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The Senate met at 3 p.m. and was called to order by the President pro tempore (Mr. HATCH).

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Barry C. Black, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray.

Eternal Father and Sovereign King, as our lawmakers prepare for another chapter in our legislative history, bless those who will be leaving us and those who will be coming. Give them wisdom and courage for the living of these days.

May Your gift of wisdom provide them with a guide for the unknown way, enabling them to approve things that are excellent. Remind them that the most important choices demand the ability to discriminate not only good from bad but the best from the better and the good.

May Your gift of courage empower our Senators to permit their reach to exceed their grasp for the glory and honor of Your Name.

Lord, continue to extend Your mercies to the Members of the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, PA.

We pray in Your merciful Name. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The President pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. HOEVEN). Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The majority leader is recognized.

WILDFIRES IN CALIFORNIA

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I would like to begin by recognizing the brave fire and rescue personnel who are working around the clock to stop the spread of fires in California. I know all of our colleagues join me in remembering the more than 40 people who have lost their lives to the blaze, in sympathy for their families and in prayer for all of those whose homes, lives, and livelihoods have been thrown into chaos by this disaster.

As these communities begin the task of rebuilding, Americans everywhere will stand with them.

WELCOMING OUR NEW COLLEAGUES

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, on an entirely different matter, this is an exciting week for the Senate. For one thing, we are beginning to welcome several new Members to our ranks. They may not be sworn in until January, but these new Senators-elect are already arriving in town for orientation events and to vote in their party's leadership elections.

I know I speak for all of my colleagues in issuing each of our future colleagues, on both sides of the aisle, our hearty congratulations and a warm welcome. We are looking forward to working with all of these new colleagues.

UPCOMING BUSINESS

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, even as we begin looking ahead to January and the 116th Congress, the reality is, we still have a series of important outstanding subjects to tackle between now and the end of the year. First on the list is legislation that will reauthorize funding for our Coast Guard and implement a number of important reforms.

Our Nation calls on the Coast Guard to protect America's ports and to

maintain shipping lanes to interdict illegal drugs before they reach the border and to risk their lives to save others in the midst of fierce storms and natural disasters. In each case, they embody their motto: "Semper Paratus"—"Always Ready."

So in passing these measures this week, the Senate will be fulfilling an important promise to some of the brave men and women who have taken an oath to keep us safe.

Aspects of this legislation are particularly important to States like my own State of Kentucky—the heart of our Nation's inland waterways system. For too long, vessel owners and barge operators have struggled under a complex system of overlapping and duplicative regulations. They make normal shipping functions needlessly difficult, including the incidental discharge of ballast water. A confusing web of rules from States, the Coast Guard, and the EPA leave owners and operators to face constant uncertainty and lead to higher costs.

The Vessel Incidental Discharge Act, or VIDA, replaces the existing system with a uniform, cost-effective, and national standard enforced by the Coast Guard.

For the 13,000 Kentuckians whose jobs depend on our State's inland waterways, this provision can help cut costs, promote efficiency, and protect our natural waters. For the countless farmers, miners, and manufacturers who depend on these waters to get their goods to market, VIDA ends the headache and delivers relief.

VIDA passed out of the Senate Commerce Committee on a voice vote. In fact, it has been reported out of committee numerous times in recent years, including when our Democratic colleagues were in the majority. So it is time to pass this bipartisan bill; it is time to help the Coast Guard continue its important work; and it is time to deliver much needed predictability to the mariners who rely on it. I urge

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every one of our colleagues to join me in voting to advance it later this afternoon.

After that legislation, we will turn to another qualified nominee, Michelle Bowman, to serve as a member of the Board of Governors for the Federal Reserve. Ms. Bowman currently serves as a banking commissioner for the State of Kansas. I look forward to confirming her this week as well.

CONCLUSION OF MORNING BUSINESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Morning business is closed.

AMENDING THE WHITE MOUNTAIN APACHE TRIBE WATER RIGHTS QUANTIFICATION ACT OF 2010

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will resume consideration of the House message to accompany S. 140, which the clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

House message to accompany S. 140, a bill to amend the White Mountain Apache Tribe Water Rights Quantification Act of 2010 to clarify the use of amounts in the WMAT Settlement Fund.

Pending:

McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the bill, with MCCONNELL (for THUNE) Modified Amendment No. 4054, in the nature of a substitute.

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

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

RECOGNITION OF THE MINORITY LEADER

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Democratic leader is recognized.

MIDTERMS

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, first, let me say that all of our hearts go out to everyone affected by the terrible wildfires in California and, once again, express how grateful we are to the first responders and firefighters, those brave people on the scene. We continue to monitor the situation, and the Senate will do everything it can to help.

Now, let me welcome everybody back after the midterm elections.

Last week, Americans voted in record numbers to deliver an unambiguous message: They wanted a change. People across the country were disappointed in what 2 years of one-party Republican rule had delivered: rising healthcare costs and declining quality, a massive giveaway of public resources to multinational corporations and to the wealthiest few, and a Congress that failed to provide a check and balance on the President. So the American people voted for a change. They voted for

a check on President Trump and a Congress that would stop trying to take away their healthcare.

After 2 long years, that is what they will get. Republican plans to rip healthcare away from Americans has been stymied.

Democrats won the House of Representatives decisively. Democrats flipped several Governors and State legislatures. Here in the Senate, Democratic candidates did extraordinarily well with a very difficult map. Overall, last Tuesday night was a very good night for Democrats. But more importantly, it was a very good night for America and for beginning to restore some normalcy to our Nation's governance.

This afternoon, let me welcome the new Republican Senators and the two new Democratic Senators, JACKY ROSEN of Nevada, and KYRSTEN SINEMA of Arizona—the women of the West—with whom I met this morning. Both are highly accomplished. Both are tough and incredibly bright and principled but also pragmatic. I assure you that they will both make excellent, effective Senators. I could not be more pleased to welcome them to this Chamber.

But now that the hard-fought midterm campaign is over, we must turn the page and see what Democrats and Republicans can accomplish together for the American people. In the lame-duck session, we will consider legislation dealing with the Coast Guard and wrap up the appropriations process. Then, in January, the House and Senate will come back with new legislators and new priorities.

One item can't wait, though, until January. Last week, President Trump asked for the resignation of his once best friend, Attorney General Jeff Sessions, and announced that Matthew Whitaker, the Chief of Staff to the Attorney General, would become the Acting Attorney General. Even though Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein, already confirmed by the Senate, was next in line for the title of Acting Attorney General under the Department of Justice's succession statute, President Trump took the highly unusual step of naming another person to the job, Mr. Whitaker, who has not been confirmed by the Senate for any job in the Justice Department.

First and foremost, there are serious questions about whether or not Mr. Whitaker's appointment is even constitutional, considering the requirement for Senate confirmation in article II of the Constitution. But in addition to very serious questions about the appointment itself, Americans should be very concerned about the appointee, Mr. Whitaker, and what he might mean for the special counsel's investigation.

It is amazing. Mr. Whitaker claims that Russia didn't interfere with our elections, contrary to the conclusion of 17 intelligence agencies. When someone ignores the facts and just says these

things, you know they are an ideologue. They are not trying to dispense justice or anything else down the middle. They are an ideologue. Seventeen intelligence agencies say Russia interfered in our elections. This is not about collusion—just whether they interfered, and Whitaker says no. He has called for “pulling the reins back” on the Russia investigation. That is hardly a neutral arbiter who is going to call the shots as they should be called, down the middle. He referred to Special Counsel Mueller and his staff as a “lynch mob.”

When I saw General Flynn in the 2016 campaign, a three-star general, screaming: “Lock her up,” I thought: Something is wrong. A general shouldn't do that no matter what their political views are. When the Acting Attorney General refers to Special Counsel Mueller and his staff as a “lynch mob,” that is way over the top in a similar way, and Whitaker has openly mused about how to grind the investigation to a halt.

There is simply no question that Mr. Whitaker enters his role as Acting Attorney General with a clear bias against the Russia investigation. Essentially, Mr. Whitaker has prejudged the outcome of an investigation he now oversees. That is awful. That is not America. That is so highly political in a bad way.

In light of this, two things must happen. First, we are demanding that Mr. Whitaker recuse himself from the Russia investigation. On Sunday, I sent a letter, along with Leader PELOSI and top Democrats from both Houses in the relevant committees, to the Department of Justice's chief ethics officer explaining why Mr. Whitaker should be recused and requesting that the chief ethics officer notify Congress of what ethics guidance Mr. Whitaker has given.

We have heard that Mr. Whitaker is meeting with the ethics officials this week, and we expect that Congress will be notified about the results of those discussions.

Second, if Whitaker does not recuse himself, we Democrats are going to attempt to add legislation to the must-pass spending bill in the lame-duck session that would prevent Acting Attorney General Whitaker from interfering with the Mueller investigation in any way. Judiciary Committee Democrats have also requested that Chairman GRASSLEY schedule a hearing with Mr. Whitaker and former Attorney General Sessions. I support that request wholeheartedly.

Now, even if you don't believe that Mr. Whitaker poses a threat to the Mueller investigation, there are serious questions about whether his appointment is lawful or whether Mr. Whitaker has the experience, temperament, independence, fidelity, and rule of law required for such a vitally important position. Given that the Senate never confirmed him for his current role in the Justice Department, now is

the time to consider whether Mr. Whitaker is qualified for his new role as our Nation's chief law enforcement officer.

Let's remember one thing: Democrats and Republicans alike have said that if President Trump interferes with the Russia investigation, we would be on the brink of a constitutional crisis the likes of which we haven't seen in decades. Altering the chain of command in the Justice Department to put a partisan loyalist in charge of the investigation certainly feels like we may be heading down that road. Why not head the whole thing off at the pass? Mr. Whitaker can and should recuse himself and, regardless, the Senate should pass legislation to protect the integrity of the Russia investigation.

In conclusion, it is a far better thing to be safe than sorry when it comes to something as paramount as the rule of law and fidelity to the great Constitution of the United States of America.

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. FLAKE assumed the Chair.)

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. JOHNSON). Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. CARPER. Mr. President, I will just start out by saying it is good to see you. It is good to be back. I hope you had a good break.

We have business to do—serious business to do. Before we took our recess around election time, we closed off by passing, I think, a 99-to-1 vote here and a unanimous vote over in the House. It is a major water infrastructure bill that Senator BARRASSO and I and our staffs have worked on with a number of our colleagues. We are back here today to do some more good work. I am grateful to everyone who has had a part in that.

I rise in support of the Coast Guard reauthorizing bill and to urge our colleagues to vote yes on the pending cloture motion and on final passage of this legislation tomorrow. Ensuring that our Coast Guard, comprised of nearly 90,000 men and women across our country, has the resources to do its important work is incredibly important.

The Coast Guard was established at the behest of Treasury Secretary Alexander Hamilton, who is known more recently for the musical, but he was actually behind the establishment of the Coast Guard all those years ago. This is one of his greatest hits, if you will. He played a crucial role in our country, and so has the Coast Guard—including in my State of Delaware—from the very birth of our Nation, and my guess is also in Wisconsin, where our Presiding Officer is from.

Today, we ask this branch of our military to track pollution at sea, to

combat illicit trafficking and smuggling, and to protect maritime operations that are expanding throughout our Arctic waters, while still keeping our waters safe for recreational and cargo vessels sailing in places like the Delaware Bay.

The bill before us today will increase resources for the Coast Guard by about 10 percent so they are equipped to continue this important and oftentimes lifesaving work. This legislation also allows for multiyear funding in order to procure future national security cutters, which will reduce costs, increase predictability, and stabilize workforces. It is like a win-win-win.

For a State like mine, which is serious about its recreational boating, the bill would increase safety by implementing engine cut-off switches and alternate signaling devices.

For the Coast Guard contingent based at the Indian River Inlet in Delaware, about halfway between Rehoboth Beach and the Maryland line in Ocean City, this bill means an increase in operational and maintenance funding for personnel and boats, easier access to healthcare for crews and their families, better quality of the life through updated leave policies, extra funding for shoreside infrastructure improvements, and clarity on inspections and enforcement procedures for vessel boardings.

The impacts of this reauthorization bill are real. They will be felt in the Coast Guard contingents across our country. This bill also includes a major win with regard to our shared environment.

Many of our Senate colleagues have invested far more than I have in time and effort to bring greater efficiency and effectiveness to our Nation's management of potentially harmful ballast water discharges from vessels plying our waters. That effort has culminated in the Vessel Incidental Discharge Act—better known as VIDA, as in Vida Blue—which is contained in title IX of the amendment before us.

Specifically, the bill will go a long way toward preventing polluted ballast water discharges from entering our waterways, will minimize the risk of introduction of invasive species in the Great Lakes and other sensitive ecosystems, and will maintain important environmental protections for our waters that are enshrined in the Clean Water Act.

This past April, the Senate failed to invoke cloture on a prior version of this reauthorization bill. Many of our colleagues and I were concerned that the earlier legislation failed to maintain the appropriate roles for the Coast Guard and for EPA.

This new version makes sure that the EPA is responsible for setting vessel discharge standards while the Coast Guard is responsible for approving the technologies that can meet those standards and, thus, allow vessels to operate safely. This is the key. I want to say it again. This new version

makes sure that the EPA is responsible for setting vessel discharge standards while the Coast Guard is responsible for approving the technologies that can meet those standards and, thus, allow vessels to operate safely and ultimately to operate efficiently.

As ranking member of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, I am grateful for the excellent work done by the Senator from South Dakota, the chairman of the Commerce Committee, Senator THUNE, and the Senator from Florida, Mr. NELSON, the ranking member, and by their able staffs, working with us on this important, bipartisan bill.

My speech here does not mention the Senator from Alaska, DAN SULLIVAN. It is his birthday today. So I am going to give him a shout-out and say that he and his staff worked on this as well, and we are grateful to them for being our partners.

With the support of our Commerce Committee colleagues and the active participation of many Senators—including our Pacific coast, Great Lakes, and east coast partners—we have strengthened VIDA in substantial ways since our last vote on this legislation in April.

Let me take a minute now and explain how. First of all, we have clarified that the Clean Water Act should govern this important endeavor to keep our waters clean, healthy, and productive, and that the Environmental Protection Agency should take the lead in establishing standards for the discharge of waters polluted by invasive species and other substances from vessels.

This legislation also recognizes the expertise, if you will, and the experience of the Coast Guard and their crews by ensuring that it retains responsibility for determining the best available technology necessary to meet the EPA's discharge standards, while also maintaining maritime safety. In addition, the Coast Guard would assume the primary Federal role in monitoring and enforcing these standards. So there you have it.

As a former Governor—some of my colleagues call me a recovering Governor, which is true—it was critically important to me that we ensure a robust role for States, especially given that the waters in their jurisdictions are the most at risk for invasive species and pollution coming from ships. With that in mind, we have ensured that States maintain a coenforcement responsibility to ensure that these Federal standards are met. The Coast Guard, in close coordination with the States, will establish a set of inspection and enforcement procedures that will ensure a common approach to the States' enforcement of Federal vessel discharge standards and requirements.

We have also required that Governors are consulted in the establishment of discharge standards and that they can act to drive the Federal agencies to issue emergency measures should invasive species appear off their shores.

Governors will also be able to directly petition the EPA and the Coast Guard for stronger national standard and requirements if the science says that they are necessary or the technology has evolved. The EPA and the Coast Guard will be required to respond to a Governor's petition quickly and on the merits, not sidestepping concerns that might be raised.

Should a State find that its waters are threatened despite the protection offered by the national standard, that State can petition the EPA to establish no-discharge zones to protect those vulnerable waters from any vessel discharges or force the EPA to issue emergency orders.

Under this legislation, Great Lakes Governors for the first time have a defined process to adopt stronger requirements and more protective equipment on vessels entering or traveling within the Great Lakes. In addition, a new Aquatic Nuisance Species Program is established that would address the waters of the Great Lakes and Lake Champlain. The bill also creates special ballast water exchange requirements to help ensure the protection of critical Pacific region environments.

Under all circumstances, no future discharge standards, regional requirements, or technology mandates can ever be weaker than the Federal requirements that are in place today. Let me say that again. Under all circumstances, no future discharge standards, regional requirements, or technology mandates can ever be weaker than the Federal requirements that are in place today. Furthermore, no State laws or regulations will be preempted unless and until the new, more proactive, more protective Federal standards and requirements are in place—meaning they are both final and enforceable by the Coast Guard and the States.

This bill contains equal measures of environmental urgency and common sense. It sets clear roles and responsibilities for the Federal agencies involved in implementing it, and it provides certainty and predictability to all who rely on our coastal waters and the Great Lakes to recreate, fish, and carry our cargos.

Many of our colleagues realize that getting to this point has been a multiyear endeavor. In the end, that is what has brought us together—a common appreciation of how important our waters are to our country. No matter how far away from the coast we may live, none of us are untouched in some way by the environment and resources extending from our shores.

Again, let me commend everyone who has helped in ways both large and small to craft the important compromise that is before us today. With its inclusion, we will have a clear path to enacting a much needed Coast Guard reauthorization bill with its strong VIDA provisions. I urge my colleagues to join us in supporting it and by doing so, demonstrating that even on the

heels of last week's election, the Senate is still committed to hammering out principled compromises on difficult but important issues like these.

I will close by hearkening back to my days in the U.S. House of Representatives. After I was Treasurer, I served in the House for a while. After that, I served as Governor of my State and then came here to join our colleagues in the Senate. For 10 years I served on the Coast Guard Subcommittee, which was in the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee, and I had the opportunity to visit Coast Guard facilities not just on the east coast but as far away as Alaska, on Kodiak Island.

