

of a veto by the President have been dropped.

I commend Senate MURKOWSKI for his efforts to accommodate the interests of so many colleagues and greatly appreciate his work to restore my version of the Blackstone Reauthorization bill. I know the House fought hard to replace my bill with the House Resources Committee proposal which would have authorized a lesser appropriation and would have extended the life of the commission for 5 years only. This would not have given the commission enough time to complete its work.

Mr. LOTT addressed the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The majority leader.

SALUTING THE SERVICE OF JOHN L. DONEY

Mr. LOTT. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 312, submitted earlier today by myself.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 312) saluting the service of John L. Doney.

Whereas, John L. Doney has served the United States Senate since September 1980;

Whereas, Mr. Doney has during his Senate career served in the capacities of staff assistant to Senator Bill Roth, Senate Post Office clerk, Republican Cloakroom assistant, assistant secretary to the minority, culminating in his appointment as assistant secretary to the majority;

Whereas, throughout his Senate career Mr. Doney has been a reliable source of advice to Senators and staff alike;

Whereas, Mr. Doney's more than 16 years of service have been characterized by infinite patience, unflinching good humor, and a deep sense of respect for this institution; therefore be it *Resolved*, That the Senate salutes John L. Doney for his career of public service to the United States Senate and its Members.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the resolution?

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

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any further statements relating to the resolution appear at the appropriate place in the RECORD.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 312) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

THE RETIREMENT OF JEANIE BOWLES, SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 313 that I submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 313) relating to the retirement of Jeanie Bowles, Superintendent of Documents, United States Senate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the resolution?

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

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, I want to congratulate Jeanie Bowles, Superintendent of Documents, upon her retirement and thank her for her 26 years of service to the U.S. Senate.

Jeanie Bowles has been a familiar, friendly face in the Senate, and we have all benefited from our association with her. As the resolution states, she has "discharged her responsibilities with efficiency, devotion, and grace." We will miss her and wish her well upon her retirement.

Mr. LOTT. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating thereto be printed in the RECORD at the appropriate place.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 313) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, is as follows:

Whereas the Senate has been advised of the retirement of its Superintendent of Documents, Ms. Jeanie Bowles;

Whereas Jeanie Bowles became an employee of the Senate of the United States on January 3, 1971, and since that date has ably and faithfully upheld the high standards and traditions of the staff of the Senate of the United States for a period that included thirteen Congresses;

Whereas Jeanie Bowles has served with distinction as Assistant Editor in the Office of the Official Reporters, which position she was appointed to February 2, 1981;

Whereas Jeanie Bowles has served with distinction as Superintendent of Documents, which position she has held since June 16, 1986;

Whereas Jeanie Bowles has discharged her responsibilities with efficiency, devotion, and grace, in particular dedicating her Senate service to the advancement of young people:

Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of the United States commends Jeanie Bowles for her exemplary service to the Senate and the Nation; wishes to express its deep gratitude and appreciation for her long, faithful, and outstanding service; and extends its best wishes upon her retirement.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Senate shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Jeanie Bowles.

AUTHORITY TO MAKE CERTAIN APPOINTMENTS AFTER SINE DIE ADJOURNMENT

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I send to the desk a resolution and ask for its immediate consideration authorizing certain appointments to be made after adjournment sine die.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 314) authorizing the President of the Senate, the President of the Senate pro tempore, and the majority and minority leaders, to make certain appointments after the sine die adjournment.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the resolution?

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

Mr. LOTT. I ask unanimous consent the resolution be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 314) was agreed to, as follows:

Resolved, That notwithstanding the sine die adjournment of the present session of the Congress, the President of the Senate, the President of the Senate pro tempore, the Majority Leader of the Senate, and the Minority Leader of the Senate be, and they are hereby, authorized to make appointments to commissions, committee, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate.

NOTIFICATION TO THE PRESIDENT CONCERNING THE PROPOSED ADJOURNMENT OF THE SESSION

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I send to the desk a resolution and ask for its immediate consideration regarding a committee to notify the President concerning the proposed adjournment of the session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 315) appointing a committee to notify the President concerning the proposed adjournment of the session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the resolution?

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

Mr. LOTT. I ask unanimous consent the resolution be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 315) was agreed to, as follows:

Resolved, That a committee of two Senators be appointed by the Presiding Officer to join a similar committee of the House of Representatives to notify the President of the United States that the two Houses have completed their business of the session and are ready to adjourn unless he has some further communication to make to them.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Pursuant to the resolution just adopted, the Chair appoints the majority and minority leaders as members of the committee to inform the President of the United States that the two Houses have completed their business of the session and are ready to adjourn unless he has some further communication to make to them.