

James Davis' murderer, and the shots struck true and killed the murderer.

Richard Burt saved lives. Richard Burt, just like James Davis, was brave. James Davis' bravery was about his willingness to challenge the establishment and to do what he thought was right. Burt's bravery came as well in the line of duty, as a police officer. We thank him because many lives were saved.

I read the reports this morning that in the murderer's sock were more bullets. Lord knows what would have happened had Richard Burt's aim not been brave and true.

So it is a sad day in New York today. It is a sad day because our city council chamber, our city hall, has been violated by violence. It is a sad day because we miss and mourn for James Davis, and our thoughts and prayers are with his family.

Two brave men: One we mourn, gone, his memory, his courage live with us; one we thank for saving the lives of so many others.

I yield the floor.

#### SGT PHILLIP RANDALL RUGG II

Ms. LANDRIEU. Mr. President, I take this opportunity to speak about some very exciting and heartwarming events in Monroe, Louisiana, today and tomorrow. I regret I will be unable to attend the events. But, they are very important to Marine Sergeant Phillip Randall, II, his family, the city of Monroe, and for all the people of Louisiana. Quite frankly Sgt. Rugg's actions tell a story that will be heartwarming to the Nation.

As we consider how to best defend our borders, and also as we continue to aggressively pursue the standing up of a new government in Iraq to establish a democracy there, I wish to pay tribute to our military by highlighting the heroic actions of one of the Marines' best.

Marine Sgt Phillip Randall Rugg II, is being honored today by the city of Monroe, Louisiana. Monroe is a city of about 50,000 in northeast Louisiana that has its share of men and women in the active and reserve forces serving our country at this time. They are doing the brave and difficult work necessary for us to achieve victory. Having won the war, we are now in an all-out effort to win the peace. These men and women from Louisiana and around the Nation are putting their lives on the line, and the Nation is grateful.

Monroe is opening its arms and its hearts to a true hero. With his wife Nicol and his 2-year-old son Trey, Sgt. Rugg will be honored by the people of Monroe. I rise to explain why.

A few months ago, on March 22, then-Corporal Rugg was serving in Iraq with the 1st Tank Battalion, the 1st Marine Division. On that day, his tank recovery vehicle was hit by at least four rocket-propelled grenades. Shrapnel from the RPGs tore through his body, leaving him unable to use his legs. His

vehicle was on fire. Using only his arms, with great injury to himself, he pulled himself out of his vehicle. Once outside, he realized that his gunnery sergeant, Guadalupe Denojean, was still inside the burning vehicle.

Then, without regard to his own safety, obviously having been severely injured with broken legs, he climbed back into the burning vehicle which was engulfed in flames and pulled the gunnery sergeant out. Regrettably, after this incident, Sgt. Rugg's wounds were not able to heal fully and his left leg had to be amputated below the knee. He may have had part of his leg removed, but no doctor or enemy weapon could remove his spirit.

I spoke to this young marine yesterday by phone. He is proud of his service. He is proud of his country. He said: Senator, this is not a story about sadness or pity. I am proud I went to serve in defense of my nation.

I want to say how proud we are of him and his family, how proud I am that one of the cities in Louisiana is honoring him today. This is the Marine spirit. It is one that has existed for over 200 years. It is a flame that will not go out.

He has now been promoted to sergeant. Again, he is proud to serve his country. As he told me yesterday: Senator, I have no regrets. I was happy to do what I did. My family is happy to support me in this effort.

He will soon reenter school to complete his degree in accounting. His other leg is rehabilitating well, and he is working with his doctors and therapists to some day not only walk, but run. He also wants to get back on the golf course. With his positive outlook, I am sure Sgt. Rugg will go on to do great things and continue to be a proud father and devoted husband. As the city of Monroe celebrates the recovery and return of Sgt. Rugg, I am certain his faith and positive outlook will only bring more causes for the Rugg family to celebrate in the years to come.

Former Senator Max Cleland of Georgia is a triple amputee as a result of a grenade explosion in Vietnam. Senator Cleland says his injuries changed his life and gave him even greater purpose to serve his country as a Senator and Cabinet Secretary. Senator Cleland always says he is stronger at the broken places. After talking with Sgt. Rugg, I know that he, too, is stronger at the broken places.

I want to tell Sgt. Rugg how proud the United States Senate is of his service. I want to tell the thousands of other men and women in uniform how grateful we are for what they do each day to protect and promote liberty. I want to wish Sgt. Rugg and his family well, and know my thoughts and prayers are with them. Sgt. Rugg, I salute you.

