

from Montgomery, AL, who passed away on June 4, 2016. Doug was a good man who loved his family, his country, his many friends, and was always positive and productive, and he was a good friend, adviser, and helper to me. He made his own decisions and worked hard to achieve the values he believed in even when it was not easy to do so. That determination and courage was something I appreciated and admired, as did so many.

Doug and I knew each other for many years and grew up in rural Alabama not too far away from each other and at a similar time. We understood each other and shared a history of time and place. Doug was one of my favorite people. His positive spirit was contagious, as he was always thinking and always working to make America a better place. That is the definition of a patriot.

He was a man of many talents and a successful businessman. He owned a wide variety of businesses, from restaurants to a cosmetics line, courier service, and a car dealership. He worked particularly hard in Alabama to promote small and minority businesses. I was pleased to successfully urge his appointment by President Bush to the committee overseeing the U.S. Department of Agriculture responsibilities in Alabama. The Alabama Farm Service Agency handles programs including commodities, loans, disaster assistance, food assistance, and export credits. He had a farming background and was a valuable member of the committee, fully understanding the needs of small and minority farmers in the State.

Doug will always be remembered for his love of his family, church, and fellow man. He leaves behind his wife of 45 years, Shirley Ann Moore; his loving daughter, Carmen Moore-Zeigler; son-in-law, Henry Zeigler; a granddaughter who was the apple of his eye, Da Brianna Zeigler; and 11 brothers and sisters.●

REMEMBERING TYREE A. RICHBURG

● Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, I rise today to remember Tyree A. Richburg of Mobile, AL. Reverend, marshal, and chief, Richburg had a wonderful life that blessed so many. He was a great law enforcement officer, starting as a patrolman for the Mobile Police Department, where he worked for over 40 years earning the rank of lieutenant in 1978, and then as chief of police for Prichard, AL. Following that, he was appointed as U.S. marshal for the Southern District of Alabama, where he served with distinction from 1978 to 1981. Appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate, U.S. marshals stand with the U.S. attorney as the representatives for the executive branch of the government in the judicial districts. Marshal Richburg was supported by his fine team of deputies and staff and, under his leadership, he

fulfilled his duties in an exceptional manner.

In 1988, after years of dedicated service in law enforcement, he accepted a calling to ministry and in 2001 began his tenure as pastor of the Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church. Indeed, in many ways his concept of law enforcement was as a ministry. He was firm with lawbreakers, but he treated each one with dignity and the kindness the situation would allow.

Tyree Richburg was honest, courageous, determined, generous, and kind. He reflected the great qualities we should all strive for. During the time I was U.S. attorney, he was a good friend and we worked together in a relationship of confidence and trust.

His beloved wife of 63 years, Celestine Richburg, preceded him in death, but he leaves behind 4 children, 10 grandchildren, 5 great-grandchildren, and many loving clergy associates and friends.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States was communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, 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 nominations which were referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

(The message received today is printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:47 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, 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. 2845. An act to promote access to benefits under the African Growth and Opportunity Act, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4481. An act to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to provide assistance for developing countries to promote quality basic education and to establish the goal of all children in school and learning as an objective of the United States foreign assistance policy, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5063. An act to limit donations made pursuant to settlement agreements to which the United States is a party, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5537. An act to promote internet access in developing countries and update foreign policy toward the internet, and for other purposes.

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

H. Con. Res. 131. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the District of Columbia Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run.

The message also announced that the Speaker appoints Mr. KINZINGER of Illinois as a conferee to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Whitfield of Kentucky on the conference committee on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the House to the bill (S. 2012) to provide for the modernization of the energy policy of the United States, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 4(a) of the John F. Kennedy Centennial Commission Act (Public Law 114-215), the Minority Leader appoints Mr. JOSEPH P. KENNEDY III of Massachusetts to the John F. Kennedy Centennial Commission.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 2845. An act to promote access to benefits under the African Growth and Opportunity Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 4481. An act to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to provide assistance for developing countries to promote quality basic education and to establish the goal of all children in school and learning as an objective of the United States foreign assistance policy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 5063. An act to limit donations made pursuant to settlement agreements to which the United States is a party, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 5537. An act to promote internet access in developing countries and update foreign policy toward the internet, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 3296. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an exemption to the individual mandate to maintain health coverage for individuals residing in counties with fewer than 2 health insurance issuers offering plans on an Exchange.

S. 3297. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an exemption to the individual mandate to maintain health coverage for certain individuals whose premium has increased by more than 10 percent, and for other purposes.

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-6740. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Citrus tristeza virus expressing spinach defensin proteins 2, 7, and 8; Temporary Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9947-19) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the