I join the Westlake family in praying for his success and safety and thank Connor as he pursues this noble calling of service.

TRIBUTE TO DON SLAZNIK
• Ms. DUCKWORTH. Mr. President, today I wish to celebrate the distinguished career of Marshal Don Slaznik of O’Fallon, IL. Don is retiring as U.S. Marshal for the Southern District of Illinois, a position that he has the distinction of having held under three Presidents, being first nominated by President Bush and confirmed in 2002 and retained by President Obama in 2009.

Don has served his country with dignity and honor as an Active-Duty member of the U.S. Marines and the U.S. Army in the 1960s and 1970s.

Since then, he has been the chief of police in Poplar Bluff, MO, Storm Lake, IA, and O’Fallon, IL, and served in leadership positions with the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police, the Southern Illinois Police Chief’s Association, the International Association of Chiefs of Police, and the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police.

In Mr. Slaznik’s leadership, the Southern District of Illinois received the highest award given by the U.S. Marshal’s Service: the Distinguished District Award.

While he will be missed, we will remember this public citizen for his tireless, dedicated, and honorable commitment to service. Many thanks to U.S. Marshal Slaznik and his family for their sacrifices and contributions to our community.

Thank you.

TRIBUTE TO ELIZABETH ATWOOD
• Ms. HASSAN. Mr. President, this month, the Committee on Armed Services recognized Elizabeth Atwood, of Rochester, NH, as our Granite Stater of the Month for her contributions to her community as a capacity building specialist with SOS Recovery Community Organization, where she helps individuals who are struggling with substance misuse access recovery services and support networks.

As someone who struggled with substance misuse herself, Elizabeth has shown tremendous courage in telling her own story of accessing treatment and recovery services. At New Horizons homeless shelter, Elizabeth received help enrolling in Medicaid, allowing her to undergo treatment for substance use disorder, improve her physical health, and receive counseling. Through her perseverance and determination, Elizabeth regained custody of her son, gained employment, and now receives health insurance coverage through her employer.

Now working at SOS Recovery Community Organization, Elizabeth provides incredible value to her community, working tirelessly to help individuals struggling with substance use disorder. Elizabeth does everything from helping create policy and procedures and offering trainings to community members, to helping find detox beds for people who come into the Rochester facility.

As many Granite Staters like Elizabeth know, the heroin, fentanyl, and opioid crisis is the most pressing public health and safety challenge facing New Hampshire. Now more than ever, New Hampshire needs more people like Elizabeth who are dedicated to helping combat this epidemic grateful for the courage she has shown in telling her inspirational story and her drive to help others who face the same challenges she did. Elizabeth represents the best of New Hampshire, and I am honored to recognize her as our Granite Stater of the month.

TRIBUTE TO SARKIS TATIGIAN
• Mr. MCCAIN. Mr. President, I come to the floor today to ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Sarkis Tatigian, who will achieve the extraordinary milestone of 50 years of combined military and civilian service to the United States on September 26, 2017. Eligible for retirement since 1973, Mr. Tatigian has continued to honor America through his faithful service. Currently the associate director of the Small Business Programs Office at Naval Sea Systems Command, NAVSEA, Mr. Tatigian is a champion for our Navy, our small business community, and our country.

Mr. Tatigian began his civilian career with the Navy in July 1942 as a junior radio inspector at the naval aircraft factory in the Philadelphia Navy Yard and the Navy Office of Inspector of Naval Aircraft in Linden, NJ. He left his position as an inspector in March 1943 to serve in the uniformed Navy as an Active-Duty sailor in April 1943. In June 1944, as an aviation electronics technician’s mate, he aided in the development of the Navy’s first guided antiship munition, the ASM-N-2 “BAT” glide bomb, which later became an operational weapon in January 1945.

In 1943, Mr. Tatigian began his Federal civil service with NAVSEA, where he still works today. Throughout his long career, he has received numerous awards, including the Navy’s Superior Civilian Service Award in 2006. In recognition of his exceptional accomplishments in service, the Navy has even named an award after him, the Sarkis Tatigian Small Business Award, which recognizes outstanding performance through organizational culture and command climate.

