and proudly served as a member of the United States Marine Corps in the Philippines and other parts of Asia. He found public service again in 1956 when he was elected to the Rutland Board of Aldermen. From there he served as mayor for two years from 1961 to 1965, becoming the youngest man ever to have held the position.

In November of 1965 Jack was elected Lieutenant Governor of Vermont and served two terms with Governor Phil Hoff. Jack continued his career as a role model and advisor when he joined the Rutland Public School system as a teacher for many years. Through his lectures and by acting as a role model, he enriched the minds of our Vermont youth as he taught history, citizenship and American government. In 1961 Jack returned to the office of mayor and from there continued his legacy as he was reelected in 1963 and 1965. He continued to represent the interests of his hometown as he sought and served two terms in the Vermont House representing Rutland District 6-2.

Jack was a devoted family man. More than fifty years ago he married another Rutland native, Mary Margaret Creed. Together they became the proud parents of eleven children, nine girls and two boys. Mary’s everlasting energy allowed her not only to raise their own eleven children but tirelessly work as a nurse in the nursery at the Rutland Hospital helping to care for the children of others. Ceaseless in her dedication, she continues to help out when needed despite her retirement.

Today, I pay tribute to the accomplishments of this public servant, father, husband and my friend, John James Daley. Today, Rutland and the entire state of Vermont grieve for a great man. Farewell, Jack. You will be truly missed.

NATIONAL SERVICE—LEARNING LEADER SCHOOL AWARD WINNERS

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, the Corporation for National Service recently announced the winners of the second annual National Service—Learning Leaders Program, a Presidential Award that recognizes schools for excellence in service-learning.

Learn and Serve America, one of the three national service programs of the Corporation for National Service, is sponsoring the Leader Schools initiative. In its second year, the Leader Schools program is honoring 34 middle schools and 32 high schools in 31 states for thoughtfully and effectively combining academic subjects with community service in a way that benefits students, teaches civic responsibility, and strengthens community bonds.

Service-learning is expanding in the United States. The Department of Education found that in 1984, only 27 percent of all high schools had school-sponsored community service projects and only 9 percent offered service-learning. By the 1998-99 school year, however, a remarkable 42 percent and 46 percent, respectively.

Three schools in Massachusetts—Wareham High School and Wareham Middle School in Wareham and Tantasqua Regional Junior High School in Piscataway—were leaders in our state on service-learning and were honored as National Service Learning Leader Schools this year. I commend each of these schools for the important work they have accomplished in making community service an integral part of school life. These schools are impressive models for Massachusetts and for the nation.

The Leader Schools program is not simply an awards program. The schools dedicating themselves to a year-long commitment to assist other schools through mentoring and coaching thereby contributing to the spread of service-learning throughout the country.

The Corporation for National Service also administers AmeriCorps, the domestic Peace Corps that is engaging Americans in extensive, service activities in this country. In addition, the Corporation administers the National Senior Service Corps which enables nearly half a million Americans age fifty-five and older to share their time and talents to help solve local problems.

All of these outstanding programs are achieving great success under the strong leadership of our former colleague in the Senate, Harris Wofford, the chief executive officer of the Corporation.

The sixty-six Leader Schools will be honored in a ceremony at the Kennedy Center this week. These schools are true leaders in education reform. I commend them for their academic achievements and their contributions to our country through community service, and I ask the list of the Leader Schools may be printed in the RECORD.

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Academy for Science and Foreign Language, Huntsville, AL; Eureka Senior High School, Eureka, CA; Irvington High School, Escondido, CA; Rosary High School, San Dimas, CA; River Bluff Middle School, Stoughton, WI; WVDE at Davis Stuart School, Lewisburg, WV; Morgantown High School, Morgantown, WV.

TRIBUTE TO SUSAN SYGALL

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, July 26 will mark the 10th Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act. In the next few weeks we’ll be holding a number of events here in Washington and across the country to celebrate the ADA. And right now it looks like we can start our party a little early.

I just found out that yesterday, Susan Sygall, a woman with a disability, received a MacArthur Foundation Fellowship. Each year, the MacArthur Foundation awards 20 or so unrestricted $500,000 grants to, and I quote, “talented individuals who have shown extraordinary originality and creativity...” These so-called “genius grants” are among the most prestigious in the world.

Susan is the Executive Director of Mobility International USA. Mobility International’s mission is to empower people with disabilities, particularly women, through international exchange, and by providing information, technical assistance, and training to ensure the inclusion of people with disabilities in international exchange and development programs.

Right now, Mobility International is, among other things, facilitating a program to develop relationships between

