

My proposal will encourage undocumented immigrants to come out of the shadows, to work within the law, and then to return to their homes and families with the pay and skills they acquire as guest workers in the United States. It will help guest workers receive the health care they need, without overburdening already strained health care providers.

It will protect immigrants from exploitation and from violence. And guest workers will no longer fear the authorities, but rather will come to see the law as an ally, not an enemy.

I have always believed that, as Americans, our patriotism isn't just expressed by flying the flag. It's about more than that. Patriotism means we all share in an ideal that is larger than ourselves. In all of our differences, there are some things we all have in common. In all our diversity, each of us still has a bond with all humanity.

We must bring our broken immigration system into the 21st century. We must move transient workers out of the shadows. We must ensure the security of our borders.

We must act for the sake of the rule of law, for the sake our homeland security, for the sake of immigrants who endure exploitation and even death for a chance to share in the blessings of American liberty—in hope, freedom, and the opportunity of a better life.

Mr. President, I yield the floor. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. CORNYN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

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

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. CORNYN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to a period for morning business.

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

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO STEVE REED

• Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to an accomplished Kentuckian, Mr. Steve Reed. A native of Hart County, KY, Steve is a respected attorney, inspiring mentor, and loving husband and father of three.

In 2000 Steve became Kentucky's first African-American U.S. attorney. Some of his most significant work as U.S. attorney included fighting the methamphetamine problem in western Kentucky. Steve quickly recognized the problem and requested Federal funds to open an office in western Kentucky to combat meth production. With the new funding, he directed a program that more than doubled the number of labs raided from the previous year. Through Steve's efforts and the cooperation of

local law enforcement agencies, Kentucky's young people are better protected and more criminals are being prosecuted.

In addition to serving as U.S. attorney, Steve has supported higher education as a member of the University of Kentucky board of trustees since 1994. In September 2002, Steve became the board's first African-American chairman. He is dedicated to increasing the stature of academics throughout the university and Commonwealth. He is working to create stronger ties between private business and the university's research programs, and Steve has pushed for more minority and financial aid scholarships. Because of UK's prominence, Steve's efforts have not just affected the school but also have had a positive impact throughout the rest of Kentucky's educational system.

Steve grew up in poverty as one of seven children raised by his single mother. His maternal grandmother, Mama Verda, expected greatness from Steve, and emphasized the importance of always doing the right thing. He excelled in high school and moved on to Western Kentucky University where he tutored a fellow student. After earning a psychology degree, he attended UK Law School. Through his hard work and discipline, it is no surprise that Steve has achieved such success.

We are indebted to Steve for his service to the Commonwealth of Kentucky in fighting drugs and supporting education. He stands as a model of hard work and discipline. I ask my colleagues in the Senate to join me in honoring Steve Reed for his dedicated service.●

FRANKLIN HOTEL CELEBRATES 100TH ANNIVERSARY

• Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, it is with great honor that I rise today to congratulate the Franklin Hotel in Deadwood, SD, which celebrated its 100th anniversary of service on June 4, 2003.

The Franklin Hotel has been a welcome destination for visitors to the Black Hills region and has catered to guests since its doors opened in 1903. For locals and tourists alike, the past several years have seen a resurgence and interest in history, and the setting the Franklin provides to learn more about Black Hills history continues strong to this day. Whether the visitor was a well-known actor from Hollywood taking a break from daily shooting, noted public servants and athletes visiting the area on business or personal time, or the visiting family from Anywhere, USA or the world, experiencing the professional and welcoming, friendly attitudes of the Franklin Hotel staff is just another reason of making a Black Hills visit one to remember.

In many respects, board of directors president Bill Walsh is as much of an institution in South Dakota as the Franklin Hotel. The two are inseparable when it comes to colorful personalities and both are foundations in the

promotion and advocacy of South Dakota and Black Hills tourism. It would be all too easy for Bill to be just concerned about the promotion of the Franklin Hotel. Instead, he has been a stalwart advocate for projects impacting and benefiting Deadwood, the entire Black Hills, and South Dakota. One of Bill's highest priorities is making sure as many people as possible put Deadwood, the Black Hills, and South Dakota on their travel itinerary.

Over the years, I have appreciated Bill's valuable insight on politics, current affairs, tourism, and the economy. I have always appreciated his wit, his hospitality and, most of all, his friendship. Many who gathered for the centennial anniversary celebration have special memories of Bill and the Franklin Hotel. Many local residents will probably never forget that as the Grizzly Gulch fire tickled the edges of Deadwood and as people streamed out of town under evacuation orders last summer, the doors of the Franklin stayed open with a confident Bill Walsh sitting on the porch of the Franklin with a freshly-lit stogie in hand.

I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge Bill and other members of the board of directors, Jo Roebuck-Pearson, Mike Trucano, French Bryan, and Taffy Tucker. I also want to congratulate MacKenzie Roebuck-Walsh, who co-owns the hotel along with her parents, Bill and Jo. Finally, I want to acknowledge the Franklin Hotel staff and the community of Deadwood on the centennial anniversary of the hotel. This event is but another chapter in the living legacy of one of South Dakota's cherished destinations.

I am proud to have this opportunity to honor Bill Walsh and the Franklin Hotel for its 100 years of outstanding service. It is an honor for me to share with my colleagues the strong commitment to history the Franklin Hotel has provided. I strongly commend the staff and board of directors for their years of hard work and dedication, and I am very pleased that their substantial efforts are being publicly honored and celebrated.●

LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 2003

• Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I rise today to speak about the need for hate crimes legislation. On May 1, 2003, Senator KENNEDY and I introduced the Local Law Enforcement Act, a bill that would add new categories to current hate crimes law, sending a signal that violence of any kind is unacceptable in our society.

I would like to describe a terrible crime that occurred in Prince William, VA. On November 1, 2001, a 26-year-old and his 25-year-old friend were charged with a hate crime after assaulting a 46-year-old Pakistani taxi driver. The driver had picked up the pair and, during the ride to a nearby motel, the two