Health would provide a support network that would reach out to all men on issues related to men's health.

In closing, I thank the Men's Health Network for hosting the 11th Annual Congressional Health Screenings. I hope that my colleagues and their staffs will take this unique opportunity to not only better their own health, but to encourage the people around them to do the same.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO MONROE ROTARY CLUB

• Mr. VITTER. Mr. President, I wish to honor the Monroe Rotary Club, which is celebrating its 90th anniversary this month, and I would like to take a few moments to publicly recognize their great history.

The Rotary Club of Monroe was founded on April 29, 1918, with a membership of 31; however, they did not receive their charter until June of 1918. The stated purpose of the organization is to bring together business and professional leaders to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world. In order to carry out its service programs, Rotary is structured in club, district, and international levels.

In furtherance of the goals of Rotary, the Rotary Club of Monroe has sponsored many local projects including, scholarships at the University of Louisiana at Monroe, Goodfellows, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Monroe Youth

Baseball, The Food Bank of Northeast Louisiana, Camp Quality, The Salvation Army, and Girl's and Boy's State, to name a few. In addition they also sponsor Interact Clubs at Neville High School and River Oaks High School and sponsor two students each year to attend District 6190's Camp RYLA—Rotary Youth Leadership Award, a program for young people intended to develop qualities of leadership, good citizenship, and personal development.

Each year the members of the Rotary Club of Monroe also open their homes to members of the Rotary Foundation's Group Study Exchange program. They have proudly participated in this program for many years hosting teams from India, France, Norway, England, Brazil, Australia, Scotland, Belgium, Japan, Austria and several other countries. Additionally many of their members have traveled abroad as a part of the Friendship Exchange, where Rotarians seek opportunities to visit other districts throughout the world.

Today, I applaud the Rotary Club of Monroe on their 90th anniversary and thank them for their continued service to the state of Louisiana and the rest of the world. ●

NOTIFICATION OF THE DESIGNATION OF SHARA L. ARANOFF AS CHAIRMAN AND DANIEL PEARSON AS VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION, EFFECTIVE JUNE 17, 2008—PM 52

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 Finance:

To the Congress of the United States:

Consistent with the provisions of 19 U.S.C. 1330(c)(1), this is to notify the Congress that I have designated Shara L. Aranoff as Chairman and Daniel Pearson as Vice Chairman of the United States International Trade Commission, effective June 17, 2008.

GEORGE W. BUSH.

THE WHITE HOUSE, June 17, 2008.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD) announced that on today, June 17, 2008, he had signed the following enrolled bills, which were previously signed by the Speaker of the House:

S. 1245. An act to reform mutual aid agreements for the National Capital Region.

S. 2516. An act to assist members of the Armed Forces in obtaining United States citizenship, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3179. An act to amend title 40, United States Code, to authorize the use of Federal supply schedules for the acquisition of law enforcement, security, and certain other related items by State and local governments.

H.R. 3913. An act to amend the International Center Act to authorize the lease or

sublease of certain property described in such Act to an entity other than a foreign government or international organization if certain conditions are met.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, June 17, 2008, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 1245. An act to reform mutual aid agreements for the National Capital Region.

S. 2516. An act to assist members of the Armed Forces in obtaining United States citizenship, 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-6617. A communication from the Acting Assistant Director, Directives and Regulations Branch, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clarifying Prohibitions for Failure to Maintain Control of Fires That Damage National Forest System Lands" (RIN0596-AC30) received on June 17, 2008; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6618. A communication from the General Counsel, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civil Procedures" (RIN0648-AS54) received on June 16, 2008; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6619. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, the final report for the Illinois River Basin Restoration Comprehensive Plan; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6620. A communication from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to new types of information that have been designated to be protected as "Safeguards Information"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6621. A communication from the Chairman, U.S. International Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Textiles and Apparel: Effects of Special Rules for Haiti on Trade Markets and Industries"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6622. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report by the U.S. Global AIDS Coordinator on the Involvement of Faith-Based Organizations in the Global Fund to Fight AIDS; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6623. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a semi-annual report relative to the compliance of several countries with the freedom of emigration provisions of the 1974 Trade Act; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6624. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the U.S. military personnel and civilian contractors involved in the anti-narcotics campaign in Colombia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6625. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the period of October 1, 2007, through March 31, 2008; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6626. A communication from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 17-403, "Omnibus Domestic Partnership Equality Amendment Act of 2008" received on June 13, 2008; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6627. A communication from the Staff Director, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Commission's recent appointment of members to the Wyoming Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6628. A communication from the Staff Director, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Commission's recent appointment of members to the Kentucky Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6629. A communication from the Staff Director, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Commission's recent appointment of members to the Florida Advisory Committee; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-370. A resolution adopted by the North Carolina State Council of the Junior Order United American Mechanics expressing its support of the men and women of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Services.

POM-371. A resolution adopted by the Council of the Village of Elida, Ohio, expressing its opposition to H.R. 3359; to the Committee on Finance.

POM-372. A resolution adopted by the Commission of the City of Miami, Florida, urging Congress to grant temporary protective status to Haitians in the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

POM-373. A resolution adopted by the North Carolina State Council of the Junior Order United American Mechanics expressing its support for the establishment of the English language as the official language of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

POM-374. A resolution adopted by the North Carolina State Council of the Junior Order United American Mechanics urging Congress to resolve the immigration issues; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

POM-375. A concurrent resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana urging Congress to enact legislation limiting increases in health insurance premiums and other costs; to the Committee on Armed Services.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION No. 123

Whereas, H.R. 579, the Military Retirees Health Protection Act, and S. 604, the Military Health Care Protection Act, have been pending in the United States Congress since February of 2007; and

Whereas, S. 604 would bar the TRICARE Prime enrollment fee and TRICARE pharmacy copayments from being increased in any year by a percentage that exceeds the percentage increase in military retiree pay; and