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The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. DENHAM).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

### WASHINGTON, DC,

September 6, 2016. I hereby appoint the Honorable JEFF DENHAM to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

PAUL D. RYAN, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer:

We give You thanks, O God, for giving us another day. In the wake of a great American holiday, we ask Your special blessing on American workers, those fortunate to have jobs during these difficult economic times and those desiring work. May they know and be confident of the nobility and sacredness of their labor.

As the Members of the people's House return to the Capitol, call them, as well, with Your gentling voice of collegiality.

When a sense of alienation shadows all of our souls, we find our differences difficult to bear; we move away from each other. Insofar as this spirit of alienation has descended upon this House, help each Member to overcome unnecessary divisions that hamper productive work on behalf of our Nation.

Bring them to a deeper level of awareness of Your spirit, and make us one Nation. Give the Members listening hearts, ready and willing to respond to Your spirit living in each one.

And may all that is done be for Your greater honor and glory. Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Jour-

nal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentlewoman from North Carolina (Ms. Foxx) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. FOXX 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.

### RESIGNATION FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following resignation from the House of Representatives:

August 31, 2016.

Speaker PAUL RYAN, The Capitol, Washington, DC.

DEAR SPEAKER RYAN: Pursuant to our phone conversation, I write to officially notify you of my intent to resign as Congressman of the First District of Kentucky, effective Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

I have enjoyed the opportunity of serving with you and my colleagues and wish you the very best as you carry out the great responsibilities of the Speaker of the House.

I have attached a copy of my letter of resignation addressed to the Governor of Kentucky, Matt Bevin, dated August 29, 2016. Thank you very much.

Respectfully,

ED WHITFIELD, U.S. Congressman, First district of Kentucky.

AUGUST 29, 2016.

Governor MATT BEVIN, Frankfort, Kentucky.

DEAR GOVERNOR BEVIN: It has been my honor and privilege to have represented the constituents of the First District of Kentucky in the United States Congress for the last almost 22 years.

As you know, I did not seek re-election to Congress this year and have now decided to submit my resignation as the Congressman of the First District of Kentucky, effective 6 n m Tuesday Sentember 6 2016

p.m., Tuesday, September 6, 2016. I have enjoyed serving with you and wish you and your Administration the very best! This the 29th day of August 2016.

Respectfully Submitted, ED WHITFIELD, U.S. Congressman, First district of Kentucky.

### 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF HANESBRANDS

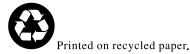
(Ms. FOXX asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)  $% \left( {{\left( {{{{\bf{n}}_{{\rm{s}}}}} \right)}_{{\rm{m}}}} \right)$ 

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize HanesBrands, a company headquartered in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, with a long history of innovation, product excellence, and brand recognition. Today HanesBrands is celebrating its 10th anniversary as an independent publicly traded company, which is the largest basic apparel company in the world. It sells high-volume, high-quality apparel, and can credit its success to anticipating what the consumer wants and working to meet those needs in value, fit, comfort, and customer service.

HanesBrands has been named by Forbes Magazine as one of America's best large employers and has been honored for workplace practices, community contributions, environmental achievement, and business ethics. A valued corporate partner in the local community, the company and its employees have volunteered countless hours and have made contributions of more than \$35 million to charities over the past decade.

It is a pleasure to have this outstanding company in North Carolina's Fifth District. Congratulations, HanesBrands.

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### REMEMBERING PAM CLUTE

(Mr. TAKANO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. TAKANO. Mr. Speaker, a leader in the Riverside community, a fitness bug, an award-winning baker, a winner of the Presidential Award of Excellence, a remarkable educator, and a person who died too young just a few weeks ago, in her 40 years in the classroom, Pam Clute inspired thousands of students, many of them young women, to pursue careers in math and science. She founded the ALPHA Center at UC Riverside to get students on track to pursue STEM fields in college.

At the same time, Pam organized local partnerships, created a fitness class, and shared her infectious energy with everyone around her. In short, she took every opportunity imaginable to support our community.

My thoughts are with her husband, Steve, and the rest of her family. Pam Clute was truly an exemplary woman. She will be missed.

### IN MEMORY OF DON SODERQUIST

(Mr. WOMACK asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. WOMACK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and service of Don Soderquist of Rogers, Arkansas, my neighbor and my friend and one of northwest Arkansas' most influential leaders, who died July 21 at the age of 82.

Mr. Soderquist was the former chief operating officer and vice chairman of Wal-Mart Stores, Incorporated, and he teamed with Walmart founder, Sam Walton, to establish one of the world's leading companies.

Aside from his many achievements in retailing, Mr. Soderquist is also remembered for his philanthropic endeavors and the standards of ethical leadership that guided his life as a businessman and became his passion after retirement. This legacy will live on at the Soderquist Leadership Center at John Brown University in Siloam Springs, Arkansas, which Don helped establish in 1998.

It wasn't long ago, Mr. Speaker, that I had the privilege of inviting Mr. Soderquist to this Chamber to hear his longtime friend Benjamin Netanyahu address a joint session of Congress. I will always remember the warm embrace the Prime Minister gave Don when they met just off the House floor. I join Don's wife, Jo, and his children— Mark, Wendy, Sandie, and Jeff—the 11 grandchildren, and 1 great-grandchild in celebrating his wonderful life.

