

The U.S. Olympic team also includes several other athletes with ties to Idaho: freestyle skier Emily Cook, from Massachusetts, who trained at Bogus Basin in her youth and is friends with Jeret Peterson; Freestyle skier Patrick Deneen, from Washington, who skied at Silver Mountain near Kellogg in his youth; snowboarder Elena Hight, from California, who lived in Boise when young and learned to snowboard at Bogus Basin; bobsledder Nick Cunningham, from California, who was a track star at Boise State University; and snowboarder Nate Holland, from California, who grew up in Sandpoint, Idaho, where he learned to ski at Schweitzer Mountain.

I offer my sincere and well-deserved congratulations to Idaho's 2010 Winter Olympics athletes. Simply making the U.S. Olympic team is an amazing achievement in itself. It takes a lifetime of hard work, dedication and practice. It is truly a great accomplishment and they have made Idaho proud. I look forward to seeing each of them again at the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia, and hope to see even more Idahoans join them to represent our great State.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### TRIBUTE TO SARA O'MEARA AND YVONNE FEDDERSON

• Mr. DODD. Mr. President, today, during Child Abuse Prevention Month, I wish I wish to recognize Sara O'Meara and Yvonne Feddersen, founders of the nonprofit child abuse prevention group Childhelp, for all of their work on behalf of abused and neglected children. For half a century, these two heroes have spoken up for at-risk children and I am grateful for their ceaseless work to create better lives for children.

Sara and Yvonne first started this work 50 years ago as American actresses when they had a chance encounter with 11 homeless orphans in Japan, while entertaining U.S. troops. Sara and Yvonne tried to place those children in a Japanese orphanage only to discover they were unwelcome because of their mixed race heritage. Returning to California, these women founded International Orphans Incorporated, now Childhelp, and raised funds that eventually built four orphanages caring for abandoned Japanese-American children as well as Vietnamese children. Over the years they have worked to create the Childhelp Hotline, children's advocacy centers, high-quality foster care homes, and training around child abuse prevention.

In 2008, nearly 800,000 American children were victims of child abuse or neglect. Nearly 1,800 of them died as a result. It is our youngest children who suffer the brunt of the abuse. Four in ten of those fatalities were children younger than one year of age and three in four fatalities were younger than four. These statistics are over-

whelming. But for each individual case, each child who suffers, there is a lasting story of pain and loss. Child maltreatment affects the emotional and behavioral development of its victims, often for a lifetime.

Without Childhelp these statistics would be even worse. Childhelp's professionals and many volunteers focus their efforts on advocacy, prevention, treatment, and community outreach. I know my colleagues join with me in congratulating these two amazing women and their life's work in protecting our most valuable resource, our children.

Even one case of abuse or neglect is too many. But every child we save from maltreatment is a child who can go on to achieve great things. For half a century, Childhelp has done so much good for so many kids. With Sara and Yvonne's tireless devotion to children in need throughout the world, Childhelp is well prepared for another 50 years of protecting our children from abuse and neglect.●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:26 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 bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2499. An act to provide for a federally sanctioned self-determination process for the people of Puerto Rico.

##### ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 11:48 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 5146. An act to provide that Members of Congress shall not receive a cost of living adjustment in pay during fiscal year 2011.

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

#### MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 2499. An act to provide for a federally sanctioned self-determination process for the people of Puerto Rico; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-5661. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Imidacloprid; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 8818-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 22, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5662. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Difenoconazole Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 8817-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 22, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5663. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cyromazine; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 8801-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 22, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5664. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Viruses, Serums, Toxins, and Analogous Products and Patent Term Restoration; Nonsubstantive Amendments" (Docket No. APHS-2009-0069) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 21, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5665. A communication from the Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Raisins Produced From Grapes Grown in California; Final Free and Reserve Percentages for 2009-10 Crop Natural (Sun-Dried) Seedless Raisins" (Docket Nos. AMS-FV-09-0075; FV10-989-1 IFR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 23, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5666. A communication from the Administrator of the Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cranberries Grown in the States of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota, Oregon, Washington, and Long Island in the State of New York; Changes to Reporting Dates" (Docket Nos. AMS-FV-09-0073; FV10-929-1 FR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 23, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5667. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General H. Steven Blum, Army National Guard of the United States, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5668. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a quarterly report entitled, "Acceptance of Contributions for Defense Programs, Projects, and Activities; Defense Cooperation Account"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5669. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Foreign Language Skill Proficiency Bonus program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5670. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Critical Skills Retention Bonus program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5671. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on