society in the United States. Now, therefore, be it
Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That Congress:

1) recognizes the teams and players of the Negro Baseball Leagues for their achievements, dedication, sacrifices, and contributions to both baseball and our Nation; and

2) observes National Negro Leaguers Recognition Day on May 20 of each year.

NORTH AMERICAN OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH AND OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH PROFESSIONAL DAY

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 193, submitted earlier today.

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

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 193) designating the week of May 6 through May 12, 2007, as “North American Occupational Safety and Health Week” and May 9, 2007, as “Occupational Safety and Health Professional Day.”

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

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to; that the preamble be agreed to; that the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table; and that any statements relating to the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 193) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:
S. Res. 193

Whereas every year more than 5,700 people die from job-related injuries and 4,400,000 more suffer occupational injuries and illnesses;

Whereas transportation crashes continue to be the number 1 cause of on-the-job deaths, and overall in 2005 there were 6,159,000 transportation accidents resulting in 43,433 deaths, 2,700,000 injuries, and an estimated $230,600,000,000 in tangible costs;

Whereas every day millions of people go to and return home from work safely due, in part, to the efforts of many unsung heroes, such as occupational safety, health, and environmental practitioners, who work day in and day out identifying hazards and implementing safety and health advances in all industries and at all workplaces, aimed at eliminating workplace fatalities, injuries, and illnesses;

Whereas these occupational safety, health, and environmental professionals and members of the American Society of Safety Engineers work to prevent accidents, injuries, and occupational diseases, create safer work and leisure environments, and develop safer products; and are committed to protecting people, property, and the environment;

Whereas the work of these professionals in the areas of occupational safety, health promotion, education, and wellness programs has contributed greatly to the improvement of overall employee health, increased productivity, and reduction in health care costs, and yields significant returns on investments in occupational safety and health for the employer;

Whereas our society has long recognized that a safe and healthy workplace positively impacts employee morale, health, and productivity;

Whereas the more than 30,000 members of the American Society of Safety Engineers, along with the more than 150,000 combined members of the Academy of Certified Hazardous Materials Managers (ACHMM), the American Association of Occupational Health Nurses (American AHN), the American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA), and the American National Standards Institute (ANSI), are occupational safety, health, and environmental practitioners dedicated to keeping people safe at work and protecting property and the environment;

Whereas the purpose of North American Occupational Safety and Health Week (NAOSH) is to increase understanding of the benefits of investing in occupational safety and health, to demonstrate the positive impact that integrating effective safety and health programs in the workplace and the community has on the economy and business, to raise awareness of the role and contribution of safety, health, and environmental professionals in all areas, and to reduce workplace injuries and illnesses by increasing awareness and implementation of safety and health programs;

Whereas the theme of NAOSH Week 2007 is all modes of transportation safety, particularly stressing that motor vehicle drivers should drive wisely to save lives; and

Whereas on May 9 occupational safety and health professionals will be recognized during the second annual Occupational Safety and Health Professional Day for the work they do to keep people safe at work: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

1) designates the week of May 6 through May 12, 2007, to be “North American Occupational Safety and Health Week” (NAOSH) and May 9, 2007, to be “Occupational Safety and Health Professional Day”;

2) commends occupational safety, health, and environmental practitioners for their ongoing commitment to protecting people, property, and the environment;

3) commends those businesses that encourage a strong safety culture and incorporate occupational safety and health into their business strategies;

4) encourages all industries, organizations, community leaders, employers, and employees to join with the American Society of Safety Engineers and its affiliates in its activities to raise awareness of the importance of preventing illness, injury, and death in the workplace, during the week of May 6 through May 12, 2007, and throughout the year;

5) recognizes the commitment of occupational safety and health professionals in their ongoing work to protect people, property, and the environment on May 9, 2007, Occupational Safety and Health Professional Day;

6) urges everyone to observe the theme of NAOSH Week and drive responsibly; and

7) encourages the people of the United States to observe “North American Occupational Safety and Health Week” and “Occupational Safety and Health Professional Day” with appropriate programs and activities.

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H. Con. Res. 68, which was received from the House.

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

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 68) honoring the life and accomplishments of Gian Carlo Menotti and recognizing the success of the Spoleto Festival USA in Charleston, South Carolina, which he founded.

