Minnesota, I am sure Hawaii and elsewhere, have been ravaged by these rising prices, by their inability to control the costs, by the need, as I have discovered in my age, to require more prescription medication. The benefits of those medications are lifegiving, lifesaving, life-enhancing for millions of Americans.

However, for our elderly population, they are literally the difference between life and death. They are literally the difference, time after time, between being able to enjoy their lives, rather than being consigned to pain and suffering, and infirmity that no one should be subjected to, certainly not in your last months or years of your life. We had all these good intentions. If we totaled the assurances Members made from both sides of the aisle when they sought election or reelection that year, we would have had a unanimous agreement that this legislation was overdue, was badly needed, and we might have had some differences of views as to how it was going to be enacted.

But when I came here in January of 2001 I felt as certain as I felt about anything that we would pass that legislation and we would have that moment that Senator Dodd enjoyed yesterday, to bring back to the Senate a conference report, something that was agreed upon by the House, by the White House, and by the Senate, and we could pass it and go back and proudly tell our fellow citizens we had done the job they sent us to do

I am terribly distraught and disappointed and disillusioned. I feel apologetic to the citizens of Minnesota, to the senior citizens who placed their trust in me and sent me here. I remember one elderly woman in Duluth, MN, in the northeastern part of our State, about half my size and twice my age, who spoke to me in December of the year 2000 just before I came here. She looked at me after I visited her with her and her friends. She said, If you do not keep your promises, I will take you out behind the woodshed for an old-fashioned thrashing.

I don't dare go back to Duluth, MN, after our failure to pass this legislation. I think in some ways this whole process that we failed to master, if not ourselves, individually, the failure of this entire endeavor, needs an old-fashioned thrashing. It is shameful we have not enacted that legislation on behalf of seniors in Minnesota and everywhere

It is only one instance, unfortunately, where this failure to enact the people's business occurred in this body. I have presided over this Senate more hours in the last 2 years than anyone, save my colleague, Senator CARPER, of Delaware, and it has been in most respects a very enjoyable, fascinating, and certainly educational experience as a new Member of the Senate to see firsthand what occurs here and how these matters are handled. The masters of the Senate, through years of experi-

ence, know how this process works; also, unfortunately, masters of the process who know how to prevent it from working and how to obstruct and delay it.

I have watched since the beginning of this year, time after time the efforts of the majority leader, my good friend from the neighboring State of South Dakota, who has the responsibility as leader of our majority caucus to try to schedule and move legislation forward. I have seen time after time that he has not been given the agreement necessary. In the Senate, it takes, as you know, unanimous consent. It takes all 100 of us to agree individually just to bring up a matter of legislation. Without that unanimous consent, we have to go through a procedure that then requires the majority leader to file cloture. Then it takes 2 more days before we can vote on proceeding, just going ahead to take up a piece of legislation.

Time after time we have had to go through that process. The majority leader has had to follow it. I believe, if we tallied up all those days that we have been obstructed and delayed from just considering legislation in this body, it would be 50 or 60 during the last year alone. That is 10 to 12 weeks of time. That is 2½ to 3 months of time that we have not been able to conduct the people's business, where we couldn't consider legislation, where we couldn't bring up amendments and vote them up or down.

Here we are now just at a point of recess or adjournment or whatever it is going to be, and we have not passed prescription drug coverage for seniors, we have not extended unemployment benefits but once. I believe we have tried two or three other times to do so. We have not been able to get to so many things the people of Minnesota depended on me to provide and I think the people of America were looking for from all of us.

So as we are in these closing moments, and as Senator Dodd from Connecticut has brought attention to some of the unfinished business before us, I wanted to highlight some of that myself and to say, the Good Lord willing, I will be back here, whether it is in November or December or January of next year or the new session of Congress. I wish we would have been able to leave here with much more accomplished. Those who are out there wondering, who do not want excuses or explanations, who want real results, which they should have, who want programs that will benefit them, who want help when they need it, who want improvements in their lives—if they really want to understand why we are leaving some of these matters undone, I invite their calls. I would be happy to discuss those matters with them.

They should look, as I say, and count the number of days we have had to wait to let the clock tick so we could follow the rules of the Senate just to move on to another matter. Then I would recommend they ask themselves

why it is and who it was behind this delay and this obstruction, and hold those individuals to account when they visit the voting booth in the next occasion.

With that, I wish the President a good evening, and I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.
The PRESIDING OFFICER. The
clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

NOMINATIONS DISCHARGED AND PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session and that the HELP Committee be discharged from further consideration of the following nominations: Robert Battista to be a member of the NLRB: Wilma Liebman to be a member of the NLRB; Peter Schaumber to be a member of the NLRB; Joel Kahn to be a member of the National Council on Disability; Patricia Pound to be a member of the National Council on Disability; Linda Wetters to be a member of the National Council on Disability; David Gelernter to be a member of the National Council of the Arts; Allen Greene, Judith Rapanos, Maria Guillemard, Nancy Dwight, Peter Hero, Sharon Walkup, and Thomas Lorentzen to be members of the National Museum Services Board; Juan Olivarez to be a member of the National Institute for Literacy Advisory Board; James Stephens to be a member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission; Peggy Goldwater-Clay to be a member of the Board of Trustees for the Barry Goldwater Scholarship Excellence in Education Foundation; and Carol Gambill to be a member of the National Institute for Literacy, and that the nominations be placed on the Executive Calendar.

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

NOMINATION DISCHARGED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the HELP Committee be discharged of the nomination of John Higgins to be the Inspector General for the Department of Education and that it be referred to the Governmental Affairs Committee for the statutory time limitation.

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

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed

to executive session to consider the following nominations: Calendar Nos. 1130, 1134, 1136, 1138, 1139 through 1146, and the nominations placed on the Secretary's desk; that the nominations be confirmed, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action and that any statements pertaining thereto be printed in the RECORD, with the preceding all occurring with no intervening action or debate.

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

The nominations were considered and confirmed as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Mark B. McClellan, of the District of Columbia, to be Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Department of Health and Human Services.

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

Scott W. Muller, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency.

AIR FORCE

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

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Glen W. Moorehead, III, 0000

The following officer for appointment in the United States Air Force to the grade indicated under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

To be brigadier general

Col. Frederick F. Roggero, 0000

ARMY

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

To be general

Lt. Gen. Burwell B. Bell, III, 0000

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

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Robert W. Wagner, 0000

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

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Richard A. Hack, 0000

The following Army National Guard officers for appointment in the Reserve of the Army to the grades indicated under title 10, U.S.C., Section 12203:

To be major general

Brigadier General George A. Buskirk, Jr., 0000

The following Army National Guard of the United States 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. David C. Harris, 0000

MARINE CORPS

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Marine Corps to the grade indicated while assigned to a posi-

tion of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. James T. Conway, 0000

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

Rear Adm. Lowell E. Jacoby, 0000

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. David L. Brewer, III, 0000

Nominations Placed on the Secretary's $$\operatorname{Desk}$$

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PN2208 Air Force nomination of James M. Knauf, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 1, 2002.

PN2209 Air Force nomination of Gary P. Endersby, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 1, 2002.

PN2210 Air Force nomination of Mark A. Jeffries, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 1, 2002.

PN2211 Air Force nomination of John P. Regan, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 1, 2002.

PN2212 Air Force nomination of John S. McFadden, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 1, 2002.

PN2213 Air Force nomination of Larry B. Largent, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 1, 2002.

PN2214 Air Force nomination of Frank W. Palmisano, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 1, 2002.

PN2215 Air Force nominations (2) beginning David S. Brenton, and ending Brenda K. Roberts, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 1, 2002.

PN2216 Air Force nominations (2) beginning Cynthia A. Jones, and ending Jeffrey F. Jones, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 1, 2002.

PN2217 Air Force nomination of Mario G. Correia, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 1, 2002.

PN2218 Air Force nomination of Michael L. Martin, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 1, 2002.

PN2219 Air Force nominations (2) beginning Xiao Li Ren, and ending Jeffrey H. Sedgewick*, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 1, 2002.

PN2220 Air Force nominations (3) beginning Thomas A. Augustine III*, and ending Charles E. Pyke*, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 1, 2002.

PN2229 Air Force nominations (39) beginning Errish Nasser G. Abu, and ending Ernest J. Zeringue, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 4, 2002.

PN2240 Air Force nominations (2) beginning Dana H. Born, and ending James L.

Cook, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 8, 2002.