I am a retired Navy captain. I spent a lot of time on airplanes and sometimes on ships to understand fairly well the important role that the Coast Guard does. We certainly see that every day on the east coast. We have a huge tourist business on the shores and the beaches of Delaware, and the Coast Guard plays a hugely important role in that endeavor.

Today, we thank and salute—the Navy salutes—the Coast Guard and all of the men and women who are out there doing their job for all of us.

Again, I want to salute especially the three Senators I mentioned earlier: Senator THUNE, Senator NELSON, and Senator SULLIVAN, our birthday boy today, and for a job well done.

Particularly, I want to thank the folks on my staff. I will just mention a couple of names: Christophe Tulou, Andrew Rogers, and MF Repko, who is a leader and the head of our staff on the Environment and Public Works Committee, and our colleagues on the other side on EPW. It is a good team effort.

People say to me all the time back home, and I am sure they say this to our Presiding Officer back in Wisconsin: When are you guys going to get something done?

Senator JOHN BARRASSO was just on the floor and spoke briefly to the Presiding Officer. He and I, working with our colleagues, Democrats and Republicans alike, got something big done—the Water Resources Development Act, a big water infrastructure bill that we passed by a big margin, as I said earlier.

As for today's vote—I don't care if you live on the coast or live in the Great Lakes or some other place around the country—we all have a dog in this fight, not just by talking about it or pointing fingers at one another. We are doing something about it, and we are doing it by working together. I am proud of what we have done. I am grateful to everyone who has had a part in that.

With that, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

Thank you so much.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

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

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

TRIBUTE TO WILL RUDER

Mr. MORAN. Mr. President, I rise this evening to pay tribute to a longtime member of my staff. Will Ruder has served Kansans for 11 years and counting, including the last 2 years as legislative director in our office here in Washington. It is always difficult to say goodbye to our staff, but for many reasons, it will be uniquely difficult to replace Will.

Will grew up in a small, Western Kansas town called Plainville. If that sounds familiar to any of the folks back home, it is because Plainville is my home town as well.

Eleven years ago, I weighed two strong applicants for an internship opening in my office. As I recall, the first candidate had attended an east coast private school and was recommended by multiple individuals. The second was a young man from Plainville, whose parents ran a gas station and who was immediately approachable, down-to-earth, and eager to serve Kansans. Perhaps it goes without saying that in choosing Will 11 years ago, I made a right decision.

Will's Plainville roots and the values instilled by his family, hometown neighbors, and friends kept him grounded during his service in our Nation's Capital.

My ability to work on behalf of Kansans is greatly enhanced when dedicated individuals who care about our home State are there by my side.

I have often told my staff that I am an enabler. I enable them to do more for our State. I can think of no staffer who better epitomizes and articulates the reason I am here today as a U.S. Senator, working to preserve the rural way of life and the American dream for the next generation, than Will Ruder.

Just last week, this resonated with me in a powerful way. A short bus ride north from Hays is Plainville. My staff and I were in Hays on our staff retreat, and we made a surprise pit stop to Ruder Oil Company to visit Will's parents, John and Karla. It was a special moment for our staff to pay tribute to the Ruder family and to Will, the oldest of six Ruder children.

As a light rain fell, Will shared what it meant to come full circle back to his roots and why the work that we do in our Nation's Capital is so important to ensuring that rural America remains alive and well, particularly at a time when the American dream is seemingly becoming harder and harder to achieve.

As a policy adviser and legislative director, Will has accomplished a great deal on behalf of Kansans. A few weeks after I was sworn in as a Senator, it was Will who drafted the resolution honoring Kansas's 150th birthday.

In response to a devastating gas explosion in Hutchinson, KS, which took the lives of two Kansans and destroyed half a block of downtown businesses,

Will spent years working to pass legislation to allow Kansans to restore safety inspections of underground gas storage facilities.

Will was intimately involved in numerous banking, energy and water infrastructure victories for Kansans and almost always on a bipartisan basis.

I always say that if I have to lose good staffers, I hope it is because they are returning to Kansas. For Will, perhaps that was inevitable, but for the past several months, Will has had the unfortunate existence of working States away from his wife and kids, who made the preemptive move to Overland Park, KS, when his wife Liz received an exciting job opportunity.

I am happy for Will, and I know he is ecstatic to have a chance to move home, spend time with Liz, and watch his two children, Miriam and Leo, grow up.

Today I want to thank Will Ruder of Plainville, KS. Thank you, Will, for spending 11 years of your life in our Nation's Capital, trying to make things better, and for the way you have always conducted yourself on my behalf and on behalf of Kansans back home.

Whether you believe it or not, you have left a significant mark on this place, on our office, and on me, and your presence will be sorely missed.

NOMINATION OF MICHELLE BOWMAN

Mr. MORAN. Mr. President, tomorrow the Senate will consider Kansan Michelle Bowman to serve on the Federal Board of Governors for the seat reserved for a community banker or a community bank regulator. To understand her qualifications, we should first look at the position for which she has been nominated.

The original Federal Reserve Act requires appointments to the Board to include a representative of the agriculture community. When Congress further defined the Fed's representation, it created a specific seat for someone with a community bank background, having either worked in or supervised a community bank. Miki Bowman has done both.

Miki's experience as both Kansas State bank commissioner and her time at Farmers and Drovers Bank in Council Grove, KS, satisfies both of those statutory requirements, and she is even more qualified with her impressive background in public service and the private sector. In total, Miki Bowman has served as bank supervisor and regulator for nearly 2 years and has been a community banker for 7 years.

Miki was nominated April 16, 2018, as a member of the Federal Reserve Board of Governors as the Community Bank Representative for the remainder of a 14-year term expiring January 31, 2020. If confirmed, she will represent Region 8, the St. Louis region of Missouri, for the Federal Reserve.

Miki will also be the first person nominated and confirmed by the Senate to hold the seat specifically reserved for one member with dem-

onstrated primary experience working in or supervising community banks. She would be one of seven members of the Board.

Miki's early years echo that of many Kansans. She attended the University of Kansas to earn a bachelor's degree and then went on to earn a law degree from Washburn University.

After graduation, Miki was called to public service where she served in a variety of capacities, including as a staff member for Senator Dole and counsel for several House committees, Director of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs for FEMA, and a Deputy Assistant Secretary and Policy Adviser at the Department of Homeland Security Under Secretary Tom Ridge.

Following that, she and her husband moved to London, where Miki consulted on government and public affairs.

Like many Kansans who love and appreciate our State, Miki made her way back home. She returned to Council Grove to take the helm of the family bank for the next 7 years. Far from London and Washington, DC, Miki felt the need to return to her community to make a good life for her children and to serve her community.

Once again called to public service, Miki was nominated by Kansas Gov. Sam Brownback to serve as the Kansas bank commissioner, a position she has held since February 2017 and still holds to this day.

Miki's experience as both Kansas State bank commissioner and her time at Farmers and Drovers Bank in Council Grove satisfies both statutory requirements with her impressive background in public service and the private sector.

Community banks are an important part of communities and small cities across the country. They extend credit for homes, small businesses, and farm equipment, while also sponsoring Little League Baseball teams and the school band.

In addition, Miki understands the role that relationships play in the approach to business. In rural Kansas and across America, community banks act as economic engines, leveraging relationships with local community members that rely on trust and honesty.

Miki could tell story after story about the friendships and high level of trust she has built with her customers. It is a different kind of banking and one that will help make certain that rural America can thrive well into the future.

I urge my colleagues to vote tomorrow in favor of Miki Bowman to serve on the Federal Reserve Board of Governors so we can bring her experience and unique perspectives to the Federal Reserve Board.

I yield the floor, and I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

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

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

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Mr. NELSON. Mr. President, we finally have the Coast Guard bill here. I want to urge our colleagues to support the passage of the Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2018. We have worked on it and passed it through committee. We have been in intensive discussions with the House, and finally, the final product is here.

Coast Guard personnel live by the motto "Always Ready." Just last month, I saw firsthand how Coast Guard efforts in protecting life and property followed Hurricane Michael up in the Panhandle of Florida. Coast Guard ships, planes, and helicopters came from across the country to help hundreds of people on the Florida coastline and inland, and the Coast Guard, as always, was there to assist—"Always Ready," their motto. In Panama City, the shallow-water response teams provided food, water, and oxygen and ensured the relocation of over 130 nursing home residents, 35 of whom were bedridden, and they saw them to safety and medical care as far away as Pensacola. The Coast Guard also conducted damage assessments to facilitate the reopening of the Florida waterways and ports. This isn't something new; the Coast Guard provided similar efforts to Florida, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico following Hurricanes Irma and Maria last fall.

If there is a disaster, aside from the Federal Agency tasked—FEMA—you can bet your boots that the Coast Guard is going to be there. During just 5 weeks of the 2017 hurricane season a year ago, the Coast Guard saved over 11,000 people and more than 1,000 pets and mobilized nearly 3,000 personnel. For Hurricane Maria alone, a year ago, the Coast Guard deployed over 500 personnel, 7 helicopters, 17 planes, and 14 cutters. And you know the devastation that Hurricane Maria did on the island of Puerto Rico.

On behalf of Floridians, I thank the Coast Guard for their hurricane response and invaluable assistance provided to storm victims. We owe the Coast Guard our gratitude for their readiness and service to the Nation. When mariners are out in their fishing boats and get stranded out in the ocean, who are they so happily contacting but the Coast Guard for rescue?

The Coast Guard does much more than just save lives; they also serve as a first line of defense against cartels and smugglers who seek to flood the United States with illegal drugs. Last year, for instance, was a banner year for Coast Guard drug enforcement. They prevented over 200 metric tons of cocaine, valued at over \$6 billion, from entering the United States. In Florida, the Coast Guard cutter *Mohawk*, which is homeported in Key West, confiscated over 7 tons of cocaine in August. A

month later, the Coast Guard cutter *Tahoma* offloaded 6 tons of cocaine in Port Everglades. And just last month, the Miami-based Coast Guard cutter *Bernard C. Webber* confiscated over 3,500 pounds of cocaine and 50 pounds of marijuana.

The bottom line is that the Coast Guard is an adaptable, responsive military force that maintains a persistent and comforting presence along our rivers, in our ports, on our coastal waters, and on the high seas.

I have had the privilege of spending a great deal of time with the Coast Guard. I have been in their helicopters chasing down go-fasts, showing me in a simulated chase how they would shoot out the engines from the open door of a Coast Guard helicopter. I have also done that chase in high-speed, the Coast Guard getting off the cutters into the go-fast—go-fasts that can turn on a dime. At the end of the day, the Coast Guard is going to catch even the speediest boats, and if they can't catch them with the go-fast small boats, they will catch them from the air.

I have been with the Coast Guard up in Alaska, where the Navy has pretty well ceded protection of the seas off of Alaska and up into the Arctic to the Coast Guard. We have a substantial fishing fleet up there. Of course, who do they rely on when they get into trouble? That is why we have a substantial Coast Guard presence in Alaska.

The bottom line is that the Coast Guard is an incredible force. They are especially present in the State of Florida since we have so much coastline. Nearly 40 percent of all Coast Guard personnel are in and around the State of Florida.

Down in Key West is the joint task force center—maintained by all agencies of the Federal Government—which is tracking the movements of the drug smugglers. If we had more assets in the Caribbean and the Pacific, we would be able to pick up a lot more of the drugs trying to enter and poison our children in the United States. We should do everything we can to support the Coast Guard's work. That is why we are here today.

The bipartisan bill before us will reauthorize the Coast Guard for fiscal years 2018 and 2019. It authorizes a \$2 billion funding increase for the Coast Guard through fiscal year 2019. This includes new money to help the Coast Guard continue modernizing its aging fleet of cutters and aircraft. A good part of the Coast Guard's modernization of their fleet—the new offshore patrol cutters are being built by a shipbuilder in Florida.

This legislation will also better enable the Coast Guard to execute their missions, provide adequate resources and training to meet operational demands, and support servicemembers and their dependents. You should see these Coast Guard bases around the country, even on the Great Lakes. Just think—there are mariners on the Great Lakes. There is a great deal of commercial shipping on the Great Lakes.

As a result, we have a substantial Coast Guard presence and Coast Guard bases on the Great Lakes.

This is a good bill, and we can be proud of it. Passing it will ensure that the Coast Guard has the tools they need to continue to carry out their many important missions, including the lifesaving and disaster response roles on which so many Americans have come to rely. When they call, they know they can depend on the Coast Guard.

I urge our colleagues to support this motion for cloture and then tomorrow to support the final passage of the bill.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Kansas.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—AMENDMENT NO. 4054

Mr. MORAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding the provisions of rule XXII, amendment No. 4054 be modified with the changes that are at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

(The amendment, as further modified, is printed in the November 15, 2018, RECORD on page S6973.)

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—S.J. RES. 65

Mr. MORAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that at a time to be determined by the majority leader, in consultation with the Democratic leader, but no later than November 16, Senator PAUL or his designee be recognized to make a motion to discharge S.J. Res. 65; that there be up to an hour of debate on the motion equally divided between the proponents and the opponents; and that following the use or yielding back of that time, the Senate vote in relation to the motion to discharge; further, that if the motion to discharge is agreed to, the joint resolution be eligible for the expedited procedures under the act.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. MORAN. Mr. President, I yield the floor.

CLOTURE MOTION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Pursuant to rule XXII, the Chair lays before the Senate the pending cloture motion, which the clerk will state.

The senior assistant bill clerk (Lindsay Gibmeyer) read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to concur in the House amendment to accompany S. 140, an act to amend the White Mountain Apache Tribe Water Rights Quantification Act of 2010 to clarify the use of amounts in the WMAT Settlement Fund with a further amendment.

Mitch McConnell, John Thune, Roy Blunt, Johnny Isakson, Mike Rounds, Jon Kyl, Tom Cotton, Roger F. Wicker, Thom Tillis, John Boozman, Steve Daines, John Barrasso, David Perdue, Pat Roberts, John Hoeven, Mike Crapo, Lindsey Graham.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. By unanimous consent, the mandatory quorum call has been waived.

The question is, Is it the sense of the Senate that debate on the motion to concur in the House amendment to S. 140, an act to amend the White Mountain Apache Tribe Water Rights Quantification Act of 2010 to clarify the use of amounts in the WMAT Settlement Fund, with the amendment No. 4054, as modified, offered by the Senator from Kentucky [Mr. McCONNELL], be brought to a close?

The yeas and nays are mandatory under the rule.

The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. CORNYN. The following Senator is necessarily absent: the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON).

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from Missouri (Mrs. McCASKILL) is necessarily absent.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. RUBIO). Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The result was announced—yeas 93, nays 5, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 240 Leg.]

YEAS—93

Alexander	Gardner	Nelson
Baldwin	Graham	Paul
Barrasso	Grassley	Perdue
Bennet	Hassan	Peters
Blumenthal	Hatch	Portman
Blunt	Heinrich	Reed
Booker	Heitkamp	Risch
Boozman	Heller	Roberts
Brown	Hirono	Rounds
Burr	Hoeven	Rubio
Cantwell	Hyde-Smith	Sasse
Capito	Inhofe	Schatz
Carper	Johnson	Schumer
Casey	Jones	Scott
Cassidy	Kaine	Shaheen
Collins	Kennedy	Shelby
Coons	King	Smith
Corker	Klobuchar	Stabenow
Cornyn	Kyl	Sullivan
Cortez Masto	Lankford	Tester
Cotton	Leahy	Thune
Crapo	Lee	Tillis
Cruz	Manchin	Toomey
Daines	Markey	Udall
Donnelly	McConnell	Van Hollen
Duckworth	Menendez	Warner
Durbin	Merkley	Warren
Enzi	Moran	Whitehouse
Ernst	Murkowski	Wicker
Fischer	Murphy	Wyden
Flake	Murray	Young

NAYS—5

Cardin	Gillibrand	Sanders
Feinstein	Harris	

NOT VOTING—2

Isakson	McCaskill
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The PRESIDING OFFICER. On this vote the yeas are 93, the nays are 5.

Three-fifths of Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, the motion is agreed to.

The Senator from Montana.

TRIBUTE TO JASON GLEASON

Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, on the heels of Veteran's Day and in honor of President Trump's designating November 2018 as National Veterans and Military Families Month, I have the distinct pleasure of recognizing Jason Gleason of Great Falls, MT, for his

dedication to serving veterans in North Central Montana.

Jason serves as a nurse practitioner in the Great Falls VA Community Based Outpatient Clinic and has become one of the most sought-after experts in veterans' healthcare. A veteran himself, Jason spent 20 years in the Montana Air National Guard, retiring as lieutenant colonel.

During his time in the Guard, he served as officer in charge of health promotion, medical readiness, staff development, and as assistant chief nurse, where he gained a great deal of knowledge and experience caring for fellow servicemembers.

Jason retired from the Air National Guard in 2015, and since then he has dedicated himself to providing exceptional healthcare to Montana veterans. He has built and maintained a patient panel that is at 110 percent capacity and has 1,000 patients. When another provider recently retired, he stepped up and took over the patient panel and provided care to another 556 veterans.

Jason has worked to improve the overall Montana VA system. He has recruited and mentored other nurse practitioners, which helped fill critical positions in the VA system. Jason also participated in a VA residency program that trains providers to better serve our women veterans.

In 2011, he experienced a deep personal tragedy when his wife of 16 years, Heather, passed away from a stroke, leaving him a widower with three children. After his wife's death, he dedicated himself to becoming an expert on strokes.

He regularly speaks to healthcare providers across the country about stroke prevention and treatment and received the Montana State Department of Health and Human Services Stroke Hero of the Year Award.

Montana is incredibly lucky to have a healthcare professional like Jason Gleason serving our veterans. He is truly an excellent example of someone who puts service before self. He understands that his service to our country did not end with his service in the military.

