

companionship and assistance to frail elderly individuals and homebound seniors, deserve to be commended for their work;

Whereas the demand for these services outstrips the number of volunteers, and organizations are seeking to enlist more individuals in the United States in the volunteer effort;

Whereas companionship and assistance programs for seniors with long-term health needs offer many demonstrated benefits, such as: allowing frail elderly individuals to remain in their homes; enabling seniors to maintain independence for as long as possible; providing encouragement and friendship to lonely seniors; and providing relief to family caregivers;

Whereas regular visitation and assistance is the best way of assuring seniors that they have not been forgotten, and State and local recognition of regular visitation programs can call further attention to the importance of volunteering on an ongoing basis; and

Whereas a month dedicated to service for seniors and recognized across the United States will call attention to volunteer organizations serving seniors and provide a platform for recruitment efforts: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) designates September 2004 as “Service for Seniors Month”;

(2) recognizes the need for companionship and assistance with daily tasks among seniors with long-term health conditions throughout the year, and encourages the people of the United States to volunteer regularly with homebound frail elderly or at a nursing home or long-term care facility;

(3) encourages volunteer organizations that offer companionship and assistance to seniors to incorporate “Service for Seniors Month” in their recruitment efforts;

(4) encourages individuals in the United States to volunteer in these service organizations in order to give back to a generation that sacrificed so much; and

(5) requests that the President issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States and interested groups to observe “Service for Seniors Month” with appropriate ceremonies and activities that promote awareness of, and volunteer involvement service for, seniors with long-term health needs.

#### SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF NATIONAL PURPLE HEART RECOGNITION DAY

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Armed Services Committee be discharged from further consideration of S. Con. Res. 112, and that the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the concurrent resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 112) supporting the goals and ideals of National Purple Heart Recognition Day.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consideration of the concurrent resolution.

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent the concurrent resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid on the table with no intervening action or debate, and any statements be printed in the RECORD.

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

The concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 112) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The concurrent resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. CON. RES. 112

Whereas the Purple Heart is the oldest military decoration in the world in present use;

Whereas the Purple Heart is awarded in the name of the President of the United States to members of the Armed Forces who are wounded in conflict with an enemy force or are wounded while held by an enemy force as prisoners of war, and posthumously to the next of kin of members of the Armed Forces who are killed in conflict with an enemy force or who die of a wound received in conflict with an enemy force;

Whereas the Purple Heart was established on August 7, 1782, during the Revolutionary War, when General George Washington issued an order establishing the Honorary Badge of Distinction, otherwise known as the Badge of Military Merit;

Whereas the award of the Purple Heart ceased with the end of the Revolutionary War, but was revived in 1932, the 200th anniversary of George Washington's birth, out of respect for his memory and military achievements; and

Whereas National Purple Heart Recognition Day is a fitting tribute to George Washington and to the more than 1,535,000 recipients of the Purple Heart, approximately 550,000 of whom are still living: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring)*, That Congress—

(1) supports the goals and ideals of National Purple Heart Recognition Day;

(2) encourages all people of the United States to learn about the history of the Purple Heart and to honor its recipients; and

(3) requests that the President issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to conduct appropriate ceremonies, activities, and programs to demonstrate support for people who have been awarded the Purple Heart.

#### HONORING THE MEMBERS OF THE ARMY MOTOR TRANSPORT BRIGADE WHO DURING WORLD WAR II SERVED IN THE TRUCKING OPERATION KNOWN AS THE RED BALL EXPRESS FOR THEIR SERVICE AND CONTRIBUTION TO THE ALLIED ADVANCE FOLLOWING THE D-DAY INVASION OF NORMANDY, FRANCE

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent the Armed Services Committee be discharged from further consideration of H. Con. Res. 439, and that the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the concurrent resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 439) honoring the members of the Army Motor Transport Brigade who during World War II served in the trucking operation known as the Red Ball Express for their service and contribution to the Allied advance following the D-Day invasion of Normandy, France.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consideration of the concurrent resolution.

Mr. FRIST. I further ask unanimous consent the concurrent resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider be laid on the table, all with no intervening action or debate, and any statements be printed in the RECORD.

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

The concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 439) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

#### APPOINTMENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the majority leader, after consultation with the ranking member of the Senate Committee on Finance, pursuant to Public Law 106-170, announces the appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Advisory Panel: Thomas P. Golden of Tennessee.

#### AUTHORIZING THE MAJORITY LEADER OR ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER AND THE SENIOR SENATOR FROM VIRGINIA TO SIGN DULY ENROLLED BILLS OR JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent that during the adjournment of the Senate, the majority leader or assistant majority leader and the senior Senator from Virginia be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions.

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

#### AUTHORIZING COMMITTEES TO REPORT LEGISLATIVE AND EXECUTIVE MATTERS

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding the Senate's adjournment, committees be authorized to report legislative and executive matters on Wednesday, August 25, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

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

#### AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE PRO TEMPORE, AND THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding the upcoming recess or adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, The President pro tempore, and the majority and minority leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate.

