

TRIBUTE TO FIRE CHIEF ROBERT
GIORGIO

• Mr. LAUTENBERG. Mr. President, today I pay tribute to a brave human being. Robert Giorgio is the Fire Chief in the town of Cherry Hill, New Jersey. In April of last year Chief Giorgio put himself in harm's way and performed honorably in the face of danger.

It was April 3, 2002, and Chief Giorgio was in his office when he heard reports of a vehicle that had crashed over a highway overpass on a State highway in Cherry Hill. Although not required to respond to the incident, Chief Giorgio chose to do so.

When Chief Giorgio arrived on the scene he saw that the car was suspended about five feet above the ground, just barely held in place by a small tree. There was also a fire from the engine compartment that was spreading into the interior of the car. The driver, Deborah Trainor, was pinned behind the steering wheel.

Chief Giorgio gave orders to arriving firefighters and directed civilians to use portable fire extinguishers. He quickly realized that the units dispatched by the fire department would not reach the scene by the time the fire reached Ms. Trainor. Understanding the gravity of the situation Chief Giorgio placed himself beneath the vehicle in an attempt to free her. To say that there was a serious chance of the car falling on the Chief is a severe understatement. Though Ms. Trainor was burned by the fire, Chief Giorgio was successful in freeing her from the car.

I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring and saluting this brave American. Chief Robert Giorgio acted with honor and bravery in putting himself in harm's way to save another person's life.●

SSGT. PHILLIP A. JORDAN

• Mr. LIEBERMAN. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to SSgt. Phillip A. Jordan, United States Marine Corps, of Enfield, CT. Staff Sergeant Jordan lived as a true patriot and defender of our great Nation's principles of freedom and justice. A veteran of Operation Desert Storm in the Persian Gulf and Operation Just Cause in Kosovo, Staff Sergeant Jordan was a proud family man and an example of the powerful American spirit that permeates this Nation's history.

A member of the 1st Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Expeditionary Brigade, Staff Sergeant Jordan and his unit were ambushed when Iraqi soldiers feigned surrender before opening fire. By the time the dust settled around this despicable and cowardly act, nine gallant marines, including Staff Sergeant Jordan, were dead.

Staff Sergeant Jordan was more than a marine. He was a husband and a father; he was devoted to his friends and to his family. He was known as "Gump" by those who knew and loved him. He quickly offered a hand wher-

ever and whenever needed. Staff Sergeant Jordan was a true citizen soldier—a model marine, and a credit to his family, his community, his corps, and his country.

Staff Sergeant Jordan served as a messenger of high justice and idealism in the best tradition of American principles and patriotism. I am both proud and grateful that we have the kind of fighting force exemplified by Staff Sergeant Jordan serving in the Persian Gulf—and the strong families back at home sending their love and support.

Our Nation extends its heartfelt condolences to his wife Amanda and his son Tyler. We extend our appreciation for sharing this outstanding marine with us, and we offer our prayers and support. You may be justifiably proud of his contributions which extend above and beyond the normal call of duty.●

TRIBUTE TO VINCENT BOVE

• Mr. LAUTENBERG. Mr. President, today I pay tribute to a truly extraordinary citizen of New Jersey and America. Vincent Bove is the region manager for Summit Security Services, Inc. His region covers the New York metropolitan area and his more than 2,000 officers secure sites including NBC Studios, JFK International Airport, and the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. Prior to September 11, 2001, Summit Security had 300 officers at the World Trade Center, many of whom assisted with the evacuation of the two towers.

Mr. Bove is also a nationally acclaimed expert on school violence in America. Since the Columbine tragedy in 1999, Mr. Bove has given presentations to over 15,000 educators, corporate representatives, and law enforcement officials. He also trained 100 New York Police Department Crime Prevention Specialists in advanced techniques of crime prevention and community policing.

Recently, the American Police Hall of Fame conferred five nationally acclaimed medals to Vincent Bove, including the Medal of Honor for Public Service for outstanding leadership skills in reducing crime and assisting law enforcement throughout the United States; the J. Edgar Hoover Gold Medal for his leadership in police and private security issues as a nationally respected law enforcement instructor; the Knights of Justice Medal for his outstanding service exemplifying the Biblical Act of the Good Samaritan in protecting the community; the Patriotism Medal for promoting faithfulness to the Federal, State, and local laws and for supporting the Constitution and Bill of Rights; and the Civilian Medal of Appreciation for leadership in private security, which assists law enforcement officers.

He was also named the North Jersey Regional Crime Prevention Officers Association Recipient for "Exceptional

Service to Crime Prevention for 2002." This award recognizes Mr. Bove for his achievements in the reduction of crime on both a local and national level. The same organization also recognized Mr. Bove with the 2002 "Presidential Award for Dedicated Service" for his service to the organization and the community.

Vincent Bove is an amazing individual. He dedicates his life to making his fellow citizens and communities safer and more secure. I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring Vincent Bove for his sense of duty, determination, and dedication in making our country a safer and more secure place to live.●

JEAN HOEFER TOAL SALUTED
FOR BRINGING INNOVATIVE
TECHNOLOGY TO SOUTH CAROLINA
COURTS

• Mr. HOLLINGS. Mr. President, Jean Hoefer Toal, Chief Justice of the South Carolina Supreme Court, has just been recognized by Government Technology Magazine as one of the top 25 leaders from across the Nation who has done the most to bring technology to the public sector. I rise today to congratulate her.

