indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general
Maj. Gen. William G. Webster, Jr., 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be brigadier general
Col. Mark J. MacCarley, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

To be rear admiral (lower half)
Capt. Michael A. Giorgione, 0000

NOMINATIONS PLACED ON THE SECRETARY’S DESK

IN THE AIR FORCE
PN390 AIR FORCE nominations (12) beginning THOMAS J. ANGELO, and ending DANIEL S. ZULLI, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 19, 2007.
PN405 AIR FORCE nominations (4) beginning Thomas I. Anderson, and ending MUSSARET A. ZUBERI, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 26, 2007.
PN406 AIR FORCE nomination of David J. Carrell, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 26, 2007.
PN407 AIR FORCE nomination of James G. Wolf, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 29, 2007.
PN408 AIR FORCE nomination of Craig L. Allen, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 29, 2007.
PN409 AIR FORCE nominations (5) beginning BRIAN L. EVANS, and ending DUNCAN D. SMITH, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 29, 2007.
PN410 AIR FORCE nominations (6) beginning ROBERT W. BEADLE, and ending BRENT S. MILLER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 29, 2007.
PN411 AIR FORCE nomination of Melvin M. pencils, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 29, 2007.
PN412 AIR FORCE nomination of Noaan Issargrill, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 11, 2007.

IN THE ARMY
PN392 ARMY nominations (2) beginning JAMES A. S. BURCH, and ending SCOTT L. HURST, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 22, 2007.
PN393 ARMY nominations (8) beginning JAMES H. BUCKNER, and ending GEORGE S. TALBOT, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 22, 2007.
PN394 ARMY nomination (1) beginning FRANKLIN M. CRANE, and ending GARY T. KIRCHOFF, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 11, 2007.
PN395 ARMY nominations (11) beginning MARK W. CUMMINGTON, and ending DONALD D. WELLS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 11, 2007.
PN410 ARMY nominations (7) beginning THOMAS BROOMES, and ending DEBORAH C. WARREN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 11, 2007.
PN411 ARMY nominations (7) beginning DANON T. ARNOLD, and ending GUJSBERTUS F. VANSTAVEN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 11, 2007.
PN412 ARMY nomination of D0606461, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 11, 2007.
PN413 ARMY nomination of Bernadine F. Polettof, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 11, 2007.
PN414 ARMY nominations of Thomas I. Anderson, and ending GEORGE T. BARNHAM, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 11, 2007.
PN415 ARMY nominations (3) beginning KIRK O. AUSTIN, and ending LEE W. SMITHSON, which were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 11, 2007.
PN416 ARMY nomination of Stephen J. Velez, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 11, 2007.
PN417 ARMY nominations (2) beginning EDWARD C. BENDYK, and ending DARLIE A. SHEALY, which were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 11, 2007.

IN THE MARINE CORPS
PN290 MARINE CORPS nomination of Charles E. Parham Jr., which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2007.
PN393-1 MARINE CORPS nominations (359) beginning EDUARDO A. ABISELLAN, and ending JOSEPH J. ZARBA JR., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 22, 2007.
PN394 MARINE CORPS nominations (865) beginning AARON D. ABDULLAH, and ending SCOTT W. ZIMMERMAN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 22, 2007.
PN418 MARINE CORPS nomination of Michael J. Colburn, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 11, 2007.

IN THE NAVY
PN292 NAVY nomination of Brian D. Petersen, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of February 15, 2007.
PN419 NAVY nominations of Stanley R. Richardson, which were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 29, 2007.
PN420 NAVY nominations (60) beginning BENJAMIN AMDUR, and ending DAVID M. ZIELINSKI, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 11, 2007.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will now return to legislative session.

JOINT REFERRAL OF NOMINATION

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the nomination of R. Lyle Laverty, of Colorado, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife, sent to the Senate by the President on March 26, 2007, be referred jointly to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources and the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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

HONORING THE ENTREPRENEURIAL SPIRIT OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS IN THE UNITED STATES

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 174.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:


There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. KERRY. Mr. President, I am pleased to support during National Small Business Week a bipartisan Senate resolution honoring the entrepreneurial spirit of small business owners throughout the United States. I am privileged to work every day with ranking member, Senator SNOWE and other members of my committee on behalf of small businesses and I am gratified to introduce this legislation with them here today.

Twenty-six million small businesses are currently operating in the United States. They represent 99.7 percent of all employers and account for two thirds of all new jobs created each year. In addition, they contribute over half of small businesses and I am gratified to introduce this legislation with them here today.

It is clear that small businesses are a powerful force in the economic vitality that makes America strong, and small businesses would not have this success...