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**HOUSE**

Wednesday, January 21, 1981

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Representative Vernon Jordan of Warren.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

**Papers from the Senate**

Bill "An Act to Appropriate Funds to the Department of Mental Health and Corrections for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1981 for Programs which were Covered under Declining Federal Grants" (Emergency) (S. P. 117) (L. D. 284)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and ordered printed.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Establish an Experimental Test for Control of Black Flies" (S. P. 118) (L. D. 285)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources and ordered printed.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Provide an Open Season on Moose for a One-year Period" (S. P. 128) (L. D. 300)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife and ordered printed.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Assure Residential Services for Developmentally Disabled Persons" (S. P. 127) (L. D. 299)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Health and Institutional Services and ordered printed.

In the House, was referred to the Committee on Health and Institutional Services in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Increase the Salary of the Cumberland County Register of Deeds" (S. P. 123) (L. D. 288)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Local and County Government and ordered printed.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Local and County Government in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Require Legislative Review of Proposed Agency Rules" (S. P. 119) (L. D. 286)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Government and ordered printed.

In the House, referred to the Committee on State Government in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Use of Flashing Lights on School Buses" (S. P. 116) (L. D. 283)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Transportation and ordered printed.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Transportation in concurrence.

**Report of Committees****Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment  
Later Today Assigned**

Committee on Legal Affairs reporting "Ought to Pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-1) on Bill "An Act to Increase the Licensing Fee for Beano" (S. P. 32) (L. D. 35)

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amend-

ment "A" (S-1).

In the House, the Report was read.

On motion of Mrs. Mitchell of Vassalboro, tabled pending acceptance of the Committee Report in concurrence and later today assigned.

**Petitions, Bills and Resolves****Requiring Reference**

The following Bills and Resolves were received and, upon recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills, were referred to the following Committees:

**Aging, Retirement and Veterans**

Bill "An Act to Permit Teaching under the Fulbright Exchange Program to be Allowed as Creditable Service under the Retirement System" (H. P. 307) (Presented by Mr. Sherburne of Dexter)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

**Agriculture**

Bill "An Act to Improve the Marketing of Maine Agricultural Products" (H. P. 308) (Presented by Mr. Michael of Auburn) (Cosponsors: Mr. Sherburne of Dexter and Senator Carpenter of Aroostook) (Submitted by the Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources pursuant to Joint Rule 24)

Bill "An Act to Control Brucellosis in Cattle" (H. P. 309) (Presented by Mr. Sherburne of Dexter) (Cosponsor: Senator Hichens of York)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

**Business Legislation**

Bill "An Act to Permit Reciprocal Licensing of Real Estate Brokers and Salesmen" (H. P. 310) (Presented by Mr. Gwadosky of Fairfield)

Bill "An Act to Require Installation Manuals for Solid Fuel Burning Equipment other than that Used for Central Heating" (H. P. 311) (Presented by Mr. Kane of South Portland) (Cosponsors: Mr. Higgins of Portland, Mr. Dexter of Kingfield and Senator Dutremble of York) (Submitted by the Department of Business Regulation pursuant to Joint Rule 24)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

**Election Laws**

Bill "An Act Concerning Absentee Voting" (H. P. 312) (Presented by Mrs. Berube of Lewiston)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

**Later Today Assigned**

Bill "An Act to Encourage the Establishment of Municipal Energy Commissions" (H. P. 313) (Presented by Mrs. Reeves of Pittston) (Cosponsors: Mr. LaPlante of Sabattus and Mr. Paradis of Old Town) (Submitted by the State Planning Office pursuant to Joint Rule 24)

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources was suggested.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Sangerville, tabled pending reference and later today assigned.

