is often said that all children are a reflection of their parents. If Tom is even a faint reflection of his mother, it is a great tribute to the values she carried throughout her life and instilled in her children.

Since her recent passing, I have heard and read many wonderful things about Sarah Mae Calhoon. I have learned about her unswerving commitment to the community of Columbus, whether it be through her active membership in a variety of organizations like the PTA, 4-H, the Lions Auxiliary or in her unoffical role as the “zoning watchdog” of the Calhoon’s neighborhood on Old Cemetery Road. I have read about her great success as a multi-million dollar producer in the real estate industry. I have heard, from both former customers and competitors alike, about the dedication, loyalty, and integrity that she brought to her job every day.

Most importantly, however, I have learned about her unflagging commitment to being a mother and wife. Nothing was more precious to Sarah Calhoon than her family and she did all she could to ensure that all of her children grew up in a loving and nurturing environment that would enable them to go on to lead valuable and fulfilling lives. She consistently put the needs, concerns and feelings of her family and others, before her own wishes, never asking for much but always giving a great deal. Her life served as an example, providing inspiration to women everywhere struggling to maintain the careful balance between career and family, a task that she carried out with admirable grace and skill.

Everything that I have learned about Sarah Calhoon since her death has only confirmed what I had always pictured my good friend Tom’s mother would be like: the epitome of an exemplary wife, mother, business woman, and citizen.

In closing, I would like to extend my greatest condolences to her husband, their five children, seven grandchildren, and countless others whose lives were touched by this wonderful woman. As we celebrate her remarkable life, let it be known that Sarah Mae Calhoon will be dearly missed, yet never forgotten.

IN HONOR OF SHOSHONA GREENBAUM

Mrs. BOXER, Mr. President, a suicide bombing occurred in Jerusalem during the Congressional recess that claimed the life of a young American woman, Shoshona Greenbaum. Ms. Greenbaum, four months pregnant with her first child, is yet another tragic victim in the numbing string of suicide bomb attacks perpetrated by Palestinian extremists against innocent Israeli citizens.

Shoshona Greenbaum was one of 15 people killed on August 9th in a downtown Jerusalem pizzeria, after a Palestinian terrorist detonated a bomb stuffed with nails, screws and bolts that he had strapped to his body. She died instantly, leaving behind dreams and hopes of a young, idealistic woman, a wife, a devoted school teacher and mother-to-be.

Ms. Greenbaum spent most of her life in Southern California, and her parents, Shira and Shifra Hayman, still live in Los Angeles. My heart goes out to her family, her many friends, and to her grieving husband Steven for their cruel and unexpected loss.

I have had the opportunity to talk with Shoshona’s father, and I know what a deep loss this is for the entire family. I condemn this cowardly attack that robbed a husband of his beloved wife and child, devastated a family and took a remarkable young woman from a community that adored her. It is time for the terrorism to stop. It is time for the suicide bomb attacks to stop. It is time for the Palestinian leadership to renounce the use of violence and to rein in those individuals and elements who seek only to destroy Israel and forever destabilize the region.

In the name of Shoshona Greenbaum and the other innocent victims of these attacks, we must seek to understand the roots of terrorism in the Middle East and bring to an end the ever-escalating cycle of violence. I can think of no more appropriate memorial to Shoshona than to ensure one day that the people of Israel can live in freedom and safety, secure in their knowledge of a peaceful and productive future.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 9:04 a.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 bills, in which requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2061. An act to amend the charter of Southeastern University of the District of Columbia.

H.R. 2657. An act to amend title 11, District of Columbia Code, to redesignate the Family Court and Superior Court of the District of Columbia as the Family Court and Superior Court, to recruit and retain trained and experienced judges to serve in the Family Court, to promote judicial efficiency in the assignment of judges to the Family Court and in the consideration of actions and proceedings in the Family Court, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has disagreed to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2217) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes, and has agreed to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints the following Members as the managers of the conference on the part of the House: Mr. SKEEN, Mr. REGULA, Mr. KOLBE, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. WAMP, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, Mr. DICKS, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Mr. HINCHLEY, Mr. SABO, and Mr. OBEY.

The message further announced that the House has disagreed to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2620) making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes, and has agreed to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints the following Members as the managers of the conference on the part of the House: Mr. CALLAHAN, Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky, Mr. FREELINGHUYSEN, Mr. LATHAM, Mr. WEBER, Mr. WAMP, Mr. NEMETH, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, Mr. VISCOMSKY, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. CLYBURN, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, and Mr. OBEY.

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