

CMHS in providing a national response to recent terrorist threats, based in science and best practices. From studies on parity in mental health coverage to initiatives on school violence, CMHS has become a leading national voice on mental health issues under his leadership.

We are particularly pleased that Bernie was at the forefront of the efforts to shape the future of mental health services as our country faced the crisis of terrorism. More than ever, his efforts to include the voices of patients and families in the overall planning process at CMHS was needed. We too rely on those whose lives are touched by mental disorders to be the true experts in our work to shape public policy.

With his thoughtful, wise, and gentle manner, Bernie is truly a man who has the ability to bring together people with diverse responsibilities and missions to address the serious mental health crisis. Through his efforts, and with minimal resources, he shaped CMHS into an institution that has brought us so much further in the struggle to provide decent mental health services, reduce stigma, and to recognize as a society that mental disorders are real and treatable.

As he departs from the Center for Mental Health Services, we wish him well and thank him for all he has done to improve mental health care in our country. We are confident that Bernie has placed CMHS on a course that promises to build on these remarkable achievements, one that will meet the extraordinarily challenging mental health needs ahead. Dr. Bernie Arons will be sorely missed, but we know he will continue to be a major force for the improvement of mental health care in our country.●

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:41 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill with an amendment:

S. 941. An act to revise the boundaries of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area in the State of California, to extend the term of the advisory commission for the recreation area, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment:

S. 1105. An act to provide for the expeditious completion of the acquisition of State of Wyoming lands within the boundaries of Grand Teton National Park, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment:

S. 1240. An act to provide for the acquisition of land and construction of an interagency administrative and visitor facility at the entrance to American Fork Canyon, Utah, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment:

S. 1894. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the national significance of the Miami Circle site in the State of Florida as well as the suitability and feasibility of its inclusion in the National Park System as part of Biscayne National Park, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 1175. An act to modify the boundary of Vicksburg National Military Park to include the property known as Pemberton's Headquarters, and for other purposes.

S. 1325. An act to ratify an agreement between the Aleut Corporation and the United States of America to exchange land rights received under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act for certain land interests in Adak Island, and for other purposes.

S. 238. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct feasibility studies on water optimization in the Burnt River basin, Malheur River basin, Owyhee River basin, and Powder River basin, Oregon.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1448. An act to clarify the tax treatment of bonds and other obligations issued by the Government of American Samoa.

H.R. 1606. An act to amend section 507 of the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to authorize additional appropriations for historically black colleges and universities, to decrease the matching requirement related to such appropriations, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2099. An act to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to provide adequate funding authorization for the Vancouver National Historic Reserve.

H.R. 3449. An act to revise the boundaries of the George Washington Birthplace National Monument, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3656. An act to amend the International Organizations Immunities Act to provide for the applicability of that Act to the European Central Bank.

H.R. 4638. An act to reauthorize the Mni Wiconi Rural Water Supply Project.

H.R. 4682. An act to revise the boundary of the Allegheny Portage Railroad National Historic Site, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4708. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain facilities to the Fremont-Madison Irrigation District.

H.R. 4917. An act to provide for an exchange of lands with the United Water Conservation District of California to eliminate private inholdings in the Los Padres national Forest, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4919. An act to provide for the exchange of certain lands in the Coconino and Tonto National Forests in Arizona, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4938. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a feasibility study to determine the most feasible method of developing a safe and adequate municipal, rural, and industrial water supply for the Santee Sioux Tribe of Nebraska, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4953. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to grant to Deschutes and Crook Counties in the State of Oregon a right-of-way to West Butte Road.

H.R. 5099. An act to extend the period of authorization for the Secretary of the Interior to implement capital construction projects associated with the endangered fish recovery implementation programs for the Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basins.

H.R. 5109. An act to direct the Secretary of Energy to convey a parcel of land at the facility of the Southwestern Power Administration in Tupelo, Oklahoma.

The message further announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 110. Concurrent resolution honoring the heroism and courage displaced by airline flight attendants on a daily basis.

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

H. Con. Res. 419. Concurrent resolution requesting the President to issue a proclamation in observance of the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies.

H. Con. Res. 458. Concurrent resolution recognizing and commending Mary Baker Eddy's achievements and the Mary Baker Eddy Library for the Betterment of Humanity.

H. Con. Res. 472. Concurrent resolution recognizing the 100th anniversary of the 4-H Youth Development Program.

H. Con. Res. 301. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress regarding American Gold Star Mothers, Incorporated, Blue Star Mothers of America, Incorporated, the service flag, and the service lapel button.

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 640) to adjust the boundaries of Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area, and for other purposes.

At 4:00 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1646) to authorize appropriations for the Department of State for fiscal years 2002 and 2003, and for other purposes.

At 5:47 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Niland, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 483. Concurrent resolution directing the Clerk of the House of Representatives to make technical corrections in the enrollment of the bill H.R. 1646.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The following enrolled bills, previously signed by the Speaker of the House, were signed on today, September 25, 2002, by the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD):

H.R. 486. An act for the relief of Barbara Makuch.

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H.R. 4558. An act to extend the Irish Peace Process Cultural and Training Program.

MEASURES REFERRED

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