**Energy and Natural Resources**

Bill "An Act to Amend the Hazardous Waste Statute to Meet Certain Requirements for Delegation of the Federal Program and to Provide Internal Consistency" (H. P. 314) (Presented by Mr. Mitchell of Freeport) (Cosponsors: Mr. Hall of Sangerville and Mr. Dexter of Kingfield) (Submitted by the Department of Environmental Protection pursuant to Joint Rule 24)

RESOLVE, Authorizing the Bureau of Public Lands to Convey the State's Interest in Certain Public Lands in Milford, Penobscot County. (H. P. 315) (Presented by Mr. Paradis of Old Town)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

**Fisheries and Wildlife**

Bill "An Act to Create a Resident Small Game Hunting License" (H. P. 316) (Presented by Mr. Sherburne of Dexter)

Bill "An Act to Make Allocations from the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1982 and June 30, 1983" (Emergency) (H. P. 317) (Presented by Mr. MacEachern of Lincoln) (Cosponsors: Mr. Jacques of Waterville, Mrs. Erwin of Rumford and Mr. Peterson of Caribou) (Submitted by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 24)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

**Judiciary**

Bill "An Act to Repeal Archaic Provisions Restricting the Right to Marry" (H. P. 318) (Presented by Miss Lewis of Auburn)

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Right of Access to a Rental Dwelling Unit" (H. P. 319) (Presented by Mrs. Berube of Lewiston) (Cosponsor: Ms. Benoit of South Portland)

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Law Preventing Mentally Ill People from Getting Married" (H. P. 320) (Presented by Miss Lewis of Auburn)

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Law Concerning the Legitimacy of Children of Certain Marriages" (H. P. 321) (Presented by Miss Lewis of Auburn)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

**Labor**

Bill "An Act to Provide for Notification of Employees When a Business Plant Leaves the State" (H. P. 322) (Presented by Mrs. Berube of Lewiston) (Cosponsors: Mrs. Martin of Brunswick and Mr. Baker of Portland)

Bill "An Act Providing Collective Bargaining Rights to Legislative Employees" (H. P. 323) (Presented by Mr. Baker of Portland) (Cosponsor: Mr. Davies of Orono)

Bill "An Act to Establish a Minimum Wage for Emergency Service Personnel" (H. P. 324) (Presented by Mr. Tuttle of Sanford)

Bill "An Act Relating to Boilers and Pressure Vessels and their Operation" (H. P. 325) (Presented by Mr. Tuttle of Sanford) (Cosponsor: Mr. Clark of Millinocket) (Submitted by the Department of Manpower Affairs pursuant to Joint Rule 24)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

**Legal Affairs**

Bill "An Act to Permit Consumption of 3.2% Beer by Persons 18 to 20 Years of Age" (H. P. 326) (Presented by Mr. Davies of Orono)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

**Marine Resources**

Bill "An Act to Limit Scallop Dragging to Daylight Hours" (H. P. 327) (Presented by Mr. Salsbury of Bar Harbor)

Bill "An Act to Limit Scallop Dragging" (H. P. 328) (Presented by Mr. Salsbury of Bar Harbor)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Size of Scallop Drags in Certain Coastal Waters" (H. P. 329) (Presented by Mr. Salsbury of Bar Harbor)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

**Public Utilities**

Bill "An Act Extending the Distance Requirement on Connection of Private Sewers" (H. P. 330) (Presented by Mrs. Wentworth of Wells)

Bill "An Act to Increase the Borrowing Capacity of the Winterport Water District" (H. P. 331) (Presented by Mr. Crowley of Stockton Springs) (Cosponsor: Senator Emerson of Penobscot)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

### State Government

Bill "An Act to Consolidate Highway Safety Activities within the Department of Public Safety" (H. P. 332) (Presented by Mr. McPherson of Eliot) (Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 24)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

### Later Today Assigned

Bill "An Act Concerning the Acceptance of Gifts by State Officials or Members of any Branch of State Government" (H. P. 333) (Presented by Mr. Carrier of Westbrook)

Committee on State Government was suggested.

On motion of Mr. Hobbins of Saco, tabled pending reference and later today assigned.