ARMY

PN2221 Army nomination of Scott T. William, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 1, 2002.

PN2222 Army nomination of Erik A. Dahl, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 1, 2002.

PN2241 Army nomination of James R. Kimmelman, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 8, 2002.

PN2242 Army nomination of John E. Johnston, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 8, 2002.

PN2243 Army nominations (5) beginning Janet L. Bargewell, and ending Mitchell E. Tolman, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 8, 2002.

PN2244 Army nominations (5) beginning Leland W. Dochterman, and ending Douglas R. Winters, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 8, 2002.

PN2245 Army nominations (6) beginning Glenn E. Ballard, and ending Marion J. Yester, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 8, 2002.

PN2246 Army nomination of Robert D. Boidock, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 8, 2002.

PN2247 Army nomination of Dermot M. Cotter, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 8, 2002

October 8, 2002.
PN2248 Army nomination of Connie R.
Kalk, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 8, 2002.

PN2249 Army nomination of Michael J. Hoilen, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 8, 2002.

PN2250 Army nomination of Romeo Ng, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 8, 2002

PN2267 Army nominations (71) beginning Judy A. Abbott, and ending Dennis C. Zachary, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 10, 2002.

PN2268 Army nominations (48) beginning Jose Almocarrasquillo, and ending Matthew L. Zizmor, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 10, 2002

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PN2269 Army nominations (42) beginning Arthur L. Arnold, Jr., and ending Mark S. Vajcovec, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 10, 2002.

PN2270 Army nominations (41) beginning Adrine S. Adams, and ending Maryellen Yacka, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of October 10, 2002.

FOREIGN SERVICE

PN1894 Foreign Service nominations (139) beginning Dean B. Wooden, and ending Claudia L. Yellin, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 21, 2002.

PN1893-1 Foreign Service nominations (132) beginning Deborah C. Rhea, and ending Ashley J. Tellis, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 21, 2002.

NOMINATION OF MARK MCCLELLAN

Mr. KENNEDY. Dr. McClellan has an impressive background. He is both

economist and a physician. He is a member of the President's Council of Economic Advisers and he is also a major advisor on health policy to the President today. He was an associate professor of economics and medicine at Stanford University. He also served as deputy assistant secretary in the Department of Treasury. And, best of all, he received his medical degree, his doctorate in economics, and his master's degree in public health at Harvard and MIT.

This nomination to a major public health position is long overdue. Dr. McClellan has the training, the experience, and the stature to serve as the head of the country's most important public health regulatory agency—an agency that serves as the gold standard for the rest of the world.

FDA's mission is to protect the public health. Its mission affects more than a quarter of every dollar spent in the U.S. economy. The products that it regulates—food, drugs, biologics, devices supplements and cosmetics—affect public health and safety every day.

The agency also has a long and distinguished history of serving the public interest. It has a proud tradition of promoting the public interest ahead of special interests. It is an agency of skilled professionals who set high standards and demand excellence from the industries it regulates.

In this time of extraordinary medical breakthroughs and as new threats to public health arise, the FDA faces enormous challenges. The American people increasingly depend on the FDA to safeguard public health. Now is not the time for FDA to retreat from these challenges, or surrender its authority over public health.

Dr. McClellan has been nominated to a position of great responsibility. I believe he will make a fine commissioner, one who will help lead the agency into the 21st century.

PROTOCOL RELATING TO THE MA-DRID AGREEMENT—TREATY DOC-UMENT NO. 106-41

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider Executive Calendar No. 1, the protocol relating to the Madrid agreement; that the protocol be considered as having advanced through its parliamentary stages up to and including the presentation of the resolution for ratification, and that the understandings, declarations and conditions be agreed to, and that the Senate now vote on the resolution of ratification.

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

The question is on agreeing to the resolution.

All those in favor of the resolution will rise and stand until counted. (After a pause.) Those opposed will rise and stand until counted.

In the opinion of the Chair, twothirds of the Senators present and having voted in the affirmative, the resolution is agreed to.

The resolution of ratification read as follows:

Resolved (two-thirds of the Senators present concurring therein),

SECTION 1. ADVICE AND CONSENT TO ACCESSION TO THE MADRID PROTOCOL, SUBJECT TO AN UNDERSTANDING, DECLARATIONS, AND CONDITIONS.