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

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to; that the preamble be agreed to; that the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table; and that any statements relating to the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

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

The concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 68) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

RECOGNIZING 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF IDAHO POTATO COMMISSION

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate Judiciary Committee be discharged from further consideration and that the Senate now proceed to S. Res. 180.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 180) recognizing the 70th anniversary of the Idaho Potato Commission and designating May 2007 as “Idaho Potato Month.”

Whereas the State of Idaho produces roughly one-third of all the potatoes grown in the United States, harvesting an average of 12,000,000,000 to 14,000,000,000 pounds annually;

Whereas the State of Idaho’s unique climate of warm days, cool nights, mountain-fed irrigation, and rich volcanic soil is conducive to growing world-renowned potatoes;
Whereas Idaho potatoes are top-selling and highly recognized potatoes in the United States due to their consistently great taste, versatility, and nutritional content;

Whereas the Idaho potato “brand” is recognized around the world for its high quality and is an identifying characteristic of the great State of Idaho;

Whereas May 2007 marks the 70th consecutive year that Idaho potatoes have been promoted by the Idaho Potato Commission, an Idaho potato industry group responsible for generating attention for the numerous attributes of Idaho potatoes;

Whereas the Idaho Potato Commission is recognized nationally and internationally as a top promotional authority for Idaho’s potatoes and potato products;

Whereas the Idaho Potato Commission’s requirement, since 1959, that only potatoes grown in the State of Idaho are allowed to wear the “Grown in Idaho” federal certification mark contributed toward the creation of a distinctive, enduringly successful, and popular brand for the Russet Burbank potato variety; and

Whereas Idaho’s potato industry contributes approximately $2,700,000,000 to the State economy and employs 39,000 residents: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes the 70th anniversary of the Idaho Potato Commission; and

(2) designates May 2007 as “Idaho Potato Month”.

ORDERS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 11, 2007

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Madam President. I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 9:30 a.m., Friday, May 11; that on Friday, following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the time for the two leaders reserved for their use later in the day; that there then be a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Madam President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate today, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 4:26 p.m., adjourned until Friday, May 11, 2007, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate May 10, 2007:

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION

MARK A. SHELTON, OF KANSAS, TO BE A DIRECTOR OF THE SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2008, VICE THOMAS WATERS GRANT, TERM EXPIRED.

WILLIAM S. JASHE, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A DIRECTOR OF THE SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2009, VICE NOR HINOJOSA, JR., TERM EXPIRED.

MORRIS K. UDALL SCHOLARSHIP AND EXCELLENCE IN NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY FOUNDATION


DEPARTMENT OF STATE

RAVIC ROLF HUSO, OF HAWAII, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLAS OF MINISTER-COUNCILOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PlENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE LAO PEOPLE’S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC.

NEIL L. SEGEL, OF FLORIDA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PlENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS.

UNITED STATES ADVISORY COMMISSION ON PUBLIC DIPLOMACY

LESLIE J. WRIGHT, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES ADVISORY COMMISSION ON PUBLIC DIPLOMACY FOR A TERM EXPIRING JULY 1, 2009, VICE MARIE-SOPHIA AGUIRRE, TERM EXPIRED.

JOHN E. OSBORN, OF DELAWARE, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES ADVISORY COMMISSION ON PUBLIC DIPLOMACY FOR A TERM EXPIRING JULY 1, 2009, VICE CHARLES WILLIAM EVANS II, TERM EXPIRED.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

HOWARD RADZELY, OF MARYLAND, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF LABOR, VICE STEVEN J. LAW, RESIGNED.

IN THE ARMY

To be lieutenant general

MAJ. GEN. MICHAEL A. VANE, 0000

TO BE A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

MAJ. GEN. DAVID P. FRIDOVICH, 0000

TO BE A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

MAJ. GEN. MICHAEL A. VANE, 0000

IN THE NAVY

To be admiral

VICE ADM. ERIC T. OLSON, 0000

TO BE A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES NAVY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANT AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

HOWARD RADZELY, OF MARYLAND, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF LABOR, VICE STEVEN J. LAW, RESIGNED.

IN THE ARMY

To be lieutenant general

MAJ. GEN. MICHAEL A. VANE, 0000

TO BE A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

MAJ. GEN. DAVID P. FRIDOVICH, 0000

IN THE NAVY

To be admiral

VICE ADM. ERIC T. OLSON, 0000