

people of Kuwait, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 98

At the request of Mr. ALLARD, the names of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID) and the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN) were added as cosponsors of S. 98, a bill to amend the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, and the Revised Statutes of the United States, to prohibit financial holding companies and national banks from engaging, directly or indirectly, in real estate brokerage or real estate management activities, and for other purposes.

S. 114

At the request of Mr. COCHRAN, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 114, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to remove the 20 percent inpatient limitation under the medicare program on the proportion of hospice care that certain rural hospice programs may provide.

S. 146

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the names of the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) and the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. LOTT) were added as cosponsors of S. 146, a bill to amend titles 10 and 18, United States Code, to protect unborn victims of violence.

S. 171

At the request of Mr. DAYTON, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. BINGAMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 171, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide payment to medicare ambulance suppliers of the full costs of providing such services, and for other purposes.

S. 215

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the names of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI) and the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) were added as cosponsors of S. 215, a bill to authorize funding assistance for the States for the discharge of homeland security activities by the National Guard.

S. 313

At the request of Mr. GREGG, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. LUGAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 313, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to establish a program of fees relating to animal drugs.

S. 480

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 480, a bill to provide competitive grants for training court reporters and closed captioners to meet requirements for realtime writers under the Telecommunications Act of 1996, and for other purposes.

S. 486

At the request of Mr. DOMENICI, the names of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CONRAD), the Senator from

Florida (Mr. GRAHAM) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) were added as cosponsors of S. 486, a bill to provide for equal coverage of mental health benefits with respect to health insurance coverage unless comparable limitations are imposed on medical and surgical benefits.

S. 489

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the names of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) and the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. HAGEL) were added as cosponsors of S. 489, a bill to expand certain preferential trade treatment for Haiti.

S. 546

At the request of Mr. BUNNING, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 546, a bill to provide for the protection of paleontological resources on Federal lands, and for other purposes.

S. 569

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. DASCHLE) were added as cosponsors of S. 569, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the medicare outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps.

S. 659

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. VOINOVICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 659, a bill to prohibit civil liability actions from being brought or continued against manufacturers, distributors, dealers, or importers of firearms or ammunition for damages resulting from the misuse of their products by others.

S. 852

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 852, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide limited TRICARE program eligibility for members of the Ready Reserve of the Armed Forces, to provide financial support for continuation of health insurance for mobilized members of reserve components of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

S. 856

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) and the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID) were added as cosponsors of S. 856, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the incentives for the construction and renovation of public schools.

S. 874

At the request of Mr. TALENT, the names of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN) and the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) were added as cosponsors of S. 874, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to include primary and secondary preventative medical strategies for children and adults with Sickle Cell Disease as medical assistance under the medicaid program, and for other purposes.

S. 875

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the names of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID) and the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 875, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an income tax credit for the provision of homeownership and community development, and for other purposes.

S. 887

At the request of Mr. KYL, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 887, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to apply an excise tax to excessive attorneys fees for legal judgements, settlements, or agreements that operate as a tax.

S. 888

At the request of Mr. GREGG, the names of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA), the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN), the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN), the Senator from Florida (Mr. GRAHAM), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. SUNUNU) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) were added as cosponsors of S. 888, a bill to reauthorize the Museum and Library Services Act, and for other purposes.

S. 899

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the names of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE), the Senator from Utah (Mr. BENNETT), the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND) and the Senator from Missouri (Mr. TALENT) were added as cosponsors of S. 899, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to restore the full market basket percentage increase applied to payments to hospitals for inpatient hospital services furnished to medicare beneficiaries, and for other purposes.

S. 936

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. LEVIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 936, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to deny any deduction for certain fines, penalties, and other amounts.

S. 942

At the request of Mr. BROWNBACK, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 942, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for improvements in access to services in rural hospitals and critical access hospitals.

S. 973

At the request of Mr. NICKLES, the names of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL), the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) and the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. BUNNING) were added as cosponsors of S. 973, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a shorter recovery period for the depreciation of certain restaurant buildings.

S. 982

At the request of Mrs. BOXER, the names of the Senator from Kentucky

(Mr. BUNNING), the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO), the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) and the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KYL) were added as cosponsors of S. 982, a bill to halt Syrian support for terrorism, end its occupation of Lebanon, stop its development of weapons of mass destruction, cease its illegal importation of Iraqi oil, and hold Syria accountable for its role in the Middle East, and for other purposes.

