

and Space Act. This law created NASA as we know it today in order to “provide for research into problems of flight within, and outside the Earth’s atmosphere, and for other purposes.”

In 1961 a chimpanzee named ENOS, trained at Holloman Air Force Base in Alamogordo, was launched into orbit around Earth and safely returned after two full orbits. Fellow space travelers, Astronauts Drew Gaffney, Sidney Gutierrez, Mike Gutierrez, Edgar D. Mitchell, and former Senator Harrison J. Schmitt, whom I had the honor of working with years ago, all call New Mexico home.

White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico currently provides an alternative landing site for the space shuttle, serves as the primary training area for NASA space shuttle pilots and is used for research on the next generation of the space shuttle. NASA has collaborated with, and funded, research at the University of New Mexico, New Mexico State University, and New Mexico Tech. This funding has been used to continue to expand the limits of understanding in the fields of science and technology. NASA continues to work with Sandia and Los Alamos National Laboratories on cutting edge research and development programs.

New Mexico’s Holloman Air Force Base in Alamogordo is also home to the 2007 X-PRIZE Cup competition, the world’s largest air and space flight demonstration. In just a few days, on October 27 and 28, lunar lander vehicle competitions, launches, and air show performances will take place along with ground static displays of rockets, NASA displays, robotic displays, and military aircraft displays. I know that the competition will again be fierce for the X-PRIZE Cup, and I am very excited that all the action will take place in New Mexico.

I am proud of New Mexico’s role and rich history in space and with NASA. It is a great honor for New Mexico to contribute in so many ways to this remarkable program which has played such a large role in our Nation’s history and which continues to be so important to our advancement.

From the Mercury, Gemini, and Apollo missions of the 1960s space race to the shuttle age and beyond, NASA has been on the cutting edge of technology, and they are consistently pushing the limits of understanding. Through space exploration we continue to gain a clearer picture of the history of our universe, our planet, and ourselves.

In honor of 50 years of space flight, NASA will be hosting lecture series, future forums, and science expos throughout the country beginning this month and continuing through October of 2008. I am in awe of what NASA has done and can only anticipate what exciting things they will bring this country, and the world, over the next 50 years.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY PARTICIPATION IN SOLAR DECATHLON

• Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, I would like to take a moment to recognize the extraordinary efforts of one of the universities in my home State of California—Santa Clara University.

Twenty-eight SCU students are here in Washington this week to compete in the Solar Decathlon to build the most livable and energy efficient solar-powered house.

As one of only 20 university teams worldwide chosen by the U.S. Department of Energy to participate, the SCU team is making tremendous strides both on the Mall and in California to lead the charge in sustainable living. They are setting a fantastic example for youth throughout the Nation, and for future generations, in how we can work to save energy and reduce global warming pollution.

The SCU students have studied the innovative problem solving methods that are a staple of Silicon Valley and have incorporated those approaches in their work. They have gone above and beyond to demonstrate that people can have affordable, beautiful, functional housing that also saves energy, protects our environment, and reduces pollution.

In June, the SCU team started building their solar-powered home and then transported it across the country last month. Their state-of-the-art “green” home is fully equipped with bamboo I-beams, developed by the SCU engineering team, retractable walls, “smart” windows and solar thermal panels, in addition to generating its own solar electricity. The solutions to our environmental challenges lie in new technologies like these.

Buildings are responsible for 40 percent of greenhouse gas emissions. This means that taking the steps to make our homes more efficient will ensure a better, greener future for generations to come. Building energy efficient homes and buildings, increasing our use of solar power, and expanding the use of clean, renewable energy sources are some of the best ways to reduce the pollution that causes global warming.

I again commend the students of Santa Clara University for making the trip to Washington and for their efforts to blaze the trail for a better, cleaner environment.●

##### TRIBUTE TO JUSTICE WILLIAM E. MCANULTY, JR.

• Mr. DODD. Mr. President, I speak in memory of my dear friend, William E. McNulty, Jr., justice of the Kentucky State Supreme Court. He died last month of lung cancer, at the age of 59.

