

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

The message further announced that the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. LATOURETTE) has signed the following enrolled joint resolution:

H.J. Res. 101. Joint resolution making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1998, and for other purposes.

The enrolled joint resolution was signed subsequently by the Acting President pro tempore [Mr. ROBERTS].

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent and referred as indicated:

H.R. 967. An act to prohibit the use of United States funds to provide for the participation of certain Chinese officials in international conferences, programs, and activities and to provide that certain Chinese officials shall be ineligible to receive visas and excluded from admission to the United States; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 2358. An act to provide for improved monitoring of human rights violations in the People's Republic of China; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 2386. An act to implement the provisions of the Taiwan Relations Act concerning the stability and security of Taiwan and United States cooperation with Taiwan on the development and acquisition of defensive military articles; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 2570. An act to condemn those officials of the Chinese Communist Party, the Government of the People's Republic of China, and other persons who are involved in the enforcement of forced abortions by preventing such persons from entering or remaining in the United States; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 2605. An act to require the United States to oppose the making of concessional loan by international financial institutions to any entity in the People's Republic of China; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

H.R. 2366. A bill to transfer to the Secretary of Agriculture the authority to conduct the census of agriculture, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 105-141).

By Mr. CHAFEE, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with an amendment:

S. 1287. A bill to assist in the conservation of Asian elephants by supporting and providing financial resources for the conservation programs of nations within the range of Asian elephants and projects of persons with demonstrated expertise in the conservation of Asian elephants (Rept. No. 105-142).

By Mr. MCCAIN, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 1115. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to improve one-call notification process, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 105-143).

By Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 222. A bill to establish an advisory commission to provide advice and recommenda-

tions on the creation of an integrated, coordinated Federal policy designed to prepare for and respond to serious drought emergencies (Rept. No. 105-144).

By Mr. CHAFEE, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

H.R. 1787. A bill to assist in the conservation of Asian elephants by supporting and providing financial resources for the conservation programs of nations within the range of Asian elephants and projects of persons with demonstrated expertise in the conservation of Asian elephants.

By Mr. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

S. 845. A bill to transfer to the Secretary of Agriculture the authority to conduct the census of agriculture, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. SHELBY, from the Select Committee on Intelligence:

Robert M. McNamara, Jr., of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency.

(The above nomination was reported with the recommendation that he be confirmed.)

By Mr. THURMOND, from the Committee on Armed Services:

Robert M. Walker, of Tennessee, to be Under Secretary of the Army.

Jerry MacArthur Hultin, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of the Navy.

F. Whitten Peters, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of the Air Force.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed, subject to the nominees' commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.)

The following Air National Guard of the U.S. officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Air Force, to the grade indicated under title 10, United States Code, section 12203:

To be brigadier general

Col. Ronald A. Turner, 0000

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

To be general

Lt. Gen. John P. Jumper, 0000

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

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Frank B. Campbell, 0000

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

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. David W. McIlvoy, 0000

The following-named officer for appointment in the U.S. Air Force to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of impor-

tance and responsibility under title 10, United States Code, section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Lansford E. Trapp, Jr., 0000

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

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. David J. McCloud, 0000

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

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Patrick K. Gamble, 0000

The following Army National Guard of the United States officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, United States Code, section 12203:

To be brigadier general

Col. Howard L. Goodwin, 0000

The following-named officers for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grades indicated under title 10, United States Code, section 12203:

To be major general

Brig. Gen. David R. Bockel, 0000
Brig. Gen. James G. Browder, Jr., 0000
Brig. Gen. Melvin R. Johnson, 0000
Brig. Gen. J. Craig Larson, 0000
Brig. Gen. Rodney D. Ruddock, 0000

To be brigadier general

Col. Celia L. Adolphi, 0000
Col. Donna F. Barbish, 0000
Col. Emile P. Bataille, 0000
Col. Joel G. Blanchette, 0000
Col. George F. Bowman, 0000
Col. Gary R. DiLallo, 0000
Col. Douglas O. Dollar, 0000
Col. Russell A. Eggers, 0000
Col. Sam E. Gibson, 0000
Col. Fred S. Haddad, 0000
Col. Karol A. Kennedy, 0000
Col. Dennis E. Klein, 0000
Col. Duane L. May, 0000
Col. Robert S. Silverthorn, Jr., 0000
Col. James T. Spivey, Jr., 0000
Col. William B. Watson, Jr., 0000
Col. Charles E. Wilson, 0000

The following-named officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, United States Code, section 12203:

To be brigadier general

Col. David R. Irvine, 0000.