The Senate advises and consents to the accession by the United States to the Protocol Relating to the Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks, adopted at Madrid on June 27, 1989, entered into force on December 1, 1995 (Treaty Doc. 106-41; in this resolution referred to as the "Protocol"), subject to the understanding in section 2, the declarations in section 3, and the conditions in section 4.

SEC. 2. UNDERSTANDING.

The advice and consent of the Senate under section 1 is subject to the understanding, which shall be included in the United States instrument of accession to the Protocol, that no secretariat is established by the Protocol and that nothing in the Protocol obligates the United States to appropriate funds for the purpose of establishing a permanent secretariat at any time.

SEC. 3. DECLARATIONS.

The advice and consent of the Senate under section 1 is subject to the following declarations:

- (1) NOT SELF-EXECUTING.—The United States declares that the Protocol is not self-executing.
- (2) TIME LIMIT FOR REFUSAL NOTIFICATION.—Pursuant to Article 5(2)(b) of the Protocol, the United States declares that, for international registrations made under the Protocol, the time limit referred to in subparagraph (a) of Article 5(2) is replaced by 18 months. The declaration in this paragraph shall be included in the United States instrument of accession.
- (3) NOTIFYING REFUSAL OF PROTECTION.—Pursuant to Article 5(2)(c) of the Protocol, the United States declares that, when a refusal of protection may result from an opposition to the granting of protection, such refusal may be notified to the International Bureau after the expiry of the 18-month time limit. The declaration in this paragraph shall be included in the United States instrument of accession
- (4) FEES.—Pursuant to Article 8(7)(a) of the Protocol, the United States declares that, in connection with each international registration in which it is mentioned under Article 3ter of the Protocol, and in connection with each renewal of any such international registration, the United States chooses to receive, instead of a share in revenue produced by the supplementary and complementary fees, an individual fee the amount of which shall be the current application or renewal fee charged by the United States Patent and Trademark Office to a domestic applicant or registrant of such a mark. The declaration in this paragraph shall be included in the United States instrument of accession.

SEC. 4. CONDITIONS.

The advice and consent of the Senate under section 1 is subject to the following conditions:

(1) TREATY INTERPRETATION.—The Senate reaffirms condition (8) of the resolution of ratification of the Document Agreed Among the States Parties to the Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe (CFE) of November 19, 1990 (adopted at Vienna on May 31, 1996), approved by the Senate on May 14, 1997 (relating to condition (1) of the resolution of ratification of the INF Treaty, approved by the Senate on May 27, 1988).

(2) NOTIFICATION OF THE SENATE OF CERTAIN EUROPEAN COMMUNITY VOTES.—The President shall notify the Senate not later than 15 days after any nonconsensus vote of the European Community, its member states, and the United States within the Assembly of the Madrid Union in which the total number of votes cast by the European Community and its member states exceeded the number of member states of the European Community.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that any statements relating thereto be printed in the RECORD.

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

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now return to legislative session.

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

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. REID. We are in morning business, is that correct?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator is correct.

U.S. EFFORTS IN POST-CONFLICT IRAQ

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, early last Friday morning, the Senate acted on the President's request to grant him authority to use force in Iraq. I joined with a majority of my colleagues from both sides of the aisle to support the resolution granting that authority, but made clear then and continue to believe now that our vote was the first step in our effort to address the threat posed by Iraq's weapons of mass destruction. In my statement before that vote, I indicated the President faces several challenges as he attempts to fashion a policy that will be successful in our efforts against Saddam Hussein and his weapons of mass destruction.

One of those challenges is preparing for what might happen in Iraq after Saddam Hussein and preparing the American people for what might be required of us on this score. To that end, I was interested to see an article in Friday morning's newspaper with the title, "U.S. Has a Plan to Occupy Iraq, Officials Report."

Citing unnamed administration officials, the article contends the administration is modeling plans for the economic and political reconstruction of Iraq on the successful efforts in post-WWII Japan. The article goes on to report that the Administration has yet to endorse a final position and this issue had not been discussed with key American allies. When questioned at a press conference Friday afternoon, the White House spokesperson distanced himself from this specific plan.

If this news account is true, I have no choice but to conclude this administration has much to do before it will be in position to present a plan to the American people and the world about what