

Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) were added as cosponsors of Senate Resolution 96, a resolution proclaiming the week of March 15 through March 21, 1998, as "National Safe Place Week".

## SENATE RESOLUTION 155

At the request of Mr. LOTT, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. HELMS) was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 155, a resolution designating April 6 of each year as "National Tartan Day" to recognize the outstanding achievements and contributions made by Scottish Americans to the United States.

## SENATE RESOLUTION 170

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. MACK) was added as a cosponsor of Senate Resolution 170, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the Federal investment in biomedical research should be increased by \$2,000,000,000 in fiscal year 1999.

## AMENDMENT NO. 1397

At the request of Mr. GRAMM the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. THOMAS) was added as a cosponsor of Amendment No. 1397 intended to be proposed to S. 1173, a bill to authorize funds for construction of highways, for highway safety programs, and for mass transit programs, and for other purposes.

# SENATE RESOLUTION 172—RELATIVE TO THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA

Mr. BROWNBACK (for Mr. ROBB) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S.RES. 172

Whereas February 4, 1998, is the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the independence of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka from Britain;

Whereas the present constitution of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka has been in existence since August 16, 1978, and guarantees universal suffrage; and

Whereas the people of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the United States share many values, including a common belief in democratic principles, a commitment to international cooperation, and promotion of enhanced trade and cultural ties; Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) congratulates President Chandrika Bandaranaike Kumaratunga and the people of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka on the celebration of 50 years of independence;

(2) expresses best wishes to the Government and people of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as they celebrate their national day of independence on February 4, 1998; and

(3) looks forward to continued cooperation and friendship with the Government and people of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka in the years ahead.

## SEC. 2. TRANSMITTAL OF RESOLUTION.

The Secretary of the Senate shall transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to the

Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka.

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I rise on behalf of Senate Resolution 172, which commemorates the 50th Anniversary of independence of Sri Lanka. I believe it is appropriate that we so mark this occasion by offering our congratulations to her excellency, President Kumaratunga and the people of Sri Lanka.

In the first five decades since Sri Lanka gained its independence from British colonial rule, Sri Lanka has held regular national elections as well as provincial and local government elections. The most recent parliamentary elections were held in August 1994, and the third presidential election was held in November 1994.

Sri Lanka has prospered economically since 1977, when it introduced economic liberalization policies which shifted the economy away from state controls, subsidies and public sector involvement to a market-oriented system in which private entrepreneurship flourishes. The U.S. is Sri Lanka's largest trading partner, accounting for 30% of the latter's exports, and over 90 U.S. companies have invested in Sri Lanka, with a heavy concentration in mining and textiles.

U.S. official relations with Sri Lanka date back to 1850 when John Black, an American merchant residing in Colombo was appointed the first American commercial agent in GALLE. Fifty years later the agency moved to Colombo and became a consulate. It subsequently became an embassy in 1948 after Sri Lanka became independent.

The exchange of bilateral visits has played an important role in strengthening the cordial relations between our two nations. Then Secretary of State John Foster Dulles visited Sri Lanka soon after its independence, and since that time members of this body as well as our colleagues in the House have regularly visited this lovely country.

Despite its prosperity and commitment to democratic principles, Sri Lanka has been plagued for many years by two domestic insurgencies, one mainly Tamil in the North, and the other mainly Sinhalese, in the South. The result has been the loss of many lives and heavy damage to property. The government has reiterated its commitment to addressing grievances articulated by these groups through dialog and the process of negotiation. Four rounds of unconditional talks with the Tamil Tiger separatists were held following the President's election in November 1994, and a cease fire was subsequently reached. This however, was breached by the separatists after 3½ months when they resumed their terrorist activity.

As a result of these terrorist actions at home, Sri Lanka has placed counter terrorism at the forefront of its foreign policy. Sri Lanka was the Vice Chair of the United Nations Ad hoc Committee on Terrorism and played an important

role in the drafting of the Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombing, being the first to sign the Convention at United Nations Headquarters on January 12, 1998.

