

Reverend Moss's tenure as pastor began in 1954 in LaGrange, GA at Mount Olive Baptist Church. While leading Mount Olive, Moss also served as pastor of Atlanta's Providence Baptist Church from 1956 to 1959. He then headed to Ohio, where he was the pastor for Mount Zion Baptist Church in Lockland. In 1971, Reverend Moss served as copastor with the Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Sr., at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta. Olivet Institutional Baptist Church extended the invitation to Reverend Moss to be their pastor in December 1974. He was installed as pastor in 1975.

Reverend Moss has been involved in advocating civil and human rights and social justice issues for most of his adult life. Having been a staff member for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., he formerly served as a national board member and trustee for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Non-Violent Social Change. His work in the international community has taken him around the world to Hong Kong, Taiwan, Japan, and Israel.

Moss is the recipient of numerous awards, including the Role Model of the Year Award from the National Institute for Responsible Fatherhood and Family Development in 1992, the Leadership Award from the Cleveland chapter of the American Jewish Committee in 1996, and, most recently, he was inducted into the 2007 Class of the International Civil Rights Walk of Fame located at the Martin Luther King Jr. National Historic Site in Atlanta. He also holds six honorary degrees from colleges and universities in Ohio, Georgia, and Arkansas.

His political and civic engagement runs deep. Moss has served as chairman of the board of trustees at Morehouse College and as a member of the board of trustees at the United Theological Seminary in Dayton, OH. He was an advisor to former President Jimmy Carter at Camp David and was the special guest of President Bill Clinton at a peace treaty signing between Israel and Jordan in 1994. Former Ohio Governor Richard Celeste awarded Moss the 1983 Governor's Award in Civil Rights, and I had the honor of presenting Reverend Moss with the 1993 Governor's Award in Civil Rights.

His service to Ohio and the Nation has also been recognized by the Ohio House of Representatives, Ebony Magazine, Cleveland Press, the Black Professional Association of Cleveland, the American Red Cross of Greater Cleveland, Project Love: Remember the Children Foundation, The Cleveland Jewish Committee, and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. He is a life member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored Peoples, NAACP, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., and Sigma Pi Phi, Boule, to name a few.

University Hospitals Health System honored Reverend Moss with a special medical center partnership bearing his name. In 1997, the Otis Moss Jr.—Uni-

versity Hospitals Medical Center was established in conjunction with the Olivet Institutional Baptist Church. The center offers a wide range of primary and specialty care medical services and features an on-site laboratory.

Reverend Moss and I share a passion for helping our children reach their full potential and lead our Nation and world into the next century and beyond. In 2003, I had the privilege of touring and visiting with Moss and his staff at the Medical Center to see how a program called "Reach Out and Read" is administered.

Reverend Moss enjoyed an abiding friendship with the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. In fact, Dr. King visited the pulpit of Olivet Institutional Baptist Church on several occasions and performed the wedding ceremony for Reverend and Mrs. Moss.

Perhaps the greatest connection I share with Reverend Moss is the love and appreciation we both have for our wives. Reverend Moss is married to the former Edwina Hudson Smith, who is accomplished in her own right and is the recipient of numerous awards and recognitions. She is recognized for her outstanding commitment to service as a member of the National Board of the American Red Cross. Their love is a model for us all. Sadly, Reverend Moss and I also share in the loss of a young child.

As someone who has had the pleasure of knowing and working with Reverend Dr. Otis Moss, Jr., I have seen how far his works have reached and benefited others. He has made significant contributions to his community, the State of Ohio, our Nation, and our world. Reverend Moss has shown that he lives in accordance with his strong faith in God. He is someone all of us would do well to emulate, and I am pleased and proud to salute him, his wife, their children, and grandchildren.

Thank you, Reverend Moss, for your outstanding commitment and exceptional leadership to our community. Our lives are better as a result of having been touched by you. Congratulations again to you and your Olivet family for your devotion and commitment to the Cleveland community. ●

TUESDAY, JULY 17, 2007

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Evans, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

REPORT RELATIVE TO THE ISSUANCE OF AN EXECUTIVE ORDER BLOCKING THE PROPERTY OF PERSONS DETERMINED TO HAVE COMMITTED, OR TO POSE A SIGNIFICANT RISK OF COMMITTING, AN ACT OR ACTS OF VIOLENCE THAT HAVE THE PURPOSE OR EFFECT OF THREATENING THE PEACE OR STABILITY OF IRAQ—PM 21

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, as amended (50 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) (IEEPA), I hereby report that I have issued an Executive Order blocking property of persons determined to have committed, or to pose a significant risk of committing, an act or acts of violence that have the purpose or effect of threatening the peace or stability of Iraq or the Government of Iraq or undermining efforts to promote economic reconstruction and political reform in Iraq or to provide humanitarian assistance to the Iraqi people. I issued this order to take additional steps with respect to the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13303 of May 22, 2003, and expanded in Executive Order 13315 of August 28, 2003, and relied upon for additional steps taken in Executive Order 13350 of July 29, 2004, and Executive Order 13364 of November 29, 2004. In these previous Executive Orders, I ordered various measures to address the unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States posed by obstacles to the orderly reconstruction of Iraq, the restoration and maintenance of peace and security in that country, and the development of political, administrative, and economic institutions in Iraq.

My new order takes additional steps with respect to the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13303 and expanded in Executive Order 13315 by blocking the property and interests in property of persons determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense, to have committed, or to pose a significant risk of committing, an act or acts of violence that have the purpose or effect of threatening the peace or stability of Iraq or the Government of Iraq or undermining efforts to promote economic reconstruction and political reform in Iraq or to provide humanitarian assistance to the Iraqi people.

