

risks taken every day by law enforcement officers across the Nation who keep our cities and towns safe.

It is my sad duty to enter the name of Bryan S. Verkler in the official record of the United States Senate for his dedication to public service and for his profound commitment to serve and protect. When I think about the daily sacrifices and risks that our law enforcement officers take each day, and the unfortunate pain that comes with the loss of our heroes, I hope families like Bryan's can find comfort in the words of the prophet Isaiah who said, "He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces."

May God grant strength and peace to those who mourn, and may God bless the United States of America.●

#### TRIBUTE TO ALISA BARTON

● Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, today I take the opportunity to honor Mrs. Alisa Barton of Hopkinsville, KY. Salvation Army welfare coordinator, Alisa Barton, was honored nationwide with an Award of Excellence in Social Service at the National Social Services Conference in Pittsburgh on Tuesday, March 20th.

As former military child and wife, Mrs. Barton knows first hand the hardship Army families can experience, especially during times of deployment. Mrs. Barton has continuously worked to help alleviate the needs of families remaining at home while their loved ones serve this country in Afghanistan and Iraq.

She developed a program called Homefront War Relief, which has received national recognition for helping the families of deployed Fort Campbell Soldiers. The Homefront War Relief program, partnered with Wal-Mart, allowed the Salvation Army to assist 743 military families resulting in the largest military assistance effort the Salvation Army of Hopkinsville has ever done. Throughout 2003, 5,000 military personnel and their families received assistance in the form of comfort kits to deployed soldiers, food and clothing, holiday meals, and Bibles and inspirational books to troops.

Mrs. Barton is dedicated to helping those who come to the Salvation Army in need. She began working with the Salvation Army by ringing donation bells and describes her work as a labor of love spreading the Christian faith and helping people. I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Mrs. Barton. She is a wonderful asset to Kentucky and an inspiration to us all.●

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF CAPTAIN JAMES E. BAUGH

● Mr. BAYH. Mr. President, today I rise to pay tribute to the life of a distinguished Hoosier public servant, Captain James E. Baugh of Greencastle, who lost his life in the line of duty on January 2, 2004.

Living a life of selfless public service, Captain Baugh held positions in both emergency medical services and law enforcement throughout his distinguished career. A veteran who served our country in Vietnam in the U.S. Air Force from 1963 to 1966, Captain Baugh went on to serve on the Greencastle Police Department before becoming a deputy with the Putnam County Sheriff's Department in 1971. He had previously served as Chief Deputy before becoming Putnam County Sheriff in 1975. Captain Baugh held the honor of being the longest serving deputy, devoting 32 years of service to the department.

Captain Baugh's dedication to law enforcement and commitment to Putnam County was exemplified by his lifelong efforts to improve his marksmanship and educate fellow officers through his work at the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy. He was also an avid photographer, sportsman, gunsmith, and youth leader.

Captain James Baugh was a dedicated member of the Greencastle Christian Church. He is survived by his wife, Lauralee Perry Baugh; sons, Jason E. and Jerrod E. Baugh; daughter-in-law, Tara Baugh; sisters Eileen Bryant, Helen Hansel Poynter, Barbara Shepard and Mildred Buttram; and a granddaughter, Gayle Evelyn Baugh.

The citizens of Putnam County and the State of Indiana were well-served by Captain Baugh's life of noble service. It is my sad duty to enter his name into the official record of the United States Senate for his dedication to public service, as well as his profound commitment to protecting community members.

When I think about the daily sacrifices and risks that our law enforcement officers take each day, and the unfortunate pain that comes with the loss of our heroes, I hope families like Captain Baugh's can find comfort in the words of the prophet Isaiah who said, "He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces."

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#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE DURING ADJOURNMENT

#### ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under authority of the order of the Senate of January 7, 2003, the Secretary of the Senate, on April 2, 2004, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 4062. An act to provide for an additional temporary extension of programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 through June 4, 2004, and for other purposes.

Under the authority of the order of January 7, 2003, the enrolled bill was

signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. STEVENS) during the adjournment of the Senate, on April 2, 2004.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 1:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, 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. 404. Concurrent resolution providing for an adjournment or recess of the two Houses.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3108) to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to temporarily replace the 30-year Treasury rate with a rate based on long-term corporate bonds for certain pension plan funding requirements and other provisions, and for other purposes.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. MCCAIN, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with amendments and an amendment to the title:

S. 2056. A bill to increase the penalties for violations by television and radio broadcasters of the prohibitions against transmission of obscene, indecent, and profane language (Rept. No. 108-253).

#### 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. STEVENS:

S. 2280. A bill to establish a coordinated national ocean exploration program within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. SUNUNU:

S. 2281. A bill to provide a clear and unambiguous structure for the jurisdictional and regulatory treatment for the offering or provision of voice-over-Internet-protocol applications, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, and Mr. DASCHLE):

S. 2282. A bill to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to temporarily replace the 30-year Treasury rate with a rate based on long-term corporate bonds for certain pension plan funding requirements and other provisions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GREGG (for himself and Mr. BAUCUS):

S. 2283. A bill to extend Federal funding for operation of State high risk health insurance pools; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.