

of every 12 rural residents. By working together with schools, businesses, churches, community organizations, foundations, and State and local governments, these health centers strive to meet the special needs and priorities of communities and to improve the health and well-being of countless families and individuals.

Health centers offer responsive and cost-effective health care that includes comprehensive primary and preventive services; prenatal and postpartum care; patient education, case management, and outreach; translation and other support services. My Administration is committed to increasing Federal support of healthcare centers. Through my Community and Migrant Health Centers Initiative we are working to double the number of patients served in these centers, and create 1,200 new and expanded health center sites over 5 years.

With the observance of National Health Center Week, we recognize the important role and the invaluable contributions of America's health centers, their staff, board members, and all those responsible for their success. During National Health Center week, I join in encouraging all Americans to celebrate the importance of health centers to our communities by participating in health fairs and screenings, blood drives, immunizations, and open house events.

Now, Therefore, I, George W. Bush, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim August 18 through 24, 2002, as National Health Center Week. I encourage all Americans to observe this week with appropriate activities and programs in order to raise their awareness of the importance and variety of services provided by America's health centers.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this sixteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord two thousand two, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and twenty-seventh.

George W. Bush

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NOTE: This proclamation will be published in the *Federal Register* on August 20.

Digest of Other White House Announcements

The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

August 10

In the morning, the President traveled from the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX, to Waco, TX. Later, he returned to the Bush Ranch in Crawford.

August 12

In the morning, the President met with the National Security Council.

The White House announced that the President will welcome Prime Minister Siim Kallas of Estonia to Washington, DC, on September 4.

August 13

In the morning, the President traveled to Waco, TX. In the afternoon, he returned to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX.

During the day, the President had a telephone conversation with President Vicente Fox of Mexico concerning Javier Suarez Medina, who was scheduled to be executed on August 14 by the State of Texas for a 1989 murder conviction, and President Fox's upcoming visit to President Bush's ranch in Crawford, TX.

August 14

In the morning, the President traveled to Milwaukee, WI.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Des Moines, IA, where, upon his arrival, he met with the McCaughey family, including 4-year-old septuplets.

August 15

In the morning, the President traveled to Rapid City, SD. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had intelligence and national security briefings. Upon his arrival in Rapid City, he met with Jerome Harvey, assistant

fire chief, emergency management coordinator, and emergency services volunteer, Lead, SD. Later, he traveled to Mount Rushmore National Memorial in Keystone, SD.

In the afternoon, the President returned to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX.

August 16

The President announced that Keith Hennessey will be joining the White House as Deputy Assistant to the President for Economic Policy and Deputy Director of the National Economic Council, replacing Marc Sumerlin.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

NOTE: No nominations were submitted to the Senate during the period covered by this issue.

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

Released August 12

Transcript of a press gaggle by Principal Deputy Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Deputy Press Secretary on the upcoming visit of Prime Minister Siim Kallas of Estonia

Announcement: President To Host Economic Forum

Announcement: Economic Forum Schedule and Participant List

Released August 13

Transcript of a press briefing by Office of Management and Budget Director Mitch Daniels

Transcript of a press briefing by Treasury Secretary Paul H. O'Neill and Commerce Secretary Donald L. Evans

Transcript of a press briefing by Agriculture Secretary Ann M. Veneman and U.S. Trade Representative Robert B. Zoellick

Statement by the Deputy Press Secretary on the visit of Zalmay Khalizad, the President's Special Envoy for Afghanistan and Special Assistant to the President for Southwest Asia, the Near East, and North Africa, to Afghanistan

Released August 15

Transcript of a press gaggle by Deputy Press Secretary Claire Buchan

Statement by the Deputy Press Secretary on National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice's announcement of the appointment of Rand Beers as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Combating Terrorism

Acts Approved by the President

NOTE: No acts approved by the President were received by the Office of the Federal Register during the period covered by this issue.