

Texas is honored to have as the keynote speaker former President George Bush. As the youngest pilot to fly in the Navy during World War II, Lieutenant Junior Grade George Bush flew TBM Avengers in combat off the aircraft carrier U.S.S. *San Jacinto*.

Sunday, December 7, 1941 will forever live as an infamous day in our Nation's history. But the response of the men and women we will honor on December 7, 2001 to the surprise attack will also forever be ingrained in the memory of America. Their bravery and heroism in the face of mortal danger, and their continuous determination to fight for the existence of freedom in the world shaped our Nation and, indeed, the world. To the men and women of Pearl Harbor we can only say thank you. Thank you for preserving the tenants on which this country was founded, thank you for risking your lives so that those who lived after you could enjoy the same freedom and democracy that you knew, and thank you for being at this commemorative ceremony so that we may show you our appreciation and admiration.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

WHITE KNOLL STUDENTS BUY NEW YORK CITY A NEW FIRE TRUCK

• Mr. HOLLINGS. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize White Knoll Middle School in Lexington, South Carolina for their wonderful donation of a fire truck for the New York City Fire Department.

You might ask why, Mr. President, would Lexington, South Carolina be interested in purchasing a fire truck for New York City. In 1867, after fire from the Civil War devastated our state capital of Columbia located just across the county line from Lexington, a group of New York City firefighters raised money to buy Columbia a new fire truck, known then as a hose reel wagon. Because the hose reel wagon was so much more effective in putting out fires than the bucket brigade, Columbia officials pledged to return the favor some day.

With the devastation in New York City and the loss of dozens of rescue vehicles in the September 11th attacks, the students of White Knoll learned of the all but forgotten pledge and decided to take matters into their own hands. They started raising money by selling patriotic buttons, T-shirts, and baked goods. They also solicited help from area businesses. The students' goal of \$354,000 was the minimum needed to purchase a new fire truck without any additional equipment.

Four students were selected to take the two day trip to New York City to award Mayor Rudolph Giuliani with an oversized check with the amount of \$354,411. Thomas Dunn, Maurice Hallman, Staci Smith, and Leigh Tyson also rode in the Macy's Thanksgiving

Day Parade with Mayor Giuliani and Yankees manager Joe Torre.

South Carolina and New York have been reunited by generosity in the midst of tragedy. I commend all the students at White Knoll Middle School for their inspiring community service and hard work.●

HONORING WILMINGTON ROTARY FOR PEACE CENTER INITIATIVE

• Mr. BIDEN. Mr. President, it is with tremendous pride that I rise today to salute the Rotary Club of Wilmington, DE, for its leadership in the worldwide initiative of Rotary International to establish eight Centers for International Studies in Peace and Conflict Resolution.

Recently, the Chairman of the International Rotary Foundation, Luis Giay, visited Delaware and presented an award to the Wilmington Rotary Club for being among the very first Rotary Clubs in the world to raise, sua sponte, \$50,000 for the International Studies in Peace and Conflict Resolution project. The funds will be used to pay the two-year tuition costs for a graduate student to attend one of the newly-formed Rotary Peace Centers.

In this time of war and strife, my colleagues might find it interesting to learn more about these new Centers. The goals of the Rotary Peace Centers are: Mediation, Conflict Resolution, and Peace where there is war; understanding where there is disharmony; food security where there is hunger; health care where there is disease; education where there is illiteracy; conservation where there is environmental degradation; sustainable Economic Development where there is poverty.

As Rotary's major educational priority in the 21st Century, the Rotary Centers for International Studies will provide opportunities for our next generation of leaders and scholars to focus on dealing effectively with obstacles to international cooperation and peace.

Educating such promising future leaders will help Rotary fulfill its longstanding mission to promote global peace and understanding.

The Rotary Centers have partnered with some of the leading universities in the world. The eight Rotary Peace Centers are located at: Duke University and the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill in North Carolina; the University of California-Berkeley in California; Sciences Po in Paris, France; the University of Bradford in West Yorkshire, England; the University of Queensland in Brisbane, Queensland, Australia; the International Christian University in Tokyo, Japan; and, Universidad del Salvador in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Like most big ideas, the fundraising initiative grew from a seed, in this case a seed planted by a small group of Wilmington Rotarians. Past Presidents Joe Melloy and Bruce Beardwood knew that with the Wilmington Rotary Club's 86-year history of service that

its members would want to be pioneers in the Rotary Peace Center project. Wilmington Rotarians then set out to meet the \$50,000 goal. They held a very successful silent auction to raise nearly half of the money. Generous, individual contributions put them over the top.

Even more impressive, the Wilmington Rotary Club then challenged the other 43 Clubs and 2,000 Rotarians in the Rotary District that encompasses Delaware and the Eastern Shore of Maryland to raise money for the Rotary Centers for International Studies. I am proud to say, challenge issued, challenge met.