I want to personally congratulate and thank Jason for his excellent work.

Thank you, Mr. President.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Montana.

MORNING BUSINESS

ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. CORKER. Mr. President, section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act requires that Congress receive prior notification of certain proposed arms sales as defined by that statute. Upon such notification, the Congress has 30 calendar days during which the sale may be reviewed. The provision stipulates that, in the Senate, the notification of proposed sales shall be sent to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

In keeping with the committee's intention to see that relevant information is available to the full Senate, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD the notifications which have been received. If the cover letter references a classified annex, then such annex is available to all Senators in the office of the Foreign Relations Committee, room SD-423.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

DEFENSE SECURITY
COOPERATION AGENCY,
Arlington, VA.

Hon. BOB CORKER,
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 18-40, concerning the Army's proposed Letter (s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of the United Kingdom for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$3.5 billion. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

CHARLES W. HOOPER,
Lieutenant General, USA, Director.

Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 18-40

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended

(i) Prospective Purchaser: The Government of the United Kingdom.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment* \$1.655 billion.

Other \$1.845 billion.

Total \$3.500 billion.

(iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Sixteen (16) H-47 Chinook (Extended Range) Helicopters.

Thirty-six (36) T-55-GA-714A Engines (32 installed, 4 spares).

Forty-eight (48) Embedded GPS Inertial Navigation Units (32 installed, 16 spares).

Twenty (20) Common Missile Warning Systems (16 installed, 4 spares).

Twenty-two (22) Radio-Frequency Countermeasures (16 installed, 6 spares).

Nineteen (19) Multi-Mode Radars (16 installed, 3 spares).

Forty (40) M-134D0T Mini-Guns, plus mounts and tools (32 installed, 8 spares).

Forty (40) M240H Machine Guns, plus mounts and tools (32 installed, 8 spares).

Non-MDE: Also included are communications equipment; navigation equipment; aircraft survivability equipment; initial training equipment and services; synthetic training equipment; support package including spares and repair parts; special tools and test equipment; aviation ground support equipment; safety and air worthiness certification; technical support; maintenance support; technical and aircrew publications; mission planning system equipment and support; and, project management and governance; U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistic and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Army (UK-B-WTJ).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: UK-B-WSY and UK-B-WTN.

(vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None.

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold: See Attached Annex (Classified document provided under separate cover).

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: October 19, 2018.

*As defined in Section 47

(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

United Kingdom—H-47 Chinook (Extended Range) Helicopters and Accessories

The Government of United Kingdom has requested a possible sale of sixteen (16) H-47 Chinook (Extended Range) helicopters; thirty-six (36) T-55-GA-714A engines (32 installed, 4 spares); forty-eight (48) embedded GPS inertial navigation units (32 installed, 16 spares); twenty (20) common missile warning systems (16 installed, 4 spares); twenty-two (22) radio-frequency countermeasures (16 installed, 6 spares); nineteen (19) multi-mode radars (16 installed, 3 spares); nineteen (19) electro-optical sensor systems (16 installed, 3 spares); forty (40) M-134D-T mini-guns, plus mounts and tools (32 installed, 8 spares); and forty (40) M240H machine guns, plus mounts and tools (32 installed, 8 spares). This sale also includes communications equipment; navigation equipment; aircraft survivability equipment; initial training equipment and services; synthetic training equipment; support package including spares and repair parts; special tools and test equipment; aviation ground support equipment; safety and air worthiness certification; technical support; maintenance support; technical and aircrew publications; mission planning system equipment and support; and, project management and governance; U.S. Government and contractor engineering and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistic and program support. Total estimated cost is \$3.5 billion.

The United Kingdom is a close NATO ally and an important partner on critical foreign policy and defense issues. The proposed sale will enhance U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives by enhancing the United Kingdom's capabilities to provide national defense and contribute to NATO and coalition operations.

The proposed sale will improve the United Kingdom's ability to meet current and future threats by providing a heavy lift rotary wing capability able to execute missions in extreme environments across a full range of military operations. The United Kingdom will have no difficulty absorbing these helicopters into its armed forces.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The principal contractor of this sale will be Boeing Defense and Space, Ridley Park, PA. There is no known offset agreement associated with this proposed sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require approximately 29-32 U.S. Government personnel and 26 contractors assigned to the United Kingdom plus 3 equivalent man years TDY to support fielding and initial sustainment for a duration of 3-5 years.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

VOTE EXPLANATION

Mr. NELSON. Mr. President, I was necessarily absent for the October 10, 2018, vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Executive Calendar No. 640,

Jeffrey Bossert Clark, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General. I would have voted no.

Mr. President, I was necessarily absent for the October 11, 2018, vote on the motion to confirm Executive Calendar No. 640, Jeffrey Bossert Clark, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General. I would have voted no.

Mr. President, I was necessarily absent for the October 11, 2018, vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Executive Calendar No. 641, Eric S. Dreiband, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General. I would have voted no.

Mr. President, I was necessarily absent for the October 11, 2018, vote on the motion to confirm Executive Calendar No. 641, Eric S. Dreiband, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General. I would have voted no.

Mr. President, I was necessarily absent for the October 11, 2018, vote on the motion to confirm Executive Calendar No. 1007, David James Porter, of Pennsylvania, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit. I would have voted no.

Mr. President, I was necessarily absent for the October 11, 2018, vote on the motion to confirm Executive Calendar No. 1081, Ryan Nelson, of Idaho, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. I would have voted no.

Mr. President, I was necessarily absent for the October 11, 2018, vote on the motion to confirm Executive Calendar No. 1082, Richard Sullivan, of New York, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit. I would have voted yes.

Mr. President, I was necessarily absent for the October 11, 2018, vote on the motion to confirm Executive Calendar No. 627, William Ray II, of Georgia, to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia. I would have voted no.

Mr. President, I was necessarily absent for the October 11, 2018, vote on the motion to confirm Executive Calendar No. 628, Liles Clifton Burke, of Alabama, to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama. I would have voted no.

Mr. President, I was necessarily absent for the October 11, 2018, vote on the motion to confirm Executive Calendar No. 629, Michael Juneau, of Louisiana, to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana. I would have voted no.

Mr. President, I was necessarily absent for the October 11, 2018, vote on the motion to confirm Executive Calendar No. 634, Mark Norris, Sr., of Tennessee, to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee. I would have voted no.

Mr. President, I was necessarily absent for the October 11, 2018, vote on the motion to confirm Executive Calendar No. 638, Eli Richardson, of Tennessee, to be U.S. District Judge for the Middle District of Tennessee. I would have voted no.

Mr. President, I was necessarily absent for the October 11, 2018, vote on

the motion to confirm Executive Calendar No. 894, Thomas Kleeh, of West Virginia, to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of West Virginia. I would have voted yes.

REMEMBERING PRIVATE FIRST CLASS MATTHEW A. COX

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, today I wish to pay tribute to a fallen soldier from Iowa, PFC Matthew A. Cox. Private Cox, of Leon, joined the Iowa National Guard in October 2017 after completing home-schooling. He was a member of the Iowa National Guard's 186th Military Police Company and had deployed to Cuba to support the joint military task force at Guantanamo Bay. Matthew Cox enjoyed participating in the children's ministry at 1st Baptist Church in Urbandale. He was inspired to join the National Guard by his grandfather and enjoyed farming with his grandparents. His family and friends describe him as an outstanding young man, always willing to help others. While in the National Guard, Matthew Cox was awarded the National Defense Service Medal and the Army Service Ribbon. He died at the age of 19 in a swimming accident.

My prayers are with his parents, Jason and Beth Cox, as well as his brother Mark Cox and his grandparents Fred and Linda Cox. Our country owes a debt of gratitude to Matthew Cox and all those who make the choice to serve a cause greater than themselves. His service to our State of Iowa and to the Nation will always be remembered.

HONORING OFFICER DAVID TINSLEY

Mr. DONNELLY. Mr. President, today, I wish to recognize and honor the extraordinary service and sacrifice of Fort Wayne Police officer David Tinsley. His life was characterized by humility, selflessness, and commitment to his community.

Born in Bloomington, IN, David graduated from Owen Valley High School in Spencer in 1986 before going on to earn a bachelor's degree from Ball State University. In 2002, David began his work as a police officer in Fort Wayne, receiving his southeast division second shift assignment shortly thereafter. In 2005, David switched to the overnight shift, continuing his law enforcement service. For 16 years, David valiantly put his life on the line as a member of the Fort Wayne Police Department to protect those in the Fort Wayne community.

David is remembered fondly by his fellow officers. Fort Wayne Police Chief Steve Reed called him a "cop's cop" and, at David's funeral, told the many people gathered that David was looked up to by those in the department. Pastor Thomas Eggold recognized David's selflessness, his willingness to sacrifice his time and be of assistance. Pastor Eggold also called David quiet and soft-spoken, a sincere

and humble man of God. David's friends knew him as caring and compassionate, a loyal and genuine friend, but also as a tough and courageous man. He enjoyed music and was taking lessons to learn to play the bagpipes.

On Monday, September 10, 2018, David and an officer in training began pursuing what appeared to be a stolen vehicle. Eventually, the pair got out of the car and, with a police canine, searched the area on foot before arresting the suspect. On the way back to the squad car, David collapsed, suffering a heart attack, and died shortly thereafter.

Known to be a loyal and loving father and husband who cared immensely for his family and beloved by many, David is survived by his wife Kristina Tinsley; his children, Tyler, Ian, and Lexie; parents Albert and Bonnie Tinsley; siblings, Albert, Lane, and Scott; and many other relatives and friends.

Through his work as a Fort Wayne Police Department officer, David put the safety and well-being of his fellow Hoosiers above his own every day. He exemplified the very best of Hoosier values, and the Fort Wayne community is eternally grateful for his years of service keeping it safe. Let us honor the legacy he left for us and strive to emulate his commitment to serving his fellow citizens.

TRIBUTE TO SERGEANT BRENT PATTERSON

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize SGT Brent Patterson of Frostburg, MD, for his outstanding service to our Nation. As a U.S. Army infantryman, Sergeant Patterson distinguished himself for his personal valor during the global war on terror while deployed in Iraq for 15 months as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom and in Afghanistan for 12 months as part of Operation Enduring Freedom. During his final deployment in Afghanistan's Charkh District, Sergeant Patterson was wounded on three separate occasions and was subsequently awarded three Purple Hearts.

On December 9, 2010, Sergeant Patterson and his squad were attacked while operating a traffic control point in the Charkh Bazaar. With significant injuries from a grenade to his upper body and while under fire, Sergeant Patterson ignored his own safety in order to drag his severely wounded squad leader to safety and direct his remaining squad members into defensive positions. After first aid and medical transport had been arranged for his squad leader, Sergeant Patterson and three other members of his squad accompanied the transport on foot to their command outpost to provide protection against additional attacks. Having secured his squad leader and team at their command post, Sergeant Patterson was treated for his injuries and returned to his post the following day.

On July 24, 2011, Sergeant Patterson and three members of his squad were conducting security at the Charkh Bazaar when an improvised explosive device detonated, collapsing the building in which they were positioned. As his platoon sergeant radioed for medical assistance, Sergeant Patterson conducted a search for the remaining members of the squad and administered first aid. He and two other members of his squad were medevac'd to Forward Operating Base Shank to receive treatment for traumatic brain injuries.

On August 5, 2011, on Sergeant Patterson's second day back after 2 weeks of treatment and observation for his injuries, he and his squad were again conducting security in the bazaar when a grenade was tossed into his position, landing on his shoulder and coming to rest near his back. The grenade detonated, resulting in significant injuries to Sergeant Patterson and three other members of his squad. Sergeant Patterson ignored the heavy bleeding from his own back and administered first aid to his platoon leader and provided assistance to medics treating the other wounded soldiers.

Sergeant Patterson was admitted to Frostburg State University in western Maryland in 2016. He is on course to graduate next May with a bachelor's degree in materials engineering with a minor in math and physics. He continues to have significant pain from shrapnel in his back, arms, neck, and shoulder, but he refuses to take pain medication so he can remain focused like a laser beam on his studies. For his capstone course in engineering, Sergeant Patterson is the project leader on converting organic material—nanocellulose—from trees and turning it into a compound that is lighter and stronger than Kevlar for use in flak jackets and vests for law enforcement officers and military personnel. This project has been accepted for presentation at the 2018 Materials Science and Technology Conference in Columbus, OH.

This past Sunday was Veterans Day, and it was the 100th anniversary of the armistice which ended World War I. We owe so much to our servicemen and servicewomen, to our veterans, to those who gave "the last full measure of devotion," and to their families. Repaying that debt begins with gratitude. I encourage my colleagues to join me in expressing the Senate's sincere appreciation to Sergeant Brent Patterson for his distinguished service to our Nation, our congratulations on his academic achievement, and our best wishes for his continued success.

TRIBUTE TO MICHIGAN'S VETERANS

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, today I wish to pay special tribute to the nearly 600,000 Michigan residents who have proudly served in our Nation's Armed Forces.

Today's veterans have served on many fronts, from the beaches of Nor-

mandy and Iwo Jima, to the rice fields of Korea, to the jungles of Vietnam, to the Cold War, to the deserts of the Persian Gulf, to the fight against terrorism in Afghanistan and Iraq, and right here at home.

This spirit of service lives on in so many different ways across our State. Whether they are supporting military families, providing help for fellow veterans, giving back through religious organizations and community nonprofits, or inspiring the next generation while coaching Little League or the local softball team, these patriots show us that service is more than something you do once. Instead, it is a way of life all of us should strive for.

Our veterans have done so much for us. It is our solemn duty to keep the promises we have made to them.

We must also ensure that our veterans receive each and every military honor they have earned while defending our country. I have been so fortunate to get to know Jim McCloughan of South Haven, who was awarded the Medal of Honor earlier this year for saving the lives of 10 of his fellow soldiers during the Vietnam war. Like so many of our veterans, Jim has spent the decades since then continuing to serve his community.

I know the sacrifices our veterans made because I have seen it firsthand. My own father served in the Navy during World War II, and he always said that veterans shouldn't stand in the back of any line, not for healthcare, education, housing, the chance at a good job, or the military honors, they have earned. He was absolutely right, and I have made it my mission to ensure that every promise made to our veterans is a promise kept.

Michigan's veterans are the best of us. On this Veterans Day—and every day—we salute them, we honor them, and we thank them for their service.

Thank you.

TRIBUTE TO DR. NANCY L. SPRUILL

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. President, I wish to honor my constituent, Dr. Nancy L. Spruill, who will be retiring this year after more than 47 years of service to our country.

Since 1999, Dr. Spruill has served as Director of Acquisition, Resources and Analysis for the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment. In this capacity, she is responsible for all aspects of A&S's participation in the Planning, Programming, and Budgeting and Execution System, the congressional process, and the Defense Acquisition System.

Dr. Spruill serves as the Executive Secretary to the Defense Acquisition Board and is responsible for the timely submission to Congress of reports for Major Defense Acquisition Programs. She performs systematic analysis to improve acquisition policy and education and leads the Department in developing plans to manage property,

plant and equipment, inventory, operating material, supplies/deferred maintenance, and environmental liabilities. She also manages a broad portfolio of information technology applications and infrastructure supporting the mission of the organization. Dr. Spruill has played a key role in improving the way the Department acquires major automated information systems. A strong advocate of improving the acquisition workforce, she works closely with the Defense Acquisition University and the rest of the Department in leading and training the thousands of personnel performing cost analysis and financial management for acquisition programs to improve acquisition outcomes.

Dr. Spruill graduated with a bachelor of science degree from the University of Maryland in 1971. She joined the Center for Naval Analyses from 1971–83. In 1975, she earned a master of arts in mathematical statistics from George Washington University, followed by a doctorate in 1980. Dr. Spruill served on the staff of the Office of the Secretary of Defense from 1983, first as senior planning, programming, and budget analyst in the Manpower, Reserve Affairs, and Logistics Secretariat, and then as Director of Support and Liaison for the Assistant Secretary for Force Management and Personnel and Senior Operations Research Analyst for the Assistant Secretary for Program Analysis and Evaluation.

In 1993, Dr. Spruill served as Chief of the Programs and Analysis Division for the Comptroller of the Defense Mapping Agency. She also served as Acting Deputy Comptroller and was a member of the Reinvention Task Force for the Vice President's National Performance Review.

Dr. Spruill has received many prestigious awards, including the Department of Defense Medal for Distinguished Civilian Service, the Hammer Award, the Acker Skill in Communications Award, and numerous awards of the Secretary of Defense Medal for Meritorious Civilian Service, the Secretary of Defense Medal for Exceptional Civilian Service, and the Presidential Rank Award. A member of the Senior Executive Service since 1995, she has published many papers on her work for the statistical community and the public. Her expertise on these important issues has been invaluable.

I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking Dr. Spruill for her distinguished service to our country and in wishing her a fulfilling and enjoyable retirement.

TRIBUTE TO KATHERINE "KAY" BJORKLUND

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I rise today in celebration of Kay Bjorklund, Wyoming AARP's 2018 Andrus Award honoree.

Since 2001, the Wyoming chapter of AARP continues to make a positive difference in the lives of senior citizens

and their communities, serving out their vision of "a society in which all people live with dignity and purpose, and fulfill their goals and dreams." The Andrus Award, named after AARP founder Dr. Ethel Percy Andrus, is awarded each year to one person or couple in every State. This award recognizes outstanding individuals who share their experience, talents, and skills to enrich the lives of others.

On November 8, 2018, the AARP of Wyoming hosted its Annual Volunteer Recognition Banquet in Casper, honoring Kay Bjorklund of Thermopolis. Kay is an ideal choice for this award. She dedicates her life to serving her family, friends, neighbors, and fellow citizens of Thermopolis and Hot Springs County.

