

Alabama. He will be celebrated in Montgomery on December 6, 2018, and I want to add my voice to the many others thanking him for his work.●

#### TRIBUTE TO RED ARNDT

● Mr. ROUNDS. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize Red Arndt of Luverne, MN, for his many years of leadership to the Lewis & Clark Regional Water System and his commitment to providing safe water to rural America.

He became the public utilities director of Luverne, MN, in 1989 and soon heard about a proposal to bring water from the Missouri River in South Dakota to the surrounding States. At that time, many people believed it would be too expensive and could not be done.

However, Red believed it was possible and needed more research and more support. He recommended that Luverne become one of the first members of the organization that would become the Lewis and Clark Regional Water system. The city council and mayor approved, and the dream of delivering safe and reliable water to rural towns and farms took its first step forward.

It became Red's mission to make that dream come true.

He became one of the only two original directors from 1990 who are still on the project's board and proudly shoveled the first dirt when construction began in 2003.

Over the years, he made hundreds of trips to county, city, and community meetings and to legislatures in several States. He also took over 60 trips to Washington, DC. He would not let the dream die.

He has worked vigorously for the project. He was vice-chairman of the board beginning in 1994 until becoming the board chairman in 2006. He is still the chairman.

Because Red refused to let the Lewis & Clark project die, 14 member communities and rural water projects are receiving water through over 200 miles of pipeline for over 300,000 people across South Dakota, Minnesota, and Iowa. He has helped secure over \$470 million in funding for Lewis & Clark.

Red's incredible dedication was seen when he participated in the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the water treatment plant in August, 2012. It was only 2 weeks after Red had open-heart surgery. At the ceremony, he was honored with the Lewis & Clark Trailblazer Award, which is the organization's highest honor.

In May 2016, Luverne was connected to Lewis & Clark, and Red was given the honor of taking the first drink of water from the new system that he had worked so hard to create. The meter building in Luverne was also named in his honor.

When Red is thanked for all of his hard work, he always says it was not him, but a true team effort, but everyone involved will tell you that Red's

determination and leadership was the bedrock that led to success.

I am one of those 300,000 people who are grateful for his dedication, and I am proud to call him my friend.

I commend Red Arndt for his many great contributions and wish him the best as he continues to make the most out of the life God has given.●

#### 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

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

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

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:02 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 6666. An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to grant to States and local governments easements and rights-of-way over Federal land within Gateway National Recreation Area for construction, operation, and maintenance of projects for control and prevention of flooding and shoreline erosion.

#### MEASURES DISCHARGED

The following bill was discharged from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs and referred as indicated:

H.R. 3460. An act to designate the United States courthouse located at 323 East Chapel Hill Street in Durham, North Carolina, as the "John Hervey Wheeler United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

#### MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 3649. A bill to provide for programs to help reduce the risk that prisoners will recidivate upon release from prison, 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-7032. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmit-

ting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cyantraniliprole: Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9985-32) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 14, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7033. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fludioxonil: Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9985-75) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 14, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7034. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tin Oxide; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9982-73) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 13, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7035. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Azoxytobin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9985-45) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 13, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7036. 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 "Raisins Produced From Grapes Grown in California; Order Amending Marketing Order No. 989" ((7 CFR Part 989) (Docket No. AMS-SC-16-0011; SC16-989-1)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 13, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7037. A joint communication from the Secretary of Defense and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, transmitting a request relative to issuing a travel restriction on senior officials' travel to Yemen effective November 1, 2018; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7038. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 12170 of November 14, 1979, with respect to Iran; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7039. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 12938 of November 14, 1994, with respect to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7040. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the Central African Republic that was declared in Executive Order 13667 of May 12, 2014; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7041. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Syria that was declared in Executive Order 13338 of May 11, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7042. A communication from the Assistant Director for Regulatory Affairs, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the