

signed into law. But Senator Kerry was a part of the far left bank, far left minority, that voted against that piece of legislation. I will always stand firm to protect the sanctity of marriage.

I believe it is important to work with people to find common ground on difficult issues. Republicans and Democrats, many citizens on both sides of the life issue, agreed we should ban the brutal practice of partial-birth abortion. But Senator Kerry was part of a far left minority that voted against the ban.

Audience members. Boo-o-o!

The President. He also voted against parental notification laws and voted against the Unborn Victims of Violence Act. I will continue to—

Audience members. Boo-o-o!

The President. I will continue to reach out to Americans of every belief and move this goodhearted Nation toward a culture of life.

My opponent has said that you can find the heart and soul of America in Hollywood. [*Laughter*] Most of us don't look to Hollywood as the source of values. The heart and soul of America is found right here in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania.

All these choices make this one of the most important elections in our history. The security and prosperity of our country, the health and education of our citizens, the retirement of our seniors, and the direction of our culture are all at stake. The decision is in the best hands because the decision belongs to the American people.

I believe in the future of this country. We see a great day for the American people. One of my favorite quotes was written by a Texan, a friend of ours. He said, "Sarah and I live on the east side of the mountain. It's the sunrise side, not the sunset side. It is the side that sees the day that is coming, not to see the day that is gone." My opponent has spent a lot of this campaign talking about the day that is gone. I see the day that's coming.

We've been through a lot together. We've been through a lot together in the last years. Because we've done the hard work of climbing that mountain, we see the valley below. We'll protect our families. We'll build on their prosperity. We'll defend our deepest

values. We will spread freedom and peace, and as we do, America will be safer here at home.

Four years ago, when I traveled your great State asking for the vote, I made a pledge that if you honored me with this office, I would uphold the honor and the dignity. With your help, I will do so for 4 more years.

Thanks for coming. On to victory! Thank you all. Thank you all.

NOTE: The President spoke at 10:30 a.m. at the Wachovia Arena at Casey Plaza. In his remarks, he referred to Charles Duelfer, Special Advisor to the Director of Central Intelligence; former President Saddam Hussein of Iraq; senior Al Qaida associate Abu Musab al Zarqawi; and Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi of Japan. He also referred to the "Comprehensive Report of the Special Advisor to the DCI on Iraq's WMD," issued September 30.

Digest of Other White House Announcements

The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

October 16

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Sunrise, FL.

Later in the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to West Palm Beach, FL, arriving in the afternoon. Later, they traveled to Daytona Beach, FL.

Later in the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the evening.

October 18

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Marlton, NJ, arriving in the afternoon.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to Boca Raton, FL, where, in the evening, he attended a Victory 2004 dinner

at a private residence.

Later in the evening, the President traveled to St. Pete Beach, FL.

The President declared a major disaster in Virginia and ordered Federal aid to supplement Commonwealth and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding from the remnants of Hurricane Jeanne beginning on September 27 and continuing.

October 19

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. He then traveled to St. Petersburg, FL. Later, he traveled to New Port Richey, FL.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to The Villages, FL. Later, he returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the evening.

October 20

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Mason City, IA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Matthew Meyer.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Rochester, MN, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Sister Chabanel Hayunga.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Eau Claire, WI, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Mick Jay Krueger.

Later in the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the evening.

October 21

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Then, in the Roosevelt Room, he participated in the signing ceremony for S. 2634, the Garrett Lee Smith Memorial Act. Later, he participated in interviews with the Hispanic television networks Univision and Telemundo for later broadcast.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Downingtown, PA, where, upon arrival in the afternoon, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Charlotte Huber. Later, at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, he met with Justin Cardinal Rigali, Archbishop of Philadelphia, PA.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to Hershey, PA. Later, he returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the evening.

October 22

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he traveled to Wilkes-Barre, PA, where, upon arrival, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Dolly Yunkunis.

Later in the morning, the President traveled to Canton, OH, where, upon arrival in the afternoon, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Dan Yeric. Later, he participated in a discussion on medical liability reform and health care at the Canton Palace Theatre.

Later in the afternoon, the President traveled to St. Petersburg, FL, where, in the evening, he attended a Victory 2004 dinner at a private residence. Later, he traveled to St. Pete Beach.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

NOTE: No nominations were submitted to the Senate during the period covered by this issue.

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

Released October 16

Statement by the Deputy Press Secretary announcing that the President signed S. 2292

Released October 17

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 982, H.R. 2408, H.R. 2771, H.R. 4115, H.R. 4259, and H.R. 5105