

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-2706. A communication from the Managing Director of the Federal Housing Finance Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual report under the Government in the Sunshine Act for calendar year 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2707. A communication from the Acting General Counsel of the Department of Defense, transmitting, proposed legislation relative to various management concerns; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2708. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Information Collection Budget of the U.S. Government for fiscal year 1999; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2709. A communication from the General Counsel, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice of a vacancy in the OMB office; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2710. A communication from the Comptroller General of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, various reports issued or released during February 1999; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2711. A communication from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Government National Mortgage Association management report for fiscal year 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-2712. A communication from the Chairman, U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual statistical report for fiscal year 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

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-37. A resolution adopted by the City Council of Cincinnati, Ohio relative to awarding a gold medal to Rosa Parks; ordered to lie on the table.

POM-38. A petition from the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

CERTIFICATION

After the conclusion of the General Canvass as disposed in Article 6.008 the Electoral Law of Puerto Rico and in conformity with Article 29 of Law 249 of August 17, 1998, the Plebiscite Law of December 13, 1998, we certify the following official results of the Plebiscite held on December 13, 1998.

ISLAND WIDE RESULTS

	Votes	Percent
None of the Above	787,900	50.3
Petition Number 3	728,157	46.5
Petition Number 4	39,838	2.5
Petition Number 2	4,536	0.3
Petition Number 1	993	0.1
*Others:	4,846	0.3

*Ballots in blank: 1,890; void: 2,956.

Registered Voters: 2,197,824.

Participation: 71.3%.
Total voting polls: 5,611 of 5,611 for a 100%.

POM-39. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1617

Whereas, By act of Congress, each state is invited to provide and furnish statues, not exceeding two in number, of deceased persons who have been citizens thereof and illustrious for their historic renown or for distinguished civic or military services, such as the state shall determine to be worthy of national commemoration in a national statuary hall; and

Whereas, The state of Kansas has had one citizen, Dwight David Eisenhower, who stands alone in the history of this state in achievement of a distinguished career in both the civic and military services, a man whose destiny led him from a boyhood home in Abilene, Kansas, to lead the armies of his nation and those of the free world in one of the greatest and most historic military engagements of all time and to lead the people of his nation in peace as the 34th president of the United States; and

Whereas, Dwight David Eisenhower, citizen of Kansas, General of the Army, President of the United States and honored and respected friend of presidents, kings and leaders and peoples of the free world is eminently worthy of national commemoration in a national statuary hall; and

Whereas, The state of Kansas in years past did provide for the placing of two statues of distinguished citizens of Kansas in statuary hall; and

Whereas, One of such statues is of the Honorable George W. Glick, a man who although he did not hold national office or win national or international acclaim, was a most honored and distinguished governor and legislative and civic leader in the state of Kansas; and

Whereas, Governor Glick can best be honored by locating his statue in a place of honor in the capitol of the state of Kansas where it may be enjoyed by our citizens and visitors; and

Whereas, The people of the state of Kansas wish to furnish a statue of Dwight David Eisenhower for placement in Statuary Hall in the capitol of this nation, with such statue hopefully being provided by the citizens of the state of Kansas through the efforts of the Eisenhower Foundation, Inc.; and

Whereas, The creation of the statue of Dwight David Eisenhower depends upon the willingness of the trustees of the Eisenhower Foundation, Inc. to organize a solicitation through appropriate representatives of the civic, fraternal and patriotic organizations of this state and the handling by such trustees of the funds so solicited; and

Whereas, A suitable statue of Dwight David Eisenhower must be created by a gifted and experienced sculptor who should be chosen by a committee of select persons suitably qualified to recommend the selection of such sculptor, and the trustees of the Eisenhower Foundation should name such a select commission; and

Whereas, When an appropriate sculptor has been selected to create the statue of Dwight David Eisenhower, the trustees of the Eisenhower Foundation, Inc. would be suitable to contract with the sculptor with funds obtained as indicated in this preamble for the creation of such a statue; and

Whereas, When the statue of Dwight David Eisenhower is completed, necessary plans need to be made and action needs to be taken

to transport the statue to Washington, D.C. for installation in Statuary Hall and for the return of Governor Glick's statue to Kansas for installation in the state capitol in Topeka; and

Whereas, Should the Eisenhower Foundation, Inc. be unable or unwilling to perform the functions described in this preamble, the responsibility for the creation and installation of the statue of Dwight David Eisenhower should be assumed by the Kansas Department of Commerce and Housing; and

Whereas, Kansas has another hero, Amelia Earhart, a native of Atchison, who as a pioneer for women in aviation lost her life under still unknown circumstances, as is a Kansas worthy of recognition by placing a statue of her in Statuary Hall. Further, it is appropriate that the statute of Amelia Earhart be substituted for that of another Atchison native, former U.S. Senator John James Ingalls, whose statute should be returned to Kansas for an appropriate placement: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas, the House of Representatives concurring therein, That the legislature of the state of Kansas respectfully requests that the Congress of the United States return the statute of George W. Glick earlier presented by the state of Kansas for placement in Statuary Hall and accept in return, for placement in Statuary Hall, a statue of Dwight David Eisenhower, a citizen of the free world, and worthy of national commemoration in Statuary Hall; and

Be it further resolved, That the legislature of the state of Kansas, on behalf of the people of this state and on behalf of this state itself, respectfully requests the trustees of the Eisenhower Foundation, Inc. to appoint a commission of representatives of civic, fraternal and patriotic organizations of this state, and to convey to such commission a charge to organize a solicitation for funds for the creation of a statue of Dwight David Eisenhower as contemplated by this resolution. Such trustees are further requested to provide management assistance to such commission and to receive and employ the funds so obtained to acquire such statue for placement in Statuary Hall in the capitol of this nation. Such trustees are further requested to appoint a committee of persons suitably qualified to select a gifted and experienced sculptor to create a suitable statue of Dwight David Eisenhower. Such trustees are further requested to contract with such sculptor with funds obtained as indicated in this resolution for the creation of such statue. Thereupon such trustees are further requested to make the statue so created of Dwight David Eisenhower available for placement in Statuary hall, the same to then be owned by the Congress of the United States; and

Be it further resolved, That the City of Atchison and the Atchison Chamber of Commerce should be tasked to find funds for the costs of the creation, transportation and installation of the statue of Amelia Earhart in Statuary Hall and for returning the statute of Senator Ingalls to Kansas; and

Be it further resolved, That should be efforts of the Eisenhower Foundation, Inc. and the commission of representatives of civic, fraternal and patriotic organizations of this state be unable to fulfill the object of this resolution, and the City of Atchison and the Atchison Chamber of Commerce be unable to successfully fund the placement of a statue of Amelia Earhart in Statuary Hall and transporting the statue of Senator Ingalls back to Kansas, the Kansas Department of