I am therefore, Mr. President, pleased to introduce this Senate Resolution. I want to commend the chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, Mr. HELMS and the ranking member, Mr. BIDEN for their support.

I urge my colleagues to vote "yea" on this Senate Resolution.

## AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED

## RONALD REAGAN WASHINGTON NATIONAL AIRPORT LEGISLATION

## REID AMENDMENT NO. 1640

Mr. REID proposed an amendment to the bill (S. 1575) to rename the Washington National Airport located in the District of Columbia and Virginia as the "Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport"; as follows:

At the end, add the following:

### SEC. . REDESIGNATION OF J. EDGAR HOOVER FBI BUILDING.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The J. Edgar Hoover FBI Building located at 935 Pennsylvania Avenue in Washington, District of Columbia, shall be known and designated as the "Federal Bureau of Investigation Building".

(b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the building referred to in subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Federal Bureau of Investigation Building".

## DOD AMENDMENT NO. 1641

Mr. DODD proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 1575, supra; as follows:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

### SECTION 1. FEDERAL FACILITIES REDESIGNATION ADVISORY GROUP.

(a) IN GENERAL.—There is established a Federal Facilities Redesignation Advisory Group comprised of—

(1) 2 members of the House of Representatives designated by the Speaker of the House;

(2) 2 members of the House of Representatives designated by the Minority Leader of the House;

(3) 2 members of the Senate designated by the Majority Leader of the Senate;

(4) 2 members of the Senate designated by the Minority Leader of the Senate; and

(5) the Administrator of General Services.

(b) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the Advisory Group is to consider and make a recommendation concerning any proposal to change the name of a Federal facility to commemorate or honor any individual, group of individuals, or event.

## (c) CRITERIA.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—In considering a proposal to rename an existing Federal facility, the Advisory Group shall consider—

(A) the appropriations of the proposed name for the facility, taking into account any history of association of the individual for whom the facility is proposed to be named with the facility or its location;

(B) the activities to be carried out at, and function of, the facility;

(C) the views of the community in which the facility is located (including any public comment, testimony, or evidence received under subsection (d));

(D) the appropriateness of the facility's existing name, taking into account its history, function, and location; and

(E) the costs associated with renaming the facility and the sources of funds to defray the cost.

(2) AGE AND CURRENT OCCUPATION.—The Advisory Group may not recommend a proposed change in the name of a Federal facility for a living individual unless that individual—

(A) is at least 70 years of age; and

(B) has not been an officer or employee of the United States, or a Member of the Congress, for a period of at least 5 years before the date of the proposed change.

(d) ADMINISTRATION.—

(1) MEETINGS.—The Advisory Group shall meet publicly from time to time, but not less frequently than annually, in Washington, D.C.

(2) HEARINGS, ETC.—In carrying out its purpose the Advisory Group—

(A) shall publish notice of any meeting, including a meeting held pursuant to subsection (f), at which it is to consider a proposed change of name for a Federal facility in the Federal Register and in a newspaper of general circulation in the community in which the facility is located, and include in that notice an invitation for public comment;

(B) not earlier than 30 days after the date on which the applicable meeting notice was issued under subparagraph (A), shall hold such hearings, and receive such testimony and evidence, as may be appropriate; and

(C) may not make a recommendation concerning a proposed change of name under this section until at least 60 days after the date of the meeting at which the proposal was considered.

(3) ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT.—The Administrator of General Services shall provide such meeting facilities, staff support, and other administrative support as may be required for meetings of the Advisory Group.

(e) REPORTS.—The Advisory Group shall report to the Congress from time to time its recommendations with respect to proposals to rename existing Federal facilities.

(f) PROPOSAL TO RENAME DCA.—Notwithstanding subsection (b), the Advisory Group shall not have the authority to consider any proposal to rename Washington National Airport, or a portion of the airport, in honor of former President Ronald Reagan.

