

H.R. 430. An act to designate the United States bankruptcy courthouse located at 271 Cadman Plaza East in Brooklyn, New York, as the "Conrad B. Duberstein United States Bankruptcy Courthouse".

H.R. 478. An act to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 101 Barr Street in Lexington, Kentucky, as the "Scott Reed Federal Building and United States Courthouse".

H.R. 1003. An act to amend the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 to reauthorize the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy.

H.R. 1045. An act to designate the Federal building located at 210 Walnut Street in Des Moines, Iowa, as the "Neal Smith Federal Building".

The message also announced that pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 2081, the minority leader appoints the following Member of the House of Representatives to the United States Capitol Preservation Commission: Mr. WAMP of Tennessee.

The message further announced that pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 2081, and the order of the House of January 4, 2007, the Speaker appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the United States Capitol Preservation Commission: Mr. OBEY of Wisconsin and Ms. KAPTUR of Ohio.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 429. An act to designate the United States courthouse located at 225 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn, New York, as the "Hugh L. Carey United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 430. To designate the United States bankruptcy courthouse located at 271 Cadman Plaza East in Brooklyn, New York, as the "Conrad B. Duberstein United States Bankruptcy Courthouse"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 478. An act to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 101 Barr Street in Lexington, Kentucky, as the "Scott Reed Federal Building and United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 1045. An act to designate the Federal building located at 210 Walnut Street in Des Moines, Iowa, as the "Neal Smith Federal Building"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

The following bill was read, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 399. An act to designate the United States Courthouse to be constructed in Jackson, Mississippi, as the "R. Jess Brown United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

MEASURES DISCHARGED

The following measure was discharged from the Committee on the Judiciary, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 399. An act to designate the United States Courthouse to be constructed in Jackson, Mississippi, as the "R. Jess Brown United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 710. To amend the National Organ Transplant Act to provide that criminal penalties do not apply to paired donations of human kidneys, and for other purposes.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-17. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Florida relative to urging the Senate to fulfill the requests of the 2005 BRAC Commission by restoring federal funds for military construction; to the Committee on Armed Services.

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6008

Whereas, Kansas communities, state officials and the members of the Kansas Congressional Delegation worked hard and the results of the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Commission recommendations were the best news for Kansas in years; and

Whereas, these recommendations are resulting in significant increases in personnel and the missions assigned to Fort Riley, Fort Leavenworth, Forbes Air Force Base and McConnell Air Force Base in Kansas; and

Whereas, the military commands, the troops and their families coming to work on those missions are facing a situation with much of the funding support originally contained in the Federal Continuing Resolution, and many of the key projects in Kansas, now at risk; and

Whereas, the Federal Continuing Resolution adopted by the United States House of Representatives currently provides less than half of the request for the 2005 BRAC Commission and is more than \$3 Billion short of the amount agreed upon in the FY 2007 Defense Authorization Bill; and

Whereas, Kansas Governor Kathleen Sebelius' Military Council voted on February 7, 2007, to support efforts to restore vital federal military construction funding for Fort Riley, Fort Leavenworth, Forbes Air Force Base and McConnell Air Force Base at this time when these military posts are getting new missions; and

Whereas, projects that are potentially at risk at Fort Riley include a Combat Aviation Brigade complex, which would provide additional housing for troops, headquarters and operations buildings and facilities, hanger expansion and a crash rescue fire station (\$152 Million); essential Runway Improvements (\$17 Million); Division Headquarters and Sustainment Brigade Headquarters buildings and facilities (\$87 Million); a state-of-the-art Battle Command Training Center (\$27 Million); and a Health and Dental Clinic (\$17.5 Million) and a Child Development Center (\$5.7 Million) to serve the thousands of troops and their families moving to Fort Riley; and

Whereas, the project for the Joint Regional Corrections Facility (\$68-\$95 Million) at Fort Leavenworth is also at risk; and

Whereas, the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas considers the federal funding requested for Fort Riley, Fort Leavenworth, Forbes Air Force Base and McConnell Air Force Base, based on the recommendations of the 2005 BRAC Commission, to be crucially important to the United States of America, as well as to the State of Kansas: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas: That the House of Representatives of the Legislature of the State of Kansas strongly urges the United States Senate to fulfill the requests of the 2005 BRAC Commission and the United States Military by restoring federal funds for military construction in the Federal Continuing Resolution to the funding levels agreed upon in the FY 2007 Defense Authorization Bill: and be it further

Resolved: That the Secretary of State is directed to send enrolled copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to each member of the Kansas Congressional Delegation.

POM-18. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Florida relative to urging Congress to support a National Catastrophe Insurance Program; to the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE MEMORIAL

Whereas, during the 2004 and 2005 hurricane seasons, the State of Florida was devastated by eight hurricanes and four tropical storms, causing approximately \$36 billion in estimated gross probable insurance losses, and

Whereas, the hurricanes from the 2004 and 2005 hurricane seasons have produced high winds, coastal storm surges, torrential rainfalls, and flooding resulting in significant damage to Florida and the Gulf Coast states, which has resulted in displacement of policyholders from their dwellings, loss of personal belongings and contents, closing of businesses and financial institutions, and temporary loss of employment and has created numerous health and safety issues within our local communities, and

Whereas, the losses caused by the 2004 and 2005 hurricane seasons have led to dramatic and economically painful increases in property insurance premiums for Florida's citizens and businesses, forcing many to consider relocating outside the state, and

Whereas, in 1992, Hurricane Andrew resulted in approximately \$20.8 billion in insured losses and was previously the costliest catastrophe in the United States, but Hurricane Katrina alone left the Gulf Coast states with an estimated loss of approximately \$35 billion, and

Whereas, natural disasters continually threaten communities across the United States with extreme weather conditions that pose an immediate danger to the lives, property, and security of the residents of those communities, and

Whereas, the insurance industry, state officials, and consumer groups have been striving to develop solutions to insure mega-catastrophic risks, because hurricanes, earthquakes, tornadoes, typhoons, floods, wildfires, ice storms, and other natural catastrophes continue to affect policyholders across the United States, and

Whereas, on November 16 and 17, 2005, insurance commissioners from Florida, California, Illinois, and New York convened a summit to devise a national catastrophe insurance plan which would more effectively spread insurance risks and help mitigate the tremendous financial damage survivors contend with following such catastrophes: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

(1) That the Legislature urges the Congress of the United States to support a National Catastrophe Insurance Program. Policyholders require a rational insurance mechanism for responding to the economic losses