Kay grew up in Newcastle, WY, where she met her husband, Guy Bjorklund. Before they could marry, Guy left to serve our country in WWII as a U.S. marine. Kay eagerly waited for Guy's return. Once Guy was home, the two moved to Billings, MT, to marry and start a family. Guy began a career at JC Penney, and in 1955, a company transfer took the family to Thermopolis. Kay had the demanding job of full-time mother to their three children. Gary and Kay were active members of the Community Church where Kay continues to serve on the visitation committee.

Once her children started school, Kay worked in banking and became more involved in service to others. Kay raised her family with the strong principal of giving back to the community. Through her own example, she taught her family to put others first, to ask what they might do to help their friends and neighbors.

Guy continued to work for JC Penney until he was presented with the opportunity to open the Thermopolis Hardware store. Guy and Kay successfully ran the store until retirement in 1986. They sold Thermopolis Hardware to their daughter and son-in-law, Karen and Dennis Sinclair, who continue to run the business today. Retirement in 1986 allowed Guy and Kay to do what they enjoyed doing together: serving others.

Kay will tell you how important it is to stay active if you want to be healthy and happy. Taking her own advice to heart, Kay is an active member of the Kiwanis club and chamber of commerce. Every Wednesday, she volunteers at the hospital gift shop. Kay turns 95 next month and drives for Meals on Wheels, delivering dozens of meals and hugs to community seniors. Kay volunteers at the Pioneer Home, an assisted living facility and also plays bridge. She is the highest selling fundraiser for the PEO chapter in Thermopolis.

Kay Bjorklund truly represents the Wyoming values of generosity and selflessness. She is a devoted volunteer, loving mother, and generous friend to all. Kay and her late husband, Guy, have three children, Gary and his wife

Dorothy Bjorklund, Karen and her husband Dennis Sinclair, and Eric and his wife Terrie Bjorklund, along with eight grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Thermopolis is blessed to have this amazing woman and her family call Hot Springs County home.

It is with great honor that I recognize this exceptional Wyoming lady. My wife, Bobbi, joins me in extending our congratulations to Kay Bjorklund for receiving this special award from the AARP of Wyoming.

300TH ANNIVERSARY OF FALMOUTH, MAINE

Ms. COLLINS. Mr. President, today I wish to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the town of Falmouth, ME. As one of the oldest communities in Maine, Falmouth holds a very special place in our State's history and one that exemplifies the determination and resiliency of our people.

While this landmark anniversary marks Falmouth's incorporation, the year 1718 was but one milestone in a long journey of progress. It is a journey that began thousands of years earlier with Native American villages on the shores of Casco Bay. In 1623, just 3 years after the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth Rock, Christopher Levett established a settlement on an island in the Bay and became friends with the Presumpscot Tribe. During the decades that followed, a robust settlement of farms, fishing boats, and sawmills developed and thrived. Due to the abundance of tall white pine trees, Falmouth became a leading manufacturer of ship masts for the British navy.

Falmouth is a town defined by hard work and a love of freedom. In 1775, the townspeople rose up in protest of colonial rule, and British forces retaliated by burning Falmouth to the ground. Undaunted, Falmouth rebuilt and sent a company of patriots to join the fight for American independence. During the Civil War, more than 100 of Falmouth's young men fought, and many died, so that all might live in freedom. The new Falmouth Veterans Memorial, made possible by widespread community support, honors all who have served our country.

Today, Falmouth is a place of thriving commerce, quiet neighborhoods, and beautiful scenery. Its schools are among the best in our State, providing opportunity to its young people. At the same time, Falmouth is home to an active and engaged senior community.

This anniversary is not just about something that is measured in calendar years. It is a celebration of people who for more than three centuries have pulled together, cared for one another, and built a great community that is a wonderful place to live, work, and raise families. Thanks to those who came before, Falmouth has a wonderful history. Thanks to those who are here today, it has a bright future.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

75TH ANNIVERSARY OF AUDUBON GREENWICH

• Mr. BLUMENTHAL. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize Audubon Greenwich as it celebrates 75 years of dedication to the protection and preservation of local bird species and their habitats.

Founded in 1943, the organization began as the Greenwich Main Sanctuary, thanks to the property gifted by Eleanor and Hall Clovis. This sanctuary is recognized as the National Audubon Society's first educational nature center. Two years later, Audubon Greenwich expanded thanks to the donation of the Fairchild Wildflower Sanctuary by Mrs. Elon Huntington Hooker and garden clubs in the area.

For three-quarters of a century, Audubon Greenwich has continued to expand its impact on protecting local wildlife. Today, 686 acres of protected habitat, including seven sanctuaries, provide protection for many species of birds. Though the organization's underlying focus is to support Important Bird Areas and protect bird species of concern, Audubon Greenwich has an even wider ranging set of goals. As part of the National Audubon Society, they advocate for far-reaching innovative steps to reduce the impact of global climate change, prevent air and water pollution, and reduce pesticide use, among other missions.

One of the most notable aspects of Audubon Greenwich is how accessible it is to the public. For 75 years, the sanctuaries have welcomed people to visit and explore, appreciating the preserved areas and the wildlife that resides there. Audubon Greenwich now sees over 20,000 visitors every year. The sanctuaries, nature center, and trails provide many opportunities for public learning and enjoyment, enhanced by the organization's nature education programs for children and adults.

Audubon Greenwich boasts an array of bodies of water, forests, an apple orchard, and even original New England homestead buildings. Their conservation efforts play a vital role in keeping Greenwich and the surrounding area safe for wildlife and well preserved.

Dedicated to preserving the past and preparing natural ecosystems and people for the future, Audubon Greenwich is a positive model for environmental education and wildlife conservation. I applaud its accomplishments and hope my colleagues will join me in congratulating Audubon Greenwich on 75 years of excellence.●

75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CON- NECTICUT COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND OPPORTU- NITIES

• Mr. BLUMENTHAL. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize the Connecticut Commission on Human Rights

and Opportunities, CHRO, as they celebrate 75 years of dedication to eliminating discrimination and seeking equal opportunity for everyone throughout the State regardless of their gender, race, nationality, sexual orientation, disability, or other personal characteristics.

Founded in 1943 as the Inter-racial Commission, the commission is the oldest State-sponsored civil rights agency in the United States. Originally, it researched ways to provide equal opportunities and employment to everyone in Connecticut. Thanks to the Fair Employment Practices Act, which the State implemented in 1947, the commission was provided the legal authority to investigate employment discrimination complaints, conduct hearings, and enforce the law.

Throughout the years, CHRO jurisdiction has expanded, including research, public education, and working with other groups in order to enact positive change. The commission's research division helped lay the groundwork for greater civil rights laws in Connecticut. The agency changed its name during the peak of the American civil rights movement after Governor John Dempsey responded in 1967 to Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" speech by calling a Governor's conference on human rights and opportunities to put words into action.

Now able to help with individual complaints, CHRO works to ensure compliance with Connecticut human rights laws, including those requiring affirmative action in State agency personnel practices and State contract compliance laws. The agency further assists the people of Connecticut by bringing civil enforcement efforts against illegal discrimination in public accommodations, housing, employment, and credit transactions. Over the past three-quarters of a century, the commission has unfailingly sought to achieve its goals for the benefit of every person in the State.

Tirelessly devoted to eradicating discrimination and creating justice and equal opportunity for all Connecticut residents, CHRO is a catalyst for positive change. I applaud the commission's accomplishments and hope my colleagues will join me in congratulating the Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities on their 75 years of advocacy, education, research, and assistance.●

REMEMBERING A.G. RUSSELL III

● Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, today I wish to honor Mr. A.G. Russell III, a dear friend and respected entrepreneur and innovator who called Arkansas home and built a renowned knife and cutlery business that continues to thrive today. He passed away last month at the age of 85, leaving behind his devoted wife Goldie and many who admired and respected him from near and afar.

A.G. Russell was born in Eudora, a small town in southeast Arkansas.

Like my own father, A.G.'s dad served in World War II, and the family moved around several times throughout his childhood. From an early age, he became interested in knives, so much so that he even recalled sketching designs in the margins of his schoolbooks.

At 9 years old, A.G. made his first knife with the help of his grandfather. He continued practicing the craft as a hobby into adulthood and eventually turned his passion into a business that grew exponentially, vaulting him to celebrity status among knife producers and collectors. By the mid-1960s, Russell had set up shop in Springdale, AR, and began a journey that would define his life's work and calling.

What first began as an operation selling Arkansas whetstones used for sharpening knives grew to include production of pocket knives and cutlery, first through a mail-order operation and then expanding to internet sales. A.G. worked tirelessly to launch the enterprise and perfect his craft as a knifemaker, enjoying tremendous success and always emphasizing quality over quantity. Excellent customer service has been a hallmark of A.G. Russell Knives from day one.

A.G. was a pioneer in the industry, earning the respect and admiration of his peers while receiving numerous awards and recognition, including his induction into the Knife Digest Cutlery Hall of Fame in 1974. He also helped found the Knifemakers' Guild and was named its honorary president in 1970.

While he accomplished so much in his career, A.G. Russell also had a big heart and enjoyed giving back. He loved Goldie. He marveled at how quickly she learned the ins and outs of the retail knife business and was overjoyed as she helped the company reach new heights of success.

Drawing from his own military experience and that of his dad's, A.G. was a patriot who recognized how vital it is to support our troops. In 2004, he organized the "War on Troop Boredom," an effort to provide care packages that included books, DVDs, pocket-sized Constitutions, and other items to servicemembers stationed in the Middle East.

No one can accuse A.G. Russell of not having lived a full life. He built a remarkable career out of his passion, helping to reshape an industry and become one of its icons. Through it all, he stayed humble, genuine, and fulfilled. He perfected the craft he loved so much while continually meeting and exceeding his customers' expectations.

We will miss A.G. terribly. His warmth and humility are sometimes hard to come by these days. Simply put, there was no one quite like A.G. Russell III, and we mourn this tremendous loss. His family, his community, and the industry he stood atop of now know a void that cannot be easily filled, if ever, but his legacy will endure for many years to come.

I extend my sincere condolences to them and join with so many in cele-

brating A.G.'s life and career. I will fondly remember his impact, his story, and most importantly, his character and generosity as a lasting tribute to my friend and a man I respected so much.●

TRIBUTE TO DR. RAY STOWERS

● Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize and congratulate Dr. Ray E. Stowers, the recipient of the prestigious American Osteopathic Foundation, AOF, Lifetime Achievement Award. This honor is awarded to outstanding osteopathic doctors who have made substantial contributions to the profession and exemplified a lifetime of commitment to the practice. Receiving the award at the AOF honors gala, Dr. Stowers humbly said, "Professionally, there's always a sense of appreciation for being recognized by your profession and for that I'm very grateful."

I am grateful for Dr. Stowers' passion for improving community health and his achievements on this front.

Following the completion of his doctor of osteopathic medicine degree, Dr. Stowers served rural Kansas and Oklahoma for 25 years, establishing five rural health clinics and acting as the only physician for a 300-mile radius. With his passion for rural medicine, he went on to establish the Oklahoma Rural Health Policy and Research Center to promote clinical training and telemedicine. This kind of dedication and innovative thinking demonstrates Dr. Stowers' expertise and desire to help those in underserved areas.

Dr. Stowers, the proud father of four children and nine grandchildren, has been named Family Physician of the Year by the American College of Osteopathic Family Physicians, Physician of the Year by the Tennessee Osteopathic Medical Association, and was awarded the Distinguished Service Certificate by the American Osteopathic Association.

His educational outreach is inspiring. Dr. Stowers founded the Lincoln Memorial University-DeBusk College of Osteopathic Medicine, and its auditorium has been named in his honor. Additionally, he acted as the associate dean for rural health at Oklahoma State University and now serves as the dean of osteopathic medicine and vice president at the Arkansas Colleges of Health Education, the first and only private institution devoted exclusively to healthcare and wellness.

When speaking of his incredible leadership accomplishments as, president of the American Osteopathic Association and Oklahoma Osteopathic Association, Dr. Stowers said, "I was just getting into a position to make a difference with the way things are. The thing that's driven me the most is looking where I could make the biggest difference." The world needs more men of the caliber and character of Dr. Stowers. He is a transformative, influential leader in the field of osteopathic

medicine. His continued efforts “serving the underserved and promoting a healthier Arkansas” will help improve countless lives and communities.

I extend my sincere congratulations to Dr. Stowers on this honor and thank him for dedicating his career to providing outstanding care and service to all patients. We can be tremendously proud of his accomplishments and look forward to his further contributions and leadership.●

TRIBUTE TO GENO MARTINI

● Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Mr. President, I come forward today to recognize the mayor of the city of Sparks, Geno Martini, who, after years of dedicated service, announced his retirement this year.

Mayor Martini was born on January 19, 1946, in Reno. Three days later, he returned to his family’s home in Sparks and has never left the city since. Every day during his childhood, he would walk to school down an old dirt road and even played Little League baseball where Sparks City Hall now stands. He was student body president and graduated from Sparks High School and the University of Nevada, going on to work in the banking industry for three decades.

Both Mayor Martini and Sparks have come a long way since his childhood days. That old dusty road he walked down is now Prater Way, one of the main routes connecting Sparks’ established neighborhoods with new shopping, entertainment, and business opportunities on the east side of the city. Downtown Sparks is benefitting from private investment and revitalization that is also helping address the region’s housing shortage. The success of these projects and the benefits they bring to the city of Sparks are due in no small part to the hard work and leadership of Mayor Martini.

In 1998, Martini left the banking industry to serve on the Sparks City Council until 2005. He was then elected mayor serving full terms in 2006, 2010, and 2014, making him the longest serving mayor of Sparks in the city’s history. He has gone above and beyond his mayoral duties and served on the Truckee Meadows Water Authority Board of Directors, the Nevada League of Cities and Municipalities, the Board of Directors Regional Planning Governing Board, the Western Regional Water Commission, and the City of Sparks Legislative Team.

Mayor Martini’s commitment to the city of Sparks extended to all of its residents. He performed community service in underserved communities and passed out Thanksgiving turkeys to those in need. At the same time, he helped bring opportunity to northern Nevada by paving the way for new businesses and development around the Sparks Marina, Legends Mall, and Victorian Avenue. Mayor Martini has guided the city of Sparks through both tumultuous economic times and the

area’s highest growth periods. During his tenure, Sparks has seen an additional 1 million square feet of retail space open for business.

It is no wonder that Mayor Martini has been repeatedly recognized for his leadership, receiving the 2017 Citizen of the Year Award from the Reno Gazette Journal, the 2016 Public Official of the Year from the Nevada League of Cities and Municipalities, the Citizen of the Year Award and Lifetime Achievement Award from the Sparks Chamber, and was inducted into the Junior Achievement Business Hall of Fame, as well as numerous other accolades that recognize his commitment to serving the people of Sparks.

In 2012, Mayor Martini was diagnosed with Parkinson’s disease. Despite these challenging circumstances, he has never wavered in his commitment to public service and the people of Sparks. He won reelection in 2014 and steadfastly served out his entire term, cementing his legacy as a genuine public servant committed to pragmatic governance and hard work.

Today, I celebrate the many contributions of Mayor Martini to the city of Sparks and to the northern Nevada community. His service is as an example to all of us who wish to know, serve, and better our communities.●

REMEMBERING REVEREND BERTHA L. GIVENS

● Mr. SCOTT. Mr. President, today I would like to take a moment to recognize and honor the life of Rev. Bertha L. Givens, a great South Carolinian, who departed this life on September 22, 2018. Reverend Givens was a well-respected and universally loved leader of her local Green Pond community, as well as Colleton County as a whole.

Reverend Givens served as a supportive and devoted matriarch not only to her husband of 48 years, her children, and extended family, but also to dozens of foster children and children in the community over the years. Additionally, Reverend Givens was known to provide counsel and comfort to each and every member of the community who came to her, and countless individuals benefitted from her wisdom, gentle voice, and unfaltering faith.

As a reverend, she lived a life of impeccable integrity in ministry. She served for many years as a class leader and associate pastor at Mt. Olive A.M.E. in Green Pond, worked in prison outreach ministry, and took on many other positions of church leadership. She also founded the major community outreach program, Harvest Day, which gives away produce and preserves, as well as teaches God’s word to members of the community. She did this for over 30 years, desiring no fanfare or recognition, which only highlights her strong Christian devotion and conviction.

Reverend Givens will surely be missed by all of those that had the pleasure to know her and in the Green

Pond community especially. Her life and legacy provide an example of true Christian selflessness and spirit to all.●

TRIBUTE TO JAMES “JIM” FRENCH

● Mr. SCOTT. Mr. President, I would like to wish Mr. James “Jim” French of Charleston, SC, a happy 92nd birthday.

Mr. French, a committed, passionate, and award-winning journalist, served as a U.S. Navy chief journalist for 26 years. After retiring, he founded the Charleston Chronicle in 1971. His work at the Charleston Chronicle, focused on offering solutions for problems within the African-American community and successfully led to the paper receiving hundreds of awards from organizations throughout the Lowcountry and Nation.

Mr. French’s legacy will forever be defined not just by his work and service, but by all of the many people he has touched in the Charleston community.

I would like to recognize Mr. French for his service to our country and our amazing State; he truly represents the very best of South Carolina.

Happy 92nd birthday, Mr. French. May God bless you.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Ridgway, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2017, the Secretary of the Senate, on October 12, 2018, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MESSER) had signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 3021. An act to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to provide for water pollution control activities, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6. An act to provide for opioid use disorder prevention, recovery, and treatment, and for other purposes.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2017, the enrolled bills were signed on October 12,

2018, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the Acting President pro tempore (Mr. ROBERTS).

