TEXT OF SENATE RESOLUTION HONORING HARRY F. BYRD JR.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 179

Whereas, Harry Flood Byrd, Jr., of Winchester has served the Commonwealth and the nation with great distinction, continuing a Byrd family tradition that dates to the earliest days of the Republic; and

Whereas, educated at the Virginia Military Institute and the University of Virginia, Harry Byrd, Jr., followed his father Harry Byrd, Sr., into public service, thus forming a father-son combination that was the most influential in 20th century Virginia politics; and

Whereas, Harry Byrd, Jr., served as a member of the Democratic State Central Committee from 1940 to 1965 and served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Naval Reserve during World War II; and

Whereas, following distinguished service in the Senate of Virginia from 1948 to 1965, Harry Byrd, Jr., succeeded his father in the United States Senate on November 12, 1965; and

Whereas, for the next 18 years, Harry F. Byrd, Jr., maintained the family tradition of fiscal conservation, unquestioned integrity, and a distaste for political expediency; and

Whereas, Harry F. Byrd, Jr., continued his father's insistence on ''pay as you go'' government, and his aversion to debt still reverberates in Virginia's continued recognition as a fiscally sound, well-managed state; and

Whereas, Senator Byrd is the oldest living former United States Senator from Virginia; and

Whereas, the influence of Harry Byrd, Jr., on the political life of Virginia during the 20th century was profound, beneficent, and lasting, and the ideas and ideals he espoused continue to ring true as the Commonwealth enters the 21th; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the General Assembly hereby honor Harry Flood Byrd, Jr., for his dedication, commitment, and integrity over a long and meritorious political career; and, be it

Resolved further, That the Clerk of the Senate prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Harry Flood Byrd Jr., as an expression of the admiration and respect of the General Assembly.

HARRY F. BYRD JR.

(By Bob Lewis)

RICHMOND, VA. (AP).—Former U.S. Sen. Harry F. Byrd Jr. returned to the state Senate chamber to prolonged standing applause Thursday to receive a proclamation in his honor and recall his own Senate service.

The 87-year-old heir to the political dynasty that ruled Virginia for much of the 20th century noted his first days in the Senate in 1948, when he was pressured into hastily signing onto a bill.

''The next day, all hell broke loose. It was interpreted as an effort to keep the president off the ballot that year,'' Byrd said with a chuckle. ''I learned never to sign a bill without reading it.''

The bill was the state's unsuccessful effort to snub President Harry S. Truman.

Then, in a soft voice, Byrd looked to his right to the desk he occupied in his 18 years in the state Senate and recalled old days and old friends.

''I find it hard to believe it was 54 years ago that I first came here,'' he said. ''I love the Senate. I love the U.S. Senate, too, but this Senate is my favorite. It's smaller and you can make friends here to a greater degree than you can in Washington.''

Among his closest friends in that freshman Senate class were Albertis Harrison and Mills E. Godwin, who later became Virginia governors. ''And we remained friends until Albertis and Mills died,'' Byrd said.

Byrd served 18 years in the Virginia Senate as a Democrat, the party his father, Harry F. Byrd Sr., built into a political machine. In 1966, after Byrd Sr. retired from his U.S. Senate seat in poor health, Byrd Jr. won a special election to fill the four years that remained on his father's term. He left the party and won re-election in 1970 and 1976 as an independent, then retired from public life in 1982 to return to his hometown, Winchester, and run his family's newspapers.

Byrd was a former director and a second vice president of The Associated Press.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGES

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

PM–71. A message from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning the continuation of the national emergency relating to Cuba and of the emergency authority relating to the regulation of the anchorage and movement of vessels to extend beyond March 1, 2002; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent the enclosed notice to the *Federal Register* for publication, which states that the emergency declared with respect to the Government of Cuba's destruction of two unarmed U.S.-registered civilian aircraft in international airspace north of Cuba on February 24, 1996, is to continue in effect beyond March 1, 2002.

GEORGE W. BUSH.

THE WHITE HOUSE, *February 26, 2002.*

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:24 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 1206. An act to reauthorize the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 304. Concurrent resolution expressing sympathy to the people of the Democratic Republic of the Congo who were tragically affected by the eruption of the Nyiragongo volcano on January 17, 2002.

The message further announced that the House has agreed to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1892) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for the acceptance of an affidavit of support from another eligible sponsor if the original sponsor has died and the Attorney General has determined for humanitarian reasons that the original sponsor's classification petition should not be revoked.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 6:02 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 1892. An act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for the acceptance of an affidavit of support from another eligible sponsor if the original sponsor has died and the Attorney General has determined for humanitarian reasons that the original sponsor's classification petition should not be revoked.