At 95 years young, Mr. Tatigian’s dedication and resolve are inspirational. We can all learn a great deal about service to country and the American spirit from his great example. On behalf of all Granite Staters, to you, Mr. Sarkis Tatigian, for all you have done for our people, our government, and our Navy.

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–2773. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Black Stem Rust; Additions of Rust-Resistant Species and Varieties” (APHIS–2017–0049) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 5, 2017; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC–2774. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “U.S. Standards for Grades of Shelled Walnuts and Walnuts in the Shell” (AMS–SC–16–0005) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 6, 2017; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC–2775. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Installations, Technology, and Logistics), transmitting a report relative to the overall effectiveness of the property disposal process from prior Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) rounds; to the Committees on Armed Services; and Appropriations.

EC–2776. A communication from the Principal Director (Force Resiliency), performing the duties of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to aggregate amounts identified for Reserve Component equipment and property disposal process from prior BRAC rounds; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC–2777. A communication from the Director, Naval Reactors, Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program’s reports on environmental monitoring and radiological waste disposal, radiation exposure, and occupational safety and health, as well as a report providing an overview of the Program; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC–2786. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General David E. Quantock, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.
EC–2779. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting the report of an officer authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of major general in accordance with section 3016 of title 10, United States Code, section 777, to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC–2780. A communication from the Attorney General, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Federal Participation in the Automated Clearing House” (RIN1510–AA14) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 6, 2017; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–2781. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Resolution Authority: 2017 Annual Report; 2007 Annual Report” (FRL No. 9967–00–Region 5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–2780. 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 and Air Quality Designation; TV; Redesignation of the Knox- ville Miscellaneous Rule Revisions” (FRL No. 9967–17–Region 1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 25, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–2781. 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; Georgia; Update of the Georgia State Implementation Plan” (FRL No. 9967–06–Region 4) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 25, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–2780. 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; Kentucky; Revisions to Jefferson County Emissions Monitoring and Reporting” (FRL No. 9966–94–Region 4) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 25, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–2780. 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 Implementation Plans; New Jersey; Revised Format for Materials Being Incorporated by Reference; Correction” (FRL No. 9967–14–Region 2) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 25, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–2781. 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 Implementation Plans; New York; Reasonably Available Control Technology” (FRL No. 9967–19–Region 2) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–2780. 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; Volatile Organic Compound Control Rules” (FRL No. 9967–49–Region 5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–2780. 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; West Virginia; Foreign Naval Vessels” (FRL No. 9967–36–Region 1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–2780. 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; West Virginia; Forfeiture of Vessels” (FRL No. 9967–50–Region 5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–2780. 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; Wisconsin; Port of Sheboygan” (FRL No. 9967–37–Region 5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–2780. 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; Wisconsin; Port of Milwaukee” (FRL No. 9967–38–Region 5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–2780. 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; Wisconsin; Port of Green Bay” (FRL No. 9967–39–Region 5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–2780. 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; Wisconsin; Port of Superior” (FRL No. 9967–40–Region 5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–2780. 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; Wisconsin; Port of Door County” (FRL No. 9967–21–Region 5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2017; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
the Office of the President of the Senate on August 31, 2017; to the Committee on Environ-
ment and Public Works.

EC-2805. A communication from the Acting Comptroller, Security Administra-
tion, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Ad-
mistration’s 2017 Annual Report of the Supplemental Security Income Program; to the Commit-
ttee on Finance.

