

Matthew H. Mead, District of Wyoming,

Michael Mosman, District of Oregon,  
John Suthers, District of Colorado.

#### II. Resolutions:

S.J. Res. 18—A joint resolution memorializing fallen firefighters by lowering the United States flag to half-staff on the day of the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

S. Con. Res. 74—A concurrent resolution condemning bigotry and violence against Sikh-Americans in the wake of terrorist attacks in New York City and Washington, D.C. on September 11, 2001.

S. Res. 164—A resolution designating October 19, 2001, as “National Mammography Day.”

S. Res. 166—“National Childhood Lead Poisoning Week.”

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

#### COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a nominations hearing on Thursday, October 4, 2001, at 2:00 p.m. in Dirksen Room 226.

#### TENTATIVE WITNESS LIST

Panel I: Senator Don Nickles (R-OK), Senator James M. Inhofe (R-OK), and Senator Mary Landrieu (D-LA).

Panel II: Edith Brown Clement to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit.

Panel III: Karen K. Caldwell to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky; Laurie Smith Camp to be United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska; Claire V. Eagan to be United States District Judge of the Northern District of Oklahoma; and James H. Payne to be United States District Judge for the Northern, Eastern and Western Districts of Kentucky.

Panel IV: Jay S. Bybee to be Assistant Attorney General for the Office of Legal Counsel.

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

#### SUBCOMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation of the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, October 4, 2001, to conduct an oversight hearing on “Transit Safety in the Wake of September 11.”

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

#### AUTHORITY FOR INTRODUCTION OF COUNTERTERRORISM BILL

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate today it be in order for a bipartisan counterterrorism bill to be introduced today by Senators DASCHLE and LOTT

and others and that it be considered as having had its first reading, with an objection to the second reading.

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

#### CONGRATULATING AND HONORING BALTIMORE ORIOLE CAL RIPKEN, JR.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Judiciary Committee be discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 168, submitted earlier today by Senators SARBANES and MIKULSKI, and that the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 168) congratulating and honoring Cal Ripken, Jr., for his amazing and storybook career as a player for the Baltimore Orioles and thanking him for his contributions to baseball, the State of Maryland, and the United States.

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

Mr. SARBANES. Mr. President, I submitted S. Res. 168 with my colleague, Senator MIKULSKI, honoring Cal Ripken, Jr.

On Saturday October 6, 2001, at Oriole Park at Camden Yards, not far from my home in Baltimore, Cal Ripken, Jr. will play in his final baseball game. Cal Ripken's career will have spanned 21 seasons in the major leagues, every one of them with the Baltimore Orioles. In fact, beginning with Cal's father, Cal Ripken, Sr., there has been a Ripken in the Orioles organization for 45 consecutive years. Over the past 21 years, Cal Ripken, Jr. has built what will be a lasting legacy not only as one of the greatest players in the history of professional baseball, but as a true ambassador of the game and a shining example of sportsmanship, character, and the American work ethic.

An entire generation was born and grew up watching Cal Ripken play baseball every day the right way. Many of my constituents in Maryland have rooted for the Orioles knowing beyond a shadow of a doubt that Cal Ripken would be playing, first at Memorial Stadium and then later at Camden Yards, and that they would be able to see Cal give that one game everything that he had. Not only will the city of Baltimore miss Cal's number 8 on the left-side of the infield and in the heart of the line-up, but all residents of Maryland, and millions of Americans, from die-hard baseball fans, to those who have only seen one game, will always associate the Baltimore Orioles with their legendary shortstop, Cal Ripken.

Cal Ripken's achievements on the field of play are legendary: Ripken is one of only seven players in history to record both 400 home runs and 3,000 hits and along with fellow Oriole, long-time teammate, and good friend, Eddie Murray, they are the only infielders to

accomplish this feat. Simply put, Cal redefined the position of shortstop in every respect: offense, defense, durability, consistency, and popularity.

Listing all of Cal's baseball accomplishments could go on forever, but there is one record for which he is best known, and that in Maryland is simply referred to as “The Streak.” For 17 straight years, Ripken played in every single game on the Baltimore Orioles' schedule, never succumbing to injury or weakness, always willing to do his best to help the Orioles over an amazing 2,632 consecutive games. It is this consistency and work ethic that has so endeared him to the American public, and was so stirringly celebrated on the evening of September 6, 1995, the day that he played his 2,131st consecutive game, surpassing the record set by the “Iron Horse,” Hall-of-Famer Lou Gehrig. I will repeat what I said on this very floor on September 7, 1995: throughout both “The Streak” and the rest of Cal's storybook career, Cal played baseball for one reason and one reason only: because he loves the game. And, Cal, the game loves you.

When Cal was approaching Mr. Gehrig's record in 1995, it was a turbulent time in the history of Major League Baseball; the sport was trying to recover from the damage done by a players' strike in the 1994 season that canceled the World Series for the first time in history. There was a breach of trust between the sport and its fans, but there is no doubt in anyone's mind that Cal Ripken's journey toward this great record was a focus point in the healing process that ultimately restored much of the good will lost for America's pastime.

Ripken, over the course of 21 consecutive seasons, spent hours before and after games signing autographs for countless fans. There were jokes in the Baltimore clubhouse that if anything were to end “The Streak,” it would be an injury to his right hand from signing too many autographs. But it is this willingness to go the extra mile, to not treat his fame and influence as a burden but to welcome his responsibility to the public, particularly to children, as a role model that distinguishes Cal Ripken from even the greatest athletes and enables him to transcend his sport.

Unlike so many of our modern athletes, Cal Ripken embraced his status as a role model. With his wife Kelly by his side, the Ripkens engaged in charity work ranging from literacy programs to fighting Lou Gehrig's disease, as well as working tirelessly to promote the game of baseball to all children, especially those that are disadvantaged. Fittingly, one of the many tasks that Cal will devote himself to in his retirement is the Cal Ripken Little League Division of Babe Ruth Baseball, which has over 700,000 children learning the fundamentals of baseball. Another project that Cal will be working on is that of building Inspiration Field in his home community of Harford County, Maryland. Cal has always been devoted