## SEC. 2. REPORT REQUIRED BEFORE EITHER HOUSE PROCEEDS TO THE CONSIDERATION OF LEGISLATION TO RE-NAME FEDERAL FACILITY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—It shall not be in order, in the Senate or in the House of Representatives, to proceed to the consideration of any bill, resolution, or amendment to rename an existing Federal facility unless the Advisory Group has reported its recommendation in writing under section 1(e) concerning the proposal and the report has been available to the members of that House for 24 hours.

(b) RULES OF EACH HOUSE.—This section is enacted by the Congress—

(1) as an exercise of rulemaking power of the Senate and of the House of Representatives, and as such subsection (a) is deemed to be a part of the rules of the Senate and the House of Representatives; and it supersedes other rules only to the extent that it is inconsistent therewith; and

(2) with full recognition of the constitutional right of the Senate and the House of Representatives to change the rules (so far as relating to the procedure of the Senate or House of Representatives, respectively) at any time, in the same manner and to the

same extent as in the case of any other rule of the Senate or House of Representatives.

## SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this Act:

(1) ADVISORY GROUP.—The term "Advisory Group" means the Federal Facilities Redesignation Advisory Group established by section 1.

(2) FEDERAL FACILITY.—The term "Federal facility" means any building, road, bridge, complex, base, or other structure owned by the United States or located on land owned by the United States.

## TITLE III—SENSE OF THE SENATE CONCERNING COMMISSION TO NAME FEATURES OF CAPITOL BUILDING AND GROUNDS

### SEC. 301. SENSE OF THE SENATE CONCERNING COMMISSION TO NAME FEATURES OF CAPITOL BUILDING AND GROUNDS.

It is the sense of the Senate that Congress should establish, in accordance with the rules of the Senate and the House of Representatives, commission consisting of former members of Congress, appointed by the Speaker of the House, the Minority Leader of the House, the Majority Leader of the Senate, and the Minority Leader of the Senate, to recommend the naming or renaming of—

(1) architectural features of the Capitol (including any House or Senate office building); and

(2) landscape features of the Capitol Grounds.

### DASCHLE (AND ROBB) AMENDMENT NO. 1642

Mr. DASCHLE (for himself and Mr. ROBB) proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 1575, supra; as follows:

On page 3, after line 5, insert the following:

### SEC. 3. MWAA APPROVAL REQUIRED.

This Act shall not take effect until the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority approves the redesignation of the airport provided for by section 1 of this Act.

### ROBB (AND OTHERS) AMENDMENT NO. 1643

Mr. ROBB (for himself, Mr. DASCHLE, and Mr. FORD) proposed an amendment to the bill, S. 1575, supra; as follows:

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## AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

### COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 3, 1998, in open session, to receive testimony on the Defense authorization request for fiscal year 1999 and the future years Defense program.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the full Committee on Environment and Public Works be granted permission to conduct a hearing Tuesday, February 3, 1998, at 2:00 p.m., Hearing Room (SD-406), to receive testimony from Donald J. Barry, nominated by the President to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife, Department of the Interior; and Sallyanne Harper, nominated by the President, to be Chief Financial Officer, Environmental Protection Agency.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, February 3, 1998, at 10:00 a.m., to hold a hearing.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### SUBCOMMITTEE ON FORESTS AND PUBLIC MANAGEMENT

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be granted permission to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, February 3, 1998, for purposes of conducting a subcommittee hearing which is scheduled to begin at 2:30 p.m. The purpose of this hearing is to receive testimony on S. 1253, the Public Land Management Improvement Act of 1997.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

### 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE YALE LIONS CLUB

• Mr. ABRAHAM. Mr. President, today I rise to celebrate a momentous occasion for Lions Club of the City of Yale, Michigan. On Saturday, February 14th, the Yale Lions will commemorate their 50th anniversary. I am pleased to have the opportunity to offer my congratulations for this auspicious event.