### WE MUST ACT ON PUBLIC HEALTH CRISES

(Mr. KILDEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.) Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, as my colleagues and I return to Washington this week, I make a simple request: for this body to take up the public health crises that are facing this Nation.

When I am here in Washington, I am sometimes asked by well-meaning people here on Capitol Hill if the Flint water crisis from my hometown is still going on. Back in Flint, there is no doubt—bottled water, filters, blood tests are still going on all the time. This tragedy in Flint continues.

The people I represent back home still can't go to their tap and get water that is safe to drink, a city of 100,000 people. They are not just people who live in Michigan. They are not just Michiganders. They are Americans, too, and they have a right to have the Federal Government act at their moment of greatest need, at this moment of crisis.

Just like aid to Flint, this body needs to act on other crises that are still taking place: the Zika virus, the epidemic of gun violence. People across America have a right to see their Congress act when facing these sorts of challenges.

I call on my colleagues: Please, let's do our job and take up aid to these important efforts.

### OBAMA'S RANSOM PAYMENT

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, last month The Augusta Chronicle, August 4, exposed "The Obama administration . . . has now apparently been caught shipping \$400 million in foreign currency to Tehran—coincidentally at the same time the mullahs released four Americans they'd held hostage.

"Wouldn't you tend to call that 'ransom'?"

The Wall Street Journal reports: "The Obama administration secretly organized an airlift of \$400 million worth of cash to Iran that coincided with the January release of four Americans detained in Tehran . . . Wooden pallets stacked with euros, Swiss francs and other currencies were flown into Iran on an unmarked cargo plane . . . Iranian press reports have quoted Iranian defense officials describing the cash as a ransom payment."

Iran still chants "death to America, death to Israel" with new financing.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and may the President, by his actions, never forget September the 11th in the global war on terrorism.

Our sympathy to the family of Phyllis Schlafly, an American patriot who made a difference for limited government and expanded freedom.

### IANA TRANSITION

(Mrs. BLACKBURN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. BLACKBURN. Mr. Speaker, it is so exciting to have time to be in our district every day and work, listening to our constituents and hearing what is on their mind. I heard a lot about the lack of broadband expansion in rural America and, likewise, I heard a lot about and many questions arose about what in the world is it that the administration is doing trying to give away the Internet. People couldn't believe that.

Of course, we have heard the administration's plan to cede control of this, for ICANN to move away from the Commerce Department, and they have assured us: "Trust us." They have said: "It is all going to be fine." But now we know they are contemplating and involving U.N. control contrary to what had been reported and planned and promised.

The Wall Street Journal, in a recent column, August 28, "An Internet Giveaway to the U.N.," said this: "Authoritarian regimes have already proposed Icann become part of the U.N. to make it easier for them to censor the internet globally." The column also notes: "an independent review within Icann called the organization 'simply not credible'" in its handling of domain name applications.

Think about this: We cannot allow control for Russia or China over U.S. free speech.

### REMEMBERING PHYLLIS SCHLAFLY

(Mr. ROTHFUS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ROTHFUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to reflect on the life and legacy of that relentless patriot Phyllis Schlafly, who died yesterday at the age of 92. We have lost—and Heaven has gained—a great champion of faith, limited constitutional government, and family.

Mrs. Schlafly was dedicated first and foremost to God and to her family. She loved this country and fought for the principles and policies she believed we needed. It was these three loves—love of God, family, and country—that fueled her life's work.

Her organization, Eagle Forum, now has around 80,000 members. Though she had many followers devoted to the principles that make America strong, she faced incredible odds and strong opposition in her many political fights. This did not frighten her, and she simply kept moving forward.

It was not lost on anyone that this pioneer, this lawyer, this mother of six was a strong and independent woman. Mrs. Schlafly's dedication to the unborn and leadership in keeping the Republican platform pro-life is an inspiration to pro-life women and men everywhere.

May she rest in peace, and may God be with her family and friends as they mourn her loss.

### CONGRATULATING GENE SAUERS

September 6, 2016

(Mr. CARTER of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Gene Sauers of Savannah, Georgia, professional golfer, major champion, and survivor of Stevens-Johnson syndrome.

Mr. Sauers began golfing at 9 years old, turned pro 13 years later, and immediately won the Bank of Boston Classic on the PGA tour, beginning his professional career. However, he received devastating news in 2005, when he was diagnosed with a rare disease known as Stevens-Johnson syndrome.

His condition got worse. He stopped playing golf, and his chance of survival reduced to 25 percent. Miraculously, Mr. Sauers fought for survival and picked up his clubs 7 years later. Last month Gene Sauers won his first major championship by winning the U.S. Senior Open at Scioto Country Club in Ohio.

I want to congratulate Mr. Sauers on his major championship victory. His story is one of faith, courage, and strength. We are so very proud of him in Savannah, Georgia.

### HILLARY CLINTON ENDANGERED NATIONAL SECURITY

(Mr. SMITH of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Mr. Speaker, here are just the most recent discoveries in the FBI's notes from interviewing Hillary Clinton:

She tried to wipe clean her private email archive only a few weeks after The New York Times disclosed the existence of her private server.

