

Although one could argue that the honor does not begin to match the magnitude of the achievement, Alvina and the other WAVES are being recognized through a public arts project in the Cathedral Heights neighborhood of Washington, DC. A turn-of-the-century “call box” that once housed fire emergency equipment will contain a portrait of Alvina Schwab Pettigrew and a description of what the WAVES did in the Navy Annex just 200 yards away. It is a lasting tribute to the women who turned the tide on the Germans and helped the Allied forces win the war. I am proud that a South Dakotan is being honored in this way and that I am able to convey to Alvina and the WAVES a belated thank-you from a most grateful Nation.●

REPORT TO EXTEND THE PERIOD OF PRODUCTION OF THE NAVAL PETROLEUM RESERVES FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS FROM APRIL 5, 2009—PM 65

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 Armed Services:

To the Congress of the United States:

Consistent with section 7422(c)(2) of title 10, United States Code, I am informing you of my decision to extend the period of production of the Naval Petroleum Reserves for a period of 3 years from April 5, 2009, the expiration date of the currently authorized period of production.

Attached is a copy of the report investigating continued production of the Reserves, consistent with section 7422(c)(2)(B) of title 10. In light of the findings contained in the report, I certify that continued production from the Naval Petroleum Reserves is in the national interest.

GEORGE W. BUSH.
THE WHITE HOUSE, October 2, 2008.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 12:45 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Zapata, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HOYER) has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 431. An act to require convicted sex offenders to register online identifiers, and for other purposes.

S. 906. An act to prohibit the sale, distribution, transfer, and export of elemental mercury, and for other purposes.

S. 1276. An act to facilitate the creation of methamphetamine precursor electronic logbook systems, and for other purposes.

S. 1492. An act to improve the quality of federal and state data regarding the availability and quality of broadband services and to promote the deployment of affordable broadband services to all parts of the Nation.

S. 1582. An act to reauthorize and amend the Hydrographic Services Improvement Act, and for other purposes.

S. 1738. An act to require the Department of Justice to develop and implement a National Strategy Child Exploitation Prevention and Interdiction, to improve the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, to increase resources for regional computer forensic labs, and to make other improvements to increase the ability of law enforcement agencies to investigate and prosecute child predators.

S. 2304. An act to amend title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to provide grants for the improved mental health treatment and services provided to offenders with mental illnesses, and for other purposes.

S. 2816. An act to provide for the appointment of the Chief Human Capital Officer of the Department of Homeland Security by the Secretary of Homeland Security.

S. 3015. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 18 S. G Street, Lakeview, Oregon, as the “Dr. Bernard Daly Post Office Building”.

S. 3082. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1700 Cleveland Avenue in Kansas City, Missouri, as the “Reverend Earl Abel Post Office Building”.

S. 3128. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to provide a loan to the White Mountain Apache Tribe for use in planning, engineering, and designing a certain water system project.

S. 3296. An act to extend the authority of the United States Supreme Court Police to protect court officials off the Supreme Court Grounds and change the title of the Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice.

S. 3325. An act to enhance remedies for violations of intellectual property laws, and for other purposes.

S. 3477. An act to amend title 44, United States Code, to authorize grants for Presidential Centers of Historical Excellence.

S. 3536. An act to amend section 5402 of title 39, United States Code, to modify the authority relating to United States Postal Service air transportation contracts, and for other purposes.

S. 3550. An act to designate a portion of the Rappahannock River in the Commonwealth of Virginia as the “John W. Warner Rapids”.

S. 3569. An act to make improvements in the operation and administration of the Federal courts, and for other purposes.

S. 3598. An act to amend titles 46 and 18, United States Code, with respect to the operation of submersible vessels and semi-submersible vessels without nationality.

S. 3605. An act to extend the pilot program for volunteer groups to obtain criminal history background checks.

S. 3606. An act to extend the special immigrant nonminister religious worker program and for other purposes.

H.R. 928. An act to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 to enhance the independence of the Inspectors General, to create a Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1532. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to making progress toward the goal of eliminating tuberculosis, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2786. An act to reauthorize the programs for housing assistance for Native Americans.

