

educational campaigns to urge students to be careful about safety when driving;

(B) national trucking firms to alert their drivers to be especially focused on driving safely during the heaviest traffic day of the year, and to publicize the importance of the day using Citizen's band (CB) radios and in truck stops across the Nation;

(C) clergy to remind their members to travel safely when attending services and gatherings;

(D) law enforcement personnel to remind drivers and passengers to drive particularly safely on the Sunday after Thanksgiving; and

(E) everyone to use the Sunday after Thanksgiving as an opportunity to educate themselves about highway safety; and

(2) designates November 26, 2006, as "Drive Safer Sunday".

#### SENATOR PAUL WELLSTONE

The resolution (S. Res. 619) expressing the sense of the Senate that Senator Paul Wellstone should be remembered for his compassion and leadership on social issues and that Congress should act to end discrimination against citizens of the United States who live with mental illness by making legislation relating to mental health parity a priority for the 110th Congress was considered and agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution (S. Res. 619), with its preamble, reads as follows:

#### S. RES. 619

Whereas Paul Wellstone served with distinction as a Senator from the State of Minnesota;

Whereas, for more than 20 years, Paul Wellstone inspired the students of Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota;

Whereas Paul Wellstone was a loving father and husband, a loyal citizen of the United States, and a compassionate person;

Whereas Paul Wellstone dedicated his life to bringing equal access to education, economic opportunity, and comprehensive healthcare to all citizens of the United States;

Whereas Paul Wellstone worked tirelessly to advance mental health parity for all citizens of the United States;

Whereas more than 44,000,000 citizens of the United States suffer from some form of a mental health-related condition;

Whereas only 1/3 of those citizens seek or receive treatment for their mental health-related condition;

Whereas 34 States have enacted laws that require some form of access to mental health treatments that is similar to physical health coverage; and

Whereas the tragic and premature death of Paul Wellstone on October 25, 2002, silenced 1 of the leading voices of the Senate who spoke on behalf of the citizens of the United States who live with a mental illness: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That it is the sense of the Senate that—

(1) on the fourth anniversary of his passing, Senator Paul Wellstone should be remembered for his compassion and leadership on social issues throughout his career; and

(2) Congress should act to end discrimination against citizens of the United States who live with a mental illness by enacting legislation to provide for coverage of mental health benefits with respect to health insurance coverage.

#### NATIONAL LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

The resolution (S. Res. 620) designating November 2006 as "National Lung Cancer Awareness Month" was considered and agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution (S. Res. 620), with its preamble, reads as follows:

#### S. RES. 620

Whereas lung cancer is the leading cancer killer of both men and women, accounting for nearly 1 in every 3 cancer deaths in the United States;

Whereas lung cancer claims the lives of more people each year than breast, prostate, colon, liver, and kidney cancers combined;

Whereas the Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results (SEER) Program of the National Cancer Institute estimates that, in 2006, 174,470 new lung cancer cases will be diagnosed and 162,460 individuals will die of lung cancer in the United States;

Whereas both incidence and mortality rates for lung cancer are significantly higher in black males than in the general population of the United States;

Whereas smoking causes 87 percent of lung cancer deaths in the United States;

Whereas the best way to decrease the number of diagnoses and deaths per year from lung cancer is to encourage people in the United States to quit smoking;

Whereas a former smoker's risk of lung cancer does not decrease significantly until 20 years after the individual quit smoking;

Whereas the International Early Lung Cancer Action Program has demonstrated in a 14-year study with 31,567 participants that computer tomography scans can detect lung cancer in Stage I when the cancer can be more easily treated and cured, giving individuals who are diagnosed early a 10-year survival rate of 88 percent;

Whereas there is a need to increase public awareness of statistics, risk factors, and the importance of early diagnosis;

Whereas individuals with cancers that are routinely diagnosed at early stages through screening, such as breast cancer and prostate cancer, have high survival rates of 88 percent and 99 percent, respectively;

Whereas the 5-year survival rate for lung cancer in the United States is still only 15 percent, a rate virtually unchanged since the enactment of the National Cancer Act of 1971; and

Whereas designating November 2006 as "National Lung Cancer Awareness Month", as proposed by the Lung Cancer Alliance and the Lung Cancer Alliance of Georgia, will increase public awareness about lung cancer and the need for lung cancer research and early detection: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) designates November 2006 as "National Lung Cancer Awareness Month"; and

(2) reaffirms the Senate's commitment to—

(A) advancing lung cancer research and early detection, and particularly the Lung Cancer Alliance of Georgia's goal of significantly increasing the 5-year survival rate of individuals diagnosed with lung cancer in the United States to 50 percent within 10 years; and

(B) working with all Federal agencies involved in cancer research to develop a coordinated roadmap for accomplishing that goal.

