

first season, he won the National League's Rookie of the Year Award.

(4) In 1949, Jackie Robinson was voted the National League's Most Valuable Player by the Baseball Writers Association of America.

(5) In 1962, Jackie Robinson was elected to the Baseball Hall of Fame.

(6) Although the achievements of Jackie Robinson began with athletics, they widened to have a profound influence on civil and human rights in America.

(7) The signing of Jackie Robinson as the first black player in Major League Baseball occurred before the United States military was desegregated by President Harry Truman, before the civil rights marches took place in the South, and before the Supreme Court issued its historic ruling in *Brown v. Board of Education*, 347 U.S. 483 (1954).

(8) The American public came to regard Jackie Robinson as a person of exceptional fortitude, integrity, and athletic ability so rapidly that, by the end of 1947, he finished ahead of President Harry Truman, General Dwight Eisenhower, General Douglas MacArthur, and Bob Hope in a national poll for the most popular person in America, finishing only behind Bing Crosby.

(9) Jackie Robinson was named vice president of Chock Full O' Nuts in 1957 and later co-founded the Freedom National Bank of Harlem.

(10) Leading by example, Jackie Robinson influenced many of the greatest political leaders in America.

(11) Jackie Robinson worked tirelessly with a number of religious and civic organizations to better the lives of all Americans.

(12) The life and principles of Jackie Robinson are the basis of the Jackie Robinson Foundation, which keeps his memory alive by providing children of low-income families with leadership and educational opportunities.

(13) The legacy and personal achievements of Jackie Robinson, as an athlete, a business leader, and a citizen, have had a lasting and positive influence on the advancement of civil rights in the United States.

SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL.

(a) PRESENTATION AUTHORIZED.—The President is authorized to present, on behalf of Congress, to the family of Jackie Robinson, a gold medal of appropriate design in recognition of the many contributions of Jackie Robinson to the Nation.

(b) DESIGN AND STRIKING.—For purposes of the presentation referred to in subsection (a), the Secretary of the Treasury (in this Act referred to as the "Secretary") shall strike a gold medal with suitable emblems, devices, and inscriptions, to be determined by the Secretary.

SEC. 3. DUPLICATE MEDALS.

Under such regulations as the Secretary may prescribe, the Secretary may strike and sell duplicates in bronze of the gold medal struck under section 2 at a price sufficient to cover the costs of the medals, including labor, materials, dies, use of machinery, and overhead expenses.

SEC. 4. STATUS AS NATIONAL MEDALS.

The medals struck under this Act are national medals for purposes of chapter 51 of title 31, United States Code.

SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

(a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be charged against the United States Mint Public Enterprise Fund an amount not to exceed \$30,000 to pay for the cost of the medal authorized under section 2.

(b) PROCEEDS OF SALE.—Amounts received from the sale of duplicate bronze medals under section 3 shall be deposited in the United States Mint Public Enterprise Fund.

SEC. 6. SENSE OF CONGRESS.

It is the sense of Congress that—

(1) there should be designated a national day for the purpose of recognizing the accomplishments of Jackie Robinson; and

(2) the President should issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to observe the day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS— MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2003

SENATE RESOLUTION 41—HONORING THE MISSION OF THE SPACE SHUTTLE COLUMBIA

Mr. FRIST (for himself, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mr. REID, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BAYHO, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BOND, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. BURNS, Mr. BYRD, Mr. CAMPBELL, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. CARPER, Mr. CHAFEE, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. COLEMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DAYTON, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. DODD, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. EDWARDS, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. FITZGERALD, Mr. GRAHAM of Florida, Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GREGG, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mr. HOLLINGS, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. LOTT, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MCCAIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. MILLER, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. NICKLES, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SMITH, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SPECTER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. TALENT, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. WARNER, and Mr. WYDEN) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

Resolved, That the Senate commemorates with deep sorrow and regret the fate of the Columbia space shuttle mission and when it adjourns today, it do so as a further mark of respect to the astronauts who lost their lives.