Clinton says she did not know the "C" mark meant classified information and did not "pay attention to different classification levels." Yet she had signed a binding classified information nondisclosure agreement.

There were 17,448 work-related emails that Clinton did not turn over to the State Department inspector general, despite claiming she had done so.

She sent an email to all State Department employees warning them against using personal email addresses. She never sought approval to conduct State Department business on her own private mail server.

Despite being personally aware of the risk of cybersecurity threats, she continued to use her own unsecure server, endangering national security.

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COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives: OFFICE OF THE CHIEF ADMINISTRA-TIVE OFFICER, HOUSE OF REP-RESENTATIVES,

Washington, DC, August 9, 2016. Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,

Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives that I have been served with a subpoena for documents, issued by the Circuit Court for Howard County, Maryland.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the privileges and rights of the House. Sincerely

Chief Administrative Officer.

PHIL KIKO.

### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

> OFFICE OF THE CLERK, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

Washington, DC, August 29, 2016.

PAUL D. RYAN, Speaker, House of Representatives,

Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives that I have been served with a subpoena for documents, issued by the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida. After consultation with the Office of Gen-

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the privileges and rights of the House. Sincerely.

KAREN L. HAAS,

Clerk.

### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 4 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 17 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. RIGELL) at 4 o'clock and 1 minute p.m.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote incurs objection under clause 6 of rule XX.

Record votes on postponed questions will be taken later.

GOLD STAR FAMILIES VOICES ACT Mr. HARPER. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4511) to amend the Veterans' Oral History Project Act to allow the collection of video and audio recordings of biographical histories by immediate family members of members of the Armed Forces who died as a result of their service during a period of war.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

### H.R. 4511

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Gold Star Families Voices Act".

SEC. 2. COLLECTION OF VIDEO AND AUDIO RE-CORDINGS OF BIOGRAPHICAL HIS-TORIES BY IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS OF MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES WHO DIED AS A RE-SULT OF THEIR SERVICE DURING A PERIOD OF WAR.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (1) of section 3(a) of the Veterans' Oral History Project Act (20 U.S.C. 2142(a)(1)) is amended to read as follows:

``(1) to collect video and audio recordings of—

"(A) personal histories and testimonials of veterans of the Armed Forces who served during a period of war; and

"(B) biographical histories by immediate family members of members of the Armed Forces who became missing in action or died as a result of their service during a period of war;".

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 3 of the Veterans' Oral History Project Act (20 U.S.C. 2142) is further amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(d) DEFINITION OF IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER.—For purposes of subsection (a), the term 'immediate family member' means a parent, spouse, sibling, or child.".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Mississippi (Mr. HARPER) and the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. ESTY) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Mississippi.

### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. HARPER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and to include extraneous material in the RECORD on the consideration of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Mississippi?

There was no objection.

Mr. HARPER. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 4511, the Gold Star Families Voices Act.

The Gold Star Families Voices Act expands the Library of Congress' Veterans History Project that was created by Congress in the year 2000. Now in its 16th year, the Veterans History Project carries out the mission to collect, preserve, and make accessible America's war veterans' accounts of events that occurred during our Nation's military conflicts. These recordings are publicly available so that we may all benefit from their experience as well as offer future generations a valuable tool to learn and better understand the realities of war.

Over the years, the Veterans History Project has collected, recorded interviews, as well as memoirs and original photographs, letters, maps, and other documents noting the historical events from conflicts dating back to World War I to recent conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan. In February of this year, the project collected their 100,000 veteran account.

Currently, Veterans History Project submissions are limited to firsthand veterans' accounts. Because of this, the project unintentionally does not collect accounts and histories of servicemembers who did not return from action

Championed by Representative CHRIS SMITH of New Jersey's Fourth District, this bill will make an important update, allowing the immediate family members of veterans who died as a result of their wartime service or were missing in action to provide stories on behalf of their relatives.

The measure before us was reported unanimously out of the Committee on House Administration and has received the support of American Gold Star Mothers, Inc., a group of mothers who have lost a son or daughter while they served on behalf of their country.

Stemming from World War I, the families displayed a flag with a blue star to represent each immediate family member who was serving in the Armed Forces. Those whose immediate family members died while serving in the war replaced those blue stars with a gold star to honor their loved one's sacrifice while they were defending our Nation and the cause of freedom.

Following World War I, a group of mothers banded together in their grief and formed the American Gold Star Mothers in 1928. Their organization has expanded nationally, and other groups have formed to support Gold Star Families and Gold Star Spouses.

Our Armed Forces and Nation as a whole recognizes not only the fallen men and women who don the uniform and stand in defense of our democracy and liberty, but together, we also honor the families of those brave men and women who have given so much of themselves to our Nation.

It is also fitting that the House consider passage of this bill honoring the memory of those fallen during the month of September. While we keep those that serve and have served, as well as their families, in our hearts each and every day, our Nation also annually observes the last Sunday of September as Gold Star Mothers and Gold Star Families Day.

Honoring their sacrifice is just one reason why it is important to update the Veterans History Project to include voices of those fallen through our Gold Star families.

Our Gold Star families will be able to tell our Nation about their family member's individual experiences and path that led them to answer the call

to service within our Nation's military branches. These family members will be able to tell us the stories that their loved ones sent home through a letter or a phone call describing their experiences and daily life while serving.

So many brave men and women have stood up and responded each time our Nation called, and so many more made the ultimate sacrifice. Preserving the legacies of all those who have contributed to our Nation's defense is a cornerstone of what it means to be an American. As a country, we are continually strengthened because of the legacies our servicemembers left behind for future generations.

This important addition will only enhance the Veterans History Project, the Library of Congress' overall mission, and the countless current and future individuals who will benefit from access to these cherished memories, as well as our servicemen and -women's sobering accounts discussing the price of war.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. ESTY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 4511, Gold Star Families Voices Act.

I would like to thank my friend, Congressman CHRIS SMITH, for his leadership on many veterans' issues and in support of military families, and my friend, Congressman HARPER, for his help today in ensuring that we pass this important bill to recognize Gold Star families.

Not long after I was sworn into office, I went to a Memorial Day breakfast in Waterbury, Connecticut, home of many veterans. Every year, they have a Gold Star Families breakfast. At that breakfast, I met a number of families, some who lost loved ones 50 years ago and still carry in their hearts every day the pain of that loss.

One of the people I met was Joe Nolan. Joe served proudly in Vietnam. His son, a gifted linguist—in 1999, a college graduate—snuck off to a recruiting station in Philadelphia and signed up to serve. Remember, this is prior to 9/11. He felt that call, like his father had. He served. Tragically, bravely, he lost his life in the Battle of Fallujah in 2004 defending this country.

Joe came to me and said: "You know, Elizabeth, we have this wonderful program for Gold Star Mothers, but I am a dad. And I miss my son every day."

That is why I joined with colleagues in this Chamber and we reintroduced the Gold Star Fathers Act, which the President signed into law, to recognize that fathers and mothers of sons and daughters bleed and cry when their children are lost.

So today we have an opportunity to recognize some of those families. One of them is Mary Kight. Mary Kight, also from Waterbury, Connecticut, is the proud head of the Gold Star Mothers organization in Connecticut. Her son, Michael, was a helicopter pilot. He

flew a Huey in Vietnam. She was devastated when he died, and particularly hurt because it was such a difficult time in the war. She said she felt like her son's sacrifice meant nothing.

Our Nation's commitment—what we are doing today to recognize her son and give her the opportunity to tell her story—is so important. She has come to embrace the Gold Star Families organization. It has helped her and others to celebrate the lives of their loved ones. Actually, last year she went up in a Huey. She went up in a Huey, much as she does not like to fly, but she thought about her son Michael, and she was quoted as saying, "I felt closer to him." He died while trying to evacuate wounded soldiers on the battlefield in Vietnam.

Stephen Reich, also another proud son of my district—another helicopter pilot—lost his life in 2005. He was attempting to extract a SEAL team and died in Afghanistan.

These are only three families of the tens of thousands in this country. Their sacrifice, as much or more than anyone else, deserves to be recorded in the Library of Congress to remind us of the price of freedom, to remind us that we owe them a debt of gratitude.

I am sure my friend, Congressman HARPER, like myself, have conducted some of these Veterans History Project interviews. They are really meaningful and they are really important. The history of this country is not only about Presidents and generals and admirals. It is written in the blood of the men and women who served this country, and especially those who never returned.

So I am delighted today to join with colleagues and urge all my colleagues to join in not only supporting this legislation, but to make a commitment to go out and find those Gold Star families in your district and make sure they have the opportunity to tell their loved one's story as part of this country's great history.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. HARPER. Mr. Speaker, I yield 4 minutes to the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. SMITH).

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank my good friend, Mr. HARPER, and Ms. ESTY for their strong support for the bill. Ms. ESTY is one of the cosponsors of the bill. I also want to thank Chairwoman MILLER for her leadership and good work in shepherding this important bill through the committee and Ranking Member BRADY for his support of the initiative.

I also appreciate the work of the committee staff, including Brad Walvort and Bob Sensenbrenner, and my legislative director, Cate Benedetti, and especially Majority Leader McCARTHY and Kelly Dixon for posting the bill for consideration this afternoon.

I do rise in strong support and urge my colleagues to support the Gold Star

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Families Voices Act, legislation designed to ensure that immediate family members of servicemembers who are killed or missing in action or have died as a result of their service participate in the Library of Congress' Veterans History Project.

Congress created the project, as Mr. HARPER pointed out, to collect and catalog stories of American war veterans. We did this in 2000 to help preserve their memories so that current and future generations may hear and better appreciate the realities of war and the sacrifices borne by those who served in uniform.

The project is designed to turn their memories into our history to memorialize the lives of heroes whose selfless sacrifice has contributed, and continues to contribute, to our freedom and liberty and our collective understanding of who we are as a Nation.

It has been a great success. In fact, earlier this year, the Library announced that it reached a milestone, with 100,000 veteran stories archived. There are now more than 100,000 testimonies of veterans who served in military engagements since World War I in our permanent record.

However, conspicuously missing from the rich project's history are the veterans who made the ultimate sacrifice. Currently—which this bill will correct—the project accepts only firsthand accounts of living veterans, unintentionally leaving out the men and women who did not return from the battlefield and can no longer speak for themselves.