### Taxation

Bill "An Act to Exempt Deeds of Distribution from the Real Estate Transfer Tax" (H. P. 334) (Presented by Mrs. Foster of Ellsworth) (Cosponsor: Mr. O'Rourke of Camden)

Bill "An Act to Provide a Tax Exemption for Veterans under 62 who are Receiving a Disability Pension" (H. P. 335) (Presented by Mr. Perry of Mexico) (Cosponsor: Senator O'Leary of Oxford)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

### Transportation

Bill "An Act to Authorize Bond Issues in the Amount of \$12,800,000 for Highway and Bridge Improvements" (H. P. 336) (Presented by Mr. Carroll of Limerick) (Cosponsors: Mr. McPherson of Eliot, Mr. McKean of Limestone and Mr. Strout of Corinth) (Governor's Bill)

Bill "An Act to Establish a Fee for the Purchase of New Number Plates" (H. P. 337) (Presented by Mr. Twitchell of Norway)

Bill "An Act to Prescribe when a Caboose shall be Attached to a Locomotive and Freight Cars" (H. P. 338) (Presented by Mr. Tuttle of Sanford)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

### Orders

On motion of Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston, the following Joint Resolution: (H. P. 300) (Cosponsors: Mr. Martin of Eagle Lake, Mrs. Mitchell of Vassalboro and Mr. Higgins of Scarborough)

#### JOINT RESOLUTION EXPRESSING APPRECIATION TO THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION FOR SECURING RELEASE OF THE AMERICAN HOSTAGES HELD IN IRAN

Whereas, the American Embassy in Tehran was seized on November 4, 1979 and a number of American citizens held captive against their will since that time; and

Whereas, President Carter has persistently pursued all avenues with great resolve and determination to secure in an honorable manner the safe return of those being held hostage; and

Whereas, hopes have again been raised by a flurry of meetings and optimistic statements that this crisis which is now in its 15th month may be nearing an end; and

Whereas, through the aid of the Algerian Government, negotiation teams from the United States and Iran, have reached an accord on President Carter's final day in office; and

Whereas, President Carter, Secretary of State Muskie, their advisors and negotiators have worked unceasingly to secure the safe release of the 52 remaining hostages and to answer the continuous prayers of heartbroken relatives and an anxiously awaiting Nation; now, therefore, be it

Resolved: That we, the Members of the 110th Legislature of the great and sovereign State of Maine, join our fellow citizens in expressing

our gratitude to President Carter and his administration on this memorable day for his hard work and untiring determination to end this ordeal and to bring our countrymen safely home; and be it further

Resolved: That a suitable copy of this resolution be sent forthwith to Former President Carter in token of our sincere thanks.

The Resolution was read.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I appreciate the fact, Mr. Speaker, that you acquiesced to my request to speak on this matter.

Yesterday, in my opinion, was a day of great happiness, a day of anxiety, and a day of anger. I think probably my feeling of anger started out back four days after the hostages were kidnapped and I was in Washington and got the first indication, with others, but I was alone in this instance, from the President himself and his wife as to what their feelings were. I had an opportunity to speak with the President at a later date, and I never saw a man who had changed and couldn't appreciate the fact that a man could sit there himself as he did in this period.

My feeling of anger continued and grew to a boiling point a few days ago, when I walked arm and arm with the United States' Secretary of State, our friend Edmund S. Muskie, when he answered me with one sentence and I am not going to describe here, and that was good enough for me.

Listening yesterday very attentively to the tube, I harked back to the words that were said by that great commentator, Walter Cronkite, when he said "they had needlessly been held over (they being the hostages) one day as they had been held over illegally and needlessly 444 days, and certainly held over for the last six and a half hours." And the proof of that pudding bore proof when we heard somewhere around 2:30 P.M. that they were out of the Iranian sector, and then came the signs, the signs for that 443 days had been "Down With America, Down with Carter." Immediately, we heard they were out of sight, out of range, and then it cropped up again among Iranians at the airport and there it was—"Down with America, Down with Reagan."

