

Captain William "Harry" Thompson, of the Bronx, was widely respected and beloved by all 1,600 court officers in New York City as senior instructor at the New York State Court Officers Academy. A 27-year veteran, he was the father of two adult sons and was the sole supporter for his widowed mother. All who knew Captain Thompson considered him a "spit and polish" type of officer. Captain Thompson was proud of his profession and New York is so very lucky that he devoted his life to public service.

Senior Court Officer Thomas Jurgens was part of a family who believed in giving back to one's city and country. Senior Court Officer Jurgens was the son of a firefighter, and was a volunteer fireman from Lawrence, Long Island. He made all of us proud by serving his country in the Persian Gulf war as an Army combat paramedic. Senior Court Officer Jurgens was a 4-year veteran at the Manhattan Supreme Court, and he was married in June 2001.

Senior Court Officer Mitchel Wallace, of Mineloa, Long Island, worked at the Manhattan Supreme Court for 2 years. Before September 11, the New York State Court of Appeals Chief Judge Judith Kaye honored him for resuscitating a man who had collapsed from cardiac arrest aboard a Long Island railroad train. Senior Court Officer Wallace planned to marry Noreen McDonough in October, and he called her "Cinderella."

In addition to these brave heroes who were lost, 22 other court officers risked their lives to save others at the World Trade Center. These men and women have been honored for their bravery on September 11. They are: Deputy Chief Joseph Baccellieri, Jr., Officer Tyree Bacon, Sgt. Frances Barry, Captain John Civelia, Sgt. Gerard Davis, Officer William Faulkner, Officer Gerard Grant, Officer Edwin Kennedy, Officer Elayne Kittel, Officer William Kuhrt, Officer Theodore Leoutsakos, Officer Craig Lovich, Sgt. Patricia Maiorino, Major Reginald V. Mebane, Sgt. Al Moscola, Sgt. Kathryn Negron, Officer Joseph Ranauro, Sgt. Albert Romanelli, Sgt. Richard Rosenfeld, Officer Andrew Scagnelli, Officer Mahindra Seobarrat, and Sgt. Andrew Wender.

Hundreds of court officers volunteered to work on recovery efforts at Ground Zero. After working full shifts at the courthouse, these officers would then work a full shift at Ground Zero. They would return home, clean the dust and debris from their hands, and return to their jobs at the courthouse. Through valor, duty, and commitment, they did all that they could to assist in the rescue and recovery operations.

On behalf of the American people, I express my thanks and appreciation for these public safety officers whose dedication and patriotism strengthen the resolve of our Nation. These officers went above and beyond the call of duty, sacrificing their lives in order to save others, not because it was their

job, but because it was their sense of duty of pride. These officers represent the very best in America.●

IN MEMORIAM: WILLIAM A. SCHWARTZ, VICE CHAIRMAN AND VOLUNTEER CEO, NATIONAL PROSTATE CANCER COALITION

● Mr. CLELAND. Madam President, William A. Schwartz died today from the disease that he fought so tirelessly to defeat, prostate cancer. Bill was a 35-year veteran executive of the media industry and a staunch leader in the fight against prostate cancer. His endless passion, devotion, drive, and caring for his family, friends, and community, along with his unwavering commitment to save lives from cancer, will always be remembered.

After being diagnosed with prostate cancer in 1994, Bill dedicated himself to fighting the disease by promoting awareness and launching lobbying efforts to increase research dollars. He served as vice chairman and volunteer CEO of the National Prostate Cancer coalition, board member of CaP CURE, and president of the Prostate Cancer Research Political Action Committee. His work also included cancer projects for the Department of Defense and the National Dialogue on Cancer. The results of his work will continue to benefit countless men and families for many years to come. Georgia was very fortunate to have Bill, his wife Marlene and their three children reside in Atlanta for the past 23 years.