The order further authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense, to designate for blocking those persons determined to have materially assisted, sponsored, or

provided financial, material, logistical, or technical support for, or goods or services in support of, such an act or acts of violence or any person designated pursuant to this order, or to be owned or controlled by, or to have acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to this order.

I delegated to the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense, the authority to take such actions, including the promulgation of rules and regulations, and to employ all powers granted to the President by IEEPA as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of my order. I am enclosing a copy of the Executive Order I have issued.

GEORGE W. BUSH.
THE WHITE HOUSE, July 17, 2007.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 5:05 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following act, with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 966. An act to enable the Department of State to respond to a critical shortage of passport processing personnel, and for other purposes, with an amendment.

The message also announced that the House disagreed to the Senate amendment to the act (H.R. 1) to provide for the implementation of the recommendations of the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States, and agree to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints the following Members as the managers of the conference on the part of the House:

From the Committee on Homeland Security for consideration of the House bill and the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California, Mr. DICKS, Ms. HARMAN, Mrs. LOWEY, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Messrs. ETHERIDGE, LANGEVIN, CUELLAR, AL GREEN of Texas, PERLMUTTER, KING of New York, SMITH of Texas, SOUDER, TOM DAVIS of Virginia, DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California, ROGERS of Alabama, MCCAUL of Texas, DENT, and Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida.

From the Committee on Armed Services, for consideration of sections 1202, 1211, 1221, 1232, 1233, and 1241 of the House bill, and section 703 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. SKELTON, SPRATT, and SAXTON.

From the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for consideration of title I, title II, sections 743 and 901 of the House bill, and title III, sections 1002, 1481, 1482, 1484, and title XVII of the

Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. DINGELL, MARKEY, and BARTON of Texas.

From the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for consideration of sections 601, 1202, 1211, 1221, 1222, 1232, 1233, 1241, 1302, 1311, 1312, 1322, 1323, 1331-1333, 1412, 1414, 1422, 1431, and 1441-1443 of the House bill, and sections 502, 1301, title XVIII, sections 1911-1913, and 1951 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. LANTOS, ACKERMAN, and Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN.

From the Committee on the Judiciary, for consideration of sections 406, 501, 601, 702, and title VIII of the House bill, and sections 123, 501-503, 601-603, 1002, and 1432 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. CONYERS, Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California, and Mr. SENSENBRENNER.

From the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for consideration of section 408 and subtitle A of title VIII of the House bill, and sections 114, 601, 602, 903, 904, 1203, 1205, and 1601 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. WAXMAN, CLAY, and ISSA.

From the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, for consideration of sections 601, 712, 723, 732, 733, 741, 742, and subtitle A of title VIII of the House bill, and sections 111-113, 121, 122, 131, 502, 601, 602, 703, 1201-1203, 1205, 1206, and 1606 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. REYES, CRAMER, and HOEKSTRA.

From the Committee on Science and Technology, for consideration of sections 703, 1301, 1464, 1467, and 1507 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. GORDON of Tennessee, WU, and GINGREY.

From the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for consideration of titles I-III, section 1002, and title XI of the House bill, and sections 202, 301, title IV, sections 801-803, 807, 901, 1001, 1002, 1101-1103, 1422-1424, 1426, 1427, 1429, 1430, 1433, 1436-1438, 1441, 1443, 1444, 1446, 1449, 1464, 1473, 1503, and 1605 of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Messrs. OBERSTAR, DEFAZIO, and MICA.

For consideration of title II of the House bill, and title III of subtitle C of title XIV of the Senate amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Mr. LARSON of Connecticut.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 781. An act to redesignate Lock and Dam N. 5 of the McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System near Redfield, Arkansas, authorized by the Rivers and Harbors Act approved July 24, 1946, as the "Colonel Charles D. Maynard Lock and Dam".

H.R. 799. An act to authorize and improve the program authorized by the Appalachian Regional Development Act of 1965.

H.R. 1980. An act to authorize appropriations for the Housing Assistance Council.

H.R. 1982. An act to authorize appropriations for the rural housing and economic de-

velopment program of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

H.R. 2293. An act to require the Secretary of State to submit to Congress a report on efforts to bring to justice the Palestinian terrorists who killed John Branchizio, Mark Parson, and John Marin Linde.

H.R. 2547. An act to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to prevent misrepresentation about deposit insurance coverage, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2570. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 301 Boardwalk Drive in Fort Collins, Colorado, as the "Dr. Karl E. Carson Post Office Building".

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 87. Concurrent resolution supporting the goals and ideals of a world day of remembrance for road crash victims.

The message further announced that pursuant to The National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 955(b) note), the Minority Leader appoints the following Member to the National Council on the Arts: Mr. TIBERI of Ohio.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 730c of the Public Interest Declassification Board, 50 U.S.C. 435 note, the Republican Leader re-appoints the Honorable David Scaggs to the Public Interest Declassification Board as the Minority Leader appointment, with the understanding that he will resign the position effective June 5, 2009.

The message further announced that pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 2004(b), and the order of the House of January 4, 2007, the Speaker appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation: Mr. SKELTON of Missouri and Mr. HULSHOF of Missouri.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD) announced that he had signed the following enrolled bills, which had previously been signed by the Speaker of the House:

S. 1701. An act to provide for the extension of transitional medical assistance (TMA) and the abstinence education program through the end of fiscal year 2007, and for other purposes.

H.R. 556. An act to ensure national security while promoting foreign investment and the creation and maintenance of jobs, to reform the process by which such investments are examined for any effect they may have on national security, to establish the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 781. An act to redesignate Lock and Dam No. 5 of the McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System near Redfield, Arkansas, authorized by the Rivers and Harbors Act approved July 24, 1946, as the "Colonel Charles D. Maynard Lock and Dam"; to