Mr. Speaker, this issue was first brought to my attention by Vietnam veteran Terry Fearon and the New Jersey Gold Star Mothers organization. Its president, Judi Tapper, the proud mother of Petty Officer First Class David Tapper, a Navy SEAL who was killed in Afghanistan on August 20, 2003, recently told me: "Never in history has there been a forum to replace our heroes' silenced voices."

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Enactment of this bill will help change that. It will ensure we record and remember the lives and sacrifices of all who have served by providing family members the opportunity to create a lasting narrative and living record of their fallen loved ones.

This bill is endorsed by the national organization known as the American Gold Star Mothers, whose second vice president, Becky Christmas, said:

The legislation gives our family, our children, a voice that they no longer have. The Gold Star Families Voices Act will ensure that the experiences and lives of all veterans, including our sons and daughters who fought and died for our country, are remembered, honored and preserved.

Mr. Speaker, during my quarter of a century of service on the House Veterans' Affairs Committee, and as we crafted this bill, I have had the great privilege of working with the Gold Star Mothers. They are an incredibly inspiring, committed, and dedicated group of women who have worked tirelessly and successfully to bring about meaningful change to better the lives of servicemembers, veterans, and their families.

So I urge my colleagues to pass this bill and honor the men and women who gave "the last full measure of devotion" in the service of our Nation by allowing their family members to tell their stories, so that all Americans can hear, appreciate, remember, and honor these patriots.

Mr. HARPER. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. ESTY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I ask my colleagues—urge them—to pass this bill. It is important that we understand the realities of war.

This past weekend, many of us participated in parades, earlier this year in the Memorial Day parade, later this year in the Veterans Day parade. But war is not just about parades. War is also about sacrifice, and the Gold Star families know that better than anyone else.

This bill gives us the opportunity to let Joe Nolan speak for his son, Joe; to let Mary Kight speak for her son, Michael; to let Ray and Sue Reich speak for their son, Stephen; and for tens of thousands of Americans to speak for their sons and daughters, to do what everyone in combat asks us when they come home, or if they do not: Don't forget us; please, remember.

This bill is a way of honoring that request of everyone who wears the uniform. Make sure that we remember them and that we honor them.

I am proud to cosponsor this bill, and I am very grateful to my colleagues for their support.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. HARPER. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, it is indeed an honor to stand here today in support of this legislation. The inclusion of these accounts from the loved ones of those who have given their lives in service to our Nation will only enrich the Library's Veterans History Project and our Nation's narrative memorializing those who have served. The Veterans History Project has provided a wonderful opportunity to pay tribute to our Nation's veterans, ensuring that their actions and legacies live on for many generations to come.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of H.R. 4511, the "Gold Star Families Voices Act," which allows Gold Star families to submit to the Veterans History Project recordings of biological histories of a service member who was killed in action.

Gold Star family members are defined by law as parents, spouses, siblings, or children of members of the Armed Forces who died while serving their country.

Current law only allows the personal histories and testimonials from veterans themselves be included in the Veterans History Project archive, which excludes the biographies of veterans who were killed in action during war.

Since its passing in 2000, the Veterans History Project has collected the oral history records of over 100,000 veterans who have served in armed conflicts since World War I.

Extending the opportunity to participate in the Veterans History Project to Gold Star families would result in nearly 1,000 new collections for the Project.

These veterans sacrificed more than can be imagined in order to protect the freedoms and rights that we take for granted every day.

Not only did these veterans miss birthdays, anniversaries, and many other holidays to defend the country they loved, but the veterans of these Gold Star families made the ultimate sacrifice by giving what President Lincoln called the "last full measure of devotion" so that their nation might remain free.

These brave souls left behind relatives, friends, and loved ones who continue on with memories of the loved and lost to comfort them and, in Lincoln's words, "the solemn pride that is theirs in having laid so costly a sacrifice on the altar of freedom."

This legislation provides Gold Star families a voice.

H.R. 4511 gives Gold Star families the opportunity to share that pride with the nation by telling the story of their fallen loved ones and in doing so ensure these heroes live on not only in the memories of family members but also in the national memory through the Veteran's History Project.

I ask all Members to join me in supporting H.R. 4511, the Gold Star Families Voices Act.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Mississippi (Mr. HARPER) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4511.

The question was taken; and (twothirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

### SURVIVORS' BILL OF RIGHTS ACT OF 2016

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 5578) to establish certain rights for sexual assault survivors, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

### H.R. 5578

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Survivors' Bill of Rights Act of 2016''.

SEC. 2. SEXUAL ASSAULT SURVIVORS' RIGHTS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Part II of title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding after chapter 237 the following:

### "CHAPTER 238—SEXUAL ASSAULT SURVIVORS' RIGHTS

"Sec.

"3772. Sexual assault survivors' rights. "§ 3772. Sexual assault survivors' rights

"(a) RIGHTS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT SUR-VIVORS.—In addition to those rights provided in section 3771, a sexual assault survivor has the following rights:

"(1) The right not to be prevented from, or charged for, receiving a medical forensic examination.

"(2) The right to-

"(A) subject to paragraph (3), have a sexual assault evidence collection kit or its probative contents preserved, without charge, for the duration of the maximum applicable statute of limitations or 20 years, whichever is shorter;

"(B) be informed of any result of a sexual assault evidence collection kit, including a DNA profile match, toxicology report, or other information collected as part of a medical forensic examination, if such disclosure would not impede or compromise an ongoing investigation; and

"(C) be informed in writing of policies governing the collection and preservation of a sexual assault evidence collection kit.

