

to meet during the session of the Senate on June 16, 2016, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

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

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND
ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Mr. VITTER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 16, 2016, at 11 a.m., in room 428A of the Russell Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing entitled "Keeping the American Dream Alive: The Challenge to Create Jobs Under the NLRB's New Joint employer Standard."

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

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. VITTER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 16, 2016, at 9 a.m., in room SH-216 of the Hart Senate Office Building.

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

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. COONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that two members of my staff, J Francis and Chelsea Moser, both from Wilmington, DE, be granted floor privileges for the remainder of this Congress.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection.

Mr. SASSE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Jason Bast, a Defense Legislative Fellow in the office of Senator COCHRAN be granted privileges of the floor for the remainder of the calendar year.

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

CONGRATULATING THE PITTSBURGH PENGUINS FOR WINNING THE 2016 STANLEY CUP HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP

Mr. SASSE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 499, submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 499) congratulating the Pittsburgh Penguins for winning the 2016 Stanley Cup hockey championship.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. SASSE. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 499) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

JUNETEENTH INDEPENDENCE DAY

Mr. SASSE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 500, submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 500) designating June 19, 2016, as "Juneteenth Independence Day" in recognition of June 19, 1865, the date on which slavery legally came to an end in the United States.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. SASSE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 500) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER
REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2016

Mr. SASSE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 465, S. 2808.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 2808) to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. SASSE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read a third time and passed, and the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

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

The bill (S. 2808) was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed, as follows:

S. 2808

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "John F. Kennedy Center Reauthorization Act of 2016".

SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

Section 13 of the John F. Kennedy Center Act (20 U.S.C. 76r) is amended by striking subsections (a) and (b) and inserting the following:

"(a) MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, AND SECURITY.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Board to carry out section 4(a)(1)(H)—

"(1) \$24,000,000 for fiscal year 2017;

"(2) \$25,000,000 for fiscal year 2018;

"(3) \$25,000,000 for fiscal year 2019; and

"(4) \$26,000,000 for fiscal year 2020.

"(b) CAPITAL PROJECTS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Board to carry out subparagraphs (F) and (G) of section 4(a)(1)—

"(1) \$13,000,000 for fiscal year 2017;

"(2) \$13,000,000 for fiscal year 2018;

"(3) \$14,000,000 for fiscal year 2019; and

"(4) \$14,000,000 for fiscal year 2020."

ORDERS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 17,
2016, AND MONDAY, JUNE 20, 2016

Mr. SASSE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 11 a.m., Friday, June 17, for a pro forma session only with no business being conducted; further, that when the Senate adjourns on Friday, June 17, it next convene at 3 p.m., Monday, June 20; that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; further, that following leader remarks, the Senate resume consideration of H.R. 2578; finally, that notwithstanding the provisions of rule XXII, the pending cloture motions ripen at 5:30 p.m., Monday.

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

ORDER FOR ADJOURNMENT

Mr. SASSE. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it stand adjourned under the previous order, following the remarks of Senator STABENOW and Senator CARPER.

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

Mr. SASSE. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. CARPER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SASSE). Without objection, it is so ordered.

REMEMBERING GEORGE
VOINOVICH

Mr. CARPER. Mr. President, I come here with a solemn message today, and I come here remembering a Republican colleague who served in this body for 12 years—George Voinovich.

George was a former Governor of Ohio and a former mayor of Cleveland. I think, in his time, he was county auditor. He was Lieutenant Governor, I believe, and mayor of Cleveland. He was the chairman of the National League of Cities. As a two-term Governor of Ohio, he was also chairman of

the National Governors Association. I had the privilege of serving as his vice chairman and, later on, as his successor, as the chairman of the NGA.

Then George came here. He was elected in 1998, and he took office here in the Senate in 1999. He served for two terms and is, I am sure, remembered by everybody who served with him as smart, kind, principled, hard-working, and straight-talking. He was everything an elected official should be and could be.