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

To be vice admiral

Vice Adm. William J. Fallon, 0000

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendations that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. HELMS (for himself, Mr. GLENN, Mr. DEWINE, and Mr. FAIRCLOTH):

S. 1397. A bill to establish a commission to assist in commemoration of the centennial of powered flight and the achievements of the Wright brothers; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. THOMAS (for himself, Mr. KERREY, Mr. ENZI, and Mr. HAGEL):

S. 1398. A bill to extend certain contracts between the Bureau of Reclamation and irrigation water contractors in Wyoming and Nebraska that receive water from Glendo Reservoir; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BOND:

S. 1399. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Army to carry out a project to protect and enhance fish and wildlife habitat of the Missouri River and the middle Mississippi River; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. BOND (for himself, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. WARNER, Mr. BAUCUS, and Mr. D'AMATO):

S. 1400. A bill to provide a 6-month extension of highway, highway safety, and transit programs pending enactment of a law reauthorizing the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. BUMPERS (for himself and Mr. GORTON):

S. 1401. A bill to provide for the transition to competition among electric energy suppliers for the benefit and protection of consumers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. MURKOWSKI:

S. 1402. A bill to amend the Social Security Act to establish a community health aide program for Alaskan communities that do not qualify for the Community Health Aide Program for Alaska operated through the Indian Health Service; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1403. A bill to amend the National Historic Preservation Act for purposes of establishing a national historic lighthouse preservation program; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BROWNBACK (for himself, Mr. MOYNIHAN, Mr. THOMPSON, and Mr. KERREY):

S. 1404. A bill to establish a Federal Commission on Statistical Policy to study the reorganization of the Federal statistical system, to provide uniform safeguards for the confidentiality of information acquired for exclusively statistical purposes, and to improve the efficiency of Federal statistical programs and the quality of Federal statistics by permitting limited sharing of records among designated agencies for statistical purposes under strong safeguards; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. SHELBY (for himself, Mr. MACK, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, Mr. D'AMATO, Mr. BRYAN, Mr. GRAMS, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. GRAMM, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. ENZI, and Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN):

S. 1405. A bill to provide for improved monetary policy and regulatory reform in financial institution management and activities, to streamline financial regulatory agency actions, to provide for improved consumer credit disclosure, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. SMITH of Oregon:

S. 1406. A bill to amend section 2301 of title 38, United States Code, to provide for the furnishing of burial flags on behalf of certain deceased members and former members of the Selected Reserve; to the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

By Mr. BURNS:

S. 1407. A bill to allow participation by the communities surrounding Yellowstone Na-

tional Park in decisions affecting the park, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. D'AMATO (for himself and Mr. MOYNIHAN):

S. 1408. A bill to establish the Lower East Side Tenement National Historic Site, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. THOMPSON, and Mr. BENNETT):

S. 1409. A bill for the relief of Sheila Heslin of Bethesda, Maryland; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REED:

S. 1410. A bill to amend section 258 of the Communications Act of 1934 to enhance the protections against unauthorized changes in subscriber selections of telephone service providers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. MACK (for himself, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. SANTORUM, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. D'AMATO, Mr. SMITH of Oregon, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. DODD, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. WELLSTONE):

S. 1411. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to disallow a Federal income tax deduction for payments to the Federal Government or any State or local government in connection with any tobacco litigation or settlement and to use any increased Federal revenues to promote public health; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SMITH of Oregon (for himself, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. BAUCUS, and Mr. GORTON):

