

morning business, it is expected that the Senate will begin work on measures regarding the appropriations process. Final agreements are being made, and it is hoped final action on the appropriations measures can begin as soon as possible.

I thank my colleagues for their patience and cooperation during these final days prior to adjournment.

RECORD TO REMAIN OPEN

Mr. SESSIONS. I ask unanimous consent that the RECORD remain open until 9 p.m. in order for the majority leader to introduce a Senate bill.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 11 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I now ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:09 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, November 18, 1999, at 11 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate November 17, 1999:

THE JUDICIARY

RHONDA C. FIELDS, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, VICE STANLEY SPORKIN, RETIRED.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

KATHRYN SHAW, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS, VICE REBECCA M. BLANK, RESIGNED.

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate November 17, 1999:

THE JUDICIARY

RONALD M. GOULD, OF WASHINGTON, TO BE UNITED STATES CIRCUIT JUDGE FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT.
BARBARA M. LYNN, OF TEXAS, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS.