

Assembly has designated Neighbor Day for statewide observance, and the Westerly Town Council would like to see the tradition become nation-wide and ultimately worldwide.

I hope my colleagues will join me and keep the sentiments of the people of Westerly close to our hearts and minds always, but particularly, this year, on May 19—the day Westerly will celebrate Neighbor Day.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that resolution of the Westerly Town Council, urging local recognition of Neighbor Day, be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

TOWN OF WESTERLY—RESOLUTION

Whereas, the Town Council of the Town of Westerly, County of Washington and State of Rhode Island, adopted a resolution to celebrate Neighbor Day in May each year on the Sunday before Memorial Day weekend in the Town of Westerly;

Whereas, the Town of Westerly proudly displays the adopted Neighbor Day logo on the Town of Westerly Calendar each year on the Sunday before Memorial Day weekend and places a proclamation in the Town's archives for posterity; and

Whereas, through the effort of our local legislators, the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations passed legislation designating this special day to be observed in communities throughout the State: Now therefore, be it hereby

Resolved, That the Westerly Town Council with deepest respect for all our Rhode Island legislators and United States Congressmen that they unite with one heart in a collaborative effort to aid in the reintroduction of Neighbor Day as a national day and through our representative to the United Nations to introduce and pass a world-wide Neighbor Day to be celebrated the Sunday before Memorial Day weekend in May of 1996 and each year thereafter; and be it further

Resolved, That the Westerly Town Council, in an effort to help our Congressman, hereby submits petitions signed by many citizens of all ages in our community to be used solely for this purpose and presented in support of this worthwhile effort in the hopes that Neighbor Day will be recognized and celebrated throughout the world.

MAINTAINING THE MOMENTUM FOR PEACE IN NORTHERN IRELAND

Mr. PELL. Mr. President, earlier this week, the International Body chaired by the Honorable George Mitchell, the distinguished former Senate majority leader, issued its report regarding the Northern Ireland peace process. Specifically, the International Body was charged by the British and Irish Governments with examining the twin tracks in the peace process—namely the decommissioning of weapons and all-party talks.

As my colleagues are aware, the current sticking point in the peace process is the relationship between the decommissioning of weapons and the convening of all-party talks. The International Body has done an excellent job of reaching out to the various par-

ties to hear their views on this difficult matter, and of characterizing the opposing views on that issue. I would particularly like to commend my friend George Mitchell for the fine work he has done in this regard.

The report lays out a very balanced set of recommendations focusing on six principles. Among other things, it recommends that the parties to the conflict “affirm their total and absolute commitment” to democratic and exclusively peaceful means of resolving political issues, to the “total disarmament” of all paramilitary organizations, and that they renounce and oppose any effort to use force or threaten to use force to influence the all-party negotiations.

The report recognizes that “there is clear commitment” to decommission weapons as part of the process of all-party talks. It suggests that the parties consider decommissioning during, rather than before or after the process of all-party negotiations.

The report also includes a series of further confidence building measures that might be taken. On the question of elections, it suggests that “elections held in accordance with democratic principles express and reflect the popular will” and that “an elective process could contribute to the building of confidence.”

The report does not suggest, however, that elections proceed all-party talks. I know there is real concern among the various parties about the British Government's subsequent proposal that elections be held prior to all-party talks as such elections might further delay the process.

Perhaps most importantly, the report reminds us that “for nearly a year and half, the guns have been silent in Northern Ireland” and that “the people want that silence to continue.” For that to happen, there must be continued momentum in the peace process. The timely release of this report has gone a long way toward keeping the process moving. Delays at this juncture could scuttle the very real progress that has been made to date.

In establishing the International Body, Prime Minister Major and Prime Minister Bruton took decisive action to break the deadlock that had beset the negotiations. Let us hope that they, as well as all parties in Northern Ireland, will continue their courageous steps for peace.

TRIBUTE TO THE LATE COACH FRANK HOWARD

Mr. THURMOND. Mr. President, one of the most famous institutions of the South is college football. For decades, southern colleges and universities have produced powerhouse teams that dominate bowl games and yield some of the most talented players that are to be found among professional football clubs. Without question, the Clemson University Tigers is one of the grand old teams of southern football, and

Frank Howard was the man who became synonymous not only with Clemson football, but with Clemson athletics. It is with great sadness that I rise today to mark his passing, and to pay tribute to him as a coach, a role model, a man, and a friend.

Frank Howard dedicated his life to Clemson University and its football program. He loved that school so much, that after he retired from coaching, he remained in South Carolina and continued to be an important part of Clemson University campus life. Not only did Frank attend virtually every Tiger home game, he maintained an office in the Jervy Athletic Center and was affectionately, and appropriately, given the title of “Legend.” During his career, Frank amassed one of the most impressive victory records in college football, fielding winning teams year after year, and capturing several Atlantic Coast Conference championships. In addition to his skills as a coach, Frank was a gifted recruiter, and that combination ensured that Clemson always had a team of enthusiastic, talented, and well coached players. Countless individual and team records were set by Clemson players during Frank's three-decade tenure at the University, and many of his players went on to become some of the most respected individuals to take to the gridiron in the National Football League.

Frank was the first to admit that there was no secret to how he won football games: he believed in playing aggressive football. As he said time and time again, “Blocking and tackling wins games.” While Frank stood for little nonsense as a coach, as some thought him gruff, he was a man who truly loved his players and set an example for them to be individuals who not only truly loved his players and set an example for them to be individuals who not only had a commitment to winning, but to good sportsmanship as well. As any coach would be, Frank was proud of his players who went on to play professional football, and believe me Mr. President, there was no shortage of such individuals. Through the years, Tigers have played on probably every team in both the American and National Football Conferences. What separated Frank from many other coaches is that he was equally proud of his players who never made the roster of a pro team, but who contributed to the growth and success of South Carolina. Frank was always quick and pleased to note that many of his former players went on to become influential and respected leaders in professions as diverse as the law, medicine, business, academics, and religion. No doubt, their accomplishments are in large part attributable to the influence that Frank Howard had on them while they were young men.

Mr. President, Frank Howard was once quoted as saying,

When I die I want to be buried up there on that hill near the stadium. I want to be there