I ask unanimous consent to print the following document in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

#### SERGEANT PHILLIP RANDALL RUGG, II

Phillip Randall Rugg, II was born at St. Francis Hospital in Monroe, Louisiana on April 26, 1977 to Jan Elizabeth Falletta Rugg and Phillip Randall Rugg. Randall was christened at Our Lady of Fatima church and attended Our Lady of Fatima School from grades K-8. He attended St. Frederick High School where he lettered in football, basketball, and baseball for three years and graduated with honors in 1995. Randall attended the University of Louisiana at Monroe and Louisiana Tech University from 1995 to 1998.

On June 28, 1999, Randall joined the Marine Corps and immediately did twelve weeks of basic training at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in San Diego, California. After basic training, Randall attended fourteen weeks of Tank Mechanic School at Fort Knox where he graduated first in his class. On February 25, 2000, Randall was assigned permanent duty at the Marine Air Ground Task Force Training Command in Twenty Nine Palms, California.

On March 25, 2000, while serving at Twenty Nine Palms, Randall married Andrea Nicol Freeman of Ferriday, Louisiana. Randall received several letters of commendation and appreciation, and was meritoriously promoted twice while stationed at Twenty Nine Palms. His military achievements were overshadowed, however, by the birth of Phillip Randall Rugg, III, on March 18, 2001, whom Randall and Nicol have nicknamed Trey.

On March 22, 2003, the third day of Operation Iraqi Freedom, shortly before sunrise, Randall, Sergeant Eric W. Percy and Master Gunnery Sergeant Guadalupe Denojean (referred to by his crew as "Master Guns") were operating an M88 Tank Recovery Vehicle when they sustained direct hits from at least five to eight rocket-propelled grenades which were fired from a nearby farmhouse. Sergeant Percy escaped the vehicle through the side door, which had been blown off in the explosion. Randall, finding his legs were useless managed to pull himself up to the top hatch and roll out of the vehicle from the turret, which is eighteen feet from the ground. Once out of the M88, Randall and Sergeant Percy realized that "Master Guns" was still inside. Randall and Sergeant Percy managed to return to the inside of the M88 and drag him to safety. Within minutes, Randall, Sergeant Percy, and Master Gunnery Sergeant Denojean were flown to a field hospital to receive medical attention. Sergeant Percy had received two shrapnel wounds, Sergeant Denojean had received a head injury rendering him unconscious and Randall had sustained extensive shrapnel wounds to both legs, his face, and one shoulder. The damage to Randall's left leg was irreparable, requiring an amputation below the knee. His right leg sustained compound fractures of both lower leg bones and tissue damage requiring skin grafts. All three soldiers are recovering.

Randall spent a week in the hospital in Ramstein, Germany before being flown to Bethesda, Maryland where he spent seventeen days in the Bethesda Naval Hospital. He returned to Louisiana on April 15th. Once Randall's injuries heal and he is able to be fitted for a prosthesis for his left leg, he plans to go back to college and graduate in accounting.

Randall's story is similar to thousands who have gone before him. This Country, founded on the belief in freedom for all of her people, stands upon the shoulders of those who have, time and again, willingly stepped into harm's way to protect our freedom. Through life-altering injury to body or mind, or by paying the ultimate price, these brave young men and women and their families have borne the weight of freedom for our families

and the families of our children. What makes Randall special is that he is ours, and through his sacrifice, we have become his.

What an honor and a privilege it will be to thank Randall in person on July 24th and 25th, 2003. The Community Salute to Sergeant Phillip Randall Rugg, II, will feature a free community gathering at the American Legion Hall at Forsythe Park in Monroe to meet Randall from 3 to 6 p.m. on July 24th. There will be a sponsor's reception and silent auction from 7 to 10 p.m. on July 24th also at the American Legion Hall at a cost of \$15 per person. The following day, July 25th, there will be a golf tournament at Calvert Crossing Golf Club. For information regarding sponsorships call (318) 329-5890. All checks made payable to Sergeant Phillip Randall Rugg at American Horizons Bank.

#### JOINT INTELLIGENCE REPORT POST—9/11

Mr. CHAMBLISS. Mr. President, I rise tonight in response to the comments of my friend, the Senator from Florida, about the report that was issued today about September 11. There were a lot of innuendoes and direct statements by the Senator from Florida with respect to the administration, faults on the part of the administration leading up to September 11 and the connection of causation between the administration and some deficiencies with the administration and September 11. Nothing could be further from the truth.

My friend from Florida made the comment that the lack of resources in our intelligence community played a big part in the intelligence deficiencies that allowed September 11 to happen. I agree with him 100 percent. What he failed to say is that this administration had been in office less than 8 months when September 11 happened. This administration had not even been through an appropriations cycle. It is this body and the House that made the appropriations over the last several years that, in fact, did lead to a decline in resources, with the leadership of the previous administration, that caused the resources not to be put in the right place, that allowed the problems within the intelligence community to arise.

