

the Americans with Disabilities Act, ADA, and the ADA Amendments Act, I have had four guiding goals for our fellow citizens with disabilities: equal opportunity, full participation, independent living and economic self-sufficiency. Nearly one quarter century since passage of the ADA, I see remarkable changes in communities everywhere I go in Iowa—not just in curb cuts or closed-captioned television, but in the full participation of people with disabilities in our society and economy, folks who at long last have the opportunity to contribute their talents and to be fully included. These changes have increased economic opportunities for all citizens of Taylor County, both those with and without disabilities, and they make us proud to be a part of a community and country that respects the worth and civil rights of all of our citizens.

This is at least a partial accounting of my work on behalf of Iowa, and specifically Taylor County, during my time in Congress. In every case, this work has been about partnerships, cooperation, and empowering folks at the State and local level, including in Taylor County, to fulfill their own dreams and initiatives. And, of course, this work is never complete. Even after I retire from the Senate, I have no intention of retiring from the fight for a better, fairer, richer Iowa. I will always be profoundly grateful for the opportunity to serve the people of Iowa as their Senator.●

#### RECOGNIZING BLUE WATER TECHNOLOGIES

● Mr. RISC. Madam President, there are countless modern conveniences we take for granted. Paramount among those is the easy availability of clean water. Sanitation has been the single biggest factor in the doubling of life expectancy over the last 200 years. Most water we use comes from municipal systems, and those systems in turn rely on manufacturers to provide the filtration and treatment technology necessary for one of life's building blocks. I rise today in honor of one company whose contribution has aided in our continued supply of water—Hayden, Idaho's Blue Water Technologies.

Blue Water Technologies began in 2003 as a commercialized extension of an idea that was developed at the University of Idaho. After 5 years of research, the university developed the Blue PRO system, a better way to remove arsenic from drinking water and phosphorus from wastewater. From there Blue Water Technologies licensed the patent-pending process from the University and began several pilot projects. As their reputation grew, Blue Water Technologies earned a grant from the Environmental Protection Agency to conduct a study on metal and phosphorus removal. By 2005, the process was demonstrated to be effective at full-scale use through the tremendous success of the use of

the system at the Hayden Wastewater Research Facility. Within 4 years, Blue Water expanded its business internationally.

Today, Blue Water Technologies is an international industry leader, spanning six continents. Their customers include municipal systems and industrial facilities of all sizes. Providing solutions that are both cost-effective and environmentally friendly, Blue Water Technologies is constantly finding new ways to handle emerging problems such as wildlife being harmed by the presence of trace amounts of pharmaceuticals in their water supply.

Blue Water Technologies is home to a dynamic and talented team who possess the diverse backgrounds and specializations vital to understanding and adapting to the water needs of a varied group of consumers, both public and private. Their use of best practices is vital to the efficiency and sustainability of their organization and to the constantly evolving nature of water treatment technology. I want to thank Blue Water Technologies for their efforts in making our water safer in environmentally friendly ways and congratulate them on their continued success.●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Pate, 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.)

#### 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-5777. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (74); Amdt. No. 3588" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 12, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5778. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (32); Amdt. No. 3585"

(RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 12, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5779. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (66); Amdt. No. 3587" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 12, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5780. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (53); Amdt. No. 3584" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 12, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5781. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (84); Amdt. No. 3583" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 12, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5782. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (173); Amdt. No. 3586" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 12, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5783. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Greenville, ME" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2014-0025)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 12, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5784. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Sylva, NC" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2013-0439)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 12, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5785. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Jefferson City, MO" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2013-0587)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 12, 2014; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5786. A communication from the Paralegal Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Holdrege, NE" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2013-0596)) received in the Office