

knows, I have made some votes that I have regretted and even been a little bit repentant for occasionally.

I believe that she fully recognizes that she is a woman of destiny and that she certainly believes in a divine creator. In my judgment we are going to be very satisfied with Judge O'Connor, her astuteness, her openness, and the balance that she is going to bring to the Supreme Court.

Senator GRASSLEY. Mr. Chairman, I'm finished questioning the witness.

The CHAIRMAN. Thank you.

Senator DeConcini?

Senator DECONCINI. Mr. Chairman, I have no questions. I want to thank my colleagues from Arizona for being here, for their forthright position, and for addressing one of the more sensitive issues that has arisen here and addressing it in a manner that I think is most proper.

I would like to call to the attention of the committee that Representative Tony West, not speaking in any manner in behalf of the Roman Catholic Church, is an ordained deacon in the church. I have known him for a long time in his commitment to the pro-life area, a commitment that I also have, and I am very pleased that he is here to express his conscience and his belief.

I also wish to thank Donna Carlson West and my friend, Art Hamilton, for taking the time, Mr. Chairman, from their full-time jobs. The Arizona Legislature is not a full-time job, and the pay is minimal. They all hold full-time jobs and have families and many commitments. To be back here today, I think, is an expression of the people of Arizona—how they feel about Judge O'Connor. I thank them sincerely for their forthrightness and the sacrifice of their time to be here today with this committee.

Thank you.

The CHAIRMAN. I want to thank you, ladies and gentlemen, for your presence here and for the testimony you have given. You are now excused.

Our next panel consists of the Honorable Leo Corbet, president of the Arizona Senate; the Honorable Stan Turley, a member of the Arizona Senate; and the Honorable Alfredo Gutierrez, a member of the Arizona State Senate.

Would you gentlemen please come forward? We will be pleased to hear from you.

I had better swear you in first. Would you rise and hold up your right hands? Do you swear that the evidence you shall give in this hearing shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, so help you, God?

Mr. CORBET. I do.

Mr. TURLEY. I do.

Mr. GUTIERREZ. I do.

The CHAIRMAN. Would you identify yourselves? We will start on the left.

#### TESTIMONY OF HON. LEO CORBET, PRESIDENT, ARIZONA STATE SENATE

Mr. CORBET. Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, my name is Leo Corbet. I am the president of the Arizona State

Senate. I had the privilege of serving with then Senator O'Connor and now Judge O'Connor for two terms when she was in that same senate.

I came here, as you know, with a prepared statement which I will submit and try to summarize some of the things in deference to the kindness of this committee.

The CHAIRMAN. Do you want the entire statement to go in the record or what you say now?

Mr. CORBET. What I say now.

The CHAIRMAN. All right. You may proceed.

Mr. CORBET. Thank you.

It is very difficult, I think, to do anything that would add to the luster of Senator and Judge O'Connor after these last 2 days of hearing. You know now what we have known for a long time in Arizona; and that is that she is articulate, prepared, intelligent, and she is the kind of person you want doing any number of important jobs, whether it be at the State or the Federal level.

The support of the people who have come back here to testify in her behalf, I think, is testimony itself of the kind of person she is, from the Democratic side, to some of us Reaganites, to Roman Catholics. All of us are proud of Sandra. We are proud of the job that she has done.

As a State legislator and one who is an advocate of States' rights, I am especially pleased to see someone of her caliber and her background on this Court. As a lawyer, I have served with her in the legislature of course and also been before her in the court of appeals, and I can tell you that the kind of preparation that she showed the gentlemen of this committee is the kind of preparation that she brings to each job and each task that she is assigned.

I can also say that Sandra O'Connor is a very special person and that our beloved Constitution will be in good hands with her on the Court.

I thank you very much.

The CHAIRMAN. Thank you.

Would you please give your name and position?

#### TESTIMONY OF HON. STAN TURLEY, ARIZONA STATE SENATE

Mr. TURLEY. Mr. Chairman and members of the Judiciary Committee, my name is Stan Turley. I am a Republican State senator from Arizona. I appreciate very much this opportunity to appear before you on behalf of Judge O'Connor as nominee to the Supreme Court of the United States.

I am impressed today with your patience, Mr. Chairman. I have heard of you for many years, and it is a privilege to now see you in action and to see you going after hours.

I am impressed also with the depth of the hearing that has taken place here. I want you to know that my feelings toward this whole process have been reinforced with what I have seen here today.

I have known Judge O'Connor and her family for many years. My first acquaintance with her was as an assistant to the State attorney general. At that time I felt she was destined for more than a windowless office in the attorney general's office, although I confess that I did not foresee the scene before us today.