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

#### PROVIDING FOR CONDITIONAL ADJOURNMENT OR RECESS OF BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H. Con. Res. 479 which is at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the concurrent resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 479) providing for a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives and a conditional recess or adjournment of the Senate.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the concurrent resolution.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the concurrent resolution be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate.

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

The concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 479) was agreed to, as follows:

#### H. CON. RES. 479

*Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring).* That when the House adjourns on the legislative day of Thursday, July 22, 2004, or Friday, July 23, 2004, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, September 7, 2004, or until the time of any reassembly pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first; and that when the Senate recesses or adjourns on Thursday, July 22, 2004, Friday, July 23, 2004, or Saturday, July 24, 2004, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand recessed or adjourned until noon on Tuesday, September 7, 2004, or at such other time on that day as may be specified by its Majority Leader or his designee in the motion to recess or adjourn, or until the time of any reassembly pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first.

SEC. 2. The Speaker of the House and the Majority Leader of the Senate, or their respective designees, acting jointly after consultation with the Minority Leader of the House and the Minority Leader of the Senate, shall notify the Members of the House and the Senate, respectively, to reassemble at such place and time as they may designate whenever, in their opinion, the public interest shall warrant it.

#### ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2004

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment under the provisions of H. Con. Res. 479 until 12 noon on Tuesday, September 7. I further ask unanimous consent that following the prayer and pledge the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time

for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then begin a period of morning business with statements only until 5 p.m., with the time equally divided in the usual form; provided that following morning business the Senate proceed to executive session as provided under the previous order.

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

#### PROGRAM

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, for the information of all Senators, the next vote will occur at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 7. There will be at least two votes on district judges and a third judge is expected to be confirmed by voice vote.

We have a number of issues remaining when we return from the August break. In addition to the executive nominations, we must continue the appropriations process.

In addition, the Judiciary Committee reported a constitutional amendment regarding flag desecration, and we will want to debate that measure.

Having said that, there will be much work to do and there will be very little time to do it.

I wish everyone a safe and happy recess. I hope everyone has time over the next several weeks to recharge their batteries, for it will be a busy fall legislative period.

I thank everyone for their efforts and hard work throughout this time.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, will the distinguished majority leader allow me to call a quorum?

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be dispensed with.

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

#### AMENDING ENHANCED BORDER SECURITY AND VISA ENTRY REFORM ACT OF 2002

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Judiciary Committee be discharged from further consideration and the Senate now proceed to H.R. 4417, the Biometric Visa bill, that the bill be read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the bill be printed in the RECORD.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, reserving the right to object, I want the RECORD to be spread with the fact that Senator FEINSTEIN has allowed this matter to pass. We have worked on the matter and she feels strongly about the CalFed bill. Numerous staff have worked on this for hours and hours today. Several times today we thought we had it done, and it didn't work out.

The distinguished majority leader and his staff indicated—I also want the RECORD to reflect this—that everything will be done when we get back to see if we can get this bill which the Senator from California feels so strongly about.

But again, this would not have happened but for the cooperation of the distinguished Senator from California, Senator FEINSTEIN.

No objection.

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

The bill (H.R. 4417) was read the third time and passed.

#### ADJOURNMENT UNTIL TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2004

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, finally, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the provisions of H. Con. Res. 479.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 11:46 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, September 7, 2004, at 12 noon.

#### NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate July 22, 2004:

##### COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

SHARON BROWN-HRUSKA, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A COMMISSIONER OF THE COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION FOR THE TERM EXPIRING APRIL 13, 2009. (REAPPOINTMENT)

##### SAINT LAWRENCE SEAWAY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

JAMES S. SIMPSON, OF NEW YORK, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY BOARD OF THE SAINT LAWRENCE SEAWAY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, VICE JAY C. EHLE.

##### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

KAREN ALDERMAN HARBERT, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF ENERGY (INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AND DOMESTIC POLICY), VICE VICKEY A. BAILEY.

##### INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

HECTOR E. MORALES, OF TEXAS, TO BE UNITED STATES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS, VICE JOSE A. FOURQUET, RESIGNED.

##### INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND

ALAN GREENSPAN, OF NEW YORK, TO BE UNITED STATES ALTERNATE GOVERNOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS. (REAPPOINTMENT)

##### THE JUDICIARY

CHRISTOPHER A. BOYKO, OF OHIO, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO, VICE PAUL R. MATIA, RETIRING.

##### DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

LISA GOBBEY WOOD, OF GEORGIA, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF GEORGIA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE RICHARD S. THOMPSON, RESIGNED.

RICHARD B. ROPER III, OF TEXAS, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE JANE J. BOYLE, RESIGNED.

##### DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

GREGORY FRANKLIN JENNER, OF OREGON, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY, VICE PAMELA F. OLSON, RESIGNED.

##### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

YOUSIF B. GHAFARI, OF MICHIGAN, TO BE AN ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE FIFTY-NINTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

JANE DEE HULL, OF ARIZONA, TO BE A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE FIFTY-NINTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

##### IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624: