

the local community; and establishing an ISS Supplier of the Year award to recognize and celebrate the exceptional accomplishments of suppliers.

Mr. Speaker, we have debated the merits of Space Station many times over on the floor of the House. Indeed, we continue to debate Station issues even today. But the Station is more than a collection of technical, cost, and schedule considerations, it is also the day-do-day work that is done by people like Russ Carroll who labor more often than not in relative obscurity, yet whose contributions to the success of this international undertaking are incalculable.

Congratulations, Russ Carroll. We hope to see you and The Boeing Company back in the winner's circle again next year.

NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT
WEEK

HON. JERRY F. COSTELLO

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 16, 2001

Mr. COSTELLO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of National Law Enforcement Week and the National Peace Officers Memorial Service, which was held today.

America's law enforcement officers are one of our most valuable resources. Almost one million individuals nationwide perform an incredibly important task as they put their lives in danger on a daily basis to protect and serve the people. As a former police officer, and the father to a former police officer, I know the inherent risk involved in the profession and salute these men and women for their efforts.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased that since 1993, the 12th District of Illinois has received funding for 286 new law enforcement officers under the COPS grant funding program. These additional officers have worked to increase the safety and well being of my constituents.

Last year 150 very devoted, brave officers from the ranks of state, local and federal service were killed in the line of duty—144 men, and 6 women were killed. The average age of those killed was 39 years, and with an average of 10 years in service.

In my state of Illinois three police officers died in the line of duty during 2000—At this time I would like to read their names into the record: Gregory M. Sears, Alane Stoffregen, and William Howard Warren. Their names will be etched on the memorial wall, and will join 4 other officers from Illinois already memorialized. In addition to those three officers, I would also like to read into the record the names of two fallen officers from the St. Louis, Missouri area, which is across the river from the district I represent. The officers are: Robert J. Stanze II, St. Louis Police Department, and Richard Eric Weinhold, St. Louis County.

I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting our fallen Peace Officers as well as honoring our courageous law enforcement officers. These men and women deserve this praise and recognition.

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

COMMEMORATING DEDICATION
AND SACRIFICES OF LAW EN-
FORCEMENT OFFICERS

SPEECH OF

HON. BENJAMIN A. GILMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2001

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to take this opportunity to recognize Police Memorial Week. It is a time when the citizens of our Nation join the families, friends, and colleagues of America's slain peace officers, to honor and remember their sacrifice.

On September 24, 1789, Congress created the first Federal law enforcement officer, the United States Marshal. Five years later, on January 11th, 1794, U.S. Marshal Robert Forsyth became the first officer in a long list of men and women who have given their lives to protect and serve the communities of their beloved nation. Since then, over 14,000 officers have died in the line of duty, including over 1,000 from the state of New York. The city of New York has lost more officers than any other department in the nation, with more than 500 deaths. These heroes must never be forgotten, and their sacrifice as a reminder that the price of a safer America, a nation based on law and order, is being paid for by the lives of our men and women in blue.

Earlier today, along with President Bush and attorney General Ashcroft, I had the opportunity to participate with the friends and families of our Nation's slain police officers at the 20th Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service outside the Capitol. This service reflects the loss which our Nation's communities have felt and echo our need to ensure that our nation's law enforcement community is provided the support and assistance necessary to protect our communities and our citizens.

Although our Nation's crime rate is at its lowest level in years, on the average, one law enforcement officer is killed somewhere in America nearly every other day. Over the past 10 years, America has lost one police officer every 54 hours; over 1,500 men and women. In the year 2000, 150 men and women who served our communities with the greatest honor, respect and dedication, gave their lives to protect our Nation's communities.

Accordingly, we honor Police Memorial Week, to remind us that when a police officer is killed, it is not a community that loses an officer, it is an entire nation. We hope and pray that the senseless murders and crimes against our Nation's bravest men and women will one day cease; until then we will do everything we can in order to remember and honor all of our law enforcement officers who have ever given their lives.

Let us take this opportunity to recite the names of those fallen heroes from New York, who, in the name of duty, gave their lives over the past year: Officer Raymond J. Curtis, Officer John M. Kelly, Officer T. Michael Kelly, Trooper Kenneth A. Poormon, and Officer David Alexander Regan. I would also like to pay tribute to New York City Police Officer Michael Buczek of Suffern who was brutally murdered in the line of duty in 1988. In March of this year we were able to secure the extra-

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dition of Pablo Almonte Telluberes, his accused killer, from the Dominican Republic after years of international negotiation. The return of this cop killer to face American justice is a tribute to the many law enforcement officials who pursued the case and refused to give up in the name of their fallen comrade. To Michael Buczek and all of our fallen officers, we express our nation's gratitude.

To our fallen men and women in blue, I pledge to you, that in your spirit, I will continue to fight for those laws that provide our Nation's peace officers with the tools needed to fulfill their mandate of making our communities a safer place in which to live.

I invite all Americans to visit the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington which is a fitting tribute to their dedicated service and sacrifice.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate on February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules committee—of the time, place, and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled, and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, May 17, 2001 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

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9 a.m.

Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings on the nomination of Erik Patrick Christian and the nomination of Maurice A. Ross, each to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

SD-342

9:30 a.m.

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine certain issues surrounding retiree health insurance.

SD-430

Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings to examine issues surrounding Amtrak.

SR-253

10 a.m.

Judiciary

Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information Subcommittee

To hold hearings to examine the challenges in cybercrime focusing on the National Infrastructure Protection Center.

SD-366