Those remarks truly frustrated me after I had just heard the Inauguration of Ronald Wilson Reagan as the 40th President of the United States who has acted and did act, and even then was acting, like a true gentleman by leaving this program to the previous administration.

I also heard with good attention, the Inaugural Address, and one comment in particular that President Reagan made was this, and I am going to try to quote verbatim—"Remember that the federal government did not make the states; the states made the federal government."

To that end, the thought occurred to me that when all things are broken down we got very little out of this. I got thinking, what would stop any downtrodden country or far country in Africa—three or four of them who call themselves countries—to get together, capture our Americans there and hold them up for ransom.

I harked back immediately to the words of President Reagan about three weeks ago, and some criticized him—I am not of the same political faith but I sure bought his words when he used the word "barbarians." In my book, it was not only a good word but was a mild word. I thought then that this might be an opportunity for us to ask our leaders, and I particularly address myself to you, Mr. Speaker, to our majority leaders who share in the legislative council and our minority leader, I would like to appear before them sometime to have a meeting soon, not with the thought in mind of a congressional resolution but of doing something as a state with our representatives in the Congress, even

if we had to send our leaders to Washington exercising our motto "Dirigo" and do something about it vocally because it could happen tomorrow like it happened over a year and a half ago.

I have spoken to more diplomats, members of the Congress, House and Senate, about this thing more than I have probably in all the years that I have been in government life put together.

I am extremely happy for the hostages, the families of the hostages, their friends and I am sure that they also recognize the fact that the previous administration had severe problems as to what to do—where it started and where it ended. It reminds me of something that happened back in the middle forties in Japan—identical situation, on a bigger level, however. I think a great many of these people should realize that the honor of the country was placed in a second slot to save the lives of these people.

Yesterday was the last day of their captivity; yesterday was the inauguration of a man who will be President of the United States for the next four years, and certainly the people of the country had a right to rejoice, and I wish that man well, and I want to commend him, his word has just reached me that President Carter and our own Secretary of State, Former Secretary of the United States Muskie and his entourage are on their way to Germany. I can't help but make this comment—God bless them, God bless America and God bless Jimmy Carter.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Scarborough, Mr. Higgins.

Mr. HIGGINS: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I, too, would like to commend former President Carter in his attempts and the final fruition of getting the hostages home from Iran. Obviously, Secretary of State Muskie deserves a lot of the credit, as well as his office in Washington and those people who worked very diligently in the last two or three weeks of the Carter administration to get these people home.

I think it is unfortunate, part of the political stupidity, I guess, of the Iranian government, that they would not see fit to let these people come home while President Carter was still in office, but I guess that is perhaps indicative of the people and the mentality of those people that we had to deal with in the extreme delicate situation that was there for the last 444 days. I think it is perhaps easy at times for many of us to be Monday morning quarterbacks and have reasons and all that sort of thing of why the hostages weren't brought home and everybody had their own play end or their own reason or how they would have solved the situation, but I think it is to the credit of the administration that they did get the people home and no one was hurt, but I think we need not lose sight of the fact that we did lose eight people in attempting to get them home almost a year ago in the rescue attempt. I think we need to remember that.

I think it is really fitting that on their way home last night, the Air Force served them turkey dinners while they were high in the sky and high in spirit, I guess its Thanksgiving. I think we need to address ourselves to that and I think we need to thank and be thankful not only that these people are home but that they have a place to come to and the nightmare of the last 14 months is over.

So I, for one, on the other side of the aisle, also do wish to commend former President Carter. I think that obviously joy and happiness is instilled in us and I hope a new era has been brought about because of this and I hope that the American people will be uplifted by the whole situation here. We do have people who are concerned and have gone out on a limb and tried to help these people.

I thank the gentleman from Lewiston for introducing this memorial and I thank him also for allowing me to be a cosponsor.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Brodeur.

Mr. BRODEUR: Mr. Speaker, Members of the House: I must state that I disagree with the second paragraph in this Joint Resolution; however, this is not the time to debate those issues but a time for celebration and gratitude. In expression of celebration and gratitude, I would join in the support of this Resolution.

Thereupon, the Joint Resolution was adopted and sent up for concurrence.

By unanimous consent, ordered sent forthwith to the Senate.

On motion of Mr. McSweeney of Old Orchard, it was

ORDERED, that Representative Catharine Damren of Belgrade be excused January 19, 20, and 21st for personal reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Karen L. Brown of Bethel be excused January 19, 20, 21 and 22nd for personal reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Richard E. McKean of Limestone be excused January 22 for legislative business.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Sandra K. Prescott of Hampden be excused January 22 for legislative business.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Raynold Theriault of Fort Kent be excused February 2 and 3rd for personal reasons.

AND BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that Representative Daniel B. Hickey of Augusta be excused January 21, 22 and 23 due to illness.

#### Special Sentiment Calendar

In accordance with House Rule 56, the following items (Expressions of Legislative Sentiment)

Recognizing:

Coach Mike Landry of Biddeford High School Tigers Football team, 1980 State Class AA Football Champions; (S. P. 129)

Coach Mike Landry of Biddeford High School, who has been chosen 1980 State Class AA Coach of the Year; (S. P. 130)

Claude LeClair of Biddeford High School, recipient of the 1980 James J. Fitzpatrick Award given to the state's outstanding football player who also displays all-around school excellence; (S. P. 131)

Steve Martin of Biddeford High School, who was selected for the 1980 State Class AA All-State Football Team; (S. P. 132)

Eric Fournier of Biddeford High School, who was selected for the 1980 State Class AA All-State Football Team; (S. P. 133)

Graham Small of Biddeford High School, who was selected for the 1980 State Class AA All-State Football Team; (S. P. 134)

Claude LeClair of Biddeford High School, who was selected for the 1980 State Class AA All-State Football Team; (S. P. 135)

Gene Gervais of Biddeford High School, who was selected for the 1980 State Class AA All-State Football Team; (S. P. 136)

Mike Gagnon of Biddeford High School, who was selected for the 1980 State Class AA All-State Football Team; (S. P. 137)

Steve Montembeau of Biddeford High School, who was selected for the 1980 State Class AA All-State Football Team; (S. P. 138)

Dennis Gadbois of Biddeford High School, who was selected for the 1980 State Class AA All-State Football Team; (S. P. 139)

Sgt. Glen Picard of Frenchville, who was named the Maine Army National Guard's Soldier of the Year in 1980; (H. P. 301) by Mr. Theriault of Fort Kent. (Cosponsors: Mrs. Martin of Van Buren, Mr. McHenry of Madawaska and Senator Violette of Aroostook)

The Maine Central Institute "Huskies" Soccer Team, 1980 State Class B champions; (H. P. 306) by Mr. McGowen of Pittsfield.

Paul Sherman III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Sherman, II, of Smyrna Mills, 1980 valedictorian of Southern Aroostook Consolidated School; (H. P. 304) by Mr. Smith of Island Falls. (Cosponsor: Senator Carpenter of Aroostook)

Ramona Welton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arden Welton of Hodgdon, 1980 valedictorian of Hodgdon High School; (H. P. 302) by Mr. Smith of Island Falls. (Cosponsor: Senator Carpenter of Aroostook)

In Memory of:

Donald L. Tidd, life-long member and honorary deacon of the Hodgdon United Baptist Church; (H. P. 303) by Mr. Smith of Island Falls. (Cosponsor: Senator Carpenter of Aroostook)

Alton E. Springer, life-long resident of Island Falls; (H. P. 305) by Mr. Smith of Island Falls. (Cosponsor: Senator Carpenter of Aroostook)

There being no objections, these items were considered passed or adopted.

#### Consent Calendar

In accordance with House Rule 49, the following items appeared on the Consent Calendar for the Second Day:

(H. P. 33) (L. D. 38) Bill "An Act to Make Confidential Certain Documents of the Maine Human Rights Commission" (C. "A" H-1)

No objections having been noted at the end of the Second Legislative Day, the House Paper was passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

#### Orders of the Day

The Chair laid before the House the first tabled and today assigned matter:

Bill, "An Act Covering Great Pond Plantation into the Town of Great Pond and Removing Great Pond from The Maine Forestry District" (H. P. 287) (Committee on Local and County Government suggested)

Tabled—January 20, 1981 by Mr. Connors of Franklin.

Pending—Reference.

Thereupon, the Bill was referred to the Committee on Local and County Government, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the House the following matter:

Bill "An Act to Increase the Licensing Fee for Beano" (S. P. 32) (L. D. 35) which was tabled earlier in the day and later today assigned pending reference.

On motion of Mrs. Mitchell of Vassalboro, tabled unassigned pending acceptance of the Committee Report in concurrence.

The Chair laid before the House the following matter:

Bill "An Act to Encourage the Establishment of Municipal Energy Commission" (H. P. 313) which was tabled earlier in the day and later today assigned pending reference.

On motion of Mr. Hall of Sangerville, the Bill was referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the House the following matter:

Bill "An Act Concerning the Acceptance of Gifts by State Officials or Members of any Branch of State Government" (H. P. 333) which was tabled earlier in the day and later today assigned pending reference.

Thereupon, the Bill was referred to the Committee on State Government, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

The following paper appearing on Supplement No. 1 was taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

Bill "An Act to Permit More Frequent Accounting and Payment to the County Treasurer of Fees Received by Register of Deeds" (S. P. 122) (L. D. 287)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Local and County Government and ordered printed.

In the House, the Bill was referred to the Committee on Local and County Government in concurrence.

Mr. Jacques of Waterville was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. JACQUES: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: Yesterday, the gentleman from Scarborough, Mr. Higgins, spoke of a new President; today, I would like to speak of an Old President. Yesterday, around noon, Jimmy Carter became a private citizen of these United States, a step I am sure will take a lot of getting use to, one that took a man from the position of the highest to the position of one of the everyday citizen.

History and our historians will tell us what kind of President Jimmy Carter was; today, I would like to address the kind of man that Jimmy Carter was. He was a kind man, an honest man, a caring man, a man who didn't accomplish all that he set out to do or all he would like to have done, but he tried and he gave us his best. He was an outsider when he came to Washington and he was an outsider when he left. He was elected at a bad time for politicians as we know them—it reminded me a little of our own James Longley here in Maine. They were non-political candidates the people turned to during trying times, yet they were elected and they served.

In these last few years, I have come to respect any one who runs for office, especially anyone who runs for the nation's highest office, and so I have come to respect Jimmy Carter.

I first met Jimmy Carter in 1975 at the Silent Women Restaurant in Waterville, Maine, where he was visiting then with Ex-Governor, Ken Curtis. He looked very young at that time; he impressed me then and he impresses me now. I then had the honor of speaking to the Honorable Jimmy Carter on the telephone last February during our caucuses here in Maine, and as I watched and listened to him during the days of his Presidency, my respect is still growing for this man from Plains, who was our 39th President.

This morning I removed my yellow ribbon from the lapel of my suit and put it away, and as I did, I stopped to think of the courageous Americans affected by the Embassy takeover in Iran, the 52 held hostages and the eight that died trying to rescue them and how they were coming home. My thoughts then returned to Jimmy Carter, a man who had always put personal freedoms and basic human rights as a top priority, a man who had helped bring our people home. And as his time of rest comes to pass, I wish him the best, the blessing of God, peace, happiness and good health, for he had done all a man can do.

I close by thanking Jimmy Carter for taking the time to run for office. I thank him for serving in that office but, most of all, I thank James Earl Carter for taking the time to care.

(Off Record Remarks)

On motion of Mr. McCollister of Canton, adjourned until ten o'clock tomorrow morning.