"(3) The right to—

"(A) upon written request, receive written notification from the appropriate official with custody not later than 60 days before the date of the intended destruction or disposal; and

"(B) upon written request, be granted further preservation of the kit or its probative contents.

``(4) The right to be informed of the rights under this subsection.

"(b) APPLICABILITY.—Subsections (b) through (f) of section 3771 shall apply to sexual assault survivors.

"(c) DEFINITION OF SEXUAL ASSAULT.—In this section, the term 'sexual assault' means any nonconsensual sexual act proscribed by Federal, tribal, or State law, including when the victim lacks capacity to consent.

"(d) FUNDING.—This section, other than paragraphs (2)(A) and (3)(B) of subsection (a), shall be carried out using funds made available under section 1402(d)(3)(A)(1) of the Victims of Crime Act of 1984 (42 U.S.C. 10601(d)(3)(A)(i)). No additional funds are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section.".

(b) TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING AMEND-MENT.—The table of chapters for part II of title 18, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

### "238. Sexual assault survivors' rights 3772".

(c) AMENDMENT TO VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT OF 1984.—Section 1402(d)(3)(A)(i) of the Victims of Crime Act of 1984 (42 U.S.C. 10601(d)(3)(A)(i) is amended by inserting after "section 3771" the following: "or section 3772, as it relates to direct services,".

### SEC. 3. SEXUAL ASSAULT SURVIVORS' NOTIFICA-TION GRANTS.

The Victims of Crime Act of 1984 is amended by adding after section 1404E (42 U.S.C. 10603e) the following:

#### "SEC. 1404F. SEXUAL ASSAULT SURVIVORS' NOTI-FICATION GRANTS.

"(a) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General may make grants as provided in section 1404(c)(1)(A) to States to develop and disseminate to entities described in subsection (c)(1) of this section written notice of applicable rights and policies for sexual assault survivors.

"(b) NOTIFICATION OF RIGHTS.—Each recipient of a grant awarded under subsection (a) shall make its best effort to ensure that each entity described in subsection (c)(1) provides individuals who identify as a survivor of a sexual assault, and who consent to receiving such information, with written notice of applicable rights and policies regarding—

"(1) the right not to be charged fees for or otherwise prevented from pursuing a sexual assault evidence collection kit;

"(2) the right to have a sexual assault medical forensic examination regardless of whether the survivor reports to or cooperates with law enforcement;

"(3) the availability of a sexual assault advocate;

"(4) the availability of protective orders and policies related to their enforcement;

"(5) policies regarding the storage, preservation, and disposal of sexual assault evidence collection kits:

"(6) the process, if any, to request preservation of sexual assault evidence collection kits or the probative evidence from such kits; and

"(7) the availability of victim compensation and restitution.

"(c) DISSEMINATION OF WRITTEN NOTICE.— Each recipient of a grant awarded under subsection (a) shall—

"(1) provide the written notice described in subsection (b) to medical centers, hospitals, forensic examiners, sexual assault service providers, State and local law enforcement agencies, and any other State agency or department reasonably likely to serve sexual assault survivors; and

"(2) make the written notice described in subsection (b) publicly available on the Internet website of the attorney general of the State.

"(d) PROVISION TO PROMOTE COMPLIANCE.— The Attorney General may provide such technical assistance and guidance as necessary to help recipients meet the requirements of this section.

"(e) INTEGRATION OF SYSTEMS.—Any system developed and implemented under this section may be integrated with an existing case management system operated by the recipient of the grant if the system meets the requirements listed in this section.".

SEC. 4. WORKING GROUP.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General, in consultation with the Secretary of Health and Human Services (referred to in this section as the "Secretary"), shall establish a joint working group (referred to in this section as the "Working Group") to develop, coordinate, and disseminate best practices regarding the care and treatment of sexual assault survivors and the preservation of forensic evidence.

(b) CONSULTATION WITH STAKEHOLDERS.— The Working Group shall consult with—

(1) stakeholders in law enforcement, prosecution, forensic laboratory, counseling, forensic examiner, medical facility, and medical provider communities; and

(2) representatives of not less than 3 entities with demonstrated expertise in sexual assault prevention, sexual assault advocacy, or representation of sexual assault victims, of which not less than 1 representative shall be a sexual assault victim.

(c) MEMBERSHIP.—The Working Group shall be composed of governmental or nongovernmental agency heads at the discretion of the Attorney General, in consultation with the Secretary.