Phillips Middle School, Phillips, ME; Lakeview High School, Beavemfield, ME; Romulus High School, Romulus, MI; Fulton Academy, Fulton, MO; Tupelo Middle School, Tupelo, MS; Chief Joseph Middle School, Kamloops, BC; Longfellow High School, Lewiston, ME; Roosevelt High School, Searsport, ME; Woodbury Middle School, Salem, NH; Woodville High School, Woodville, OH; Cranbrook High School, Academy of the Holy Angels, Demarest, NJ; Teresa C. Reilly Middle School, Elizabeth, NJ; Delsea Regional Middle School, Franklin, NJ; Hoboken Charter School, Hoboken, NJ; John F. Kennedy Memorial High School, Iselin, NJ; Linden High School, Linden, NJ; Opportunity School, Reno, NV; Scotia-Glenville Junior High School, Scotia, NY; W.T. Clarke Middle School, Westbury, NY; Russell F. Hobart Middle School, Moneypen- eveille, OH; Hastings Middle School, Upper Arlington, OH; Jones Middle School, Upper Arlington, OH; The Environmental Middle School, Portland, OR; H.S. J.V. Smith High School, Tillamook, OR; Lambertson Middle School, Carlisle, PA; Parkway West Alternative Center for Education, Oakdale, PA; Reinstein High School, Silver Spring, MD, Providence, RI; D.R. Hill Middle School, Duncan, SC; Britton’s Neck High School, Greerham, SC; Pickens Middle School, Pick- ens, SC; Wren Middle School, Piedmont, SC; Camp Creek School, Greeneville, TN; Harpeth Hall School, Nashville, TN; Quest High School, Humble, TX; Weatherford High School, Weatherford, TX; Box Elder Community High School, Brigham City, UT; Evergreen High School, Salt Lake City, UT; William E. Waters Middle School, Portsmout, VA; River Bluff Middle School, Stoughton, WI; WVDE at Davis Stuart School, Lewisburg, WV; Morgantown High School, Morgantown, WV.
the disability communities in Vietnam and in the United States. Some of Susan’s genius must have rubbed off on us in the Foreign Operations Committee because we encouraged USAID to fund disability rights programs in Vietnam. I hope that we can help the program again this year.

I strongly believe that for all of America’s economic and military might, our greatest strength will always be our democratic principles. Those principles have served as the foundation for aspiring democracies everywhere. As our own democracy matures, and the ADA is a testament to that, it is essential that we export the lessons we have learned.

I have seen personally how the ADA has fostered disability rights activism around the world and as the 10th Anniversary approaches I can think of no greater place to commemorate this remarkable anniversary in the life of the town, we congratulate those current residents who pause on this occasion to reflect upon the success and vitality of this remarkable town.

Seymour was formally founded on June 15, 1800, when the town’s council held its first meeting. I rise today to pay tribute to the town of Seymour, nestled in the Lower Naugatuck Valley of Connecticut. Located in New Haven County with the Lower Housatonic River nearby, Seymour offers its residents a wide variety of recreational activities, history, industry, and a strong sense of community with an emphasis on education.

Seymour was formally founded on June 24, 1800, when the town’s council held its first meeting. I rise today to congratulate Seymour on its Sesquicentennial anniversary, 150 years as a town, and to reflect for just a few moments on the rich history of this town.

The Naugatuck Valley increased in importance during the early 1800s because of its valuable natural resources and industrial growth. Due to different manufacturing concerns and the desire to separate and become their own community, the town of Seymour, then called Humphreysville, petitioned the state legislature to become the town of "Richmond." Thomas H. Seymour, who was the Governor of the state of Connecticut, promised the people that if the town was named in his honor, the bill would be accepted immediately. Evidently, the good people of the town agreed, for shortly thereafter the town of Seymour was formally constituted.

Throughout the years, companies have prospered and grown in Seymour, paralleled by the development and expansion of the town itself. The Pen Company of France, producers of some of the world’s finest fountain pens. Telegraph cables that could be placed underwater were developed by Austin Goodyear Day in Seymour during the late nineteenth century, and continue to be produced by the Kerite Company, presently located on Day Street. With the vital shipping lanes of the Housatonic River, as well as the region’s railroads and factories, Seymour has prospered and grown throughout the late nineteenth century, and within the town a broad range of products—from copper to paper to bottled spring water—was produced. Outside of the industrial diversity of Seymour, one is immediately aware of the natural beauty of the area. Not only is the Housatonic River one of New England's greatest assets, but it also provides recreational activities such as canoeing and fishing for local residents.

I have had the pleasure of visiting the town of Seymour on many occasions, and am always impressed with the natural beauty and spectacular resourcefulness of the residents. One thing that has lingered in my mind from past visits is the strong sense of unity and the emphasis on the importance of education. Seymour offers residents an abundance of entertainment and activities through the Seymour Recreation Commission, a strong police force led by Police Chief Michael E. Metzler, the Seymour Senior Center, cultural and performing arts events through the Seymour Culture and Arts Commission, and celebrations of important national holidays such as Memorial Day through local events and parades. In the realm of education, Superintendent Eugene A. Coppola has continued to uphold the fine reputation of local schools, which have seen recent increases in test scores, state-of-the-art expansion of Bungay Elementary School, the strengthening of the core curriculum, and a majority of students participating in extracurricular activities.

One of the most important facets of the school system in Seymour is the DARE program, instilling in students the importance of remaining drug-free.

Seymour in the year 2000 is in many respects a great American town. It is a place where businesses can prosper, where families can thrive, and where a sense of community permeates every day life. In this important anniversary of the life of the town, we pay homage to all those who have in the past contributed to making Seymour the outstanding place it is today. And we congratulate those current residents who pause on this occasion not only to remember the past, but who dedicate themselves to the future success and vitality of this remarkable town they call home.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE
At 12:40 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4577. An act making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes.

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–9218. A communication from the Executive Director of Government Affairs, Non Commissioned Officers Association of the United States of America, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of financial statements for calendar years 1998 and 1999; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC–9219. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on federal energy management and conservation programs, fiscal year 1998; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC–9220. A communication from the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report entitled "Deposition of Air Pollutants in the Great Waters"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–9221. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the notice of establishing and adjusting schedules of compensation; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–9222. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the audited financial statements of the U.S. Mint; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.


EC–9224. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Status of the Washington Convention Center Authority's Implementation of D.C. Auditor Recommendations"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC–9225. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on birth defects and developmental disabilities programs at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

A communication from the Chair of the President's Committee on Employment of People With Disabilities, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Programs That Work: People at Work"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC–9227. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on improvements to claims processing under