H.R. 3699. An act to revise certain grants for continuum of care assistance for homeless individual and families.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following concurrent resolution was read, and referred as indicated:

H. Con. Res. 304. Concurrent resolution expressing sympathy to the people of the Democratic Republic of the Congo who were tragically affected by the eruption of the Nyiragongo volcano on January 17, 2002; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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. ENZI (for himself and Mr. THOMAS):

S. 1970. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2829 Commercial Way in Rock Springs, Wyoming, as the ''Teno Roncalio Post Office Building''; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. GRASSLEY:

S. 1971. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to protect the retirement security of American workers by ensuring that pension assets are adequately diversified and by providing workers with adequate access to, and information

about, their pension plans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER:

S. 1972. A bill to amend the charter of the AMVETS organization; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 975

At the request of Mr. CHAFEE, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. TORRICELLI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 975, a bill to improve environmental policy by providing assistance for State and tribal land use planning, to promote improved quality of life, regionalism, and sustainable economic development, and for other purposes.

S. 1125

At the request of Mr. MCCONNELL, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SANTORUM) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1125, a bill to conserve global bear populations by prohibiting the importation, exportation, and interstate trade of bear viscera and items, products, or substances containing, or labeled or advertised as containing, bear viscera, and for other purposes.

S. 1379

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1379, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish an Office of Rare Diseases at the National Institutes of Health, and for other purposes.

S. 1617

At the request of Mr. DODD, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1617, a bill to amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to increase the hiring of firefighters, and for other purposes.

S. 1651

At the request of Mr. DORGAN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SANTORUM) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1651, a bill to establish the United States Consensus Council to provide for a consensus building process in addressing national public policy issues, and for other purposes.

S. 1754

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1754, a bill to authorize appropriations for the United States Patent and Trademark Office for fiscal years 2002 through 2007, and for other purposes.

S. 1850

At the request of Mr. CHAFEE, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1850, a bill to amend the Solid Waste Disposal Act to bring underground storage tanks into compliance with subtitle I of that Act, to promote cleanup of leaking underground storage tanks, to provide sufficient resources for such compliance and cleanup, and for other purposes.

S. 1867

At the request of Mr. LIEBERMAN, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1867, a bill to establish the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 1917

At the request of Mr. JEFFORDS, the names of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BAYH), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. DASCHLE), the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. BREAUX), the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE), the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN), the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. COCHRAN), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. WELLSTONE), and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1917, a bill to provide for highway infrastructure investment at the guaranteed funding level contained in the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century.

S. 1969

At the request of Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 1969, a bill to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide additional protections to participants and beneficiaries in individual account plans from excessive investment in employer securities and to promote the provision of retirement investment advice to workers managing their retirement income assets, and to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to prohibit insider trades during any suspension of the ability of plan participants or beneficiaries to direct investment away from equity securities of the plan sponsor.

At the request of Mr. HUTCHINSON, the names of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI) and the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) were added as cosponsors of S. 1969, supra.

S. RES. 185

At the request of Mr. ALLEN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 185, a resolution recognizing the historical significance of the 100th anniversary of Korean immigration to the United States.

S. RES. 206

At the request of Mr. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 206, a resolution designating the week of March 17 through March 23, 2002 as ''National Inhalants and Poison Prevention Week.''

S. RES. 211

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. TORRICELLI), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. DORGAN), the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CONRAD), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON), the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE), the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CLELAND), the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU), the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI), and the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. HUTCHINSON) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 211, a resolution designating March 2 , 2002, as ''Read Across America Day.''

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 211, supra.

AMENDMENT NO. 2937

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, her name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2937 proposed to S. 565, a bill to establish the Commission on Voting Rights and Procedures to study and make recommendations regarding election technology, voting, and election administration, to establish a grant program under which the Office of Justice Programs and the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice shall provide assistance to States and localities in improving election technology and the administration of Federal elections, to require States to meet uniform and nondiscriminatory election technology and administration requirements for the 2004 Federal elections, and for other purposes.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. ENZI (for himself and Mr. THOMAS):

S. 1970. A bill to designate the facility of the United states Postal Service located at 2829 Commercial Way in Rock Springs, Wyoming, as the ''Teno Roncalio Post Office Building''; to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, I rise to introduce a bill to designate the facility of the United states Postal Service located at 2829 Commercial Way, Rock Springs, WY, as the ''Teno Roncalio Post Office Building.'' I am joined by my distinguished colleague from Wyoming, Senator THOMAS in the introduction of this bill.

Mr. Roncalio has served the great State of Wyoming and this Nation with honor and integrity throughout his public and private career. The Wyoming native was Wyoming's first five-term Representative to the U.S. House of Representatives during the 1960s and 1970s, and served as a delegate to four democratic National Conventions. He was also selected to serve for two years as a national Democratic committeeman.

Mr. Roncalio was named to the U.S. Army Officer Candidates Hall of Fame after having served in World War II and participating in beachhead invasions in Sicily and Normandy. Mr. Roncalio also received the Silver Star for gallantry in action for his service in North Africa, Italy, France, Central Europe, and Germany.