

And that team—including those of us who cheered on our native son from Las Vegas—is proud of its driver. He showed us all a passion for racing and a loyalty to those who got him to this point. And he has proven that it is okay to dream big. From go carts in the Las Vegas desert to top racing machines on professional tracks, Kurt Busch is an inspiration. As Co-Chair of the Congressional Motorsports Caucus and a true race fan, I congratulate Kurt Busch on all his accomplishments, including this championship. Kurt, you have made us proud in Las Vegas, and we look forward to watching you continue to shine in the future. God bless you.●

#### HONORING DELBERT V. GROBERG

● Mr. CRAPO. Mr. President, I rise today to honor a civic leader in Idaho who passed away this week at the age of 98. Delbert V. Groberg was so active in community efforts in eastern Idaho that the local newspaper reported “it would take the best part of a newspaper page to list” his accomplishments. But I knew him best as a close family friend; the father of one of my best friends, Dr. George Groberg; and a man who held a place of trust and honor in the community for decades.

Delbert and his late wife, Jennie Holbrooke, were married nearly 74 years and are the parents of eleven children, all born and reared in Idaho Falls. His family was his proudest accomplishment, and he leaves behind Mary Jane, Richard who is currently serving an LDS mission in Finland, Joseph, Lewis, George, Julia, John, David, Delbert, Elizabeth, and Gloria, along with 64 grandchildren, 116 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. What a legacy he has fostered!

His business accomplishments began in 1929 in real estate when he founded the D. V. Groberg Company in Idaho Falls. The company expanded into real estate sales, appraisals, property management and development, building subdivisions throughout the area. He served as the president of the Idaho Falls Real Estate Board and of the Idaho Real Estate Association. He was also the chairman of the Idaho Real Estate Commission and vice-president of the National Association of Realtors. Not surprisingly, he was selected as the Idaho Realtor of the Year. He was the first in southern Idaho to receive the professional designation from the American Institute of Real Estate Appraisers, which awarded him a lifetime membership. He was the founding president of its southern Idaho chapter.

His interest in real estate led to an achievement that is a landmark in Idaho Falls—the siting and building of an LDS temple on the banks of the Snake River. He later served as president of the Idaho Falls LDS Temple from 1975 to 1980 and authored a book about the temple, “The Idaho Falls Temple: The First LDS Temple in Idaho.”

His service to his religion took many forms as well. He served as a bishop of the Idaho Falls Third Ward, a member of the South Idaho Falls Stake high council, and a stake patriarch. He set an example of Christian living throughout his life.

Delbert’s business accomplishments moved outside of real estate into banking and broadcasting. He was a director and vice president of the Bank of Commerce and founded KID Broadcasting Corporation. He and his wife Jennie were honored pioneers of the Bonneville County Historical Society. He was also inducted into the Idaho Hall of Fame. His civic positions included president or chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, Kiwanis Club, the Selective Service Board, the United Way, and the Bonneville Bicentennial Commission. He was given the Idaho 7th District Bar Association Liberty Bell Award, the BYU Alumni Service to Family Award, and the Presidential Citation Award from Brigham Young University.

While I have presented a long list of accomplishments, what I want to share with you most is that Delbert V. Groberg was a man of great integrity. I learned much from him in my childhood, lessons that continue to serve me well today. He was thoughtful, sensitive, and considerate. He was patriotic and civic-minded. Although his accomplishments are legion, he remained humble and interested. Despite his busy schedule, his children say they never felt neglected. Delbert served his community, his church, and his family and managed to do it all through difficult times in our country’s history. His life is an outstanding example for all. He will be missed by his family, his community, and so many whose lives he has touched over nearly a century of living. I was privileged to know him and to have his influence in my life. For that, I will always be grateful.●

#### TRIBUTE TO JAMES LEROY WILLIAMS

● Mr. BURNS. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize a fellow Montanan who represents the embodiment of many of us who stand in steadfast and determined support of our armed forces both yesterday and today. James LeRoy Williams was born just south of Montana, in Sheridan, WY and now makes his home in beautiful Columbus, MT.

At a time many recall in the late sixties, men were volunteering to serve in Vietnam, and being drafted to serve. For some, service wasn’t an option due to medical complications, in this case a back injury kept Mr. Williams from fulfilling what he felt was his duty to our Nation, and our future generations, and he stayed here in the States as a civilian.

This did not hinder his determination to make a difference to those who did serve in our armed forces, and Mr. Williams made it his mission to ensure

Veterans received that handshake and ‘thank you’, and did so by creating a repository in Columbus of military history that spans the history of our great Nation. Mr. Williams believes, as I do, that we must remember our history, as it is our roadmap to the future, and that we owe it to our children and grandchildren to provide them the proud history of our armed forces, and their defense of our freedoms these so many years.

Mr. Williams has become a historian of our military, and keeps an authentic World War One Doughboy’s uniform that he wears when giving talks on both the vast history of our services, and the individual tales of bravery and sacrifice one learns when taking the time to listen to the men who climbed the cliffs at Pointe Du Hoc, froze in both the Ardennes and the Chosin, or made one more climb up a numbered hill in the jungles of Vietnam.

To Mr. Williams and those like him, I can only say thank you, both as a Veteran, and as an American, for keeping alive the history that shapes our Nation. He may not have served directly in our armed forces, but he has served his Nation by honoring the sacrifice of the thousands of men and women who did wear the uniform, and I know that if circumstances had been different, he would have made our Nation proud in that capacity as well.●

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 9:33 a.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 bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4116. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins celebrating the recovery and restoration of the American bald eagle, the national symbol of the United States, to America’s lands, waterways, and skies and the great importance of the designation of the American bald eagle as an “endangered” species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5426. An act to make technical corrections relating to the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2004.

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. 531. Concurrent resolution providing for the sine die adjournment of the second session of the One Hundred Eighth Congress.

H. Con. Res. 532. Concurrent resolution commending the Aero Squad After School Program at Tomorrow’s Aeronautical Museum in Compton, California, as well as other youth aviation programs that expose young minorities to the field of civil aviation.

The message further announced that the House agree to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the House to the bill (S. 2845) to reform the intelligence community and the intelligence and