Thank you for letting me take this time to remember our friend, Bill Schwartz and to offer our prayers for the loss of a great American. Prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer in America among men and nearly 40,000 American men lose their lives to this disease each year. I know the best tribute we can pay to Bill and his family is to continue his work and find the cure for prostate cancer.●

NATIONAL ASSISTED LIVING WEEK

● Mr. WYDEN. Madam President, I want to draw the Senate's attention to National Assisted Living Week, which begins September 8 and continues through September 14. Since 1995, the National Center for Assisted Living has sponsored National Assisted Living Week to emphasize the importance of this service that nearly 1 million seniors rely on for long-term care.

Assisted living offers hope to seniors who can no longer live independently at home but do not need the level of care provided by nursing facilities. In assisted living facilities, seniors find dedicated caregivers to provide assistance in the activities of daily living in a setting that truly becomes a home. It is predicted that the demand for assisted living will continue to grow as more and more seniors and their families seek out home-like independent

living with the benefits of 24-hour supervision.

The theme of this year's National Assisted Living Week is "Honoring the Spirit of Our Nation," which is intended to honor the Nation's rekindled interest in our heritage and values. It is an appropriate theme because it celebrates the residents' lifetime of memories, devotions, and patriotism and the dedication and service of assisted living caregivers. The theme for National Assisted Living Week will highlight the variety of ways assisted living meets the different needs of seniors in our Nation.

I am proud that Oregon has led our Nation in the concept of assisted living. Assisted living has developed differently in each State and its importance in meeting the needs of seniors continues. I believe offering these choices for seniors is important in order to provide them with security, dignity, and independence. It is also important for us to continue to support options that allow seniors and their families a choice of settings in order to assure that they get the level of care they need and deserve.●

REMEMBERING A GREAT GEORGIAN AND A DEVOTED LEADER IN THE FIGHT AGAINST PROSTATE CANCER

● Mr. MILLER. Madam President, I rise today to remember a great Georgian, a 35-year veteran executive of the media industry and a staunch leader in the fight against prostate cancer. William A. Schwartz died today at the age of 63 from the disease that he fought so tirelessly to defeat.

His endless passion, devotion, drive, and caring for his family, friends, and community, along with his unwavering commitment to save lives from cancer, will always be remembered.

After being diagnosed with prostate cancer in 1994, Bill dedicated himself to fighting the disease by bringing national attention to it and by lobbying for crucial research dollars.

Bill served as vice chairman and volunteer CEO of the National Prostate Cancer Coalition and president of the Prostate Cancer Research Political Action Committee. His work also included cancer projects for the Department of Defense and the National Dialogue on Cancer. His work will continue to benefit countless men and families for many years to come.

Bill was the former president and COO of Cox Enterprises and held various executive positions with the company in New York, San Francisco, and Atlanta between 1973 and 1987. In the 1990s, he served as president and part owner of Cannell Communications and First Media Television and was chairman, CEO, and partner of Capital Cable.

A native of Detroit, Bill received a BS degree from Wayne State University in 1961 and did graduate work at Baruch College. After his military service in the Army Security Agency,

he began his broadcasting career in New York with NBC. He eventually moved to Cleveland, OH, and helped put WUAB-TV on the air, and many years later purchased the station with several partners.

Always a music lover, Bill was a professional drummer, playing in jazz trios throughout college and his time in the Army. He marched in President John F. Kennedy's inaugural parade in college, and toured the Mediterranean with the USO.

An Atlanta resident for 23 years, Bill was also a philanthropist who generously donated his time as well as financial support.

I send my heartfelt sympathies to Bill's wife of 39 years, Marlene, and to their children and grandchildren.●

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION ON MENTAL RETARDATION AWARD WINNERS

● Mr. DURBIN. Madam President, I am pleased today to join the Illinois chapter of the American Association on Mental Retardation, AAMR, in recognizing the recipients of the 2002 Direct Service Professional Award. These individuals are being honored for their outstanding devotion to the effort to enrich the lives of people with developmental disabilities in Illinois.