S. 1412. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit certain tax free corporate liquidations into a 501(c)(3) organization and to revise the unrelated business income tax rules regarding receipt of debt-financed property in such a liquidation; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. GRAMS, Mr. KERREY, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. CHAFEE):

S. 1413. A bill to provide a framework for consideration by the legislative and executive branches of unilateral economic sanctions; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. BREAUX, and Mr. GORTON):

S. 1414. A bill to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. BREAUX, and Mr. GORTON):

S. 1415. A bill to reform and restructure the processes by which tobacco products are manufactured, marketed, and distributed, to prevent the use of tobacco products by minors, to redress the adverse health effects of tobacco use, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. McCONNELL:

S. 1416. A bill to amend Federal election laws to repeal the public financing of national political party conventions and Presidential elections and spending limits on Presidential election campaigns, to repeal the limits on coordinated expenditures by political parties, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DOMENICI (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Mr. LOTT):

S. 1417. A bill to provide for the design, construction, furnishing and equipping of a

Center for Performing Arts within the complex known as the New Mexico Hispanic Cultural Center and for other purposes; considered and passed.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. CRAIG, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 1418. A bill to promote the research, identification, assessment, exploration, and development of methane hydrate resources, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. MACK:

S. 1419. A bill to deem the activities of the Miccosukee Tribe on the Tamiami Indian Reserve to be consistent with the purposes of the Everglades National Park, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. KYL):

S. 1420. A bill to amend the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 to provide for full reimbursement of States and localities for costs related to providing emergency medical treatment to individuals injured while entering the United States illegally; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. 1421. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide additional support for and to expand clinical research programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. BURNS, Mr. CONRAD, and Mr. DORGAN):

S. 1422. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to promote competition in the market for delivery of multichannel video programming and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HAGEL (for himself, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. KERREY, and Mr. GRAMS):

S. 1423. A bill to modernize and improve the Federal Home Loan Bank System; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. MURKOWSKI (for himself, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. STEVENS, and Mr. INOUE):

S. 1424. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the air transportation tax changes made by the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BURNS:

S. 1425. A bill to provide for the preservation and sustainability of the family farm through the transfer of responsibility for operation and maintenance of the Flathead Indian Irrigation Project, Montana; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG:

S. 1426. A bill to encourage beneficiary developing countries to provide adequate protection of intellectual property rights, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. FORD:

S. 1427. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require the Federal Communications Commission to preserve lowpower television stations that provide community broadcasting, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself, Mr. MACK, and Mr. BUMPERS):

S. 1428. A bill to waive time limitations specified by law in order to allow the Medal of Honor to be awarded to be awarded to Robert R. Ingram of Jacksonville, Florida, for acts of valor while a Navy Hospital Corpsman in the Republic of Vietnam during

the Vietnam conflict; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself, Mr. BURNS, and Mr. DORGAN):

S. 1429. A bill to enhance rail competition and to ensure reasonable rail rates in any case in which there is an absence of effective competition; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HELMS:

S. 1430. A bill to suspend from January 1, 1998, until December 31, 2002, the duty on SE2SI Spray Granulated (HOE S 4291); to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1431. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on a certain chemical; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1432. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on a certain chemical; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1433. A bill to suspend temporarily on a certain chemical; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1434. A bill to suspend until January 1, 2001, the duty on a certain chemical; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1435. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on a certain chemical; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1436. A bill to suspend until January 1, 2001, the duty on a chemical; to the Committee on Finance.

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S. 1451. A bill to suspend until January 1, 2001, the duty on a chemical; to the Committee on Finance.

S. 1452. A bill to suspend until January 1, 2001, the duty on a chemical; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. DODD:

S. 1453. A bill to establish a Commission on Fairness in the Workplace, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. BOND (for himself, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. WARNER, Mr. BAUCUS, and Mr. D'AMATO):

S. 1454. A bill to provide a 6-month extension of highway, highway safety, and transit programs pending enactment of a law reauthorizing the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991; considered and passed.

