

Whereas obesity is a significant predictor of the severity of prostate cancer and the probability that the disease will lead to death, and high cholesterol levels are strongly associated with advanced prostate cancer;

Whereas if a man in the United States has 1 family member diagnosed with prostate cancer, he has a 1 in 3 chance of being diagnosed with prostate cancer, if he has 2 family members with such diagnoses, he has an 83 percent risk, and if he has 3 family members with such diagnoses, he then has a 97 percent risk of prostate cancer;

Whereas screening by both a digital rectal examination and a prostate-specific antigen blood test can detect the disease in its early stages, increasing the chances of surviving more than 5 years to nearly 100 percent, while only 33 percent of men survive more than 5 years if diagnosed during the late stages of the disease;

Whereas there are no noticeable symptoms of prostate cancer while it is still in the early stages, making screening critical;

Whereas ongoing research promises further improvements in prostate cancer prevention, early detection, and treatments; and

Whereas educating people in the United States, including health care providers, about prostate cancer and early detection strategies is crucial to saving the lives of men and preserving and protecting families: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates September 2009 as “National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month”;

(2) declares that steps should be taken—

(A) to raise awareness about the importance of screening methods for, and treatment of, prostate cancer;

(B) to increase research funding that is commensurate with the burden of the disease so that the screening and treatment of prostate cancer may be improved, and so that the causes of, and a cure for, prostate cancer may be discovered; and

(C) to continue to consider ways for improving access to, and the quality of, health care services for detecting and treating prostate cancer; and

(3) calls on the people of the United States, interested groups, and affected persons—

(A) to promote awareness of prostate cancer;

(B) to take an active role in the fight to end the devastating effects of prostate cancer on individuals, their families, and the economy; and

(C) to observe National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider Executive Calendar No. 374, the nomination of J. Michael Gilmore; that the nomination be confirmed, the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table; that any statements relating to the nomination be printed in the RECORD; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate then resume legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nomination considered and confirmed is as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

J. Michael Gilmore, of Virginia, to be Director of Operational Test and Evaluation, Department of Defense.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will return to legislative session.

MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR—S. 1687

Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Mr. President, I understand that S. 1687 is at the desk and due for a second reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title for the second time.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1687) to prohibit the Federal Government awarding contracts, grants, or other agreements to, providing any other Federal funds to, or engaging in activities that promote the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now.

Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Mr. President, I object to any further proceeding with respect to this bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard. The bill will be placed on the calendar.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2009

Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. tomorrow, September 22; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate proceed to a period of morning business for 1 hour, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes, with the time equally divided and controlled between the two leaders or their designees, with the Republicans controlling the first half and the majority controlling the final half; further, that following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of Calendar No. 98, H.R. 2996, the Interior appropriations bill; finally, I ask that the Senate recess from 12:30 until 2:15 p.m. to allow for the weekly caucus luncheons to meet.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Mr. President, under a previous order, at approximately 12 o'clock the Senate will proceed to a vote in relation to the Feinstein amendment, as modified.

For the information of all Senators, the official photograph of the 111th Congress will be taken at 2:15 tomor-

row in the Senate Chamber. All Senators are encouraged to be seated at their desks at that time.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

Mrs. FEINSTEIN. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it adjourn under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 5:58 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, September 22, 2009, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

ELIZABETH M. ROBINSON, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION, VICE RONALD SPOEHEL, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

ARUN MAJUMDAR, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE ADVANCED RESEARCH PROJECTS AGENCY—ENERGY, DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, (NEW POSITION)

MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORPORATION

DANIEL W. YOHANNES, OF COLORADO, TO BE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORPORATION, VICE JOHN J. DANILOVICH, RESIGNED.

INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

GUSTAVO ARNAVAT, OF NEW YORK, TO BE UNITED STATES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS, VICE MIGUEL R. SAN JUAN.

IN THE COAST GUARD

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD RESERVE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be captain

EDGARS AUZENBERGS
KURT J. BEIER
PAUL C. GARGIULO
LAWRENCE H. HENDERSON
GREGORY W. JOHNSON
ERIC B. KRETZ
WILLIAM K. NOFTSKER
MICHAEL P. SCHNEIDER
MICHAEL F. WILSON

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS OF THE COAST GUARD PERMANENT COMMISSIONED TEACHING STAFF FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD UNDER TITLE 14, U.S.C., SECTION 189:

To be captain

MELINDA D. MCGURER

To be commander

DAVID C. CLIPPINGER
MICHAEL J. CORL

To be lieutenant commander

ROYCE W. JAMES

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD UNDER TITLE 14, U.S.C., SECTION 271:

To be captain

NICHOLAS A. BARTOLOTTA
DENNIS S. BAUBY
GEORGE G. BONNER
ERIC L. BRUNER
GREGORY A. BUXA
GREGORY J. DEPINET
SHERYL L. DICKINSON
KATHLEEN A. DUIGNAN
MICHAEL J. EAGLE
DOUGLAS M. FEARS
DAVID S. FIEDLER
PATRICK FLYNN
MARK A. FRANKFORD
ROBERT L. GANDOLFO
MATTHEW J. GIMPLE
PETER J. HATCH
LARRY W. HEWETT
MARK A. JACKSON
DANIEL E. KENNY
KEVIN C. KIEFER
RONALD A. LABREC
DANIEL L. LEBLANC
STUART L. LEBRUSKA