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2017, the Secretary of the Senate, on October 23, 2018, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MESSER) had signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 1595. An act to amend the Hizballah International Financing Prevention Act of 2015 to impose additional sanctions with respect to Hizballah, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1037. An act to authorize the National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3834. An act to provide that members of public safety agencies who died of 9/11-related health conditions are eligible for the Presidential 9/11 Heroes Medal of Valor, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6758. An act to direct the Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office, in consultation with the Administrator of the Small Business Administration, to study and provide recommendations to promote the participation of women, minorities, and veterans in entrepreneurship activities and the patent system, to extend by 8 years the Patent and Trademark Office's authority to set the amounts for the fees it charges, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6870. An act to rename the Stop Trading on Congressional Knowledge Act of 2012 in honor of Representative Louise McIntosh Slaughter.

H.R. 6896. An act to provide for the continued performance of the functions of the United States Parole Commission, and for other purposes.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2017, the enrolled bills were signed on October 23, 2018, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the Acting President pro tempore (Mr. PORTMAN).

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:02 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that pursuant to section 1652(b) of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115-232), and the order of the House of January 3, 2017, the Speaker appoints the following Member on the part of the House of Representatives to the Cyberspace Solarium Commission: Mr. GALLAGHER of Wisconsin; And from private life: Ms. Samantha Ravich of Alexandria, Virginia and Mr. Frank Cilluffo of Oakton, Virginia.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on October 12, 2018, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 3021. An act to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United

States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to provide for water pollution control activities, and for other purposes.

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on October 23, 2018, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 1595. An act to amend the Hizballah International Financing Prevention Act of 2015 to impose additional sanctions with respect to Hizballah, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-6793. A communication from the Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2017 annual report on the Farm Credit System; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6794. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tetrahydrofurfuryl Alcohol; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9984-70) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 19, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6795. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pyroxasulfone; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9983-29) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 19, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6796. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prothioconazole; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9984-63) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 19, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6797. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Boscalid; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9979-17) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 19, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6798. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances; Withdrawal" (FRL No. 9984-71) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 19, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6799. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pyraclostrobin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9980-56) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 19, 2018;

to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6800. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Etoxazole; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9983-96) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 19, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6801. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Review Group, Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Supplemental Agricultural Disaster Assistance Programs, Payment Limitation and Payment Eligibility" (RIN0560-AH69) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6802. A communication from the Administrator of the Specialty Crops Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Irish Potatoes Grown in Certain Designated Counties in Idaho, and Malheur County, Oregon; Modification of Handling Regulations" ((7 CFR Part 945) (Docket No. AMS-SC-17-0077; SC18-945-1 FR)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6803. A communication from the Administrator of the Specialty Crops Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "United States Standards for Grades of Pecans" ((7 CFR Part 51) (Docket No. AMS-FV-14-0101; SC17-331)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 17, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6804. A communication from the Administrator of the Specialty Crops Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tart Cherries Grown in the States of Michigan, et al.; Free and Restricted Percentages of the 2017-18 Crop Year for Tart Cherries" ((7 CFR Part 930) (Docket No. AMS-SC-17-0071; SC18-930-1 FR)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 17, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6805. A communication from the Administrator of the Specialty Crops Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazelnuts Grown in Oregon and Washington; Order Amending Marketing Order No. 982" ((7 CFR Part 982) (Docket No. AMS-AO-16-0136; SC16-982-1)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6806. A communication from the Administrator of the Livestock and Poultry Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Soybean Promotion and Research: Amend the Order to Adjust Representation on the United Soybean Board" ((7 CFR Part 1220) (Docket No. AMS-LPS-18-0015)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6807. A communication from the Administrator of the Specialty Crops Program,

Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "General Regulations for Federal Fruit, Vegetable, and Specialty Crop Marketing Agreements and Orders; Electronic Mailing of Notice of Hearing" ((7 CFR Part 900) (Docket No. AMS-SC-18-0066; SC18-900-2 FR)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6808. A communication from the Administrator of the Specialty Crops Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oranges and Grapefruit Grown in Lower Rio Grande Valley in Texas; Changing of Container Requirements" ((7 CFR Part 906) (Docket No. AMS-SC-17-0049; SC17-906-1 FR)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6809. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to violations of the Antideficiency Act; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-6810. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Sustainment), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Failure of Contractors, Participating under the DoD Test Program for a Comprehensive Subcontracting Plan, to Meet Their Negotiated Goals"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6811. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Sustainment), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Failure of Contractors, Participating under the DoD Test Program for a Comprehensive Subcontracting Plan, to Meet Their Negotiated Goals"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6812. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Homeland Defense and Global Security), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Wildfire Suppression Capabilities of Active and Reserve Components"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6813. A communication from the Assistant Director, Senior Executive Management Office, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, four (4) reports relative to vacancies in the Department of Defense, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2018; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6814. A communication from the Assistant Director, Senior Executive Management Office, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, five (5) reports relative to vacancies in the Department of Defense, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2018; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6815. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral James W. Crawford III, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6816. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General John D. Bansemer, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6817. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Admiral Kurt W. Tidd, United States Navy, and his advance-

ment to the grade of admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6818. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of vice admiral in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777a, for a period not to exceed 14 days before assuming the duties of the position for which the higher grade is authorized, this will not cause the Department to exceed the number of frocked officers authorized; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6819. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6820. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6821. A communication from the Doctrine Analyst, Department of the Army, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Competition with Civilian Bands" ((RIN0702-AA83) (32 CFR Part 508)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 12, 2018; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6822. A communication from the Principal Director, Defense Pricing and Contracting, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mentor-Protégé Program Modification" ((RIN0750-AJ25) (DFARS Case 2017-D016)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 30, 2018; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6823. A communication from the Principal Director, Defense Pricing and Contracting, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Repeal of DFARS Provision 'Bonds or Other Security'" ((RIN0750-AJ98) (DFARS Case 2018-D049)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 30, 2018; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6824. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency declared in Executive Order 12978 of October 21, 1995, with respect to significant narcotics traffickers centered in Colombia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6825. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency originally declared in Executive Order 13413 of October 27, 2006, with respect to the situation in, or in relation to, the Democratic Republic of the Congo; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6826. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of the national emergency with respect to Sudan as declared in Executive Order 13067 of November 3, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6827. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the issuance of an Executive Order with respect to Venezuela that takes additional steps with respect to the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13692 on March 8, 2015; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6828. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Somalia that was declared in Executive Order 13536 on April 12, 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6829. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to Executive Order 13313 of July 31, 2003, a semiannual report detailing telecommunications-related payments made to Cuba pursuant to Department of the Treasury licenses; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6830. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13712 of November 22, 2015, with respect to Burundi; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6831. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of items not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6832. A communication from the Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Strategic Plan for fiscal years 2018-2022; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6833. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a vacancy in the position of First Vice President, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 17, 2018; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6834. A communication from the Senior Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Office of Investment Security, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Provisions Pertaining to Certain Investments in the United States by Foreign Persons" (RIN1505-AC60) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2018; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6835. A communication from the Senior Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Office of Investment Security, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Determination and Temporary Provisions Pertaining to a Pilot Program to Review Certain Transactions Involving Foreign Persons and Critical Technologies" (RIN1505-AC61) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2018; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6836. A communication from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulation Crowdfunding and Regulation A Relief and Assistance for Victims of Hurricane Michael" (Rel. No. 33-10567) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 22, 2018; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6837. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Responsibilities of Boards of Directors, Corporate Practices, and Corporate Governance" (RIN2590-AA90) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 22, 2018; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6838. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to discretionary appropriations legislation; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-6839. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on appropriations legislation within seven days of enactment; to the Committee on the Budget.

EC-6840. A communication from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The 2018 Radiation Source Protection and Security Task Force Report"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6841. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Ohio; Approval of Sulfur Dioxide Regulations" (FRL No. 9985-13-Region 5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6842. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Quality Designations for the 2015 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards: Error Corrections" (FRL No. 9985-35-OAR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6843. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Attainment Plan for the Warren County, Pennsylvania Nonattainment Area for the 2010 Sulfur Dioxide Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard" (FRL No. 9985-26-Region 3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6844. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; West Virginia; Update to Materials Incorporated by Reference" (FRL No. 9983-55-Region 3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6845. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Determination of Attainment by the Attainment Date and Clean Data Determination for the Logan, UT-ID 2006 24-Hour PM_{2.5} Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9985-28-Region 8 and Region 10) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6846. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Manufacture of Amino/Phenolic Resins Risk and Technology Review Reconsideration" (FRL No. 9985-37-OAR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6847. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division,

Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Water Quality Standards; Withdrawal of Certain Federal Water Quality Criteria Applicable to California: Lead, Chlorodibromomethane and Dichlorobromomethane" (FRL No. 9985-34-OW) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6848. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Expedited Approval of Alternative Test Procedures for the Analysis of Contaminants under the Safe Drinking Water Act; Analysis and Sampling Procedures" (FRL No. 9985-19-OW) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 12, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6849. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; North Carolina; Update to Materials Incorporated by Reference" (FRL No. 9974-83-Region 4) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 19, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6850. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Wisconsin; VOC Definition Update and Removal of Obsolete Gasoline Vapor Recovery Regulations" (FRL No. 9985-30-Region 5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 19, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6851. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval of Louisiana's Request to Relax the Federal Reid Vapor Pressure (RVP) Gasoline Standard for the Baton Rouge Area" (FRL No. 9985-76-OAR) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 19, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6852. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants; Delegation of Authority to Oklahoma" (FRL No. 9985-49-REgion 6) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 19, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6853. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "North Dakota: Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions and Incorporation by Reference of Approved State Hazardous Waste Management Program" (FRL No. 9982-08-Region 8) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 26, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6854. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances; Withdrawal" (FRL No.

9985-55) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 26, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6855. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances; Withdrawal" (FRL No. 9985-56) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 26, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6856. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of New Reactors, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Applications for Nuclear Power Plants" (Regulatory Guide 1.206, Revision 1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 9, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6857. A communication from the Regulations Officer, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Truck Size and Weight" (RIN2125-AF81) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6858. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of New Reactors, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Physical Security—Combined Licensing and Operating Reactors" (NUREG-0800, Chapter 13) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6859. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "State of Wyoming: Discontinuance of Certain Commission Regulatory Authority Within the State; Notice of Agreement Between the NRC and the State of Wyoming" ((10 CFR Part 150) (NRC-2018-0104)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 17, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6860. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Final Rule to List the Chambered Nautilus as Threatened Under the Endangered Species Act" (RIN0648-XE685) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 18, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6861. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of New Reactors, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Physical Security—Piping Systems and Components—Inspections, Tests, Analyses, and Acceptance Criteria" (NUREG-0800, Chapter 14.3.3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6862. A communication from the United States Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the intention to initiate negotiations with the United Kingdom; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6863. A communication from the United States Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the intention to initiate negotiations with the European Union (EU); to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6864. A communication from the United States Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the intention to initiate negotiations with Japan; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6865. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Rural Community Hospital Demonstration"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6866. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Annual Report to Congress on the Medicare and Medicaid Integrity Programs for Fiscal Year (FY) 2016"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6867. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018—Title III—Section 20301: Hurricane Maria Relief for Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands Medicaid Program"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6868. A communication from the Chairman of the United States International Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Andean Trade Preference Act (ATPA): Impact on U.S. Industries and Consumers and on Drug Crop Eradication and Crop Substitution, 2017"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6869. A communication from the Executive Analyst (Political), Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Assistant Secretary for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 17, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6870. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; CY 2019 Inpatient Hospital Deductible and Hospital and Extended Care Services Coinsurance Amounts" ((RIN0938-AT33) (CMS-8068-N)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6871. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; CY 2019 Part A Premiums for the Uninsured Aged and for Certain Disabled Individuals Who Have Exhausted Other Entitlement" ((RIN0938-AT34) (CMS-8069-N)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6872. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Medicare Part B Monthly Actuarial Rates, Premium Rates, and Annual Deductible Beginning January 1, 2019" ((RIN0938-AT35) (CMS-8070-N)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6873. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notification of Change in Certain User Fees for Form 8802" (Rev. Proc. 2018-50) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 17, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6874. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Expenses for Business Meals under Section 274 of the Internal Revenue Code" (Notice 2018-76) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 17, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6875. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance on Application of Sections 355/361 to Distributing's Use of Controlled Stock/Securities to Retire Debt of Distributing" (Rev. Proc. 2018-53) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 17, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6876. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; CY 2019 Part A Premiums for the Uninsured Aged and for Certain Disabled Individuals Who Have Exhausted Other Entitlement" ((RIN0938-AT34) (CMS-8069-N)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 22, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6877. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; CY 2019 Inpatient Hospital Deductible and Hospital and Extended Care Services Coinsurance Amounts" ((RIN0938-AT33) (CMS-8068-N)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 22, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6878. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Special Rules for Capital Gains Invested in Opportunity Zones" (Rev. Rul. 2018-29) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 24, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6879. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Single Security Initiative (Section 817)" (Rev. Proc. 2018-54) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 24, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6880. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notice Regarding Certain Church Plan Clarifications under Section 336 of the PATH Act" (Notice 2018-81) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 29, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6881. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance Under Section 36B, 5000A, and 6011 on the Suspension of Personal Exemption Deductions" (Notice 2018-84) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 29, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6882. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of two rules entitled "Passports: Service Passports" (RIN1400-AE01) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 28, 2018; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6883. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the status of the Government of Cuba's compliance with the United States-Cuba September 1994 "Joint Communiqué," and on the treatment of persons returned to Cuba in accordance with the United States-Cuba May 1995 "Joint Statement," and the United States-Cuba January 2017 "Joint Statement"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6884. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Iran-Related Multilateral Sanction Regime Efforts"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6885. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles, including technical data and defense services, to the Netherlands to support the installation, testing, maintenance, and repair of 35/50mm automatic chain guns for end use by the Netherlands Ministry of Defense in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 18-033); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6886. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles, including technical data and defense services, for the manufacture of significant military equipment abroad to Japan to manufacture AN/ARC-182(V) VHF/UHF AM/FM radio sets (Transmittal No. DDTC 18-047); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6887. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles, including technical data and defense services, to Canada, the UK, and France for the manufacture of F/A-18A-F and derivative aircraft landing gear assemblies, sub-assemblies, parts, and components in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 18-026); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6888. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) and (d) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the manufacture of significant military equipment abroad and the export of defense articles, including technical data and defense services, to the Republic of Korea to support the manufacture, assembly, test, integration, operation, maintenance,

and repair of the AN/ARC-223A and AN/ARC-164A Radio Systems and associated equipment in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 18-027); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6889. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles, including technical data and defense services, to the Netherlands to support the installation, testing, maintenance, and repair of 35/50mm automatic chain guns for end use by the Netherlands Ministry of Defense in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 18-033); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6890. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of firearms, parts, and components abroad controlled under Category I of the U.S. Munition List of 5.56mm automatic rifles and major components to the Israeli MOD to Israel in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 18-023); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6891. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles, including technical data and defense services to Mexico to support the assembly and testing of certain F107-WR-105 engine assemblies in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 18-002); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6892. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2018-0162–2018-0175); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6893. A communication from the Executive Secretary, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Assistant Administrator for the Bureau for Asia, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 22, 2018; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6894. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Outdated and Superseded Regulations—Career and Technical Education National Programs” (RIN1830-AA24, 1830-AA25, 1830-AA26, 1830-AA27, 1830-AA28, 1830-AA29, and 1830-AA30) received in the Office of the President pro tempore of the Senate; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6895. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Outdated Regulations—Teacher Quality Enhancement Grants Program and Preparing Tomorrow’s Teachers to Use Technology (PT3) Program” (RIN1840-AD33) received in the Office of the President pro tempore of the Senate; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6896. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at the Sandia National Laboratories in Albuquerque, New Mexico, to the Special Expo-

sure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6897. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “An Evaluation of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices”; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6898. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “National Plan to Address Alzheimer’s Disease: 2018 Update”; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6899. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Owner-Participant Changes to Guaranteed Benefits and Asset Allocation” (RIN1212-AB24) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2018; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6900. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Office of Assistant Secretary for Financial Resources, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Annual Civil Monetary Penalties Inflation Adjustment” (RIN0991-AC0) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2018; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6901. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Food Additive Regulations; Synthetic Flavoring Agents and Adjuvants” ((21 CFR Parts 172 and 177) (Docket No. FDA-2015-F-4317)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6902. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Food Additives Permitted for Direct Addition to Food for Human Consumption; Styrene” ((21 CFR Part 172) (Docket No. FDA-2016-F-1444)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6903. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Postsecondary Education, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Outdated Regulations—Teacher Quality Enhancement Grants Program and Preparing Tomorrow’s Teachers to Use Technology (PT3) Program” (RIN1840-AD32 and RIN1840-AD33) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2018; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6904. A communication from the Deputy Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Paying Benefits” (29 CFR Part 4022) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 23, 2018; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6905. A communication from the Chief Privacy Officer, Department of Homeland

Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Department of Homeland Security 2018 Privacy Office Annual Report to Congress”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6906. A communication from the Executive Director, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Inspector General Act of 1978 for fiscal year 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6907. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-454, “Targeted Historic Preservation Assistance Amendment Act of 2018”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6908. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-455, “Farmer’s Market Meter Fee Elimination Amendment Act of 2018”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6909. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-456, “Housing Production Trust Fund Board Nominee Confirmation Clarification Amendment Act of 2018”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6910. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-463, “Eviction Procedure Temporary Amendment Act of 2018”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6911. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-469, “Office of Public-Private Partnerships Delegation of Authority Temporary Amendment Act of 2018”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6912. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-470, “D.C. General Resident Relocation Temporary Act of 2018”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6913. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-466, “Nonbinary Identification Cards Amendment Act of 2018”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6914. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-467, “Specialty License Plate Omnibus Amendment Act of 2018”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6915. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-468, “Healthy Parks Amendment Act of 2018”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6916. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-471, “Revised Uniform Law on Notarial Acts Act of 2018”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6917. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-472, “Public Housing Resident

Bill of Rights Amendment Act of 2018"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6918. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-473, "Office of and Commission on Nightlife and Culture Establishment Act of 2018"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6919. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-474, "Mazie Washington Way Designation Act of 2018"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6920. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-475, "Outlaw Way Designation Act of 2018"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6921. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-476, "Rev. W.W. Flood Way Designation Act of 2018"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6922. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-477, "Ben's Chili Bowl Way Designation Act of 2018"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6923. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 22-489, "Tipped Wage Workers Fairness Amendment Act of 2018"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6924. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility; North Carolina: Chapel Hill, Town of, Durham and Orange Counties, et al." ((44 CFR Part 64) (Docket No. FEMA-2018-0002)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 18, 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6925. A communication from the Executive Analyst (Political), Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 17, 2018; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-6926. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, General Law, Ethics, and Regulation, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Assistant Secretary (Intelligence and Analysis), Department of the Treasury, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 17, 2018; to the Select Committee on Intelligence.