(d) DUTIES.—The Working Group shall—

(1) develop recommendations for improving the coordination of the dissemination and implementation of best practices and protocols regarding the care and treatment of sexual assault survivors and the preservation of evidence to hospital administrators, physicians, forensic examiners, and other medical associations and leaders in the medical community:

(2) encourage, where appropriate, the adoption and implementation of best practices and protocols regarding the care and treatment of sexual assault survivors and the preservation of evidence among hospital administrators, physicians, forensic examiners, and other medical associations and leaders in the medical community;

(3) develop recommendations to promote the coordination of the dissemination and

implementation of best practices regarding the care and treatment of sexual assault survivors and the preservation of evidence to State attorneys general, United States attorneys, heads of State law enforcement agencies, forensic laboratory directors and managers, and other leaders in the law enforcement community;

(4) develop and implement, where practicable, incentives to encourage the adoption or implementation of best practices regarding the care and treatment of sexual assault survivors and the preservation of evidence among State attorneys general, United States attorneys, heads of State law enforcement agencies, forensic laboratory directors and managers, and other leaders in the law enforcement community;

(5) collect feedback from stakeholders, practitioners, and leadership throughout the Federal and State law enforcement, victim services, forensic science practitioner, and health care communities to inform development of future best practices or clinical guidelines regarding the care and treatment of sexual assault survivors; and

(6) perform other activities, such as activities relating to development, dissemination, outreach, engagement, or training associated with advancing victim-centered care for sexual assault survivors.

(e) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Working Group shall submit to the Attorney General, the Secretary, and Congress a report containing the findings and recommended actions of the Working Group.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. GOODLATTE) and the gentlewoman from California (Ms. LOF-GREN) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Virginia.

### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous materials on H.R. 5578, currently under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Virginia?

There was no objection.

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

This summer, the harrowing account of the Stanford rape victim sparked outrage across the United States and around the globe. The survivor's letter documented in graphic and painstaking detail the complicated, emotional, and overwhelming process facing victims of sexual assault.

In her letter, the victim writes:

"The next thing I remember I was in a gurney in a hallway. I had dried blood and bandages on the backs of my hands and elbow. I thought maybe I had fallen and was in an admin office on campus... Then, I felt pine needles scratching the back of my neck and started pulling them out of my hair. I thought maybe, the pine needles had fallen from a tree onto my head. My brain was talking my gut into not collapsing. Because my gut was saying, help me, help me. "I shuffled from room to room with a blanket wrapped around me, pine needles trailing behind me, I left a little pile in every room I sat in. I was asked to sign papers that said 'Rape Victim' and I thought something has really happened. My clothes were confiscated and I stood naked while the nurses held a ruler to various abrasions on my body and photographed them. The three of us worked to comb the pine needles out of my hair."

The letter goes on to describe the rest of the forensic exam, her feelings about what happened to her, and her day in court. Her vivid and breathtaking account captured the national spotlight.

Unfortunately, she is but one of many who have to go through this ordeal, but what is abundantly clear from this account is the trauma and difficulty sexual assault victims face from the moment they are assaulted.

The Survivors' Bill of Rights Act of 2016 makes much-needed additions to Federal law to give victims of sexual assault additional rights in seeking justice and recovering from their experiences.

These additional rights include the right to not be prevented from accessing a medical forensic exam, the right not to be charged for that exam, and the right to know about the results of that exam. Furthermore, the bill requires that the medical exam be preserved throughout the length of the statute of limitations. Additionally, the bill requires that the government provide notice to the victim when it intends to dispose of the collection kit.

I continue to be deeply troubled by the number of untested rape kits that remain in this country, despite the Judiciary Committee's work to increase funding for rape kit testing to reduce this backlog. Nevertheless, these additional rights related to medical exams will ensure that forensic medical kits will, at the very least, be preserved for the length of the statute of limitations, and victims will have notice so they can contest the destruction of those kits.

This bill also clarifies that, under existing law, the Justice Department may make discretionary grants from the Crime Victims Fund to States to use those grants to notify victims of existing rights under State law. While this bill does much to address the rights of sexual assault victims under Federal law, States have different sets of applicable victims' rights that are particular to the State. This provision will ensure that victims will know what rights they have in their particular States.

I want to thank the gentlewoman from California (Mrs. MIMI WALTERS) and the gentlewoman from California (Ms. LOFGREN) for their leadership on this very important piece of legislation.

I urge passage of this legislation, and I reserve the balance of my time.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE, Washington, DC, September 6, 2016. Hon. BOB GOODLATTE,

Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary, Washington, DC.

DEAR CHAIRMAN GOODLATTE: I write in regard to H.R. 5578, Survivors' Bill of Rights Act of 2016, which was recently ordered to be reported by the Committee on the Judiciary. As you are aware, the bill also was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce. I wanted to notify you that the Committee on Energy and Commerce will forgo action on H.R. 5578 so that it may proceed expeditiously to the House floor for consideration.

This is done with the understanding that the Committee on Energy and Commerce's jurisdictional interests over this and similar legislation are in no way diminished or altered. In addition, the Committee reserves the right to seek conferees on H.R. 5578 and requests your support when such a request is made.

I would appreciate your response confirming this understanding with respect to H.R. 5578 and ask that a copy of our exchange of letters on this matter be included in the Congressional Record during consideration of the bill on the House floor. Sincerely,

FRED UPTON, Chairman.

### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY, Washington, DC, September 6, 2016.

Hon. FRED UPTON, Chairman, Committee on Energy and Commerce,

Washington, DC. DEAR CHAIRMAN UPTON: Thank you for your letter regarding H.R. 5578, the "Survivors" Bill of Rights Act of 2016," which the Judiciary Committee ordered reported favorably to the House on July 18, 2016,

I am most appreciative of your decision to forego formal consideration of H.R. 5578 so that it may proceed to the House floor. I acknowledge that although you are waving formal consideration of the bill, the Committee on Energy and Commerce is in no way waiving its jurisdiction over the subject matter contained in those provisions in the bill that fall within your Rule X jurisdiction. In addition, I would support your effort to seek appointment of an appropriate number of conferees on any House-Senate conference involving this legislation.