The Lions Club is dedicated to community service, and for half a century Yale Lions have worked to benefit the entire City of Yale. At the crux of membership in the Lions Club is the desire to help fellow citizens, and their shining examples of service have been displayed to the whole community. Consequently, tremendous growth has occurred and membership continues to expand, with the number of members nearly tripling since the Club was founded many years ago. The strong commitment to helping other individuals is outstanding, and I commend each member of the association for all their tireless efforts.

Again, I wish to express my warmest wishes for a successful event. I thank the Lions Club of Yale for their ceaseless commitment to their community, and wish the organization a bright future.●

### COMMENDING GAO ASSISTANT COMPTROLLER GENERAL J. DEXTER PEACH

• Mr. GLENN. Mr. President, I rise today to pay homage to one of our Nation's most dedicated and loyal public servants, Assistant Comptroller General of the United States, J. Dexter Peach.

On January 2nd of this year, J. Dexter Peach retired following a distinguished 38-year career with the United States General Accounting Office, capped by 15 years as an Assistant Comptroller General.

Mr. Peach began his career with the General Accounting Office in 1960, rising through the evaluator ranks to lead two of its major divisions—Energy and Minerals and the Resources, Community and Economic Development Divisions—serving as Assistant Comptroller General for the latter. He is an acknowledged subject matter expert on a wide variety of national programs and policy issues dealing with energy, environment, natural resources, and economic development matters and has an in-depth understanding of federal legislative and regulatory processes. As Assistant Comptroller General for Planning and Reporting, Dexter Peach had broad responsibility for maintaining the Office's planning system and assuring the overall quality of the agency's planning system and assuring the overall quality of the agency's products.

Mr. President, I had the privilege of working with Dexter Peach in my ca-

capacity as both Chairman and Ranking Minority Member of the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs. His critical work relating to energy issues after the OPEC embargo in 1973, earned him the Comptroller General's Award for contributions to energy issues of national importance. He has also received three Federal Senior Executive Service Rank Awards—a Distinguished Rank and two Meritorious Ranks. The American University also distinguished him with their prestigious Roger W. Jones Award, bestowed annually to a career federal civil servant for outstanding public service.

Mr. President, the General Accounting Office was created in 1921 with the mandate to audit, evaluate, or investigate virtually all federal government operations—wherever they might take place. In other words, the GAO serves as a “watchdog” over the taxpayers' money—guarding against fraud, abuse, and inefficient allocation of public funds.

GAO evaluations under Dexter Peach's guidance and leadership have saved taxpayers billions of dollars. During his career as Assistant Comptroller General, Congress has implemented numerous recommendations resulting from his work—including budget reductions, cost avoidances, appropriations deferrals, and revenue enhancements. He has also been instrumental in assisting the Congress by directing reports on the costs of cleaning up nuclear weapons complexes, environmental crises such as the Exxon/Valdez oil spill, efforts to preserve and protect the nation's drinking water, and issues dealing with the deregulation and safety of the airlines industry.

In short, Mr. President, Dexter Peach's tenure at GAO has been characterized by success on every level; throughout his career, he has served as an example of a truly exceptional public servant. I am sure I speak for all of us here in the Senate in giving recognition to a man who has served this Nation with integrity, dedication, honor, and diligence—Assistant Comptroller General J. Dexter Peach.●

### TRIBUTE TO DAVE MOORE

• Mr. GRAMS. Mr. President, it is with great sorrow that I rise today to acknowledge the passing of my former colleague Dave Moore on January 28, and with great joy that I recall his memory and the happiness he brought to Minnesota television viewers for over thirty-four years.

Dave Moore was hired by WCCO Television in Minneapolis for a series of announcing jobs in July of 1950. At the onset of daily newscasts at WCCO in 1957, Dave was placed at the helm of the 10 p.m. broadcasts.

For the next thirty-four years Dave would become a fixture on Minnesota television and a true icon. It is difficult to imagine that in July of 1957 the management of WCCO, and quite possibly Dave himself, knew that Dave