

pleased that the Senate is addressing this important issue.●

IN RECOGNITION OF MR. FRANK
M. WADE

● Mr. TORRICELLI. Mr. President, I rise today in recognition of Frank M. Wade as he celebrates his retirement as the Executive Director of the New Jersey State Building and Construction Trades Council. Frank has served in this capacity for the past ten years, and he has a long history of commitment to labor organizations in the State of New Jersey. In fact, Frank has been a cornerstone for labor rights in New Jersey. It is a pleasure for me to be able to honor his accomplishments.

Since he started as a member of the Iron Workers Local #480 in 1954, through his election as Executive Director in 1989, Frank has fought hard to protect the rights of working men and women in New Jersey. His dedication to the New Jersey State Building and Construction Trades Council, and to labor causes in general, is widely known and admired throughout the State of New Jersey.

In addition to his position with the New Jersey Building and Construction Trades Council, Frank has played a very active role in strengthening the political and economic life of New Jersey. He has served on a number of civic organizations including the New Jersey Society for Environmental, Economic Development (NJSEED), the New Jersey Employment Security Council, and on the Advisory Committee on the Prevailing Wage Act.

Frank has never lost sight of the need to serve his community. Despite his responsibilities he has still found the time for charitable causes. Deborah Hospital Foundation is just one of the organizations that has benefitted from Frank's involvement.

So it gives me great pleasure to recognize a leader of great stature in New Jersey's labor community, but also a great friend. Through all our years together, fighting for the cause of working men and women, I have always known Frank to stand on principle, loyalty, and hard work. While he may be leaving this post, I know I can always rely on him to hold true to that standard in every endeavor he undertakes.●

IN RECOGNITION OF DR. LIONEL
SWAN

● Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I rise to honor a legendary figure in the civil rights movement in Michigan, Dr. Lionel Swan. Dr. Swan died last Wednesday at the age of 93, leaving behind a reputation as an extraordinarily effective leader in the struggle for civil rights.

Dr. Swan was a living example of the great things that can be accomplished

when you combine determination, courage and dignity. Dr. Swan put himself through college and medical school by working during the day. He often related a story of an incident which strengthened his resolve to continue on this hard path to his goal of becoming a doctor. One day, a white man called Dr. Swan "boy" and threw a cigarette butt on a floor he had just finished mopping. Dr. Swan is said to have responded, "Mister, I want to thank you. I've been debating whether I should leave this job for college and you just convinced me I've got to do it so the next time I see somebody like you, he can't call me boy."

Dr. Swan was able to ignore ugly slights and concentrate on what is most important in life. Dr. Swan went on to graduate from Howard University Medical School and practice medicine in Detroit. He was elected President of the National Medical Association and the Detroit Medical Society, where he led the effort to allow African-American physicians to practice medicine at the former Harper and Grace hospitals. Dr. Swan was also a longtime, active member of the NAACP, helping found the Detroit NAACP's Freedom Fund Dinner which raises money annually for its many worthwhile goals and is one of the largest gatherings in the country.

Mr. President, Dr. Swan was always firm in principle and gentle in demeanor. He let his actions serve as an example to others in the fight for equality and civil rights. I was a great personal fan of his. I know my Senate colleagues join me in honoring Dr. Swan on his life's many outstanding achievements.●

APPOINTMENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276h-276k, as amended, appoints the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS) as a member of the Senate Delegation to the Mexico-U.S. Interparliamentary Group Meeting during the First Session of the 106th Congress, to be held in Savannah, Georgia, June 25-27, 1999.

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE
23, 1999

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 23. I further ask that on Wednesday, immediately following the prayer, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed to have expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate immediately resume consideration of the agriculture appropriations bill.

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, reserving the right to object, and I won't ob-

ject, I had an amendment that I was prepared to offer. Could I ask unanimous consent that I be recognized at 9:30 for the purpose of offering an amendment; if we could get agreement on that perhaps?

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I think we would be right back in the position in the morning where we are now on the agriculture appropriations bill. There will be discussions between now and then to see if there is any other way we could approach this issue. If we do not get something worked out, I believe the Senator would be entitled to get recognition to offer an amendment. I have the impression that it would be difficult for us to do that at this time.

Mr. President, so we can talk this through, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

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

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, the distinguished majority leader has responded to my unanimous consent request. He and I have been consulting about how to proceed over the last hour. He has indicated to me that he is working with a number of his colleagues and with staff to attempt to fashion a way with which we might proceed on the Patients' Bill of Rights. He has indicated they will be continuing those discussions tonight.

In the interest of moving that process along and with some hope that we could reach some agreement, I will withdraw my unanimous consent request to be recognized. We will be on the bill, and we will certainly be inclined to be as supportive of reaching agreement as we can. Short of that, we may want to offer additional amendments to the agriculture appropriations bill tomorrow. We will have that discussion at another date.

In the interest of time and comity and accommodation, I will certainly defer any additional request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the majority leader's request is agreed to.

Mr. LOTT. I thank the Chair. I thank Senator DASCHLE for that approach. We will be working, and we will talk in a few minutes.

PROGRAM

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, the Senate will convene at 9:30 a.m. and immediately resume consideration of the agriculture appropriations bill. It is the hope of the majority leader that the Senate can consider agriculture-related amendments during Wednesday's session of the Senate. All Senators can,