

work towards a better life for themselves and their families.

NOTE: Copies of the report were made available by the Office of the Press Secretary. An additional release of May 18 announced that the President proposed funding increases for homeless programs in cities across the country. A State-by-State breakdown of dollar amounts was also made available.

### **Nomination for United States Marshals**

*May 17, 1994*

The President today announced his intent to nominate Robert Henry McMichael as U.S. marshal for the Northern District of Georgia, John W. Caldwell as U.S. marshal for the Southern District of Georgia, Roy Allen Smith as U.S. marshal for the Southern District of Ohio, and David William Troutman as U.S. marshal for the Northern District of Ohio.

“I am pleased to nominate these individuals as U.S. marshals,” the President said. “They are well-qualified, and I am confident they will make a positive difference in our fight against crime.”

NOTE: Biographies of the nominees were made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

### **Appointment of Secretary of the American Battle Monuments Commission**

*May 17, 1994*

The President today announced the appointment of Joseph S. Laposata as Secretary of the American Battle Monuments Commission.

“I am happy to name Joseph Laposata as Secretary to the American Battle Monuments Commission,” the President said. “His career with the Armed Forces will provide the Commission with a wealth of experience that will certainly prove beneficial.”

NOTE: A biography of the appointee was made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

### **Remarks on Signing the Human Services Amendments of 1994**

*May 18, 1994*

Thank you so much. I think Dr. Johnson is a stronger statement for the merits of what has been done and what is about to be done than anything any of the rest of us can say. If every American child could grow up to be like him, we wouldn't even have more than half the conversations we have every day in this town. So I thank President Johnson and all those wise people, including the founders of Head Start who are here and the Members of Congress who were there then, for starting this program 29 years ago. I thank the Members of Congress here today for working together across party lines, across philosophical lines, across racial lines, across district lines, from the city and from rural areas, to make this dream real in our time and to make the improvements and the changes in the Head Start program that we ought to make. I'm glad that Jeanne Kendall was here from Kentucky to make her profession about the Head Start program. And she brought one of her children, too, who's down there, a fine young man. Stand up. I want him to—[applause]—see, he's done quite well—to remind us that children everywhere need this program.

Everybody knows that this is not just a national Federal program, not the kind of preconceived thing that people think when they think about the Federal Government, you know, “I'm from the Federal Government, and I'm here to help you.” [Laughter] This is not a program involving bureaucrats in Washington making decisions that individuals and families and teachers have to live by. This is a program that is built at the grassroots by families and teachers and communities.

I've often said that governments can't raise children, that people have to do that. But parents need help in a lot of places in this country today, just like they did 29 years ago. As I traveled America in 1992, I'd meet children in every corner of this country who would still be on the verge of showing up for school not knowing their colors, their shapes, their numbers, how to spell their