The Senator mentioned certain declassification, or failure to declassify certain aspects of the September 11 report that were not included in the report that was released today. Again, he is exactly right. But there is a reason for that. The public does have a right to know everything we can tell them about the facts leading up to September 11. But the intelligence community does not have the right and should not release information relative to sources and methods.

The intelligence community is a very complex community. The intelligence community has human assets in place all around the world, gathering information from an intelligence standpoint that is important to saving the lives of Americans.

In addition to that, we have methods of gathering intelligence that we simply cannot disclose and divulge to peo-

ple we are gathering that intelligence from, or it will reduce or significantly lessen, or maybe even not allow us to gather information from them. So it is very important that we not release sources and methods.

Last, let me say my friend made the comment about secrecy on the part of this administration, this President. Again, nothing could be further from the truth. Secrecy is not the issue here, as set forth in that report that was released today.

The real issue as set forth in that report is the protection of America and the protection of Americans. This administration had done everything within its power leading up to September 11 to make sure the intelligence community had the ability to gather intelligence and that the law enforcement community had the ability to interrupt and disrupt intelligence activity. Unfortunately, as was concluded in the report today—the Senator from Florida was the chairman of the Intelligence Committee that participated in that report—that report says that, in spite of everything, there is nothing that could have been done on the part of the intelligence community that would have prohibited September 11 from happening.

What we need to be aware of and what the American people need to be aware of is that the intelligence community has learned a lesson from September 11, and we are moving forward to make sure our children and our grandchildren live in a safe and secure America just like we have enjoyed. We have a lot of recommendations within that report that are being followed today to make sure America is a safer place.

While I commend the men and women—and I was part of it—who worked very hard to get that report together, there is a lot of information in that report that was not declassified and which should not be declassified so that we can have a safer and more secure America.

I yield the floor.

THE PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from New Mexico.

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, the Senator from New Mexico ought to be doing the thanking. I knew when the people of the Senator's State sent him up here—he thanked us, but we ought to be thanking him; we thank the people of his State for sending him here—we knew when the Senator came that he was going to be a stalwart and someone to whom we could look. We knew we would be getting the "straight scoop," so to speak. Tonight it didn't take the Senator very long to set this record straight.

There is no use playing politics with things that do not need any politics added to them. There are already plenty of problems surrounding that big tragedy that came to America. We thank the Senator for telling us the way it is, the way it was, and the way we ought to understand it. This Sen-

ator thanks him for that. I wish he had more to say. I hope before it is over, he will have more to say about it.

With all of the inferences and implications when things go wrong, there is a political campaign. Just wait, and somebody will find some reason to blame the person running for office. Regardless of how farfetched or how wild, or how irrelevant it is, it will be there.

Frankly, we have a Senate with lots of privileges. I like the distinguished Senator from Florida. He had a big job when he had to put that report together. He doesn't have any more to say about it than a lot of other people. He just happens to be running for President. So he has a lot to say. But we thank the Senator very much for his few words which are excellent, as I understand it, and it is something we needed to hear.

Mr. CHAMBLISS. Mr. President, I will have a lot more to say about it later.

Mr. DOMENICI. I hope so.

#### ELECTIONS IN CAMBODIA

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, Cambodians will go to the polls this weekend for the third round of parliamentary elections since the 1991 Paris Peace Accords.

Elections half way around the world in a country best known for the killing fields of the 1970s would ordinarily warrant little attention by Washington or other foreign capitals. However, in the post-September 11 world such political exercises have heightened importance to America and the free world.

Cambodia today is a lawless country, with the thin veneer of democracy bestowed by U.N.-sponsored elections in 1993 all but worn away by political turmoil and crises. Under the repressive rule of Prime Minister Hun Sen and the ruling Cambodian People's Party, CPP, human rights abuses are committed with impunity, developments stymied by corruption and incompetence, and a palpable climate of fear persists throughout a country side controlled by CPP authorities.

Under Prime Minister Hun Sen's lawless rule, Cambodia has become the Zimbabwe of Southeast Asia.

Many in the diplomatic community continue to wrongly believe that the CPP offers Cambodia stability. This thinking is nonsensical.

A CPP coup d'etat in July 1997 destroyed the coalition government cobbled together after the 1993 polls. Grenade attacks against opposition parties in 1995 and 1997 were a clear attempt by CPP to silence its rivals through violence and intimidation. And anti-Thai riots earlier this year were fueled by the reckless comments of the Prime Minister, who failed to protect Thai diplomatic property and personnel from government-paid thugs, the Pagoda Boys.

More worrisome to the international community should be the arrest of suspect regional terrorists in Cambodia.