

borne improvised explosive device into our compound wall injuring 13 U.S. soldiers. I ran to those who were calling for help and found the Sergeant I had been speaking with moments before; he was severely injured and later died. My partner and I ran back-and-forth across the compound under heavy gunfire to get medical bags and stretchers, and to give combat aid. More than a dozen Taliban tried to breach our compound throughout the attack but the team held them back. The rush of emotions throughout was unbelievable—the highest of highs and lowest of lows. The carnage of war is horrendous. The valor of warriors is inspiring. We should all be grateful to the members of our military who defend our enduring freedom and I am honored to support them in their mission.

I thank Mr. Boyd and his family for their honorable contributions toward the goals of our great Nation. I wish him and his family only the best in their future endeavors.●

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 4:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 188. An act to designate the United States courthouse under construction at 98 West First Street, Yuma, Arizona, as the "John M. Roll United States Courthouse".

The message also announced that pursuant to section 4 of the Ronald Reagan Centennial Commission Act (Public Law 111-25), the Minority Leader appoints the following Member of the House of Representatives to the Ronald Reagan Centennial Commission: Mr. SILVESTRE REYES of Texas.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 4 of the Ronald Reagan Centennial Commission Act (Public Law 111-25), and the order of the House of January 5, 2011, the Speaker appoints the following Member of the House of Representatives to the Ronald Reagan Centennial Commission: Mr. SCHOCK of Illinois.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 4404(c)(2) of the Congressional Hunger Fellows Act of 2002 (2 U.S.C. 1161) the Minority Leader re-appoints the following Member of the House of Representatives to the Board of Trustees of the Congressional Hunger Fellows Program: Mr. JAMES P. MCGOVERN of Worcester, Massachusetts.

The message further announced that pursuant to the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 955(b) note), the Minority Leader re-appoints the following Member of the House of Representatives to the National Council on the Arts: Ms. BETTY MCCOLLUM of Minnesota.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 803(a) of the Congressional Recognition for Excellence in Arts Education Act (2 U.S.C. 803(a)), the Minority Leader appoints the following Member of the House of Representatives to the Congressional Award Board: Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas.

The message further announced that pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 3003, and the order of the House of January 5, 2011, the Speaker appoints the following Member of the House of Representatives to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Mr. BURGESS of Texas.

The message also announced that pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 3003, and the order of the House of January 5, 2011, the Speaker appoints the following Members of the House of Representatives to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Chairman, Mr. PITTS of Pennsylvania, Mr. ADERHOLT of Alabama, and Mr. GINGREY of Georgia.

The message further announced that pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 2081, the Minority Leader re-appoints the following Member of the House of Representatives to the United States Capitol Preservation Commission: Ms. KAPTUR of Ohio.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mr. BURR, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. RISCH, Mr. WICKER, and Mr. BLUNT):

S. 312. A bill to amend the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to repeal certain limitations on health care benefits; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 313. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue permits for a microhydro project in nonwilderness areas within the boundaries of Denali National Park and Preserve, to acquire land for Denali National Park and Preserve from Doyon Tourism, Inc., and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. JOHANNIS (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BURR, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HATCH, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. KYL, Mr. MORAN, Mr. RISCH, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. THUNE, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. WICKER):

S. 314. A bill to ensure that women seeking an abortion are fully informed regarding the pain experienced by their unborn child; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. ENSIGN (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, and Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts):

S. 315. A bill to amend section 798 of title 18, United States Code, to provide penalties for disclosure of classified information related to certain intelligence activities of the United States and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mrs. HUTCHISON):

S. 316. A bill to ensure that the victims and victims' families of the November 5, 2009, attack at Fort Hood, Texas, receive the same treatment, benefits, and honors as those Americans who have been killed or wounded in a combat zone overseas and their families; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. 317. A bill to allow for use of existing Section 8 housing funds, so as to preserve and revitalize affordable housing options for low-income individuals; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG:

S. 318. A bill to increase the use of security cameras at airport security screening checkpoints and exits, to impose increased penalties on individuals who circumvent security screening at airports, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. VITTER, Mr. MCCAIN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. KOHL, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. KERRY, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. LEVIN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mrs. McCASKILL, Mr. BEGICH, and Mr. NELSON of Florida):

S. 319. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to the importation of prescription drugs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 320. A bill for the relief of Genesio Januario Oliveira; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself and Mr. TESTER):

S. 321. A bill to provide for the status of the Northern Rocky Mountain distinct population segment of the gray wolf, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. 322. A bill to expand the Alpine Lakes Wilderness in the State of Washington, to designate the Middle Fork Snoqualmie River and Pratt River as wild and scenic rivers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CARPER (for himself and Mr. COONS):

S. 323. A bill to establish the First State National Historical Park in the State of Delaware, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Ms. MIKULSKI):

S. 324. A bill to amend the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Development Act to extend to the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park Commission; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Mrs. McCASKILL):

S. 325. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to require the provision of behavioral health services to members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces necessary to meet pre-deployment and post-deployment readiness and fitness standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER (for himself and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. 326. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to establish national purposes and goals for the Federal surface transportation activities and programs and create a national surface transportation plan; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. ROBERTS (for himself and Mr. MORAN):

S. Res. 47. A resolution recognizing the importance of biosecurity and agrodefense in the United States; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. KOHL (for himself and Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin):

S. Res. 48. A resolution congratulating the Green Bay Packers on winning Super Bowl XLV; considered and agreed to.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 17

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 17, a bill to repeal the job-killing tax on medical devices to ensure continued access to life-saving medical devices for patients and maintain the standing of United States as the world leader in medical device innovation.