He and I went to Ohio State together but not at the same time. He was in law school and a year or two older than me. I was an undergraduate, and so I never got to know him at that point in time. But we shared a lot of bonds. I got to know his family well, his wife Janet. She and my wife Martha, as we were Governors together, were spouses together and were very good and close friends.

I liked George. You know sometimes when you meet someone and you just like them right away? I don't believe anybody in Ohio history ever won all 84 counties, and with something like almost two-thirds of the vote. He did that. That was in 2004. I think in 2006, I won every county in Delaware. We have three. He has 80 or so counties. I would joke with him: Well, we both won every county in our State. It was a little harder for him.

He impacted this place, as I think relatively few people do. We served together on the Environment and Public Works Committee. We served together on the committee that was initially called Governmental Affairs and later Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. He was one of the leaders in each of those committees.

George was one of those people who had the courage to keep out of step when everyone else was marching to the wrong tune. As a Republican, at a time when we had a Republican President—and by 2007 the war in Iraq was not going well—he very bravely, within his own caucus, called on President George W. Bush to begin a phased withdrawal of our troops. He basically said the Iraqis ought to be able to do a little more for themselves, fend for themselves. We will help them, but they should do more for themselves.

He was one who believed we needed to match revenues with expenditures, and he was a guy who really knew how to squeeze a dime. He was very fiscally very responsible. He was a big believer that States should be fiscally responsible—and cities. He became mayor of Cleveland when they were basically bankrupt. He helped guide them back to prosperity and helped to rekindle the economy there and helped to foster an extremely strong economy. That is how he won every single county in Ohio.

George was a guy who would actually vote against a tax break when he thought it wasn't fiscally responsible to do, if it would further erode our revenue base and enlarge our budget def-

icit. He was a very courageous—very courageous—elected official and someone you just liked.

You know sometimes you meet people and it is all about them? Well, it was never all about George. He was a guy who had every reason to be pompous and proud and everything, but he was not that way at all. How do I describe him? He had the heart of a servant. He understood that his job was to serve, not be served. He was humble, not haughty. He came from a humble background and never had a lot of money—he and his wife Janet—until the day he died.

George died in his sleep earlier this week, almost at the age of 80, just 2 days before my wife and I were supposed to have dinner with him and his wife here in Washington, and with other friends, to celebrate his impending 80th birthday.

I said earlier that George had the courage to keep out of step when everyone else was marching to the wrong tune. How do I say this? When faced with the dilemma of maybe voting with his caucus or voting with the President on something he just thought was wrong, he was amazingly brave. He would say: What is the right thing to do? I heard him say this more than a few times, as Governor, chairman of the National Governors Association, and here. He would say: What is the right thing to do? He wouldn't say: What is the easy thing to do? What is the expedient thing to do? But what is the right thing to do?

He was a person of deep faith. We have a Bible study group that meets here every Thursday, just upstairs, not far from this floor. There are about seven or eight of us, who, I like to say, need the most help. It is Democrats and Republicans. It is not just all one religion or the other. It is a meeting he came to just about every Thursday. He was a person of deep faith.

George felt that the most important rule of law for us to follow, regardless of what religion we were—whether Protestant or Catholic or Jewish or Muslim or Hindu or Buddhist—they all have some version of the golden rule. Even Confucius in China had something like the golden rule 2,500 years ago, which goes something like this: Don't do to others what you don't want to have done to you. But George was really the embodiment of the golden rule: Treat other people like you want to be treated.

He had a temper, but, frankly, he lost it when he should have. He lost it when he should have.

Today we had a roundtable, and the roundtable included someone from the Government Accountability Office. Every 2 years, as the Presiding Officer knows, GAO puts out a high-risk list. I describe it as high-risk ways of wasting taxpayer money. They lay out all these different things that should be done in agencies and that, if done, would not only provide better service for citizens of this country but also do so in a more cost-effective way.

George was always really interested in how we get better results with less money. He was always interested in that.

At this roundtable today, when we convened it, I said: Let's hold this roundtable today with the Government Accountability Office and with representatives from across the Federal Government who are working to get off GAO's high-risk list. In order to do that, you have to figure out how to address the concerns raised by GAO and their reviews of agency operations. We talked about some of the areas where Senator George Voinovich worked—in one case with Senator Danny Akaka from Hawaii—to address a number of areas of expenditures and practices that needed to be addressed.