EC-6927. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Survivor's Bill of Rights Act Working Group Report to Congress"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6928. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Survivor's Bill

of Rights Act Working Group Report to Congress"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6929. A communication from the Solicitor General, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Federal Housing Finance Agency's for-cause removal provision; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6930. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Government Contracting and Business Development, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Ownership and Control of Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Concerns" (RIN3245-AG85) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 29, 2018; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-6931. A communication from the Senior Official performing the duties of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Annual Report to Congress on the Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6932. A communication from the Impact Analyst, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Presumption of Herbicide Exposure and Presumption of Disability During Service for Reservists Presumed Exposed to Herbicides" (RIN2900-AP43) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 26, 2018; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6933. A communication from the Assistant Chief Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials: Removal of Electronically Controlled Pneumatic Brake System Requirements for High Hazard Flammable Unit Trains" (RIN2137-AF35) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 11, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6934. A communication from the Honors Attorney, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials: Notification of the Pilot-in-Command and Response to Air Related Petitions for Rulemaking" (RIN2137-AF10) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6935. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tankers - Automatic Pilot System" ((RIN1625-AC27) (Docket No. USCG-2015-0926)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6936. A communication from the Attorney, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway, Palm Beach, FL" ((RIN1625-AA09) (Docket No. USCG-2017-0273)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6937. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department

of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Ballast Water Management - Annual Reporting Requirement" ((RIN1625-AC45) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0245)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6938. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulated Navigation Area; Straits of Mackinac" ((RIN1625-AA11) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0563)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6939. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulated Navigation Area; Upper Mississippi River, Sabula Railroad Drawbridge, Mile Marker 535, Sabula, IA" ((RIN1625-AA11) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0917)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6940. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Ohio River, Cincinnati, OH" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0855)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6941. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Transmission Line Survey, Tennessee River Mile Marker 300 to 302, Decatur, AL" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0937)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6942. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Upper Mississippi River, mile 182.5, St. Louis, MO" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0905)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6943. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; North Hero-Grand Isle Bridge, Lake Champlain, VT" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0682)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6944. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Willamette River, Portland OR" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0901)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6945. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department

of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Safety Zone; Cape Fear River, Wilmington, NC” ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0920)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6946. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Safety Zone; Lower Mississippi River, Mile Markers 94 to 95 Above Head of Passes, New Orleans, LA” ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0619)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6947. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Safety Zone; Intracoastal Waterway, Biscayne Bay, Miami, FL” ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0731)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6948. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Special Local Regulation; Breton Bay, Leonardtown, MD” ((RIN1625-AA08) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0225)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6949. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Special Local Regulation; Choptank River, Talbot and Dorchester Counties, MD” ((RIN1625-AA08) (Docket No. USCG-2018-0577)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 15, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6950. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Removal of Flight Plan Requirements for Commercial Air Tour Operations Within the Special Flight Rules Area at Grand Canyon National Park” (RIN2120-AL22) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6951. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Transport Airplane Fuel Tank and System Lightning Protection” (RIN2120-AK24) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6952. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (76)” (RIN2120-AA65) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6953. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (31)” (RIN2120-AA65) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6954. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment of Class E Airspace; Wooster, OH” ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0370)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6955. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment of Class E Airspace for Lancaster, PA and Williamsport, PA” ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2016-9377)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6956. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment of Chicago Class B Airspace and Chicago Class C Airspace; Chicago IL” ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0632)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6957. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Establishment of Class D and E Airspace, and Amendment of Class E Airspace; Austin, TX” ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2017-9378)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6958. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Establishment of Class E Airspace; Reedley, CA” ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2017-1200)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6959. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment of Class E Airspace, Knoxville, TN; and Establishment of Class E Airspace, Madisonville, TN” ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2017-1214)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6960. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment of Class E Airspace, Belfast, ME”

((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0199)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6961. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment of Class D and Class E Airspace; Beaver Falls, PA; and Zelienople, PA” ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2017-0954)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6962. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment of Class E Airspace; Burlington, WI” ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2017-0145)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6963. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment of Class D Airspace; Lewiston, ID” ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0896)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6964. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment of Class D and Class E Airspace; Pensacola, FL, and Establishment of Class E Airspace; Milton, FL” ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0062)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6965. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Establishment of Class E Airspace; Glen Ullin, ND” ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0312)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6966. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Airworthiness Directives; Airbus SAS Airplanes” ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0804)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6967. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Airworthiness Directives; Airbus SAS Airplanes” ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0505)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6968. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of

EC-6991. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes" (RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-

EC-7013. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; BAE Systems (Operations) Limited Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0511)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7014. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; CFM International S.A. Turboprop Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0785)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7015. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; CFM International S.A. Turboprop Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0855)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7016. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; GEVEN S.p.A. Seat Assemblies, Type D1-02 and D1-03" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0504)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7017. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce plc Turboprop Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2017-0650)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7018. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Hoffman GmbH and Co. KG Propellers" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0281)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7019. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0870)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7020. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Embraer S.A. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0509)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7021. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Honeywell International Inc. Turboprop Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2017-1116)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7022. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; ATR-GIE Avions de Transport Regional Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0366)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7023. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; ATR-GIE Avions de Transport Regional Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2018-0494)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 25, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7024. A communication from the Secretary of the Senate, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the receipts and expenditures of the Senate for the period from April 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 13, 2018; ordered to lie on the table.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. THUNE, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2242. A bill to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to clarify the authority of the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration with respect to post-storm assessments, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-347).

By Mr. THUNE, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 3265. A bill to require the Secretary of Commerce to undertake certain activities to support waterfront community revitalization and resiliency, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-348).

By Mr. BARRASSO, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works:

Report to accompany S. 2827, a bill to amend the Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Foundation Act (Rept. No. 115-349).

Report to accompany S. 1537, a bill to amend the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act to reauthorize the Act (Rept. No. 115-350).

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:

Report to accompany H.R. 2825, a bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to make certain improvements in the laws administered by the Secretary of Homeland Security, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-351).

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2374. A bill to amend the Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Improve-

ment Act of 2012, including making changes to the Do Not Pay Initiative, for improved detection, prevention, and recovery of improper payments to deceased individuals, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-352).

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 3047. A bill to establish a narcotic drug screening technology pilot program to combat illicit opioid importation, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-353).

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with amendments:

S. 3484. A bill to modernize Federal grant reporting, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-354).

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

H.R. 5079. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Department of Homeland Security to develop an engagement strategy with fusion centers, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 115-355).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. PAUL:

S. 3610. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to establish a Medicare payment option for patients and eligible professionals to freely contract, without penalty, for Medicare fee-for-service items and services, while allowing Medicare beneficiaries to use their Medicare benefits; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. GARDNER):

S. 3611. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Higher Education Act of 1965 to facilitate the disclosure of tax return information to carry out the Higher Education Act of 1965, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. KAINE):

S. 3612. A bill to amend the Fair Housing Act to prohibit discrimination based on source of income or veteran status; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. GARDNER:

S. 3613. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Mancos Project features to the Mancos Water Conservancy District in the State of Colorado; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. PERDUE, Ms. HEITKAMP, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. JONES, and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 3614. A bill to amend the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 to require proxy advisory firms to register as investment advisers under that Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. Res. 686. A resolution honoring the life, accomplishments, and legacy of Lodi Gyaltzen Gyari; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BOOZMAN (for himself and Mr. COTTON):

S. Con. Res. 50. A concurrent resolution recognizing the rich history, heritage, and strategic importance of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Marshallese population residing in the United States; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 65

At the request of Ms. WARREN, the name of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 65, a bill to address financial conflicts of interest of the President and Vice President.

S. 497

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 497, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for Medicare coverage of certain lymphedema compression treatment items as items of durable medical equipment.

S. 536

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. JONES) was added as a cosponsor of S. 536, a bill to promote transparency in the oversight of cybersecurity risks at publicly traded companies.

S. 629

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of S. 629, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drugs, and Cosmetic Act to ensure the safety and effectiveness of medically important antimicrobials approved for use in the prevention, control, and treatment of animal diseases, in order to minimize the development of antibiotic-resistant bacteria.

S. 681

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 681, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the benefits and services provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to women veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 796

At the request of Mr. WARNER, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. HASSAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 796, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the exclusion for employer-provided education assistance to employer payments of student loans.

S. 821

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) and the Senator from Colorado (Mr. GARDNER) were added as cosponsors of S. 821, a bill to promote

access for United States officials, journalists, and other citizens to Tibetan areas of the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes.

S. 836

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 836, a bill to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to exclude a loan secured by a non-owner occupied 1- to 4-family dwelling from the definition of a member business loan, and for other purposes.

S. 1042

At the request of Mr. BENNET, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. HASSAN) and the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1042, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code to exclude Segal Americorps Education Awards and related awards from income.

S. 1143

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1143, a bill to amend the Equal Credit Opportunity Act to prohibit discrimination on account of sexual orientation or gender identity when extending credit.

S. 1152

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1152, a bill to create protections for depository institutions that provide financial services to cannabis-related businesses, and for other purposes.

S. 1262

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1262, a bill to amend title 11, United States Code, with respect to certain exceptions to discharge in bankruptcy.

S. 1301

At the request of Mr. NELSON, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1301, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the distribution of additional residency positions, and for other purposes.

S. 1328

At the request of Mr. KAINE, the names of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) and the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) were added as cosponsors of S. 1328, a bill to extend the protections of the Fair Housing Act to persons suffering discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity, and for other purposes.

S. 1351

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1351, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to the designation of general surgery shortage areas, and for other purposes.

S. 1640

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1640, a bill to reform the financing of Senate elections, and for other purposes.

S. 1653

At the request of Mr. BOOKER, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Ms. DUCKWORTH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1653, a bill to provide for the overall health and well-being of young people, including the promotion of lifelong sexual health and healthy relationships, and for other purposes.

S. 1868

At the request of Mr. HEINRICH, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1868, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax credits for energy storage technologies, and for other purposes.

S. 1870

At the request of Mr. HOEVEN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1870, a bill to amend the Victims of Crime Act of 1984 to secure urgent resources vital to Indian victims of crime, and for other purposes.

S. 1910

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. LANKFORD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1910, a bill to clarify membership requirements for the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

S. 1942

At the request of Ms. HEITKAMP, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1942, a bill to direct the Attorney General to review, revise, and develop law enforcement and justice protocols appropriate to address missing and murdered Indians, and for other purposes.

S. 1996

At the request of Mr. BOOKER, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Ms. DUCKWORTH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1996, a bill to require Federal agencies to address environmental justice, to require consideration of cumulative impacts in certain permitting decisions, and for other purposes.

S. 2076

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2076, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize the expansion of activities related to Alzheimer's disease, cognitive decline, and brain health under the Alzheimer's Disease and Healthy Aging Program, and for other purposes.

S. 2127

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the names of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. VAN HOLLEN) and the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) were added as cosponsors of S. 2127, a bill to award

a Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the United States merchant mariners of World War II, in recognition of their dedicated and vital service during World War II.

S. 2148

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2148, a bill to authorize dedicated domestic terrorism offices within the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of Justice, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation to analyze and monitor domestic terrorist activity and require the Federal Government to take steps to prevent domestic terrorism.

S. 2171

At the request of Mr. ENZI, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. TILLIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2171, a bill to amend the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010 to set the rate of pay for employees of the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection in accordance with the General Schedule.

S. 2227

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the names of the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING), the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH), the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN), the Senator from Illinois (Ms. DUCKWORTH), the Senator from Maryland (Mr. VAN HOLLEN), the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON), the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. HASSAN), the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER), the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN), the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL), the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS), the Senator from Iowa (Mr. GRASSLEY) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) were added as cosponsors of S. 2227, a bill to reauthorize the Money Follows the Person Demonstration Program.

S. 2244

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2244, a bill to create opportunities for women in the aviation industry.

S. 2341

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2341, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the processing of veterans benefits by the Department of Veterans Affairs, to limit the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to recover overpayments made by the Department and other amounts owed by veterans to the United States, to improve the due process accorded veterans with respect to such recovery, and for other purposes.

S. 2699

At the request of Mr. BOOKER, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2699, a bill to amend title

IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require institutions of higher education that participate in programs under such title to distribute voter registration forms to students enrolled at the institution, and for other purposes.

S. 2724

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. SCHATZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2724, a bill to reform the use of solitary confinement and other forms of restrictive housing in the Bureau of Prisons, and for other purposes.

S. 2736

At the request of Mr. GARDNER, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2736, a bill to develop a long-term strategic vision and a comprehensive, multifaceted, and principled United States policy for the Indo-Pacific region, and for other purposes.

S. 2863

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2863, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint a coin in commemoration of the opening of the National Law Enforcement Museum in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes.

S. 3178

At the request of Ms. HARRIS, the names of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. FLAKE) and the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) were added as cosponsors of S. 3178, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to specify lynching as a deprivation of civil rights, and for other purposes.

S. 3231

At the request of Mr. YOUNG, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3231, a bill to establish the Task Force on the Impact of the Affordable Housing Crisis, and for other purposes.

S. 3337

At the request of Ms. SMITH, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. HASSAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3337, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend projects relating to children and to provide access to school-based comprehensive mental health programs.

S. 3388

At the request of Mr. TILLIS, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mrs. HYDE-SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3388, a bill to amend the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act.

S. 3405

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. DAINES) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3405, a bill to reauthorize the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Program of the Department of Homeland Security.

S. 3427

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Delaware

(Mr. COONS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3427, a bill to effectively staff the public elementary schools and secondary schools of the United States with school-based mental health services providers.

S. 3470

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the names of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. GARDNER), the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) and the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) were added as cosponsors of S. 3470, a bill to promote United States-Mongolia trade by authorizing duty-free treatment for certain imports from Mongolia, and for other purposes.

S. 3476

At the request of Mr. CORKER, the names of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN), the Senator from Iowa (Mrs. ERNST), the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) and the Senator from West Virginia (Mrs. CAPITO) were added as cosponsors of S. 3476, a bill to extend certain authorities relating to United States efforts to combat HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria globally, and for other purposes.

S. 3523

At the request of Mr. COTTON, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3523, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to require a full military honors ceremony for certain deceased veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 3529

At the request of Ms. STABENOW, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3529, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to furnish hospital care and medical services to veterans, members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces, and dependents who were stationed at military installations at which they were exposed to perfluorooctanoic acid or other per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances, to provide for a presumption of service connection for those veterans and members of the reserve components, and for other purposes.

S. 3530

At the request of Mr. REED, the names of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) and the Senator from Maryland (Mr. CARDIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 3530, a bill to reauthorize the Museum and Library Services Act.

S. 3538

At the request of Ms. HARRIS, the names of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL) and the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) were added as cosponsors of S. 3538, a bill to establish pilot programs for, and require the development of policies with respect to, the use of body-worn cameras by officers and agents of U.S. Customs and Border Protection and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and for other purposes.

S. 3540

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3540, a bill to provide a coordinated regional response to manage effectively the endemic violence and humanitarian crisis in El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras.

S. 3559

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3559, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to terminate the credit for new qualified plug-in electric drive motor vehicles and to provide for a Federal Highway user fee on alternative fuel vehicles.

S. 3584

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. VAN HOLLEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3584, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 in order to increase usage of the Federal student loan income-based repayment plan and improve repayment options for borrowers, and for other purposes.

S. 3591

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the names of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. VAN HOLLEN), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) were added as cosponsors of S. 3591, a bill to extend authorization for the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund of 2001 through fiscal year 2090, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 606

At the request of Mr. BOOZMAN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 606, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States condemns all forms of violence against children globally and recognizes the harmful impacts of violence against children.

AMENDMENT NO. 4054

At the request of Mr. SULLIVAN, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4054 proposed to S. 140, a bill to amend the White Mountain Apache Tribe Water Rights Quantification Act of 2010 to clarify the use of amounts in the WMAT Settlement Fund.

At the request of Mr. NELSON, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4054 proposed to S. 140, supra.

At the request of Mr. CARPER, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 4054 proposed to S. 140, supra.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. HATCH (for himself and Mr. KAINE):

S. 3612. A bill to amend the Fair Housing Act to prohibit discrimination based on source of income or veteran status; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

Mr. KAINE. Mr. President. Today, I am pleased to join my colleague from Utah, Senator ORRIN HATCH, to introduce the Fair Housing Improvement Act of 2018. This legislation would advance our nation in its long pursuit of achieving equal protection under the law and protecting all Americans from discrimination. This bill would prohibit housing discrimination based on source of income or veterans status and give millions and families and veterans greater access to affordable housing and economic mobility.