I think it is appropriate and important to publicly recognize the efforts of the Rotary Club of Wilmington to do its part to help make our world a better, safer place to live. Not only is the Wilmington Rotary Delaware's oldest and largest Rotary Club with about 250 members, it continues to be among the leading Rotary Clubs in the United States. Its leadership as a pioneer Club for the Rotary Centers for Peace and International Studies is a great example of the Rotary tradition of service and of the part each one of us can play in advancing the goal of world peace.

To the members of the Rotary Club of Wilmington, congratulations and thank you.●

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the second time, and placed on the calendar.

H.R. 3210. An act to ensure the continued financial capacity of insurers to provide coverage for risks from terrorism.

S. 1748. A bill to promote the stabilization of the economy by encouraging financial institutions to continue to support economic development including development in urban areas, through the provision of affordable insurance coverage against acts of terrorism, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-4784. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes to Definition of Major Source" (FRL7107-4) received on November 20, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4785. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System—Regulations Addressing Cooling Water Intake Structures for New Facilities" (FRL7105-4) received on November 20, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4786. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "New York: Final Authorization of

State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision" (FRL7101-9) received on November 20, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4787. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Montana Transportation Conformity; Correction" (FRL7102A-5) received on November 20, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4788. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Utah: Final Authorization of State-Initiated Changes and Incorporation by Reference of State Hazardous Waste Management Program" (FRL7092-1) received on November 20, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4789. A communication from the Acting Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule to Designate Critical Habitat for the Oahu Elepaio" (RIN1018-AG99) received on November 27, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4790. A communication from the Acting Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Rule to List the Vermillion Darter as Endangered" (RIN1018-AE51) received on November 26, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4791. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, a report entitled "Issuance of Revised Model Administrative Order on Consent for Removal Action" received on November 27, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4792. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, a report entitled "Special Accounts: Guidance on Key Decision Points in Using Special Account Funds" received on November 27, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4793. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, a report entitled "Clean Air Act Full Approval of Operating Permit Program; District of Columbia; Withdrawal of Direct Final Rule" (FRL7107-2) received on November 27, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4794. A communication from the Acting Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Emergency Rule to List the Carson Wandering Skipper as Endangered" (RIN1018-AI18) received on November 27, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-4795. A communication from the Acting Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emergency Rule and Proposed Rule to List the Columbia Basin Pygmy Rabbit as Endangered" (RIN1080-AG17) received on November 27, 2001; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. GRAHAM (for himself and Mrs. LINCOLN):

S. 1755. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a special rule for members of the uniformed services and Foreign Service, and other employees, in determining the exclusion of gain from the sale of a principle residence; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. JEFFORDS:

S. 1756. A bill to amend title XVIII to establish a comprehensive centers for medical excellence demonstration program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CRAIG:

S. 1757. A bill to authorize an additional permanent judgeship in the district of Idaho, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. MILLER, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. DURBIN, and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 1758. A bill to prohibit human cloning while preserving important areas of medical research, including stem cell research; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 1759. A bill to provide a short-term enhanced safety net for Americans losing their jobs and to provide our Nation's economy with a necessary boost; to the Committee on Finance.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 267

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 267, a bill to amend the Packers and Stockyards Act of 1921, to make it unlawful for any stockyard owner, market agency, or dealer to transfer or market nonambulatory livestock, and for other purposes.

S. 612

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 612, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to develop and implement an annual plan for outreach regarding veterans benefits, and for other purposes.

S. 673

At the request of Mr. HAGEL, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CLELAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 673, a bill to establish within the executive branch of the Government an interagency committee to review and coordinate United States nonproliferation efforts in the independent states of the former Soviet Union.

S. 804

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 804, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to require phased increases in the fuel efficiency standards applicable to light trucks; to re-

quired fuel economy standards for automobiles up to 10,000 pounds gross vehicle weight; to raise the fuel economy of the Federal fleet of vehicles, and for other purposes.

S. 839

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 839, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to increase the amount of payment for inpatient hospital services under the medicare program and to freeze the reduction in payments to hospitals for indirect costs of medical education.

S. 926

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. SMITH), the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY), the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN), and the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) were added as cosponsors of S. 926, a bill to prohibit the importation of any article that is produced, manufactured, or grown in Burma.

S. 1140

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. CARNAHAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1140, a bill to amend chapter 1 of title 9, United States Code, to provide for greater fairness in the arbitration process relating to motor vehicle franchise contracts.

S. 1209

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1209, a bill to amend the Trade Act of 1974 to consolidate and improve the trade adjustment assistance programs, to provide community-based economic development assistance for trade-affected communities, and for other purposes.

S. 1258

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1258, a bill to improve academic and social outcomes for teenage youth.

S. 1482

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1482, a bill to consolidate and revise the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture relating to protection of animal health.

S. 1499

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1499, a bill to provide assistance to small business concerns adversely impacted by the terrorist attacks perpetrated against the United States on September 11, 2001, and for other purposes.

S. 1500

At the request of Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1500, a bill to amend the