We are a small State, much of it rural, and she has been the guiding force for linking the judicial courts in all 46 counties. She is making the county courts, all with their own cases and business, into a truly unified court system so that cases can be managed all across the jurisdictions. After September 11, the Nation saw the importance of a well-connected criminal justice system, and I am proud that my State is leading the way with automation. I know everyone in this body joins me in thanking Chief Justice Toal for bringing this about.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, 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.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:57 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 825. An act to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located

at 7401 West 100th Place in Bridgeview, Illinois, as the "Michael J. Healy Post Office Building."

H.R. 917. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1830 South Lake Drive in Lexington, South Carolina, as the "Floyd Spence Post Office Building."

H.R. 981. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 141 Erie Street in Linesville, Pennsylvania, as the "James R. Merry Post Office."

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. 44. Concurrent resolution to express the support for the celebration in 2004 of the 150th anniversary of the Grand Excursion of 1854.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment:

S. 342. An act to amend the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act to make improvements to and reauthorize programs under that Act and for other purposes.

At 2:13 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 118. Concurrent resolution concerning the treatment of members of the Armed Forces held as prisoners of war by Iraqi authorities.

The message also announced that pursuant to the provisions of 44 U.S.C. 2702, the Clerk of the House reappoints as a member of the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress the following person: Susan Palmer of Aurora, Illinois.

The message further announced that pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 2702, and the order of the House of January 8, 2003, the Speaker reappoints the following member on the part of the House of Representatives to the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress: Mr. Timothy Johnson of Minnetonka, Minnesota.

At 5:25 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. HAYS, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House insists upon its amendments to the bill (S. 151) to amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to the sexual exploitation of children, and ask a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon: From the Committee on the Judiciary, for consideration of the Senate bill and the House amendments, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. COBLE, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. GREEN of Wisconsin, Ms. HART, Mr. CONYERS, and Mr. SCOTT of Virginia. For consideration of the Senate bill and House amendments, and modification committed to conference: Mr. FROST.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 145. An act to designate the Federal building located at 290 Broadway in New York, New York, as the "Ted Weiss Federal Building"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 825. An act to redesignate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7401 West 100th Place in Bridgeview, Illinois, as the "Michael J. Healy Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 917. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1830 South Lake Drive in Lexington, South Carolina, as the "Floyd Spence Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 981. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 141 Erie Street in Linesville, Pennsylvania, as the "James R. Merry Post Office"; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

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

H. Con. Res. 44. Concurrent resolution to express support for the celebration in 2004 of the 150th anniversary of the Grand Exclusion of 1854; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

The following bill, previously received from the House of Representatives for concurrence, was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 145. An act to designate the Federal building located at 290 Broadway in New York, New York, as the "Ted Weiss Federal Building"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

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

S. 711. A bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to alleviate delay in the payment of the Selected Reserve reenlistment bonus to members of Selected Reserve who are mobilized.

S. 712. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide Survivor Benefit Plan annuities for surviving spouses of Reservists not eligible for retirement who die from a cause incurred or aggravated while on inactive-duty training.

S. 718. A bill to provide a monthly allotment of free telephone calling time to members of the United States armed forces stationed outside the United States who are directly supporting military operations in Iraq or Afghanistan.

S. 721. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the combat zone income tax exclusion to include income for the period of transit to the combat zone and to remove the limitation on such exclusion for commissioned officers, and for other purposes.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. DOMENICI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:

Special Report entitled "History, Jurisdiction, and a Summary of Activities of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources During the 107th Congress" (Rept. No. 108-30).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. WARNER for the Committee on Armed Services.

*John Paul Woodley, Jr., of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Army nominations beginning Brig. Gen. Dennis M. Kenneally and ending Col. Oscar B. Hilman, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on January 9, 2003.

Army nomination of Brig. Gen. Edwin H. Roberts, Jr.

Army nomination of Col. Sheila R. Baxter.

Army nominations beginning Brigadier General Jeffery L. Arnold and ending Colonel Ennis C. Whitehead III, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on March 13, 2003.

Navy nominations beginning Capt. David O. Anderson and ending Capt. Frank F. Rennie IV, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on March 11, 2003.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President for the Committee on Armed Services. I report favorably the following nomination lists where were printed in the RECORDS on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

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

Air Force nominations beginning * Colby D. Adams and ending * Robert K. Young, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on January 13, 2003.

Air Force nominations beginning Raymond B. Abarca and ending Michael A. Zrostlik, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on January 16, 2003.

Air Force nominations beginning Joyce A. Adkins and ending Steven A. Wilson, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on February 25, 2003.

Air Force nominations beginning John J. Abbatiello and ending Michel P. Zumwalt, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on February 25, 2003.

Air Force nominations beginning Catherine M. Amitrano and ending Cynthia K. Wright, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on February 25, 2003.

Army nominations beginning Brian K. Balfe and ending James H. Trogdon III, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on February 25, 2003.

Army nomination of William O. Prettyman II.

Army nomination of Darrell S. Ransom.

Army nomination of Frederick D. White.

Marine Corps nominations beginning Brian T. Alexander and ending Phillip J. Zimmerman, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on February 25, 2003.

Marine Corps nominations beginning Michael P. Killion and ending Douglas S. Kurth, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on March 11, 2003.

Navy nomination of Rosemarie H. O'Carroll.

Navy nomination of John M. Hakanson.

Navy nominations beginning Daniel P. Arthur and ending Walter C. Wrye IV, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on February 25, 2003.