Many of you know I'm a former civil rights attorney. My practice focused on fair housing and I witnessed the pain experienced by families who were discriminated against as they searched for a home. Today, veterans who are good tenants with supportive housing vouchers can be turned down for an apartment or lease renewal because of how they pay their rent. Housing decisions should be based on your merits, not harmful stereotypes about those who receive housing assistance. If you pass a screening and background check, you shouldn't be denied a place to live because of your service record or how your rent will be paid. Unfortunately, this happens in America every day and it is wrong.

This legislation has support from organizations focused on affordable housing and helping those who have served find a place to live, including National Fair Housing Alliance, National Housing Law Project, National Low Income Housing Coalition, Paralyzed Veterans of America, and Veterans Association of Real Estate Professionals. Many of my colleagues in this chamber strongly support the housing vouchers that help 2.2 million veterans and low-income households live in decent, stable private market housing. I've said previously that your home is critical to your identity and central to the life of every American. I want to share a story about two of my constituents that illustrates the need for this bill.

Rudolph Nanez is a Navy veteran who lives in Virginia Beach with his wife, Jessica Youness. Rudolph moved to the United States from Spain as a teenager and earned a high school diploma. He joined the Navy and served three years on active duty, followed by several years in the reserves. Three years ago, Rudolph and Jessica faced a housing crisis and feared they would have to live on the street after temporarily relocating to a hotel. Fortunately, with the assistance of local Virginia nonprofits, they were able to find a home.

In September, Rudolph's wife Jessica contacted my office after they received an abrupt notice that their lease would not be renewed and they had to leave their home within 10 days, despite paying a portion of their rent regularly through a supportive housing voucher for veterans, known as HUD-VASH. Jessica was frustrated because, as she said, it takes time to find an apartment that will accept these vouchers. She couldn't understand why, after

calling multiple apartment management companies to find an available unit, she then had to explain to the company representative what a supportive housing voucher was.

Rudolph and Jessica each have a disability and rely on public transportation. It was challenging to find housing near a bus stop and they needed time to save for a deposit on a new home. My office was able to work with the property manager to get Rudolph and Jessica's lease extended through next June.

This story had a happy ending. But it didn't have to come to this point. More than a dozen states and over 70 local jurisdictions have enacted laws to prohibit source of income discrimination in housing, and it's time Congress did the same.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. PERDUE, Ms. HEITKAMP, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. JONES, and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 3614. A bill to amend the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 to require proxy advisory firms to register as investment advisers under that Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

Mr. REED. Mr. President, today I am joined by Senators PERDUE, HEITKAMP, TILLIS, and JONES in introducing the bipartisan Corporate Governance Fairness Act to ensure investors can continue to rely with confidence on the advice of proxy advisory firms by requiring the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) to regulate all major proxy advisory firms under the Investment Advisers Act (IAA). This advice is critical for investors as they decide how to vote their shares on important corporate governance matters, such as director elections or whether to sell the company.

Indeed, the International Brotherhood of Teamsters has stated that the "independence of the research provided by proxy advisors is a critical element of our right, as shareholders, to hold the board of directors accountable and to cast informed proxy votes on corporate governance and proxy voting policies." According to the Council of Institutional Investors, "ensuring unencumbered shareholder access to independent research is a crucial underpinning of effective corporate governance." And the National Association of State Treasurers has emphasized the need to "maintain the integrity and efficacy of the relationship between institutional investors and proxy advisory firms." In short, proxy advisory firms are clearly an essential tool for investors.

Given the importance that investors have placed on continued access to proxy advisory firms, it is critical that proxy advisory firms are appropriately regulated and held accountable, and this is the purpose of the bipartisan Corporate Governance Fairness Act. Under our legislation, all major proxy

advisory firms would be required to register as investment advisers under the IAA, and therefore have a fiduciary duty to their clients. So as to not discourage new entrants into the proxy advisory business, our bill provides smaller proxy advisory firms the choice to voluntarily register under the IAA but does not require them to do so. The legislation also directs the SEC to conduct periodic examinations, which must include a serious review of the conflicts of interest policies of registered proxy advisory firms and whether firms knowingly made false statements to any of its clients. Lastly, our bill requires the SEC to consult with all relevant stakeholders and report back periodically to the Senate Banking Committee and the House Financial Services Committee with recommendations for any additional investor protections beyond continued access to proxy advisory firms so that investors have the tools to make informed investment decisions and exercise their rights as shareholders. In short, the Congressional intent of this legislation is to preserve the critical role played by proxy advisory firms and to hold them accountable to investors.

I would like to thank Senators PERDUE, HEITKAMP, TILLIS, and JONES for working with me in crafting this bipartisan legislation, which is supported by the Consumer Federation of America, Harvard Law School Securities Regulation Professor John Coates, who is also a member of the SEC Investor Advisory Committee, the New York Stock Exchange, and the Society for Corporate Governance. I urge all of our Senate colleagues to join us in working to pass the Corporate Governance Fairness Act.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 686—HONORING THE LIFE, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, AND LEGACY OF LODI GYALTSEN GYARI

Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. MENENDEZ) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 686

Whereas Lodi Gyari—

- (1) was born in Nyarong, Kham, in 1949;
- (2) was recognized according to Tibetan Buddhist tradition as a reincarnate lama;
- (3) began monastic studies at 4 years of age in Lumorap Monastery, which was located in what is, as of 2018, Kardze Prefecture, Sichuan Province; and
- (4) fled Nyarong with his family at 9 years of age following the invasion and occupation of Tibet;

Whereas, as a young man in India, Lodi Gyari began a life-long commitment of service to His Holiness the Dalai Lama and to the Tibetan people by becoming—

- (1) editor for the Tibetan Freedom Press;
- (2) founder of the Tibetan Review;
- (3) a founding member of the Tibetan Youth Congress;
- (4) a civil servant in the Central Tibetan Administration;

(5) Chairman of the Tibetan Parliament in Exile;

(6) Cabinet Minister for the Department of Information and International Relations of the Central Tibetan Administration; and

(7) Deputy Cabinet Minister for the Department of Religious Affairs and the Department of Health of the Central Tibetan Administration;

Whereas, in 1991, His Holiness the Dalai Lama appointed Lodi Gyari as Special Envoy for the Dalai Lama in Washington, D.C., and, soon thereafter, Lodi Gyari was selected to be President of the International Campaign for Tibet, a nonprofit organization devoted to supporting the Tibetan people and the vision of His Holiness the Dalai Lama;

Whereas, for 3 decades, Lodi Gyari met with leaders and diplomats of governments around the world, including successive Presidential administrations of the United States, and with Members of the United States Congress and parliaments of other nations—

(1) to explain the Tibetan efforts to engage with China on finding a mutually agreeable solution to the issue of Tibet;

(2) to urge supportive strategies and policies from governments;

(3) to explain the significance of the “Middle Way Approach” of His Holiness the Dalai Lama, which seeks genuine autonomy for the Tibetan people within the People’s Republic of China that contributes to harmony between the Tibetan and Chinese peoples; and

(4) to promote Tibetan statecraft as senior ambassador-at-large for His Holiness the Dalai Lama;

Whereas, during the time when Lodi Gyari was Special Envoy for His Holiness the Dalai Lama, the United States Congress approved many policy and programmatic measures related to Tibet, including the Tibetan Policy Act of 2002 (22 U.S.C. 6901 note; Public Law 107-228);

Whereas, in 1999, Lodi Gyari became a United States citizen;

Whereas, in May 1998, His Holiness the Dalai Lama appointed Special Envoy Lodi Gyari to be the principal person to reestablish contact with the Government of the People’s Republic of China on the issue of Tibet, and between September 2002 and January 2010, Lodi Gyari held 9 formal rounds of meetings with Chinese officials, demonstrating tireless drive and immense skill and winning the respect of the international community;

Whereas Lodi Gyari presented the Government of the People’s Republic of China with the Memorandum on Genuine Autonomy for the Tibetan People and the accompanying Note, thus detailing the vision of the Tibetan side for a political solution for Tibet consistent with the framework of the Constitution of the People’s Republic of China and the laws of China regarding autonomy;

Whereas Lodi Gyari demonstrated spirit, intelligence, and extraordinary tact during the difficult task of representing Tibetan interests while in dialogue with the People’s Republic of China, and brought civility, reason and a measure of mutual understanding to the Tibetan-Chinese relationship;

Whereas, in 1999, Lodi Gyari was elected the Executive Chairman of the Board of the International Campaign for Tibet after resigning as President of that organization;

Whereas Lodi Gyari resigned as Special Envoy of His Holiness the Dalai Lama, effective June 1, 2012, in the context of the deteriorating situation inside Tibet, including increasing incidents of Tibetan self-immolations, after expressing deep frustration over the lack of positive developments with the People’s Republic of China after nearly 10 years, and in respect for the process of devolution of political power to the elected Tibetan leaders;

Whereas Lodi Gyari retired from the position of Executive Chairman of the Board of the International Campaign for Tibet on December 31, 2014;

Whereas Lodi Gyari has contributed significantly to strengthening the relationship between the Tibetan people and the people of the United States;

Whereas, on October 29, 2018, Lodi Gyari died at the age of 69;

Whereas Lodi Gyari is survived by his wife, Dawa Chokyi, their 6 children, Tenzing Dechen, Tenzing Choyang, Norbu Wangmo, Tashi Chodon, Tulku Penam, and Tenzing Tsering, 5 grandchildren, his mothers, 4 brothers, and 3 sisters;

Whereas Nancy Pelosi, the Democratic Leader of the House of Representatives and former Speaker of the House of Representatives, said that Lodi Gyari “built deep support for the Tibetan cause throughout America and around the world” and that “Members of Congress on both sides of the aisle benefitted from Lodi’s insight and wisdom”; and

Whereas the Department of State—

(1) said that “Mr. Gyari dedicated his life to serving as a staunch advocate for the Tibetan people, democratic principles, and human rights, including religious freedom”; and

(2) offered condolences to the family of Lodi Gyari; and

(3) observed that Lodi Gyari will be missed: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) honors the life, accomplishments, and legacy of Lodi Gyari;

(2) celebrates the leadership and commitment of Lodi Gyari to fulfilling the vision of His Holiness the Dalai Lama and the aspirations of the Tibetan people, including promoting freedom, human rights, and justice for the Tibetan people;

(3) commends the achievements of Lodi Gyari in building an international coalition of support for Tibet that recognizes—

(A) the imperative to preserve the distinct culture and religious traditions of Tibet; and

(B) that the Tibetan people are entitled to their own identity and dignity and to genuine autonomy within the People’s Republic of China that fully preserves the rights and dignity of the Tibetan people;

(4) acknowledges the role of Lodi Gyari, as a naturalized United States citizen, in promoting understanding in the United States of—

(A) the Tibetan people;

(B) the culture and religion of the Tibetan people; and

(C) the struggle of the Tibetan people for—

- (i) genuine autonomy;
- (ii) human rights;
- (iii) dignity; and
- (iv) the preservation of unique linguistic, cultural, and religious traditions; and

(5) strongly supports a political solution for Tibet that satisfies the legitimate grievances and aspirations of the Tibetan people, a cause to which Lodi Gyari devoted his entire life.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 50—RECOGNIZING THE RICH HISTORY, HERITAGE, AND STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS AND THE MARSHALLESE POPULATION RESIDING IN THE UNITED STATES

Mr. BOOZMAN (for himself and Mr. COTTON) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:

S. CON. RES. 50

Whereas the Republic of the Marshall Islands—

(1) is a sovereign country in free association with the United States under the Compact of Free Association between the Government of the United States and the Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands (referred to in this preamble as the “Compact”), approved in the Compact of Free Association Act of 1985 (Public Law 99-239; 99 Stat. 1770) and amended by the Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2003 (Public Law 108-188; 117 Stat. 2720), which authorizes economic assistance, through Federal grants and programs, to persons in the Republic of the Marshall Islands; and

(2) has full authority and responsibility over security and defense matters relating to the Republic of the Marshall Islands;

Whereas, under the Compact, eligible citizens of the Republic of the Marshall Islands may reside, work, and study in the United States without a visa and may serve in the Armed Forces of the United States;

Whereas an estimated ⅓ of the population of the Republic of the Marshall Islands has relocated to the United States; and

Whereas Marshallese individuals who live in the United States—

(1) offer positive economic and cultural benefits to the communities in which those individuals live;

(2) pay Federal and State taxes but are not eligible for benefits under—

(A) the Medicare program established under title XVIII of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395 et seq.); or

(B) the Medicaid program established under title XIX of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.); and

(3) were undercounted in the 2010 census and, as a result, areas where those individuals live are underserved by the Federal Government; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That Congress—

(1) commends—

(A) the rich history and heritage of the Republic of the Marshall Islands; and

(B) citizens of the Republic of the Marshall Islands who live in the United States for the contributions of those individuals to—

(i) the communities in which those individuals live; and

(ii) the national defense of the United States through their service in the Armed Forces of the United States;

(2) recognizes the strategic importance of the Republic of the Marshall Islands; and

(3) encourages a continued commitment to improve census data to better serve citizens of the Republic of the Marshall Islands who live in the United States.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, I have 3 requests for committees to meet during today's session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today's session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, November 13, 2018, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing on the following nominations, Paul B.

Matey, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, Jean-Paul Boulee, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia, James David Cain, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, Damon Ray Leichty, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Indiana, and J. Nicholas Ranjan, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, November 13, 2018, at 2 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled “Big Bank Bankruptcy: 10 years After Lehman Brothers”.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, November 13, 2018, at 5:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing on the following nominations: Steven Dillingham, of Virginia, to be Director of the Census, Department of Commerce, and Michael Kubayanda, of Ohio, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Regulatory Commission.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. MORAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that John Rendon, a Coast Guard fellow in Senator WICKER's office, be granted floor privileges for the remainder of the Congress.

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

Mr. NELSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to allow Coast Guard details Catherine Carabine and Sean Stewart to have the privilege of the Senate floor during consideration of the Coast Guard bill.

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

APPOINTMENTS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, pursuant to Public Law 115-232, on behalf of the Majority Leader of the Senate and the Chairman of the Committee on Armed Services, appoints the following individual as a member of the National Commission on Military Aviation Safety: General Richard A. Cody, USA (ret.), of Vermont.

The Chair, pursuant to Public Law 115-232, on behalf of the Democratic Leader of the Senate and the Ranking Member of the Committee on Armed Services, appoints the following individual as a member of the National Commission on Military Aviation Safety: Peter B. Mapes, of Michigan.

The Chair, pursuant to Public Law 115-232, on behalf of the Democratic Leader of the Senate and the Ranking Member of the Committee on Armed Services, appoints the following indi-

vidual as a member of the National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence: Robert O. Work, of Virginia.

The Chair, pursuant to Public Law 115-232, on behalf of the Majority Leader of the Senate and the Chairman of the Committee on Armed Services, appoints the following individual as a member of the National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence: The Honorable Katharina McFarland.

The Chair, pursuant to Public Law 115-232, on behalf of the Majority Leader of the Senate and the Chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, appoints the following individual as a member of the National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence: José-Marie Grifiths, of South Dakota.

The Chair, pursuant to Public Law 115-232, on behalf of the Democratic Leader of the Senate and the Ranking Member of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, appoints the following individual as a member of the National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence: Dr. Ken Ford, of Florida.

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2018

Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 2 p.m., Wednesday, November 14; further, that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and morning business be closed; finally, that following leader remarks, the Senate resume consideration of the House message to accompany S. 140 and vote on the motion to concur in the House amendment with a further amendment, as modified.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 2 P.M. TOMORROW

Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:32 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, November 14, 2018, at 2 p.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING

JANICE MIRIAM HELLREICH, OF HAWAII, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING FOR A TERM EXPIRING JANUARY 31, 2024, VICE HOWARD ABEL HUSOCK, TERM EXPIRED.

BRUCE M. RAMER, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING FOR A TERM EXPIRING JANUARY 31, 2024. (REAPPOINTMENT)

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

AURELIA SKIPWITH, OF INDIANA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, VICE DANIEL M. ASHE.

MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORPORATION

GEORGE M. MARCUS, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORPORATION FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS, VICE MORTON H. HALPERIN, TERM EXPIRED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

EDWARD F. CRAWFORD, OF OHIO, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO IRELAND.

KENNETH A. HOWERY, OF TEXAS, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE KINGDOM OF SWEDEN.

MARY CATHERINE PHEE, OF ILLINOIS, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE STATE OF QATAR.

DAVID STILWELL, OF HAWAII, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE (EAST ASIAN AND PACIFIC AFFAIRS), VICE DANIEL R. RUSSELL.

FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION

WILLIAM I. ALTHEN, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF SIX YEARS EXPIRING AUGUST 30, 2024. (REAPPOINTMENT)

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

MARY ANNE CARTER, OF TENNESSEE, TO BE CHAIRPERSON OF THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE R. JANE CHU, RESIGNED.

FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION

ARTHUR R. TRAYNOR III, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF SIX YEARS EXPIRING AUGUST 30, 2024, VICE ROBERT F. COHEN, JR., TERM EXPIRED.

THE JUDICIARY

JOSEPH F. BIANCO, OF NEW YORK, TO BE UNITED STATES CIRCUIT JUDGE FOR THE SECOND CIRCUIT, VICE REENA RAGGI, RETIRED.

STANLEY BLUMENFELD, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, VICE AUDREY B. COLLINS, RETIRED.