By Mr. CHAFEE (for himself and Mr. REED):

S. 1455. A bill to provide financial assistance for the relocation and expansion of Haffenreffer Museum of Anthropology, Providence, Rhode Island; considered and passed.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself and Mr. BURNS):

S. 1456. A bill to authorize an interpretive center at Fort Peck Dam, Montana; considered and passed.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. SPECTER (for himself and Mr. BYRD):

S. Res. 146. A resolution establishing an advisory role for the Senate in the selection of Supreme Court Justices; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LOTT (for himself and Mr. DASCHLE):

S. Res. 147. A resolution to authorize testimony, production of documents, and representation in First American Corp., et al. v. Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al-Nahyan, et al; considered and agreed to.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. HELMS (for himself, Mr. GLENN, Mr. DEWINE, and Mr. FAIRCLOTH):

S. 1397. A bill to establish a commission to assist in commemoration of the centennial of powered flight and the achievements of the Wright brothers; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

THE CENTENNIAL OF FLIGHT COMMEMORATIVE ACT

Mr. HELMS. Madam President, I have a bill, S. 1397, at the desk. Now, Senators DEWINE, FAIRCLOTH, GLENN, and I are introducing this legislation, and we are naming it the Centennial of Flight Commemorative Act. As I indicated, the bill number is S. 1397.

This significant legislation will establish a commission to assist the numerous events that will lead up to and include the celebration of the 100th anniversary of powered flight, a feat in all the history books, accomplished in my State of North Carolina by the geniuses, two brothers, Orville and Wilbur Wright, Ohio brothers who were born and raised in Dayton where they operated a bicycle shop.

I don't know whether you have been to Kitty Hawk, particularly in the middle of December, but it is not a comfortable place to be. Wilbur and Orville came to the Outer Banks of North Carolina to conduct their experiments. The first powered flight occurred at Kitty Hawk, NC, on December 17, 1903. In fact, the Wright brothers engaged in four flights that day, and with their effort they changed the concept of travel forever.

About noon on that cold and windy December day, at Kitty Hawk, NC, the aviation age, the air age, began.

So, Madam President, the Wright brothers were indisputably the first pioneers of powered flight, and they became national heroes, justifiably etched in history.

As for our bill, S. 1397, the able Senator from Ohio, Mr. DEWINE, and the able Senator from Ohio, Mr. GLENN, did excellent work in drafting this legislation.

Senator GLENN, I am obliged to mention, and I am glad to do so, is a man of history himself in terms of powered flight. He was the first American, as all of us know, to orbit the Earth. When he walks up and down the corridors, I see mamas and daddies pointing to him saying, "That's Senator GLENN." Senator GLENN and six other pioneers, the Mercury astronauts, got America's space program off the ground.

Madam President, S. 1397—let me say the title again so it will register—the Centennial of Flight Commemorative Act—proposes the establishment of a commission of 21 individuals to plan for and assist in events leading up to and including the commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the Wright brothers' flights at Kitty Hawk. The commission will be composed of the Secretary of the Interior, the Director of the National Air and Space Museum, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of Transportation, the NASA Administrator, and each of these officials can name a designee. Then there will be two representatives each from the States of North Carolina and Ohio and 12 other private citizens.

Of these 12 private citizens, the President of the United States will appoint two from a list recommended by the Senate majority leader in consultation with the Senate minority leader, and two from a list recommended by the Speaker of the House in consultation with the House minority leader. The remaining eight will be chosen based on qualifications and/or experience in the fields of history, aerospace, science, industry, or other professions that will enhance the work of the commission.

The commission will represent the United States and take a leadership role with other nations in recognizing the achievement of the Wright brothers and the importance of aviation history.

The commission's activities will be closely coordinated with the First Flight Centennial Commission and the First Flight Centennial Foundation of North Carolina and the 2003 Committee of the State of Ohio. The commission is allowed to retain an executive director and staff that may be required in order to carry out its functions.

S. 1397 authorizes appropriations of \$250,000 for each of the fiscal years 1998 to 2004 to fund the work of the commission.

Additionally, the commission may accept monetary contributions and other in kind contributions, volunteer