STATEMENTS ON SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 42—TO REFER S. 279, ENTITLED "A BILL FOR THE RELIEF OF THE HEIRS OF CLARK M. BEGGERLY, SR., OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI" TO THE CHIEF JUDGE OF THE UNITED STATES COURT OF FEDERAL CLAIMS FOR A REPORT THEREON

Mr. COCHRAN submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 42

Resolved, That—

(a) S. 279, entitled "A bill for the relief of the heirs of Clark M. Beggerly, Sr., of Jackson County, Mississippi" now pending in the Senate, together with all the accompanying papers, is referred to the chief judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims; and

(b) the chief judge shall—

(1) proceed according to the provisions of sections 1492 and 2509 of title 28, United States Code; and

(2) report back to the Senate, at the earliest practicable date, providing—

(A) such findings of fact and conclusions that are sufficient to inform Congress of the nature, extent, and character of the claim for compensation referred to in such bill as a legal or equitable claim against the United States or a gratuity; and

(B) the amount, if any, legally or equitably due from the United States to the heirs of Clark M. Beggerly, Sr., of Jackson County, Mississippi.

SENATE RESOLUTION 43—TO COMMEND DANIEL W. PELHAM

Mr. FRIST (for himself and Mr. DASCHLE) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 43

Whereas Daniel W. Pelham became an employee of the Senate of the United States on March 25, 1968, and since that date has ably and faithfully upheld the high standards and traditions of the staff of the Senate of the United States for a period that included nineteen Congresses;

Whereas Daniel W. Pelham, through his diligence and loyalty, has risen to the position of Senior Offices Services Administrator within the Office of the Secretary of the Senate;

Whereas Daniel W. Pelham has faithfully discharged the difficult duties and responsibilities of his position as Senior Offices Services Administrator with great efficiency, devotion, and dedication;

Whereas he has earned the respect, affection, and esteem of the United States Senate; and

Whereas Daniel W. Pelham will retire from the Senate of the United States on February 4, 2003, after nearly thirty-five years of employment: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of the United States commends Daniel W. Pelham for his exemplary service to the Senate and the Nation, and wishes to express its deep appreciation and gratitude for his long, faithful, and outstanding service.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Senate shall transmit a copy of this resolution to Daniel W. Pelham.

SENATE RESOLUTION 44—DESIGNATING THE WEEK BEGINNING FEBRUARY 2, 2003, AS "NATIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELING WEEK"

Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina (for himself, Mr. DORGAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. BIDEN, and Mr. REED) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 44

Whereas the American School Counselor Association has declared the week beginning February 2, 2003, as "National School Counseling Week";

Whereas the Senate has recognized the importance of school counseling through the

inclusion of elementary and secondary school counseling programs in the reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965;

Whereas school counselors have long advocated that the American education system must leave no child behind and must provide opportunities for every student;

Whereas personal and social growth results in increased academic achievement;

Whereas school counselors help develop well-rounded students by guiding them through their academic, personal, social, and career development;

Whereas school counselors were instrumental in helping students, teachers, and parents deal with the trauma of terrorism inflicted on the United States on September 11, 2001, and its aftermath;

Whereas students face myriad challenges every day, including peer pressure, depression, and school violence;

Whereas school counselors are usually the only professionals in a school building that are trained in both education and mental health;

Whereas the roles and responsibilities of school counselors are often misunderstood, and the school counselor position is often among the first to be eliminated in order to meet budgetary constraints;

Whereas the national average ratio of students to school counselors of 561 to 1 is more than double the 250 to 1 ratio recommended by the American School Counselor Association, the American Counseling Association, the American Medical Association, the American Psychological Association, and other organizations; and

Whereas the celebration of "National School Counseling Week" would increase awareness of the important and necessary role school counselors play in the lives of the Nation's students: Now, therefore be it

Resolved,

SECTION 1. DESIGNATION OF NATIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELING WEEK.

(a) SENSE OF THE SENATE.—It is the sense of the Senate that the President should designate the week beginning February 2, 2003, as "National School Counseling Week".