Justice McNulty should have been with us for many more years. But Bill lived a life that could have been called complete no matter when his book

closed—complete because it was full of love, full of humor, and full of path-breaking work.

Bill jumped at the chance to be the first African American to serve on Kentucky’s Supreme Court, declaring that he didn’t have time to wait to make history. “And to those many, many before me,” he added, “thank you for not waiting.”

And Justice McNulty knew that, just as he owed a debt to the civil rights pioneers who came before him, he in turn would be remembered by those who came after: After his success, he said, black lawyers “will understand the door is open and they are able like any other lawyer or judge to enter. I’ve looked at my entire career as being someone who could pave the way for others behind me.”

“He was simply born to be a judge,” said a prominent Kentucky attorney. But when I met Bill at the University of Louisville law school, his accomplishments on the bench were still far in the future.

What I remember most from our student days together is his mischievous streak for practical jokes and his crackling sense of humor—qualities that served him wonderfully as a judge.

When a lawyer paused in the middle of a lengthy closing statement and asked Bill to wake a snoring juror, he replied: “You put him to sleep. You wake him up.” And when this University of Louisville graduate and lifelong Democrat was preparing for brain surgery in the last days of his life, he asked the doctor for assurances that he wouldn’t wake up a University of Kentucky fan or with the judicial perspective of Justice Clarence Thomas.

Bill faced his sudden illness and his imminent death with a bravery I wish we could all be blessed to emulate. In one sense, it was deeply unfair for that sickness to strike only a year after his crowning achievement, service on his State’s highest court. But as Bill would have told us, only a false measure of success could be stolen so easily.

Bill earned a much deeper kind. In the words of Ralph Waldo Emerson quoted at his funeral: “To laugh often and much; . . . To know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived—this is to have succeeded.”

So I join Bill’s surviving loved ones—his father William, his wife Kristi, and his four children—in their sadness. At the funeral, the presiding pastor implored Kentucky’s Governor, “We know you can’t give us another Judge McNulty, but please give us somebody like him.”

A success like the life of Justice William E. McNulty, Jr., is no cause for mourning. But we grieve Bill’s death, and I can’t deny that I will miss this best of friends very, very much.●

##### BORDER BINATIONAL HEALTH WEEK

• Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I wish to commemorate Border Binational

Health Week. Being that New Mexico is a border State, I have great interest in honoring the citizens of my State who live and work near the border.

Border Binational Health Week, which is celebrated this week, is a way for border States to promote sustainable partnerships to help address border health issues. This year's theme is "Families in Action for Health," which is an effort to make sure all people are healthy, and families working together can make sure that happens. Border States have a unique set of concerns citizens elsewhere may not experience. By recognizing Border Binational Health Week, we can begin a dialogue on these issues, between countries.

Several events are being held around the State to raise awareness. The events include a Red Ribbon Rally Parade and Health Fair in Sunland Park; a Family Health Fair in Las Cruces; a Health Disparities Forum in Silver City; a 1½ mile Walk out West in Alamogordo; and a Youth Promotora Training and Educational Workshop in Animas and Lordsburg. Each of these activities help promote healthy living in border States, and especially border communities.

It is my hope that border health will be discussed not only during this week but all year long.●

#### RECOGNIZING CANYON ROAD

● Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I wish to recognize the city of Santa Fe and their award for one of 2007's Great Streets. Canyon Road was showcased by the American Planning Association as being one of the top 10 streets in the country.

Canyon Road is unique in that it combines elements of commercial and residential living in a way that makes guests want to visit this street time and again. It is the heart of the residential arts and crafts district, and many artists sell their work on this street. Canyon Road is loaded with art galleries that draw crowds of art connoisseurs and simple lovers of art. Art is a huge part of the culture in Santa Fe, and Canyon Road epitomizes that culture. This street is enjoyed by locals and tourists alike.