EC-2806. A communication from the Dep-
uty Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report consistent with the Author-
ization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002 (P.L. 107-243) and the Author-
ization for Use of Force Against Iraq Resolution (P.L. 102-1) for the April 9, 2017–June 8, 2017 reporting period; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2807. A communication from the Deputy 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 United Kingdom for the manufacture and assembly of parts and components in the amount of $1,000,000 or more (Trans-
mitting No. DDTC 17-038); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2808. A communication from the Dep-
uty 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 and defense services to Israel in the amount of $25,000,000 or more (Trans-
mitting No. DDTC 17-052); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2809. A communication from the Dep-
uty 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 in the amount of $1,000,000 or more (Trans-
mitting No. DDTC 17-058); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2810. A communication from the Dep-
uty 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, and manufact-
uring know-how to the Republic of Korea to support the design and manufacture of Controllable Pitch Propellers and Shifting Systems for the Korean KDX-III Batch II De-
stroyer program in the amount of $15,000,000 or more (Transmitting No. DDTC 16-124); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2811. A communication from the De-
puty 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 Israel in the amount of $25,000,000 or more (Trans-
mitting No. DDTC 17-052); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2812. A communication from the Deputy 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 Israel in the amount of $25,000,000 or more (Trans-
mitting No. DDTC 17-052); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-2813. A communication from the Chief of Regulations Special Projects, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Depart-
ment of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursu-
ant to the report of a rule entitled “Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program” (RIN2960-AP61) received in the Of-

ICE of the President of the Senate on Sep-

ember 7, 2017; to the Committee on Vet-

erans’ Affairs.

EC-2814. A communication from the Senior Official performing the duties of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Read-

diness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a re-

port relative to the Armed Forces Retire-

ment Home for fiscal years 2014, 2015, and

2016; to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs.

EC-2815. A communication from the Chief C
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ounty on Telecommunications and Informa-
tion Administration, Department of Com-

merce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the re-

port of a rule entitled “Scope of NTIA Authority Regarding the Impact of NTIA Fee (RIN0660-AA30) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 5, 2017; to the Commit-
tee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-
tation.

EC-2816. A communication from the Assis-
tant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Consumer Product Safety Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Prohibition of Children’s Toys and Child Care Articles Containing Specified Phthalates: Determinations Re-

garding Certain Plastics” (RIN3391-AD89) re-

ceived in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 7, 2017; to the Com-

mittee on Commerce, Science, and Transpor-
tation.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolu-
tions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous con-
sent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. BURR (for himself, Mr. CASEY, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):
S. 1790. A bill to amend the Internal Re-

venue Code of 1986 to improve college savings under section 529 programs, and for other

purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. ERNST (for herself and Mr. ENZI):
S. 1791. A bill to amend the Act of August 25, 1958, commonly known as the “Former Presidents Act of 1958”, with respect to the monetary allowance payable to a former President, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Gov-

ernmental Affairs.

By Mr. FRANKEN:
S. 1792. A bill to amend the Higher Edu-

cation Act of 1965 to require institutions of higher education to have an independent ad-
vocate for campus sexual assault prevention and response; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KAIN (for himself, Mrs. FEIN-
STEN, Ms. BALDWIN, and Ms. HIRONO):
S. 1801. A bill to amend the Higher Edu-

cation Act of 1965 to require institutions of higher education to have an independent ad-
vocate for campus sexual assault prevention and response; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. C ASEY, Mr. HARRIS, Mr. MANCHIN, and Ms. HARRIS):
S. 1799. A bill to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to facilitate the commercializa-
tion of energy and related technologies de-

veloped at Department of Energy facilities with promising commercial potential; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Re-

sources.

By Ms. WARREN (for herself and Mr. TILLIS):
S. 1800. A bill to require a report on signifi-
cant security risks of the national electric grid and the potential effect of any such security risks on the readiness of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Armed Serv-
ices.

By Mr. Kaine (for himself, Mrs. Fein-
sten, Ms. Baldwin, and Ms. Hirono):
S. 1801. A bill to amend the Higher Edu-

cation Act of 1965 to require institutions of higher education to have an independent ad-
vocate for campus sexual assault prevention and response; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 233

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. MANCHIN) was added as a co-sponsor of S. 233, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to repeal the Medi-
care outpatient rehabilitation therapy caps.

S. 292

At the request of Mr. REED, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. MANCHIN) was added as a co-sponsor of S. 292, a bill to maximize discovery, and accelerate development and avail-
ability, of promising childhood cancer treatments, and for other purposes.

S. 428

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. CASSIDY) was added as a co-sponsor of S. 428, a bill to amend titles XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act to