PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

Senator KURY. Mr. President, very briefly, as the Chairman of the Select Committee on reform of the confirmation process in the Senate, I would like to take a moment to express my appreciation to the Members on both sides of the aisle for the action taken today with the passage, for the second time in this Senate, of Senate Bill No. 22, the constitutional amendment dealing with the confirmation procedure.

These days we hear a great deal about reform of government, reform of the legislative bodies, reform of the Senate. I believe that today, with the passage of Senate Bill No. 22, we in this Body have responsibly taken a very major step in bringing reform to government and in restoring the checks and balances system which is so important to our constitutional system.

Mr. President, I believe with this reform we have gone to the heart of governmental power. The whole question of checks and balances between the Executive Branch and the Legislative Branch is represented by this Body. I believe that as a result of this, the public confidence, in our Body and in government generally, will be increased.

I would like to express my thanks to my colleagues on both sides of the aisle for the bipartisan support which was given to this important change in our constitutional system.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR

NOMINATIONS BY THE GOVERNOR REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

The Secretary to the Governor being introduced, presented communications in writing from His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, which were read as follows, and referred to the Committee on Rules and Executive Nominations:

CONTROLLER IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SCHUYLKILL

February 4, 1975

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate Joseph John Wayne, 21 Beech Street, Girardville 17935, Schuylkill County, Twenty-ninth Senatorial District, for appointment as Controller in and for the County of Schuylkill, to serve until the first Monday of January, 1976, vice Metro Litwak, resigned.

MILTON J. SHAPP

SHERIFF IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CLARION

February 4, 1975

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate Bernard C. Lahr, 246 Greenville Avenue, Clarion 16214, Clarion County, Forty-first Senatorial District, for appointment as Sheriff in and for the County of Clarion, to serve until the first Monday of January, 1978, vice James L. Cumberland, resigned.

MILTON J. SHAPP

DISTRICT JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

February 4, 1975

To the Honorable, the Senate of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate Palmer Keith Bierly, Box 15, Rebersburg 16872, Centre County, Thirty-fourth Senatorial District, for appointment as District Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Centre, Class 3, District 04, to serve until the first Monday of January 1976, vice Garman A. Matter, retired.

MILTON J. SHAPP

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HOUSE MESSAGE

HOUSE CONCURS IN SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

The Clerk of the House of Representatives being introduced, informed the Senate that the House has concurred in resolution from the Senate, entitled:

Weekly Adjournment.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE SECRETARY

The following announcements were read by the Secretary of the Senate:

SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Eastern	
Standard	

Time	DATE AN	COMMITTEE	Room
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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1975

	to consider behate bill 100. 29	!	
12:00 Noon	RULES AND EXECUTIVE		
NOMINATIONS			

RULES AND EXECUTIVE	Committee
NOMINATIONS	meeting
to consider Senate Bills No.	room
21, 33, 66 and Senate Reso-	
lutions No. 3, 8, 9, 10 and 203	

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1975

8:30 A.M.	AGING AND YOUTH	168 B
	to consider Senate Bill No. 25	

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1975

9:30 A.M.	AGRICULTURE	

Attending this meeting will be representatives of the Pennsylvania Farmers Association.

ADJOURNMENT

Senator NOLAN. Mr. President, I move that the Senator do now adjourn until Monday, February 10, 1975, at 1:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 1:50 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.