

risk of infection from sealed envelopes at mail sorting facilities. Still, Mr. Curseen took some precautions and purchased rubber gloves and shared them with seven co-workers.

In church that Saturday, he fainted. The medics who came to revive him asked if he wanted to go the hospital. Replying that it would not be necessary, Mr. Curseen went to work instead. At work, he felt worse and decided to go to the hospital. There, he was treated for flu-like symptoms and released only to faint again on Sunday, this time at home. His family rushed him to the hospital where he died six hours later.

His sister, Joan Jackson, has remarked,

And I just feel that my brother did not die in vain; that he is an example, he is a saint, he's a martyr for this country. He's every man, and . . . He's an example to us of how this affects home, how it affects us in all of our lifestyles.

Thomas Morris, Jr., 55, fondly called "Moe" by those who knew him, had 32 years of service with the Postal Service. His strong work ethic—he often worked overtime on the night shift—was well known. He had a passion for bowling and served as president of the "Tuesday Morning Mixed League" at the Parkland Bowl in Silver Hill, Maryland. Mr. Morris was dedicated to his family. He leaves behind his wife, Mary, a son, two stepchildren and three grandchildren.

Mr. Morris was an intensely private man and, in keeping with this, his family requested that people who knew him not share their memories of him with the media.

Washington Mayor Anthony Williams, who attended Morris' funeral, said of him, "He was a man who worked in the Post Office, a God-fearing man, a diligent man trying to support his family."

Our nation's postal employees are mothers and fathers, grandparents, sons and daughters and neighbors who, just like other Americans, go to work and earn a living. Unlike our men and women in uniform overseas, they did not sign up for this new battle. However, like their own predecessors in years gone by, they are serving our country with courage and distinction.

Mr. Curseen and Mr. Morris, two men who were dedicated to their jobs and never sidestepped their responsibilities even when there were risks, have inspired us all to live up to our responsibilities and face with determination and courage the obstacles that are placed before us. Their lives have become an inextricable part of our nation's history and their spirits live on.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE EMPLOYEES OF DELL COMPUTER CORPORATION

• Mr. GRAMM. Mr. President, I am sure many Americans know of the Dell Computer Corporation because they use a Dell at work or at home. However, I would like to recognize Dell for the outstanding contribution the company's employees made in helping America respond to the terrorist attacks of September 11.

On the day after the attacks, Dell technicians were helping Department of Defense employees displaced from the Pentagon to set up computers in temporary offices. Dell employees also worked diligently to prioritize and facilitate orders critical to the rebuilding effort, intelligence gathering, and our Nation's military offensive. Shipments for financial services firms were also pushed to the head of the assembly line so they had needed computers to reopen for business when Wall Street and the financial markets resumed trading. On a personal level, Dell and its employees contributed more than \$3.4 million to the rebuilding and recovery effort, including equipment to the American Red Cross to help serve the families directly affected by those terrible attacks.

I am grateful for the hard work and generosity of the people at Dell, and I am proud of their efforts in the difficult and challenging time.●

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 and a withdrawal which were referred to the appropriate committees.

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

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:28 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 it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1408. An act to safeguard the public from fraud in the financial services industry, to streamline and facilitate the antifraud information-sharing efforts of Federal and State regulators, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2047. An act to authorize appropriations for the United States Patent and

Trademark Office for fiscal year 2002, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House insists upon its amendment to the bill (S. 1447) to improve aviation security, and for other purposes, and asks a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints for consideration of the Senate bill and the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, Mr. PETRI, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. MICA, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. LIPINSKI, and Mr. DEFAZIO, as managers of the conference on the part of the House.

The message further announced that the House agrees to amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 768) to amend the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994 to make permanent the favorable treatment of need-based educational aid under the antitrust laws.

At 2:30 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hayes, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House disagrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2506) making appropriations for foreign operations, export financing, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes, and agrees to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints as the managers of the conference on the part of the House: Mr. KOLBE, Mr. CALLAHAN, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. LEWIS of California, Mr. WICKER, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, Mrs. LOWEY, Ms. PELOSI, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. KILPATRICK, Mr. ROTHMAN, and Mr. OBEY.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 852. An act to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse to be constructed at 10 East Commerce Street in Youngstown, Ohio, as the "Nathaniel R. Jones and Frank J. Battisti Federal Building and United States Courthouse."

H.R. 2998. An act to authorize the establishment of Radio Free Afghanistan.

H.R. 3167. An act to endorse the vision of further enlargement of the NATO Alliance articulated by President George W. Bush on June 15, 2001, and by former President William J. Clinton on October 22, 1996, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 262. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that the President, at the WTO round of negotiations to be held at Doha, Qatar, from November 9–13, 2001, and at any subsequent round of negotiations, should preserve the ability of the United States to enforce rigorously its trade laws and should ensure that United States exports are not subject to the abusive use of trade laws by other countries.