These recipients have displayed a strong sense of humanity and professionalism in their work with persons with disabilities. Their efforts have inspired the lives of those for whom they care, and they are an inspiration to me as well. They have set a fine example of community service for all Americans to follow.

These honorees spend more than 50 percent of their time at work in direct, personal involvement with their clients. They are not primarily managers or supervisors. They are direct service workers at the forefront of America's effort to care for people with special needs. They go to work every day with little recognition, providing much needed and greatly valued care and assistance.

It is my honor and privilege to recognize the Illinois recipients of AAMR's 2002 Direct Service Professional Award: Amy Burnell, Kay Grant, Hattie Gregory, Judy Harper, Dora Hildebrand, Mae Holmes, Sarah Kyakonye, Toni Lloyd, Bob Maas, Kelli Martin, Janet Maxton, Millicent McAfoos, Flo McMaster, Lisa Mitchell, Anne Pettus, Sharon Pritchett, LeVetta Rhodes, Ruth Rodenberg, Karin Schwab, and Judy Sheffield.

I know my fellow Senators will join me in congratulating the winners of the 2002 Direct Service Professional Award. I applaud their dedication and thank them for their service.●

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under the authority of the Senate of January 3, 2001, the Secretary of the

Senate, on September 6, 2002, during the recess of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 5012. An act to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to carry out a project for construction of a plaza adjacent to the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

Under the authority of the Senate of January 3, 2001, the enrolled bill was signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD) on August 2, 2002.

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-8624. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Supplemental Appropriations Act for Further Recovery From and Response to Terrorist Attacks on the United States; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-8625. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of rule entitled "Trust Management Reform: Repeal of Outdated Rules" (RIN1076-AE20) received on August 27, 2002; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-8626. A communication from the Architect of the Capitol, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on all expenditures during the period October 1, 2001 through March 31, 2002; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-8627. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, Comptroller, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, case number 98-01; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-8628. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Regulatory Law, Veterans' Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedule for Rating Disabilities; Intervertebral Disc Syndrome" (RIN2900-AI22) received on September 3, 2002; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-8629. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Regulatory Law, Veterans' Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Accelerated Benefits Option for Servicemen's Group Life Insurance and Veterans' Group Life Insurance" (RIN2900-AJ80) received on September 3, 2002; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-8630. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Regulatory Law, Veterans' Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Service Life Insurance" (RIN2900-AK43) received on September 3, 2002; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-8631. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Regulatory Law, Veterans' Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans' Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "VA Acquisition Regulation: Construction and Architect-Engineer Contracts" (RIN2900-AJ56) received on September 3, 2002; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-8632. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Visas: Documentation of Nonimmigrants Under the Immigration and Nationality Act: XIX Olympic Winter Games and VIII Paralympic Winter Games in Salt Lake City, UT, 2002" (22 CFR Part 41) received on August 27, 2002; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8633. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a memorandum of justification under section 610 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 regarding determination to transfer FY 2002 funds appropriated for International Organizations and Programs (IO&P) to the Child Survival and Health Programs Fund; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8634. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report concerning amendments to Parts 121 and 123 of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8635. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8636. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-8637. A communication from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Report of the Proceedings of the Judicial Conference of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8638. A communication from the Senior Counsel, Civil Division, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Claims Under the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 2000: Technical Amendments" (RIN1105-AA75) received on August 27, 2002; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8639. A communication from the Rules Administrator, Office of General Counsel, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "District of Columbia Educational Good Time Credit Interim Final Rule" (RIN1120-AB05) received on August 27, 2002; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8640. A communication from the Director, Regulations and Forms Services Division, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reduced Course Load for Certain F and M Nonimmigrants Students in Border Communities" (RIN1115-AG75) received on August 27, 2002; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8641. A communication from the General Counsel, Executive Office for Immigration Review, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Board of Immigration Appeals; Procedural Reforms to Improve Case Management" (RIN1125-AA36) received on August 27, 2002; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8642. A communication from the Clerk of the Court of Federal Claims, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Court for the period October 1, 2000 through September 30, 2001; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-8643. A communication from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator of the