#### NATIONAL TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION WEEK

The resolution (S. Res. 621) designating the week of February 5 through

February 9, 2007, as "National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Week" was considered and agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution (S. Res. 621), with its preamble, reads as follows:

#### S. RES. 621

Whereas 1 in 3 female teens in a dating relationship have feared for their physical safety;

Whereas 1 in 2 teens in serious relationships have compromised their beliefs to please their partner;

Whereas nearly 1 in 5 teens who have been in a serious relationship said their boyfriend or girlfriend would threaten to hurt themselves or their partner if there was a breakup;

Whereas 1 in 5 teens in a serious relationship report they have been hit, slapped, or pushed by a partner;

Whereas more than 1 in 4 teens have been in a relationship where their partner verbally abuses them;

Whereas 13 percent of Hispanic teens reported that hitting a partner was permissible;

Whereas 29 percent of girls who have been in a relationship said they have been pressured to have sex or engage in sex they did not want;

Whereas nearly 50 percent of girls worry that their partner would break up with them if they did not agree to engage in sex;

Whereas Native American women experience higher rates of interpersonal violence than any other population group;

Whereas violent relationships in adolescence can have serious ramifications for victims who are at higher risk for substance abuse, eating disorders, risky sexual behavior, suicide, and adult revictimization;

Whereas the severity of violence among intimate partners has been shown to increase if the pattern has been established in adolescence;

Whereas 81 percent of parents surveyed either believe dating violence is not an issue or admit they do not know if it is an issue; and

Whereas the establishment of the National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Week will benefit schools, communities, and families regardless of socio-economic status, race, or sex: Now, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the Senate—

(1) designates the week of February 5 through February 9, 2007, as "National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Week"; and

(2) calls upon the people of the United States, high schools, law enforcement, State and local officials, and interested groups, to observe National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Week with appropriate programs and activities that promote awareness and prevention of the crime of teen dating violence in their communities.

#### PROVIDING FOR A CONDITIONAL ADJOURNMENT OR RECESS OF THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H. Con. Res. 496, which was received from the House.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 496) 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. I ask unanimous consent the resolution be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements related to the resolution be printed in the RECORD.

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

The concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 496) was agreed to, as follows:

H. CON. RES. 496

*Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That when the House adjourns on the legislative day of Wednesday, November 15, 2006, Thursday, November 16, 2006, or Friday, November 17, 2006, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand adjourned until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, December 5, 2006, 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, November 16, 2006, or Friday, November 17, 2006, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand recessed or adjourned until noon on Monday, December 4, 2006, or Tuesday, December 5, 2006, as may be specified by its Majority Leader or his designee in the motion to recess or adjourn, or 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 if, in their opinion, the public interest shall warrant it.

### SIGNING AUTHORIZATION

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

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

### APPOINTMENTS AUTHORIZATION

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent notwithstanding the upcoming recess or adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President pro tempore, and majority and minority leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or inter-parliamentary 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.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

### EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate immediately proceed to executive session to consider the following nominations on today's Executive Calendar: Calendar Nos. 903, 977, 996, 997, 998, 999, and all nominations on the Secretary's desk; further, that the Foreign Relations Committee be discharged from consideration of the following nominations and the Senate proceed to their immediate consideration, all en bloc: Ronald Spogli, PN2064; Craig Roberts Stapleton, PN2063; Kay Kelley Arnold, PN2046; Gary C. Bryner, PN2047; Thomas Joseph Dodd, PN2048; Adolfo A. Franco, PN183; John P. Salazar, PN2050; Thomas A. Shannon, PN2051; Roger Wallace, PN1305; Jack Vaughn, PN96; Jack Vaughn, PN2052.

I further ask unanimous consent the nominations be confirmed en bloc, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate then return to legislative session.

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

The nominations considered and confirmed en bloc are as follows:

#### FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Kevin J. Martin, of North Carolina to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2006.

#### IN THE NAVY

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

*To be vice admiral*

Vice Adm. Ann E. Rondeau, 9812

#### IN THE ARMY

The following named officer for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

*To be major general*

Brig. Gen. James B. Mallory, III, 5088

#### IN THE NAVY

The following named officer for appointment as Vice Chief of Naval Operations, United States Navy and appointment to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., sections 601 and 5035:

*To be admiral*

Vice Adm. Patrick M. Walsh, 1107

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

*To be vice admiral*

Rear Adm. Thomas J. Kilcline, Jr., 3174

#### DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Stephen Thomas Conboy, of Virginia, to be United States Marshal for the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of four years, vice Todd Walther Dillard.

## NOMINATIONS PLACED ON THE SECRETARY'S DESK

#### IN THE AIR FORCE

PN2087 AIR FORCE nomination of Thomas C. Hankins, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 28, 2006.

PN2098 AIR FORCE nominations (15) beginning Jeffery C. Carstens, and ending MARCIA WHEELER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 29, 2006.

#### IN THE ARMY

PN2099 ARMY nominations (6) beginning ROBERT E. SUTER, and ending DAWN HAROLD, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 29, 2006.

PN2100 ARMY nomination of John M. Cotten, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 29, 2006.

PN2101 ARMY nominations (2) beginning LAUREEN A. OTTO, and ending DEE A. PAOLI, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 29, 2006.

PN2102 ARMY nominations (2) beginning STEVEN F. WILLIAMS, and ending JESSICA N. STANTON, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 29, 2006.

PN2103 ARMY nomination of Lee A. Knox, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 29, 2006.

Jack Vaughn, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2006.

Adolfo A. Franco, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2008, to which position he was appointed during the recess of the Senate from January 6, 2005, to January 20, 2005.

Roger W. Wallace, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring October 6, 2008, to which position he was appointed during the last recess of the Senate.

Kay Kelley Arnold, of Arkansas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring October 6, 2010. (Reappointment).

Gary C. Bryner, of Utah, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring June 26, 2008.

Thomas Joseph Dodd, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring June 26, 2008.

John P. Salazar, of New Mexico, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2012.

Thomas A. Shannon, Jr., of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2012.

Jack Vaughn, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2012. (Reappointment).

Craig Roberts Stapleton, of Connecticut, to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Monaco.

Ronald Spogli, of California, to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of San Marino.