H.R. 2963. An act to transfer certain land in Riverside County, California, and San Diego County, California, from the Bureau of Land Management to the United States to be held in trust for the Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5350. An act to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to sell or exchange certain National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration property located in Norfolk, Virginia, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5618. An act to reauthorize and amend the National Sea Grant College Program Act, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6098. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to improve the financial assistance provided to State, local, and tribal governments for information sharing activities, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6849. An act to amend the commodity provisions of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 to permit producers to aggregate base acres and reconstitute farms to avoid the prohibition on receiving direct payments, counter-cyclical payments, or average crop revenue election payments when the sum of the base acres of a farm is 10 acres or less, and for other purposes.

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

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 160. An act to amend the American Battlefield Protection Act of 1996 to establish a battlefield acquisition grant program for the acquisition and protection of nationally significant battlefields and associated sites of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 642. To establish the Honorable Stephanie Tubbs Jones Fire Suppression Demonstration Incentive Program within the Department of Education to promote installation of fire sprinkler systems, or other fire suppression or prevention technologies, in qualified student housing and dormitories, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H.R. 1485. An act for the relief of Esther Karinge; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 2535. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study on the feasibility and suitability of constructing a storage reservoir, outlet works, and a delivery system for the Tule River Indian Tribe of California to provide a water supply for domestic, municipal, industrial, and agricultural purposes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 2583. An act to amend title VII of the Public Health Service Act to establish a loan program for eligible hospitals to establish residency training programs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H.R. 2994. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to pain care; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H.R. 3018. An act to provide for payment of an administrative fee to public housing agencies to cover the costs of administering family self-sufficiency programs in connection with the housing choice voucher program of the Department of Housing and Urban Development; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 3019. An act to establish an Office of Housing Counseling to carry out and coordinate the responsibilities of the Department of Housing and Urban Development regarding counseling on homeownership and rental housing issues, to make grants to entities for providing such counseling, to launch a national housing counseling advertising campaign, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 3036. To reauthorize and enhance the National Environmental Education Act, and

for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 3174. An act to amend titles 28 and 10, United States Code, to allow for certiorari review of certain cases denied relief or review by the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 3299. To provide for a boundary adjustment and land conveyances involving Roosevelt National Forest, Colorado, to correct the effects of an erroneous land survey that resulted in approximately 7 acres of the Crystal Lakes Subdivision, Ninth Filing, encroaching on National Forest System land, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 3336. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to carry out a study to determine the suitability and feasibility of establishing Camp Hale as a unit of the National Park System; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 3402. An act to require accurate and reasonable disclosure of the terms and conditions of prepaid telephone calling cards and services; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 3849. An act to provide for the conveyance of parcels of land to Mantua, Box Elder County, Utah; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 5030. An act for the relief of Corina de Chalup Turcinovic; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 5243. An act for the relief of Kumi Iizuka-Barcelona; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 5244. An act to amend the Truth in Lending Act to establish fair and transparent practices relating to the extension of credit under an open end consumer credit plan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 5335. An act to amend the National Trails System Act to provide for the inclusion of new trail segments, land components, and campgrounds associated with the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 5352. An act to protect seniors in the United States from elder abuse by establishing specialized elder abuse prosecution and research programs and activities to aid victims of elder abuse, to provide training to prosecutors and other law enforcement related to elder abuse prevention and protection, to establish programs that provide for emergency crisis response teams to combat elder abuse, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 5443. An act to improve defense cooperation between the Republic of Korea and the United States; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 5611. An act to reform the National Association of Registered Agents and Brokers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 5736. An act to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs outpatient clinic in Gadsden, Alabama, as the Colonel Ola Lee Mize Veterans Clinic; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 5772. An act to amend section 811 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act to improve the program under such section for supportive housing for persons with disabilities; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 5853. An act to expand the boundary of the Minute Man National Historical Park in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to include Barrett's Farm, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 6064. To encourage, enhance, and integrate Silver Alert plans throughout the United States, to authorize grants for the assistance of organizations to find missing adults, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 6159. An act to provide for a land exchange involving certain National Forest System lands in the Mendocino National Forest in the State of California, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 6176. An act to authorize the expansion of the Fort Davis National Historic Site in Fort Davis, Texas, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 6323. An act to establish a research, development, demonstration, and commercial application program to promote research of appropriate technologies for heavy duty plug-in hybrid vehicles, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 6406. An act to elevate the Inspector General of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission to an Inspector General appointed pursuant to section 3 of the Inspector General Act of 1978; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

