

Polytechnic Institute, Hunter, AZ, and other schools. At least two-thirds of the P.S. 121 Dreamers have had 2 or more years of higher education and some continue to work on earning their degrees. Almost all hold fulfilling jobs and many have children who, they vow, will go to college.

Today, the I Have a Dream program is a nationally recognized model that helps children stay in school, graduate, and go on to college or vocational education training and meaningful employment. The children, called Dreamers, participate in a year-round program of mentoring, tutoring, cultural exposures, and community service activities from elementary school through high school. Upon graduation, Dreamers receive financial assistance for either a college or vocational education. "I Have a Dream" has grown from one man's promise to 61 middle schoolers to over 175 projects in 58 cities, serving more than 13,000 children from low-income communities, including the Dreamers from my home State of Michigan. In Michigan, the Dreamers from Detroit have graduated while the Battle Creek programs support 11th graders who are close to achieving their dreams and in Port Huron, 7th and 8th graders are well on their way to fulfilling their own goals thanks to Eugene Lang's remarkable vision.

Through his hard work, dedication and unshakable belief in our nation's children, Mr. Lang has helped many a dreamer fulfill his or her educational goals with his I Have a Dream Foundation. This kind and generous man is a role model to us all and I know that my Senate colleagues join me in congratulating Eugene Lang for his commitment and success with his I Have a Dream Foundation.●

#### NATIONAL BIBLE WEEK

● Ms. LANDRIEU. Mr. President, for the last 60 years, National Bible Week has been an annual observance in this country. It has come each year at Thanksgiving time since 1941. We were on the brink of World War II that year, and about to face the bombing of Pearl Harbor. That was certainly a difficult time in our Nation's history, but this country has truly been blessed. In truth there have been only a few times since then that we as a nation have felt the need to turn to the worn pages of our Bibles for strength and comfort and guidance. We are in the midst of such a time right now.

This year National Bible Week runs from Sunday, the 18th of November through the 25th. I am pleased and honored to serve as one of this year's Congressional cochairs for National Bible Week, which is sponsored by the National Bible Association. The Bible has had remarkable influence on American life, literature, music, art, and the system of justice that governs our laws.

Inscribed on every piece of American currency is the phrase, "In God we trust." Freedom of religion is guaranteed under our constitution. And despite the many differences in our religious views, we proclaim ourselves to be "one Nation, under God."

I join the majority of Americans in believing the Bible to be the Word of God. For those of the Jewish faith, the Old Testament, or Torah, offers understanding and serves as a reminder of obligations to God and country. Islamic followers consider Christians and Jews to be "the people of the book," and their Koran recognizes the Bible's significance in the development of civilization. Certainly now, as evil people seek to pit one religion against another, and try to justify acts of hate committed in the name of God, this is the time to strengthen our beliefs, and to do this, we turn to the Bible. I encourage believers everywhere to open their Bibles, and read the scriptures. Find a favorite passage, and give thanks.●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:09 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2269. An act to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to promote the provision of retirement investment advice to workers managing their retirement income assets.

H.R. 2887. An act to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve the safety and efficacy of pharmaceuticals for children.

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

H. Con. Res. 228. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that the children who lost one or both parents or a guardian in the September 11, 2001, World Trade Center and Pentagon tragedies (including the aircraft crash in Somerset County, Pennsylvania) should be provided with all necessary assistance, services, and benefits and urging Federal, State or local agencies responsible for providing such assistance, services and benefits to move expeditiously in providing such assistance, services and benefits to those children.

H. Con. Res. 239. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that schools in the United States should set aside a sufficient period of time to allow children to pray for, or quietly reflect on behalf of, the Nation during this time of struggle against the forces of international terrorism.

The message further announced that the House insists upon its amendment to the bill (S. 180) to facilitate famine relief efforts and a comprehensive solution to the war in Sudan, and asks a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses there-

on; and appoints the following Members as the managers of the conference on the part of the House:

For consideration of the Senate bill and the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. HYDE, Mr. GILMAN, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. PAYNE, and Ms. MCKINNEY.

For consideration of section 8 and 9 of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. OXLEY, Mr. BAKER, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. LAFALCE, and Mr. FRANK.

#### ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

At 11:55 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled joint resolution:

H.J. Res. 74. A joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2002, and for other purposes.

The enrolled joint resolution was signed subsequently by the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD).

At 1:05 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. 3009. An act to extend the Andean Trade Preference Act, to grant additional trade benefits under that Act, and for other purposes.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 2269. An act to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to promote the provision of retirement investment advice to workers managing their retirement income assets; to the Committee on Finance.

H.R. 3009. An act to extend the Andean Trade Preference Act, to grant additional trade benefits under that Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

The following concurrent resolutions were read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 228. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that the children who lost one or both parents or a guardian in the September 11, 2001, World Trade Center and Pentagon tragedies (including the aircraft crash in Somerset County, Pennsylvania) should be provided with all necessary assistance, services and benefits and urging Federal, State, or local agencies responsible for providing such assistance, services and benefits to move expeditiously in providing such assistance, services, and benefits to those children; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H. Con. Res. 239. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that schools in the United States should set aside a sufficient period of time to allow children to pray for, or quietly reflect on behalf of, the Nation during this time of struggle against the forces of international terrorism; to the