BRIAN C. BUESCHER, OF NEBRASKA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA, VICE LAURIE SMITH CAMP, RETIRING.

PATRICK J. BUMATAY, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE UNITED STATES CIRCUIT JUDGE FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT, VICE ALEX KOZINSKI, RETIRED.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

GARY B. BURMAN, OF KENTUCKY, TO BE UNITED STATES MARSHAL FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE JAMES EDWARD CLARK, RESIGNED.

THE JUDICIARY

DANIEL P. COLLINS, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE UNITED STATES CIRCUIT JUDGE FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT, VICE HARRY PREGERSON, RETIRED.

CLIFTON L. CORKER, OF TENNESSEE, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE, VICE J. RONNIE GREER, RETIRED.

PHILIP M. HALPERN, OF NEW YORK, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, VICE P. KEVIN CASTEL, RETIRED.

KENNETH KIYUL LEE, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE UNITED STATES CIRCUIT JUDGE FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT, VICE STEPHEN R. REINHARDT, DECEASED.

THOMAS MARCELLE, OF NEW YORK, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, VICE GARY L. SHARPE, RETIRED.

MATTHEW WALDEN MCFARLAND, OF OHIO, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO, VICE THOMAS M. ROSE, RETIRED.

MICHAEL H. PARK, OF NEW YORK, TO BE UNITED STATES CIRCUIT JUDGE FOR THE SECOND CIRCUIT, VICE GERARD E. LYNCH, RETIRED.

JEREMY B. ROSEN, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, VICE MARGARET M. MORROW, RETIRED.

MARK C. SCARSI, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, VICE GEORGE H. KING, RETIRED.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

AARON L. WEISMAN, OF RHODE ISLAND, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE PETER F. NERONHA, RESIGNED.

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12212:

To be major general

BRIGADIER GENERAL JEFFREY W. BURKETT
BRIGADIER GENERAL JESSICA MEYERAAN
BRIGADIER GENERAL RUSS A. WALZ

THE FOLLOWING NAMED AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12212:

To be brigadier general

COLONEL JAMES R. CAMP
COLONEL WESLEY J. CLARE
COLONEL JAMES T. DEMAREST
COLONEL JOHN M. GREEN
COLONEL PETER T. GREEN III
COLONEL ROBERT C. KORTE
COLONEL DARRIN P. LELEUX
COLONEL MARK A. MALDONADO
COLONEL JAMES P. MARREN
COLONEL JOHN R. MULVEY
COLONEL JOHN F. O'CONNELL
COLONEL MATTHEW J. PETERSON
COLONEL ROBERT A. SCHULTE
COLONEL JAMES G. SILVASY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12212:

To be brigadier general

COLONEL DARRIN K. ANDERSON
COLONEL MARK D. AUER
COLONEL BUEL J. DICKSON
COLONEL KENNETH S. EAVES
COLONEL STEVEN S. LAMBRECHT
COLONEL TONI M. LORD
COLONEL GLEN A. MARTEL
COLONEL DAVID W. MAY
COLONEL GARY A. MCCUE
COLONEL THOMAS H. MORA
COLONEL JOHN W. POGOREK

THE FOLLOWING NAMED AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12212:

To be brigadier general

COL. THOMAS A. DUKES, JR.

THE FOLLOWING NAMED AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12212:

To be brigadier general

COL. CHRISTOPHER L. MONTANARO

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be major general

BRIGADIER GENERAL VITO E. ADDABBO
BRIGADIER GENERAL MAUREEN G. BANAVIGE
BRIGADIER GENERAL BRIAN K. BORGEN
BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN P. HEALY
BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN A. HICKOK
BRIGADIER GENERAL JAY D. JENSEN
BRIGADIER GENERAL LINDA M. MARSH
BRIGADIER GENERAL TODD J. MCCUBBIN
BRIGADIER GENERAL TYLER D. OTTEN
BRIGADIER GENERAL BOYD C. L. PARKER IV

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be brigadier general

COLONEL ELIZABETH E. ARLEDGE
COLONEL MATTHEW J. BURGER
COLONEL KENNETH R. COUNCIL, JR.
COLONEL DERIN S. DURHAM
COLONEL PAUL R. FAST
COLONEL CHRISTOPHER A. FREEMAN
COLONEL CONSTANCE L. JENKINS
COLONEL PAUL E. KNAPP
COLONEL DOUGLAS S. MARTIN
COLONEL JODY A. MERRITT
COLONEL JOHN M. OLSON
COLONEL STACEY L. SCARISBRICK
COLONEL DAVID W. SMITH
COLONEL ROGER P. SURO

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE 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

MAJ. GEN. SAMI D. SAID

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 AND FOR APPOINTMENT AS A SENIOR MEMBER OF THE MILITARY STAFF COMMITTEE OF THE UNITED NATIONS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 711:

To be lieutenant general

MAJ. GEN. DAVID W. ALLVIN

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be brigadier general

COL. MARIO A. R. DIAZ

IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE SERVING AS CHIEF OF CHAPLAINS OF THE NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 5142:

To be rear admiral

REAR ADM. (LH) BRENT W. SCOTT

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be major

FRANCISCA A. ALAKA LAMPTON
JEREMIAH P. ALMOSARA
BRITTANY R. BONDS
JOSEPH O. BOTHWELL
MANDY L. BRADSCA
ADAM RANDALL BROWN
HEATHER MICHELLE CRAWFORD
KYLE J. DEGUIRE
JOHN N. DELEHANTY
NICHOLAS Z. EDVARCHUK
CHRISTOPHER THOMAS HARMER
BRADLEY W. HOWARD
BRIAN D. JOHNSON
SHAILU V. JOSHI
ELIZABETH ANNE JOVANOVIĆ
NATHANIEL C. KROUSE
DAVID E. MALEY
RYAN W. MCGAUGHEY
MICHAEL DAVID MCCLAIN
STEPHEN A. MEYERS
TIMOTHY T. MILLER, JR.
KELSEY MONSAERT
ROGER L. MOORE
JASON E. MYERS
LONG T. NGUYEN
SAMUEL H. PANG
AN QUE THI PHAN
STEVEN JAY POE, JR.
DANIEL JAMES PRATHER
TIMOTHY WILLIAM PULS
CLARE ELIZABETH REYNOLDS
ZACHARY R. RUMERY
GREGORY KENNETH TAYLOR
JODI E. VERKLEIR
SEAN T. VILLANO
RASHEED JAMAL WEDLOW
VICTORIA M. WEIGER
MICHAEL D. ZIMMER

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be lieutenant colonel

CHRISTOPHER GENE ADAMS
MATTHEW S. ADAMS
STEPHEN M. ADDINGTON
RODNEY DANIEL ADKINS
ANIBAL AGUIRRE, JR.
ROLANDO AGUIRRE
LEE EDMOND AKERS
YALUNDA M. AKINLOBA
JUSTIN S. ALBERICO
LOUIS J. ALDINI
LEE J. ALEXANDER
STEPHEN V. S. ALEXANDER
CHRISTOPHER ALFARO
JUSTIN T. ALFORD
JOHN EMMANUEL E. E. ALFRED OCKIYA
ERIKA ANNE ALLEN
LUCAS J. ALLEN
TERRANCE S. ALLEN
CHRISTOPHER W. ALLGEIER
ERIC A. ALONSOBARNAL
NICHOLAS JAMES AMATO
GEORGE AMBELANG
JACOB CASSIDY AMES
CLIFTON R. ANDERSON
GEOFFREY P. ANDERSON
JONATHAN D. ANDERSON
NICHOLAS J. ANDERSON
STEVEN M. ANDERSON
WILLIAM M. ANDREOTTA
JOSEPH B. ANDRESKY
MATTHEW M. ANDREWS
CRAIG RYAN ANSEL
REBECCA L. ANTOSKI
SHANNON L. ANTONSON
DAVID J. APARICIO
PATRICK R. APLEGATE
JUAN J. ARAOZ
CHRISTOPHER DAVID ARENDT
CHARLES J. M. ARMSTRONG
EARL F. ARNOLD
MATTHEW R. ARNOLD
DAVID ALFREDO ARROYO
NICHOLAS D. ARTHUR
TODD L. ARTHUR
BRIAN C. ASHBURN
ERIC M. ASHE
JACOB S. ASHMORE
KEATON B. ASKEW
SEAN A. ATKINS
CHAD C. ATKINSON
TERMAIN S. ATWATER
MELLISA AUERS
THOMAS L. AUERS

LUCIANA L. AUGUSTINE
JOSHUA M. AULTMAN
CLAYTON J. AUNE
DOUGLAS ANDREW AUSTIN
JORGE H. AVILA
GARY A. AXLEY
BRYSON AYERS
JUDSON T. BABCOCK
RYAN C. BACHMAN
PAMELA K. BACKLEY
MATTHEW G. BAGG
LISA A. BAGHAL
TROY BAGLEY
NATHAN F. BAILEY
CLAYTON A. BAKER
DERRICK G. BAKER
JOHN W. BAKER
JOHN G. BALACONIS
JONATHAN N. BALL
JONATHAN M. BALLARD
BRYAN D. BALLESTERO
EDMUND A. BALLEW
TERENCE Y. BALMACEDA
SHANNON L. BANCROFT
JUSTIN D. BANEZ
BRIAN S. BARBA
JONATHAN M. BARBER
LUIS F. BARBERENA
ANTHONY DAVID BARES
JOSEPH E. BARKLEY
WILLIAM S. BARKSDALE
CHARLES DAVID BARNES
LAURA F. BARNES
JOSEPH MATTHEW BARNUM
MORTON JOSH BARTLETT
CHARLES A. BARTON III
RYAN DALLAS BATCHELOR
AMY D. BATES
CASSANDRA BATES
DAVID J. BATES
KATHERINE A. BATTERTON
PHILLIP N. BATTLES
ANDREW M. BAUER
LINDSEY A. BAUER
JONATHAN W. BAUSER
MICHELLE L. BAXTER
CLARA F. BAYNE
JOSHUA S. BEASLEY
CHRISTOPHER J. BEATTY
BAILYN R. BECK
EDWARD C. BECKETT
SUSAN M. BEDELL
BRIAN D. BEARS
MATTHEW DAVID BEJCEK
KRISTINA MADELIENE BELCOURT
EDWIN MOSES BELL
CHARLIE T. BELLOWES
CONNOR W. BENEDICT
MICHAEL WILLIAM BENITEZ
ERIC RYAN BENNETT
DAVID J. BENSON
JULIAN L. BENTON
JOHN H. BERGMANS
BRANDON J. BERNARDONI
MARK W. BERTHELOTTE
NATHAN T. BERTINO
DAVID JASON BEWLEY
JOEL W. BIER
ANDREW E. BILLHARTZ
ROBERT ALLAN BIRD
BRIAN W. BISHOP
ELIJAH N. BISHOP
BRETT W. BLACK
DANIEL IAN BLACKLEDGE
STEPHEN J. BLACKSTONE
IVAN L. BLACKWELL
ELIZABETH C. BLAKEMAN
JOMIA T. BLAS
SEAN N. BLAS
JEREMY A. BOEING
RICHARD K. BOGUSKY
SEAN R. BOJANOWSKI
BRIAN A. BOLAND
WILLIAM BRIAN BOLLINGER
KRISTEN ALYCE BONEBERG
ASCENZO J. BONITATTI
MORONI CRAIG BOOTH
WILLIAM F. BOOTH II
KEVIN KOREY BOSS
KEVIN M. BOURNE
CHARLES P. BOWER
DANIELLE BOWERS
JAMES C. BOWERS
ADAM E. BOYD
LISA CASANDRA BOYER
MICHAEL T. BOYER
MARC R. BRADLE
DANIEL J. BRADY
EDWARD A. BRADY
MEHUL J. BRAHMBHATT
JESSE D. BREAU
PAUL J. BREHM
REBECCA NICOLE BREIDING
JOHN HOWARD BRINDLE
RICHARD T. BROWER
DEAN BROWN
DONALD DANLEY BROWN
MIKITA R. BROWN
STANLEY C. BROWN, JR.
STEVEN D. BROWN
JULIANA T. BRUNS
RAYMOND C. C. BRUSHIER
ANTHONY W. BRYANT
MATTHEW W. BUCHHOLZ
JOHN QUENTIN BUQUOI III
YULIYA ILINICHNA BUQUOI
JEFFREY W. BURCH

CONINGSBY J. BURDON
DREW BURES
WILLIAM B. BURROUS
ALAN C. BURWELL
ERIC STARR BUSS
SAMUEL DEATON BUTLER
BRYON C. BUZAN
ROBERT MICHAEL BUZAN
JOSEMARIA R. CADELINA
MARIA LEE CADENHEAD
STEVEN JAMES CAIN
DAVID L. CALDERON
JAMES COLLIN CALDWELL
BENJAMIN GARY CALIFF
BRIAN E. CAMPBELL
JEREMY CAMPBELL
JENNIFER ANN CANNON
JOANNE CANNON
ELLEN MARIE G. CANUP
EZRA B. CAPLAN
ANTHONY L. CAPPEL
NELSON E. CARABALLO
MICHAEL SCOTT CAREY, JR.
CLINT E. CARLISLE
DOUGLAS W. CARMEAN
HEATHER L. CARSON
SCOTT JEFFREY CARSTETTER
ANNDEKA K. CARTER
JAMES CALLOWAY CARTER
LAURA AILEEN B. CARTER
JOHN JOSEPH CASEY
KRISTEN CLARK CASTONGUAY
CHRISTOPHER JOHN CERISOVSKI
SHAWN M. CHAMBERLIN
DAVID W. CHANCEY
GARRETT R. CHANDLER
ANDREW D. CHANEY
SHAWN R. CHANEY
MICHAEL J. CHAPADOS
THOMAS W. CHAPMAN
DARRRELL H. CHASE, JR.
MICHAEL J. CHEATHAM
MYLES H. CHEATUM
ANTONIO M. CHEBINO
JACOB L. CHISOLM IV
MICHAEL S. CHMIELEWSKI
WILLIAM K. CHO
LUCAS P. CHOATE
RUEBEN J. CHOI
JAMES T. CHRISTENSEN
LEWIS P. CHRISTENSEN
RYAN DOUGLAS CHUTE
MICHAEL ANTHONY CIAMPA
JONATHAN TREVOR CICHOWSKI
DWAYNE ANTHONY CLARK
MARY F. CLARK
ROBERT M. CLARK
NANCY T. CLEMENS
DAVID R. CLEMENTI
WILLIAM A. CLOUTIER
KEVIN M. CLYDE
ALLEN N. COHEN
BRADEN M. COLEMAN
JASON L. COLEMAN
NICHOLAS RYAN COLEMAN
RICARDO D. COLON
CHARLES D. COMFORT III
JENNIFER CONDON FRACHT
AARON A. COOK
THOMAS F. COOK, JR.
CHARLES JOSEPH COOPER
HARRY P. COOPER III
STEVEN M. COOPER
ANTHONY TONY CORBETT
JARED A. CORDELL
MICHAEL R. COUCHMAN
KEVIN D. COUGHLIN
RICHARD J. COUTURE
DEANE ERNEST COVER
LEON R. COVER
CHRISTOPHER MICHAEL COVILLE
DAVID MATTHEW COX
RICHARD S. CRAMER, JR.
JAMES HYRUM CRANE II
ASHLEY ELIZABETH CRAWFORD
MICHAEL JUSTIN CRENSHAW
ERIC A. CRING
ELLEN M. CRONIN
JOAQUIN ANDRES CRUZ
JOHN ALBERT CUMMINGS, JR.
DAVID G. CURRY
PAUL M. CURTISS
MATTHEW W. DAHLIN
BROOKS M. DANIEL
GARRETT T. DANKER
MELISSA L. DANLEY
DARRRELL C. DARDENNE
DONALD COLLINS DAVENPORT
ROBERT T. DAVENPORT
BENJAMIN J. DAVIDSON
JOHN B. DAVIDSON
BRADLEY W. DAVIES
CHAD M. DAVIES
JEFFERSON K. DAVIS
ROSS MICHAEL DAVIS
TODD C. DAWSON
JAMES W. DEAN
JONATHAN R. DEDIC
CLINTON D. DEEDER
GREGORY A. DEGRUCHY
CATHYRINE T. R. DEJA
JERRY L. DEJESUS
JACOB DELAPASSE
CHRISTOPHER A. DELSID
ALEXANDER C. DEMANSS
ADAM WARD DEMARCO
JONATHAN C. DEMERS

CHRISTOPHER T. DENZER
RACHEL M. DERBIS
TRAVIS MONTGOMERY DEUTMAN
AARON M. DEVAN
JAMES DEVORE
GRAEME L. DEWSTOW
MICHAEL L. DEXTER
ODI H. DIAMBRA
RICKY EVERETTE DICKENS, JR.
BRIAN R. DICKS
SCOTT D. DIEHL
JEFFREY M. DIERDORF
STEVE J. DIRKS
ERIC R. DITTMAN
PAUL G. DORAN
SCOTT A. DORRIS
CHARLES EDWARD DORSSOM
COLE C. DOUPE
STEVEN E. DOVE
SARAH M. DOWD
FRAY B. DOYLE
AARON C. DRENTH
RYAN LEE DRINKWATER
SCOTT THOMAS DRYLIE
JEREMY P. DUFFEY
CHRISTOPHER N. DUHON
ANDREW A. DULIN
CHARLES J. DUNAR III
ANDREW K. DUNN
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COL. JOHN J. BARTRUM
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IN THE ARMY

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To be major

SHAYNE R. ESTES

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY MEDICAL SERVICE CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 3064:

To be major

MICHAEL W. KEEBAUGH

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To be lieutenant colonel

HEINS V. RECHEUNGEL

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