S. 91

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the names of the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. JOHANNIS) and the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. BARRASSO) were added as cosponsors of S. 91, a bill to implement equal protection under the 14th article of amendment to the Constitution for the right to life of each born and unborn human person.

S. 197

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the names of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. BARRASSO) and the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS) were added as cosponsors of S. 197, a bill to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system.

S. 210

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the names of the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER), the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI), the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY), the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI), and the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. KOHL) and the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) were added as cosponsors of S. 210, a bill to amend title 44, United States Code, to eliminate the mandatory printing of bills and resolutions for the use of offices of Members of Congress.

S. 218

At the request of Mr. ENSIGN, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BLUNT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 218, a bill to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system.

S. 219

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 219, a bill to require Senate candidates to file designations, statements, and reports in electronic form.

S. 226

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr.

CHAMBLISS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 226, a bill to clarify that the revocation of an alien's visa or other documentation is not subject to judicial review.

S. 228

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 228, a bill to preempt regulation of, action relating to, or consideration of greenhouse gases under Federal and common law on enactment of a Federal policy to mitigate climate change.

S. 238

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) and the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) were added as cosponsors of S. 238, a bill to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to require that fishery impact statements be updated each year and for other purposes.

S. 259

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. PAUL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 259, a bill to require that the Government give priority to payment of all obligations on the debt held by the public and payment of Social Security benefits in the event that the debt limit is reached.

S. 281

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the names of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. MCCONNELL), the Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SHELBY), the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS), the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. DEMINT), the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. TOOMEY), the Senator from Florida (Mr. RUBIO), the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS), the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN), the Senator from Utah (Mr. LEE), the Senator from Iowa (Mr. GRASSLEY), the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI), the Senator from Indiana (Mr. LUGAR) and the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) were added as cosponsors of S. 281, a bill to delay the implementation of the health reform law in the United States until there is a final resolution in pending lawsuits.

S. 282

At the request of Mr. COBURN, the names of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN), the Senator from Utah (Mr. LEE), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) and the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. KOHL) were added as cosponsors of S. 282, a bill to rescind unused earmarks.

S. 306

At the request of Mr. WEBB, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 306, a bill to establish the National Criminal Justice Commission.

S.J. RES. 3

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from Mississippi

(Mr. WICKER) and the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) were added as cosponsors of S.J. Res. 3, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to balancing the budget.

AMENDMENT NO. 27

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 27 proposed to S. 223, a bill to modernize the air traffic control system, improve the safety, reliability, and availability of transportation by air in the United States, provide modernization of the air traffic control system, reauthorize the Federal Aviation Administration, and for other purposes.

#### STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. BEGICH):

S. 313. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to issue permits for a microhydro project in nonwilderness areas within the boundaries of Denali National Park and Preserve, to acquire land for Denali National Park and Preserve from Doyon Tourism, Inc., and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Ms. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I rise today to reintroduce legislation, cosponsored by my colleague MARK BEGICH from Alaska, that represents an important step in the conversion to renewable energy sources in rural Alaska.

Today I introduce the Kantishna Hills Renewable Energy Act of 2011.

The Kantishna Roadhouse, owned by Doyon Tourism, Inc., is located 100 miles inside Denali National Park and Preserve. The settlement of Kantishna was founded in 1905 as a mining camp near the juncture of Eureka and Moose Creeks. Gold in the region brought a flurry of prospectors in the early days, but as the gold began to run out, so did interest in mining the Kantishna Hills. The original roadhouse at Kantishna was built in the early 1900s, serving as a private residence, a community center, post office, and informal hotel accommodations for those who visited Kantishna in Denali Park.

The Roadhouse, like many structures within Denali National Park, is entirely off the grid and generates all of its electricity needs with a diesel generator. As a result, all guests and supplies, including diesel, are trucked through the Park to the Roadhouse over National Park roads. The construction of the micro hydro project would allow the Roadhouse to cut down their diesel usage by approximately 50%, which would result in a decrease in diesel truck traffic on the Park Road, improved local air quality, and less sound pollution in this remote area, as well as reduce disturbance and vehicle impacts on park wildlife, allowing for an enhanced visitor experience for tourists within the National Park.