Subsequent to the roundtable, I left there and came here to the Capitol Building and went to the office of the President pro tempore, Senator ORRIN HATCH, where he was signing a document relating to the adoption of legislation the Presiding Officer and I and others had worked on, which is focused on how we do a better job in this country when we transition from one administration—this President, the current administration, President Obama—to the next administration. How do we do that in a way that we just don't drop the ball and get further behind, stop making progress in particular areas, and undermine our national security? How do we transition in smarter ways?

That legislation has been named after two people—in honor of two people. One is Senator Ted Kaufman, who was JOE BIDEN's successor here. Ted was our Senator here for 2 years following Joe's departure to become Vice President and before CHRIS COONS was elected and joined us here in the Senate. During the 2 years Ted Kaufman was our Senator from Delaware, one of the pieces of legislation he offered was to make possible better transitions, more effective transitions, and smoother transitions from one administration to the other.

Another person who had thought about that a whole lot was a fellow named Mike Leavitt, former Governor of Utah and later a Cabinet Secretary in George W. Bush's administration, and a friend of mine. I succeeded George Voinovich as chairman of the National Governors Association, and Mike Leavitt was the vice chairman, and he then became the chairman. We were all very close friends and colleagues then and right up until George's death.

But we went over, literally, to the President pro tempore's office and signed the documentation. We had Senator Kaufman there, Governor Leavitt there, and we remembered George Voinovich, because when the first version of that legislation was passed, Ted Kaufman was the Democratic lead and George Voinovich was the Republican lead.

That is just one of dozens of examples where he provided leadership for

this country, as he did for Ohio in the roles he held there.

I really loved George Voinovich. I just loved the guy. I think when we think of leaders, sometimes people in leadership positions say to others: Do as I say. George actually said: Do as I do. He was a big believer in leading by example.

The other thing I loved and respected about him was that he was very tenacious. We have all met people who could have done something, gotten something done, and been somebody, and they gave up. They gave up. George never gave up. He was one of those people who, when he knew he was right and he was sure he was right, he never gave up.

Tomorrow, people from all over Ohio—actually from around the country—will gather in Cleveland not far from the home where George and Janet and their family were raised and where they lived for many years—where Janet still lives. It will be sad, but there will also be a sense of joy. There are probably not many good ways to die—but to die at the age of almost 80 and to die in your sleep without pain and suffering, and to have a legacy of wonderful children—children any of us would be proud to call our own—and a bunch of grandchildren—the same thing, whom any of us would be proud to call our own. That is a great legacy if you just stopped right there. But the legacy goes well beyond that in terms of the way Ohio is governed today by Governor John Kasich, who is another close friend.

John Kasich and I came to the House together in 1983, and I am delighted he has had the opportunity to serve as Governor there—a worthy successor to George Voinovich. Frankly, I might add—and I will probably get in trouble with my caucus for saying this—he would have been a great nominee for our friends in the Republican Party. But apparently that is not in the cards.

So I won't go on much further, but when people say bad things about elected officials or unkind things about elected officials, I think it is too bad they didn't know the Presiding Officer and they didn't know George Voinovich, because they wouldn't feel that way if they knew him or had any idea of his commitment and his dedication and his sacrifice and his leadership.

I will close with this. A fellow who used to serve here was a fellow named Alan Simpson. He was a Senator from Wyoming. We remembered him today because he was the coauthor of the Bowles-Simpson plan, the fiscally responsible deficit reduction plan of probably about 6 or 7 years ago. It was established by President Obama. It was a good roadmap then, and I still think it is a good roadmap today. Alan Simpson was the Republican part of that, in tandem with Erskine Bowles.