(b) PROCLAMATION.—The Senate requests the President to issue a proclamation—

(1) designating the week beginning February 2, 2003, as "National School Counseling Week"; and

(2) calling on the people of the United States and interested groups to observe the week with appropriate ceremonies and activities that promote awareness of the role school counselors perform within the school and the community at large to prepare students for fulfilling lives as contributing members of society.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS/MEETINGS

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. DOMENICI: Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a hearing has been scheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources to consider the nomination of Joseph T. Kelliher to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

The hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, February 11 at 2:30 p.m. in Room SH-216 of the Hart Senate Office Building.

Those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send a copy of their testimony electronically to:

Jennifer_Owen@energy.senate.gov.

For further information, please contact Jennifer Owen at 202-224-5305.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. DOMENICI: Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that the following hearings have been scheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Thursday, February 13 at 2:30 p.m. in Room SD-366—to receive testimony regarding oil supply and prices. (Contact: Scott O'Malia at 202-224-2039 or Jennifer Owen at 202-224-5305)

Tuesday, February 25 at 2:30 p.m. in Room SD-366—To receive testimony regarding natural gas supply and prices. (Contact: Scott O'Malia at 202-224-2039 or Shane Perekins 202-224-1219)

Thursday, February 25 at 10:00 a.m. in Room SD-366—To receive testimony regarding energy production on Federal lands. (Contact: Dick Bouts at 202-224-7545 or Jared Stubbs at 202-224-7556)

Tuesday, March 4 at 10:00 a.m. in Room SD-366—To receive testimony regarding the financial condition of the electricity market. (Contact: Lisa Epifani at 202-224-5269 or Shane Parkins at 202-224-1219)

Thursday, March 6 at 10:00 a.m. in Room SD-366—To receive testimony regarding energy use in the transportation sector. (Contact: Bryan Hannegan at 202-224-7932 or Shane Parkins at 202-224-1219)

Tuesday, March 11 at 10:00 a.m. in Room SD-366—To receive testimony regarding Federal programs for energy efficiency and conservation. (Contact: Bryan Hannegan at 202-224-7932 or Shane Parkins at 202-224-1219)

Because of the limited time available for the hearings, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send a copy of their testimony electronically to:

Jennifer_Owen@energy.senate.gov.

For further information, please contact the Committee staff as indicated above for each hearing.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the following nominations on the Executive Calendar: No. 22, Paul McHale, to be Assistant Secretary of Defense; and No. 23, Christopher Henry, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy; I further ask consent that the nominations be confirmed, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, any statements relating to the nominations be printed in the RECORD, and that the Senate then resume legislative session, with all of the above occurring en bloc.

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

The nominations were considered and confirmed en bloc as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Paul McHale, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Christopher Ryan Henry, of Virginia, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate will now return to legislative session.

COMMENDING DANIEL W. PELHAM

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 43, which was introduced earlier today by Majority Leader FRIST.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows: A resolution (S. Res. 43) to commend Daniel W. Pelham.

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

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, only four of the Senate's current members were serving on March 25, 1968, when Daniel Pelham first came to work on the Senate side of Capitol Hill. Mr. Pelham—or Danny, as he is known throughout the Senate community—has seen 237 senators come and go during his time here.

Now, after nearly 35 years on the job, Danny has decided that it is time for him to move on to other activities.

A native of Wilmington, NC, Danny Pelham quickly demonstrated his talents as an effective, loyal, and hard-working employee. In 1975, he moved from the staff of the Senate Restaurant to the Office of the Secretary of the Senate. A series of well-deserved promotions followed until he reached his current position as Senior Office Services Administrator.

One of his colleagues recently explained that "by virtue of his longevity and institutional knowledge, Pelham is indispensable to the staff who rely on him for all manner of tasks." Another person will move into Danny's job, but no one will fully replace him.

In his off-hours, Danny officiates at high school and recreational league basketball games. Several years ago, he received the Cardinal Basketball Association Commissioner's Award for excellence in officiating. In the years ahead, he plans to do more officiating and a fair amount of traveling.

We know, for certain, that Danny Pelham will settle into another highly rewarding activity—that of spending enjoyable hours with his grandson Corey. We wish Danny and his wife Phyllis many happy years ahead.

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution and the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the