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TRIBUTE TO COLONEL ED JACKSON

● Mr. PRYOR. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize the service of COL Donald E. "Ed" Jackson, Jr., as the Commander of the Little Rock District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, from June 28, 2007, to June 15, 2010. Colonel Jackson has been assigned to serve as chief of staff of the 8th U.S. Army in Korea where I have no doubt he will go on to serve our country in a proud and loyal fashion. He has been a pleasure to work with and I wish him well on his next mission.

While Commander of the Little Rock District, Colonel Jackson displayed excellent leadership for one of the most diverse Army Corps of Engineer districts in the United States while managing roughly 730 employees, 13 locks and dams, 12 multipurpose lakes and 7 powerplants. Colonel Jackson showed exemplary skill in working with stakeholders, building relationships, and providing necessary leadership to execute the district's programs.

Under his command, the district initiated many major projects including construction on Ozark Hydro-electric powerplant rehabilitation and the landmark White River Minimum Flow Project along the Upper-White River Basin. These were not easy assignments, but under his leadership, Arkansas made significant headway. I also commend him for the critical leadership he provided for his neighboring districts to improve quality of service at Corps of Engineers operated campgrounds. And, he did an excellent job of implementing the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funding for the Little Rock District, which provided much needed investments in aging infrastructure. He did this while also overseeing the operation and maintenance of the McClellan-Kerr Navigation Channel, which is one of our nation's best navigation systems serving as a critical component of our economy.

To go along with his service on energy and water infrastructure projects, he played a critical role in overseeing and executing a \$750 million program of military construction for the Little Rock Air Force Base and Pine Bluff Arsenal to improve the quality of life and work for our soldiers. Colonel Jackson also developed strong relationships with the Regional Veteran's Administration by assisting with \$175 million in projects critical to the healthcare system, and he assumed a new mission by managing the world-wide Air Force Medical Command O&M program with a \$180 million budget.

In addition to his skills in managing scheduled operations, Colonel Jackson exhibited adaptability and care for the people during local and regional emergencies in different major events. Dur-

ing record Arkansas flooding in the spring of 2008, Colonel Jackson successfully directed the district's management and control of water in the Upper-White River Basin to minimize flood related losses. He also deployed to the State of Texas to assist in the recovery from Hurricane Ike in Galveston, TX.

Colonel Jackson is a proven leader of people and organizations. His passion, leadership, and influence have greatly increased the readiness and effectiveness of the Little Rock District. I fully believe that he helped shape the district to meet the future needs of the people of Arkansas. I appreciate his service to the people of Arkansas, and I wish him well in his continued service to our country.●

REMEMBERING CLARENCE WOLF GUTS

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I pay tribute to Clarence Wolf Guts, of Wanblee, SD. Clarence passed away on June 16, 2010, at the age of 86.

The last surviving Oglala Lakota code talker, Clarence Wolf Guts was an American hero. Serving in World War II as a Native American code talker, Clarence helped win the war by transmitting critical military messages in his native language, which the Japanese and German militaries could not translate.

Clarence enlisted in the U.S. Army on June 17, 1942, at age 18. One of 11 South Dakotan Lakota, Nakota, and Dakota Native American code talkers, Clarence was recruited to help develop a phonetic alphabet based on the Lakota language. This alphabet was eventually used to develop the Lakota code.

Serving as a code talker, Clarence's primary job was transmitting coded messages from a general to his chief of staff in the field. Courageous and self-sacrificing, the efforts of Clarence and other code talkers were essential for the Allied victory.

Honorably discharged on January 13, 1946, Pfc. Wolf Guts was a man willing and able to serve his country. I have a great deal of respect for Clarence and for the extraordinary contributions Mr. Wolf Guts made to our country. The efforts of the Lakota Code Talkers saved the lives of many soldiers, and Clarence Wolf Guts was a true American hero.

Today I wish to celebrate the life of an extraordinary man. As we mourn the loss of this great South Dakotan, I extend my thoughts, prayers and best wishes to Clarence's family, friends, and loved ones.●

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-6301. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National

Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Bluefish Fishery; 2010 Atlantic Bluefish Specifications" (RIN0648-XQ49) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 16, 2010; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6302. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; Amendment 31; Correction" (RIN0648-AX67) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 16, 2010; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6303. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic; Red Snapper Closure" (RIN0648-AX75) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 16, 2010; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6304. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Shark Management Measures; Amendment 3" (RIN0648-AW65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 16, 2010; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6305. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Fisheries; Western and Central Pacific Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species; Fishing Restrictions and Observer Requirements in Purse Seine Fisheries for 2009-2011" (RIN0648-XW12) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 16, 2010; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6306. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder Fishery; Quota Transfer" (RIN0648-XW47) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 16, 2010; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6307. A communication from the Acting Director of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Catcher Vessels Less Than 60 Feet (18.3 m) Length Overall Using Hook-and-Line or Pot Gear in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XW55) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 16, 2010; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6308. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Encryption Export Controls: Revision of License Exception ENC and Mass Market Eligibility, Submission Procedures, Reporting Requirements, License Application Requirements, and Addition of Note 4 to Category 5,