H.R. 6585. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 311 Southwest 2nd Street in Corvallis, Oregon, as the "Helen Berg Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 6604. An act to amend the Commodity Exchange Act to bring greater transparency and accountability to commodity markets, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

H.R. 6625. An act to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to permit facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs to be designated as voter registration agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

H.R. 6685. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide an annual grant to facilitate an iron working training program for Native Americans; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

The following concurrent resolutions were read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 61. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that the United States flag flown over the United States Capitol should be lowered to half-mast one day each month in honor of the brave men and women from the United States who have lost their lives in military conflicts; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

H. Con. Res. 214. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the President should grant a posthumous pardon to John Arthur "Jack" Johnson for the 1913 racially motivated conviction of Johnson, which diminished his athletic, cultural, and historic significance, and tarnished his reputation; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. Con. Res. 223. Concurrent resolution honoring professional surveyors and recognizing their contributions to society; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. Con. Res. 239. Recognizing and acknowledging the important role of adoption, and commending all parties involved, including birthparents who carry out an adoption plan, adoptive families, and adopted children; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H. Con. Res. 255. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the United States commitment to preservation of religious and cultural sites and condemning instances where sites are dese-

crated; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H. Con. Res. 351. Concurrent resolution honoring the 225th Anniversary of the Continental Congress meeting in Nassau Hall, Princeton, New Jersey, in 1783; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. Con. Res. 360. Concurrent resolution recognizing the important social and economic contributions and accomplishments of the New Deal to our Nation on the 75th anniversary of legislation establishing the initial New Deal social and public works programs; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. Con. Res. 371. Concurrent resolution strongly supporting an immediate and just restitution of, or compensation for, property illegally confiscated during the last century by Nazi and Communist regimes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H. Con. Res. 374. Concurrent resolution supporting Christian, Jewish, and Muslim interfaith dialogue that promotes peace, understanding, unity, and religious freedom; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H. Con. Res. 376. Concurrent resolution congratulating the 2007-2008 National Basketball Association World Champions, the Boston Celtics, on an outstanding and historic season; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. Con. Res. 386. Concurrent resolution recognizing and celebrating the 232nd anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. Con. Res. 388. Expressing the sense of Congress that the Department of Defense and the Federal Voting Assistance Program should take certain additional and timely measures to ensure that members of the Armed Forces and their dependents and citizens living overseas are provided with reasonable information on how to register to vote and vote in the 2008 general elections; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

H. Con. Res. 393. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of "National Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness Month"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H. Con. Res. 405. Concurrent resolution recognizing the first full week of April as "National Workplace Wellness Week"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. Con. Res. 408. Concurrent resolution recognizing North Platte, Nebraska, as "Rail Town USA"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H. Con. Res. 410. Concurrent resolution recognizing the FBI on their 100th anniversary; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. Con. Res. 415. Concurrent resolution celebrating 75 years of effective State-based alcohol regulation and recognizing State lawmakers, regulators, law enforcement officers, the public health community and industry members for creating a workable, legal, and successful system of alcoholic beverage regulation, distribution, and sale; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H. Con. Res. 429. Concurrent resolution recognizing the importance of the United States wine industry to the American economy; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 1907. An act to authorize the acquisition of land and interests in land from willing sellers to improve the conservation of,