Alan Simpson used to say a lot of very funny things. He was probably as humorous as anybody who ever served here, but he also said some serious

things here too, and one of them reminds me of George Voinovich. Senator Alan Simpson used to talk about integrity, and he would say: Integrity—if you have it, nothing else matters. Integrity—if you don't have it, nothing else matters. Think about that. Integrity, if you have it, nothing else matters. Integrity, if you don't have it, nothing else matters. George Voinovich did not have a partisan bone in his body, but he had a world of integrity—just a world of integrity inside that body of his.

The other thing I would say, I like to think that as important as integrity is—and it is—the other thing that is as critically important for the success of any organization, whether it is a State or county or business or school, this body, the most important ingredient for the success of that entity, any of them, is leadership, principled leadership, committed leadership, enlightened leadership, and George Voinovich embodied those.

So to the people of Delaware who supported—not Delaware. Delaware is a little town just north of Columbus, OH. When I was a student at Ohio State, I used to think Delaware was a town just north of Columbus. I later found out it was a whole State. When I got out of the Navy, I moved there. They were good enough to let me serve in a couple different capacities, including here.

The people of Ohio were smart to elect him and smart to share him with us. We were just blessed that they did that, really blessed that they did that.

I felt the presence of George Voinovich today at our roundtable working on the issues he loved. I felt his presence at the signing ceremony in the President pro tempore's office, when we signed into law the transition legislation he originally cosponsored a number of years ago with Senator Ted Kaufman, and I feel his presence here today, and it is a good presence. While we mourn his loss and his death, we just appreciate so much his life.

9/11 MEMORIAL MUSEUM

Mr. CARPER. Mr. President, on a totally different subject, my wife and I had the opportunity to go to New York last Saturday. We were invited up by our oldest son to visit with him and his roommate. We visited the 9/11 Memorial Museum. For anybody who has a chance to go to New York City and visit that memorial, I urge that they do that. It was a walk back in time to 9/11 and the horrors of that day and the days and the weeks that followed, but out of that terrible disaster, our country came together.

Our country came together in rather remarkable ways. Instead of pointing fingers at each other, we decided to join hands and work together under the leadership of George W. Bush, and we created a 9/11 Commission, chaired by Republican Tom King of New Jersey and cochaired by Lee Hamilton, Congressman from Indiana, former chair of

the House Foreign Relations Committee. It was a bipartisan Commission. There were 9 or 11 people. They went to work. They had a great staff, and they worked for months to drill down on what went wrong, what led to 9/11—that catastrophe and how could it happen—and came up with a whole host of recommendations. I think there were about 40 recommendations. They were unanimous. They adopted them unanimously and gave them to us. They came before us and came before our committee, the Committee on Governmental Affairs, and we adopted about 80 percent of them pretty much unanimously. It was a time that rather than us being divided as a country, it was a time we came together on the heels of a terrible disaster.

When I look at the political back and forth that seems to flow out of the tragedy in Orlando and I compare that with what existed when we lost maybe 60 times as many lives 15 years ago, I would hope we would remember, as a people—I hope those of us who serve in this body and those who would like to lead our country will remember the words right over the Presiding Officer's head. I don't know a lot of Latin, but the Latin words inscribed over the chair where the Presiding Officer sits, “E pluribus unum,” from many, one. From many, one. We are strong when we are united, and we need to be united just as we were 15 years ago. We need to be united as a nation today. George Voinovich, if he were here, would remind us of that. Since he is not, I wanted to.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 11 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. CARPER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate adjourn under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:15 p.m., adjourned until Friday, June 17, 2016, at 11 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

KAMALA SHIRIN LAKHDHIR, OF CONNECTICUT, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO MALAYSIA.

ANDREW ROBERT YOUNG, OF CALIFORNIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO BURKINA FASO.

POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

MARK D. ACTON, OF KENTUCKY, TO BE A COMMISSIONER OF THE POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 14, 2022. (REAPPOINTMENT)

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SHIRLEY WOODWARD, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE INSPECTOR GENERAL, CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, VICE DAVID B. BUCKLEY, RESIGNED.

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT AS THE VICE CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE AIR FORCE AND 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., SECTIONS 8034 AND 601:

To be general

LT. GEN. STEPHEN W. WILSON