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At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ . USE OF FIREARMS IN UNITS OF THE NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM AND THE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM.

(a) CONGRESSIONAL FINDING.—Congress finds that the Second Amendment to the Constitution provides that “the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed”.

(b) PROTECTING THE RIGHT OF INDIVIDUALS TO BEAR ARMS IN UNITS OF THE NATIONAL

PARK SYSTEM AND THE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM.—A person may possess, carry, and transport concealed, loaded, and operable firearms within a national park area or national wildlife refuge area in accordance with the laws of the State in which the national park area, or that portion thereof, is located, except as otherwise prohibited by applicable Federal law.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Michael Gauthier, who is a National Park Service fellow working on the staff of the Energy and Natural Resources Committee, be granted floor privileges today and for the remainder of the Senate’s consideration of S. 22.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDERS FOR MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2009

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 2 p.m., Monday, January 12; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day,

and then there be a period for morning business for up to 1 hour designated for tributes to the Republican leader; that following that hour, the Senate resume the motion to proceed to S. 22, the lands bill, with the time during any adjournment or period of morning business counting postcloture.

If you wonder why we are doing this for the leader—of course, we do this oftentimes for the Republican leader. But on a serious note, tomorrow he will have served longer than any other Senator in the history of Kentucky. We will ask our colleagues to join in the celebration. We have time set aside for that so everyone can do that.

There is no objection; is that right, Mr. President?

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. TOMORROW

Mr. REID. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment pursuant to this order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 2:24 p.m., adjourned until Monday, January 12, 2009, at 2 p.m.