It is great to see Santa Fe recognized along with cities like New York City and St. Louis. Canyon Road was listed alongside other famous roads, such as North Michigan Avenue in Chicago and Ocean Drive in Miami. It is great to see the character and distinctiveness of my State represented on lists such as these. The American Planning Association has only solidified what New Mexicans already know, that this street is a place all should enjoy. I invite all of you to visit New Mexico and go take a leisurely stroll down the legendary Canyon Road. ●

#### HONORING MARNEE'S COOKIES

● Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, today I recognize Marnee's Cookies, a growing

small business from my home State of Maine that recently opened its first retail store in Bath, ME. Marnee's Cookies, a premier gourmet cookie company, held the grand opening of Marnee's Cookie Bistro on September 28 to great fanfare. Originally operated out of owner Marnee Robinson's kitchen, the business is now based out of a 4,000 square-foot facility in downtown Bath, which serves as both a cookie factory and retail store.

Baking from an early age, Ms. Robinson has developed and refined the quintessential cookie by combining the arts of baking and design. For years, family and friends have enjoyed her two signature cookies—Nirvana and Serendipity—that became the genesis and impetus for her business. In 2005, Ms. Robinson's entrepreneurial dream became a reality when Marnee's Cookies was founded, offering 13 types of gourmet cookies. Originally begun as a home-based Internet company run solely by Ms. Robinson, the demand for her product quickly expanded into a booming business with loyal customers around the world, from Maine to California, and Paris to India. In fact, Internet orders were so strong that Ms. Robinson was working 18-hour days to ship cookies worldwide. As a result, her growing business needed a facility to accommodate the increasing demand.

The expansion of Marnee's Cookies was made possible by a \$150,000 community development block grant. These grants are awarded to small businesses that will, in turn, contribute to economic development and job creation. The city of Bath saw great potential in Ms. Robinson's business plan and applied for the grant on her behalf. I am confident the grant will be beneficial to Marnee's Cookies, enabling it to further expand its reach and create additional jobs and opportunities for Bath's residents.

Marnee's Cookies is also to be commended for its active involvement in local community and charity events. Cookies are regularly donated to local events and nonprofit organizations ranging from the Bath Soup Kitchen to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Additionally, Marnee's Cookies holds an annual charity event on December 4—National Cookie Day—with a portion of all holiday orders donated to a local charity. These gracious acts of philanthropy cannot go unnoticed and are a shining example of a small business going above and beyond to serve the local community.

Marnee's Cookies is truly a success story and a bright example of what small businesses can accomplish with measured expansion and consistent determination. I congratulate Marnee Robinson for her entrepreneurial spirit and for being an exceptional role model for Maine and the Nation. We at the Senate wish Marnee's Cookies all the best for many more successful years to come.●

#### RECOGNIZING THE SALVATION ARMY

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize the Rapid City Chapter of the Salvation Army as they celebrate 100 years of dedicated service to the local community.

For the last century, the Salvation Army of Rapid City has stood ready to assist South Dakotans of all ages through a variety of services including disaster relief, food and nutrition services, family counseling, health services, and many others. They own and operate the Black Hills Salvation Army Camp and the Rapid City Salvation Army Thrift Store. This "church with its sleeves rolled up" serves as a shining example of an organization that is meeting the needs of South Dakota's citizens both physically and spiritually.

The Salvation Army would not be able to perform its invaluable mission without the hard work and dedication of the many volunteers and officers who have put in countless hours serving the needs of others. These compassionate individuals are truly the backbone of the Rapid City community and I hope that their service will inspire others to lend a helping hand.

It gives me great pleasure to rise with the State of South Dakota in congratulating the Salvation Army of Rapid City on this important anniversary and wish them continued success in the years to come.●

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

##### ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 10:03 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 1495. An act to provide for the conservation and development of water and related sources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore [Mr. BYRD].

At 3:24 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2102. An act to maintain the free flow of information to the public by providing conditions for the federally compelled disclosure of information by certain persons connected with the news media.

H.R. 2295. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the establishment of an Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Registry.

H.R. 3678. An act to amend the Internet Tax Freedom Act to extend the moratorium on certain taxes relating to the Internet and to electronic commerce.

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