S. 990

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 990, a bill to amend title 32, United States Code, to increase the maximum Federal share of the costs of State programs under the National Guard Challenge Program, and for other purposes.

S. 1001

At the request of Mr. BIDEN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1001, a bill to make the protection of women and children who are affected by a complex humanitarian emergency a priority of the United States Government, and for other purposes.

S. 1036

At the request of Mr. ALLARD, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1036, a bill to provide for a multi-agency cooperative effort to encourage further research regarding the causes of chronic wasting disease and methods to control the further spread of the disease in deer and elk herds, to monitor the incidence of the disease, to support State efforts to control the disease, and for other purposes.

S. 1046

At the request of Mr. HOLLINGS, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1046, a bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to preserve localism, to foster and promote the diversity of television programming, to foster and promote competition, and to prevent excessive concentration of ownership of the nation's television broadcast stations.

S. 1046

At the request of Mr. STEVENS, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1046, supra.

S. 1057

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1057, a bill to modify the calculation of back pay for persons who were approved for promotion as members of the Navy and Marine Corps while interned as prisoners of war during World War II to take into account changes in the Consumer Price Index.

S. 1066

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr.

CORNYN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1066, a bill to correct a technical error from Unit T-07 of the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System.

S.J. RES. 4

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. NICKLES) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 4, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States authorizing Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States.

S. CON. RES. 14

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. FITZGERALD) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 14, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding the education curriculum in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

S. CON. RES. 43

At the request of Mr. BROWNBACK, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 43, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress that Congress should participate in and support activities to provide decent homes for the people of the United States.

S. CON. RES. 44

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN), the Senator from Maryland (Mr. SARBANES) and the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. SPECTER) were added as cosponsors of S. Con. Res. 44, a concurrent resolution recognizing the contributions of Asian Pacific Americans to our Nation.

S. RES. 92

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 92, a resolution designating September 17, 2003 as "Constitution Day".

S. RES. 133

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) and the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 133, a resolution condemning bigotry and violence against Arab Americans, Muslim Americans, South-Asian Americans, and Sikh Americans.

S. RES. 140

At the request of Mr. CAMPBELL, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 140, a resolution designating the week of August 10, 2003, as "National Health Center Week".

AMENDMENT NO. 569

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mr. SUNUNU) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 569 proposed to S. 1054, an original bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 201 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2004.

## STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. HAGEL (for himself, Mr. MCCAIN, and Mr. KERRY):

S. 1076. A bill to authorize construction of an education center at or near the Vietnam Veterans Memorial; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Mr. HAGEL. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Education Center Bill. I am joined by my colleagues and fellow Vietnam veterans, Senators MCCAIN and KERRY, in sponsoring this bill that would authorize the construction of an Education Center near the site of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

Twenty-one years ago, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial was built as a permanent testament to the sacrifice of over 58,000 veterans who died during the Vietnam War. It is a place of remembrance for Vietnam veterans and their families.

As the Vietnam War draws further into America's past, it is important for future generations to remember the sacrifices of those who gave their lives in Vietnam, and to understand the lessons learned in Vietnam.

Most visitors to the Wall today were not alive during the Vietnam War. The Education Center would serve as an access point for the next generation. By collecting historic documents, artifacts and the testimony of Vietnam veterans, the Education Center would provide visitors with a better understanding of the Memorial.

The Memorial was designed to accommodate expansion. Over the last two decades, the Wall's reach has extended; names of fallen soldiers have been added to the black granite. Building the Education Center underground would expand the memorial in a new direction—one that does not distract from the natural beauty of the Mall.

The names on the Wall must never become simple, empty etchings. Their individual and collective power must remain connected to the real human sacrifices of war. The Education Center would help preserve this bond. It would affirm the meaning of the Wall, not just as an acknowledgment of a war or a date to be remembered, but as a living memorial with lessons to offer those who come to learn.

Many educators, veterans, lawmakers and organizations have voiced strong support for the proposed Education Center. Like the Wall, the Center would be funded entirely by private donations—evidence of its broad-based public support. There would be no tax payer money involved in building the Center.

Building an Education Center at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial would affirm the belief that we can inspire peace by educating our young people about the consequences of war. For there is no stronger advocate for peace than one who knows war.