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#### HONORING OUR ARMED FORCES

SPECIALIST BRIAN R. BOWMAN

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, it is with a heavy heart that I rise today to honor the life and heroic service of Army Specialist Brian R. Bowman. Specialist Bowman, a member of the 1st Battalion, 12th Infantry Regiment, 4th Infantry Division at Fort Carson, CO, died on January 3, 2010. Specialist Bowman was serving in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in Ashoq, Afghanistan, and sustained injuries when insurgents attacked his patrol using improvised explosive devices and small weapons. He was 24 years old.

A native of Crawfordsville, IN, Specialist Bowman moved to Fort Carson in 2007 when he was assigned to the 2nd Infantry Regiment. Specialist Bowman joined the Army in August 2006. He was deployed to Afghanistan in May 2009, where he worked as a health care specialist, or combat medic.

During over 3 years of service, Specialist Bowman distinguished himself through his courage, dedication to duty, and willingness to take on any challenge—no matter how dangerous. Commanders recognized his extraordinary bravery and talent, bestowing on Specialist Bowman numerous awards and medals, including the Army Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, and the Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Bronze Service Star.

As a combat medic, Specialist Bowman worked on the front lines of battle, providing emergency first aid and care to his fellow servicemembers. He is remembered by those who knew him as a consummate professional and friend who they could turn to in times of need. Most of all, they remember his devotion to his wife and his country.

Mark Twain once said, “The fear of death follows from the fear of life. A man who lives fully is prepared to die at any time.” Specialist Bowman’s service was in keeping with this sentiment—by selflessly putting country first, he lived life to the fullest. He lived without fear.

At substantial personal risk, he braved the chaos of combat zones throughout Afghanistan. And though his fate on the battlefield was uncertain, he pushed forward, protecting America’s citizens, her safety, and the freedoms we hold dear. For his service and the lives he touched, Specialist Bowman will forever be remembered as one of our country’s bravest.

To Specialist Bowman’s mother Paula, his father Robert, his wife

Casie, and all his friends and family I cannot imagine the sorrow you must be feeling. I hope that, in time, the pain of your loss will be eased by your pride in Brian’s service and by your knowledge that his country will never forget him. We are humbled by his service and his sacrifice.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### REMEMBERING SMITH BAGLEY

• Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Smith Bagley, a beloved philanthropist and entrepreneur with an unwavering dedication to improving the lives of others. Mr. Bagley passed away on January 2 due to complications from a stroke. He was 74 years old. Smith will be deeply missed by all he touched, and he touched many.

Smith Bagley was born in Manhattan on April 1, 1935, to Nancy Reynolds Bagley and Henry Walker Bagley. He graduated from Washington and Lee University and served as a captain in the U.S. Army Reserves.

Smith was a successful businessman and chief executive of the cellular telephone company SBI. Passionate about progressive causes, Smith dedicated much of his life to fighting for social justice, human rights, education, and environmental preservation.

Smith served as president of the Arca Foundation, a grant-making trust dedicated to transparency in government and enterprise, diplomacy, and raising the standard of living here and in the developing world.

A champion of education, Smith founded the precursor to Communities in Schools, the Nation’s largest dropout prevention program. He was a former trustee of the John F. Kennedy Center Performing Arts. Smith founded a public policy research institute, the Brenn Foundation, and was a board member of the Sapelo Island Research Foundation, a center for environmental research.

Due to his tireless efforts on behalf of the Catholic University of America, Smith was honored with the title of chairman emeritus and presented with the university’s highest honor, the President’s Medal.

He is survived by his wife of 26 years, former Ambassador to Portugal Elizabeth Frawley Bagley; his six children, Walker Bagley, Nancy Reynolds Bagley, Nicole Ladmer Bagley, Brett Dylan Bagley, Vaughan Elizabeth Bagley, and Conor Reynolds Bagley; a sister, Susan Bagley Bloom; and five grandchildren. My heart goes out to them during this time of grief.

In the words of former President William Jefferson Clinton, who delivered Smith’s closing eulogy, “This man, notwithstanding the circumstances in which he was born or the wealth he generated for himself, always found a way to give more than he took.”

Smith will be sorely missed, not only by the friends and family who knew

him well but also by those whose lives were made better by his unwavering commitment to equality and justice. •

#### REPORT RELATIVE TO THE INTERDICTION OF AIRCRAFT ENGAGED IN ILLICIT DRUG TRAFFICKING—PM 41

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 Foreign Relations:

*To the Congress of the United States:*

Consistent with the authorities related to official immunity in the interdiction of aircraft engaged in illicit drug trafficking (Public Law 107–108, 22 U.S.C. 2291–4), as amended, and in order to keep the Congress fully informed, I am providing a report by my Administration. This report includes matters related to support for the interdiction of aircraft engaged in illicit drug trafficking.

BARACK OBAMA.  
THE WHITE HOUSE, January 22, 2010.

#### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 10:16 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker had signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 4462. An act to accelerate the income tax benefits for charitable cash contributions for the relief of victims of the earthquake in Haiti.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD).

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

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

S. 692. An act to provide that claims of the United States to certain documents relating to Franklin Delano Roosevelt shall be treated as waived and relinquished in certain circumstances.

At 10:33 a.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. 1065. An act to resolve water rights claims of the White Mountain Apache Tribe in the State of Arizona, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3250. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1210 West Main Street in Riverhead, New York, as the “Private First Class Garfield M. Langhorn Post Office Building”.

H.R. 3254. An act to approve the Taos Pueblo Indian Water Rights Settlement Agreement, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3342. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Commissioner of Reclamation, to develop water infrastructure in the Rio Grande