Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring),

SECTION 1. USE OF EMANCIPATION HALL FOR GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS CEREMONY IN HONOR OF FALLEN HEROES OF 9/11.

Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center is authorized to be used on September 10, 2014, for a ceremony to award Congressional Gold Medals in honor of the men and women who perished as a result of the terrorist attacks on the United States on September 11, 2001. Physical preparations for the conduct of the ceremony shall be carried out in accordance with such conditions as may be prescribed by the Architect of the Capitol.

NOTICE OF HEARING

PERMANENT SUBCOMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs has scheduled a hearing entitled, “Abuse of Structured Financial Products: Misusing Barrier Options to Avoid Taxes and Leverage Limits.” The subcommittee hearing will examine a set of transactions that utilize financial engineering and structured financial products to attempt to avoid paying U.S. taxes on short-term capital gains. Witnesses will include representatives of major financial institutions, as well as tax experts from a nonprofit institution and the U.S. Government Accountability Office. A witness list will be available at 4:15 p.m. on July 18, 2014.

The Subcommittee hearing has been scheduled for Tuesday, July 22, 2014, at 9:30 a.m., in Room 216 of the Hart Senate Office Building. For further information, please contact Elise Bean of the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations at 224-5605.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. NELSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Monday, July 14, 2014, at 3 p.m. in order to conduct a hearing to consider the nomination of Hon. James C. Miller III, Stephen Crawford, David M. Bennett, and Victoria Reggie Kennedy to be Governors, U.S. Postal Service.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Ms. HIRONO. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Kinnon McDonald, an intern in Senator Leahy’s office, be granted floor privileges for Tuesday, July 15, 2014.

Ms. HIRONO. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it adjourn under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 5:45 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, July 15, 2014, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

ALISIA M. STAEZAK, of New York, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army, Vice Brad Carson, Resigned.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

CHARLIE R. ALLEN, of Virginia, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of minister-counselor, to be ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Brunei Darussalam.

JAMES D. HARTLEY, of New York, to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Armenia.

RICHARD M. MILLA, of Texas, a career member of the Senior Foreign Service, class of counselor, to be ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Kingdom of Morocco.

BRAD CARSON, of Arizona, to be ambassador extraordinary and plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Russian Federation.

NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

SHARON BLOCK, of the District of Columbia, to be a member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring December 16, 2019, Vice Nancy Jean Schiffer, Term Expiring.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY


EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

ANNE E. BUNG, of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy, Vice Joseph G. Jordan, Resigned.

IN THE AIR FORCE

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be general

LT. GEN. LUKE J. ROBINSON

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be general

GEN. HERBERT J. CARLISLE

IN THE ARMY

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

LT. GEN. FREDDIE B. HOGGS

THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUAL FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 31:

To be lieutenant colonel

MAKAYA M. LEVIN

THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUAL FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 31:

To be major

DAVID R. VIZURAGA