Finally, I am pleased to include this letter and your letter in the Congressional Record during floor consideration of H.R. 5578, Sincerely.

#### BOB GOODLATTE. Chairman

Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, passing the Survivors' Bill of Rights Act is an important step in enacting protections and ensuring access to justice for many Americans who are survivors of sexual assault.

In May, just this last May, I found myself meeting with Amanda Nguyen, Lara McLeod, and Marisa Ferri and their friends in my office as part of Assault Awareness Month. They had asked to meet with me, as the senior woman on the Judiciary Committee, and then they told me I was the first actual Member of Congress whom they had been able to meet with.

When I did listen to them, this is what I heard:

Amanda Nguyen told me about her rape, that every 6 months she was faced with the choice of reliving her past trauma or having the State of Massachusetts destroy essential evidence that would assist in the prosecution of her rapist: her medical forensic examination, or rape kit.

When Amanda sought information on how to prevent her rape kit from being destroyed, police provided conflicting information. She was even told at one point that the kit would be stored indefinitely, which was not correct. She then had to go back and forth between police and State lab techs trying to locate her kit. And even when she found it and got the extension on storing it, the technicians moved her kit without telling her, and she now has to file an extension every 6 months just to preserve the evidence.

I listened to Marisa Ferri tell me that she thought her rape would be the most traumatic experience of her life, but what she found out was that even more traumatic, according to her, was the way she was further victimized by the system after being raped. When Marisa went to the hospital to seek medical treatment and requested a forensic exam, she was prevented from doing so until after she spoke with the detective.

She asked if the interview could wait until the volunteer from the Rape Crisis Center arrived, but was told that she had to be interviewed then if she wanted to press charges. Alone and confused, Marisa underwent nearly hours of questioning by a detective who tried to discourage her from filing a report and blamed her, according to Marisa, for her own rape.

Marisa is, unfortunately, not alone in being misinformed about her rights, and being interrogated instead of being allowed the opportunity to undergo a rape kit procedure in an expedient manner and to ensure the maximum effectiveness that the evidence has been collected.

Marisa endured 6 weeks of repeated questioning by the detective about her behavior on the night of the rape. At times, she said she felt like she was the one under investigation.

Initially, her case was closed without the rape kit being tested. It was only after she filed a formal complaint that the case was reopened more than a year later and the rape kit was tested. Many survivors would have given up on a system that had failed them as much as the system failed her and would not have pursued reopening their closed case.

Lara McLeod suffered through further victimization after sexual assault. She reports that, at 19 years of age, she was raped by her sister's fiance, but she did not want to report the crime. Instead, her family, who she told about her sexual assault, informed the police, and she was told to go to the station for a formal interview.

After a cursory investigation, she reports that the police accused her of lying about the rape and arrested her.

Her sister was charged with obstructing justice for aiding Lara's alleged deceit. The false charge against Lara and her sister were eventually expunged, but not before damage to reputation and her sister's savings being spent on dismissing the charges and, worse yet, her sister being denied full custody of her infant son because of the charge against her, which ultimately resulted in this son dying while in the custody of Lara's rapist.

I mention these terrifying stories because that is what this bill is all about. It is also about the power of individuals to change the law. After I heard their stories, within 2 hours, I talked to Judiciary Committee Chairman GOODLATTE on the House floor and told him about these stories.

To his credit, Chairman GOODLATTE immediately contacted his staff to make sure that we could work together on this bill. Only 2 short months later, the Judiciary Committee unanimously approved this legislation. The House version includes a small improvement on the text passed by the Senate; and it is my hope that, after passage in the House, the Senate will also approve this version so it can be sent to President Obama for his signature.

I want to thank all the members of the Judiciary Committee for their action. But even more, I want to thank the courageous victims of rape who formed the group RISE, who did rise and who exerted their power to take control of this situation, who would not accept being victimized but, instead, decided to take their trauma and change the law so that other victims will have more power than they had. The congratulations go to them.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

### $\Box$ 1630

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, it is now my great pleasure to yield 4 minutes to the gentlewoman from California (Mrs. MIMI WALTERS), the chief sponsor of this legislation and a member of the Judiciary Committee.

Mrs. MIMI WALTERS of California. Mr. Speaker, under current law, basic rights that protect survivors of sexual assault and allow them full access to justice vary greatly between each State and Federal statute. The uneven patchwork of laws across this country and the lack of substantive rights for sexual assault survivors prevent them from having full access to the justice system. Survivors of sexual assault have experienced unspeakable trauma, and they should not face unnecessary barriers to justice. These brave survivors deserve commonsense legal protections and clear procedures that ensure access to justice.

This bipartisan legislation will ensure that sexual assault survivors in Federal criminal cases have a right to a sexual assault evidence collection kit, a right to be notified in writing before the kit is destroyed, a right to request preservation of the kit, and a

right to be informed of important results from a forensic examination.

This legislation is so important because it ensures these rights in the Federal criminal justice system and, furthermore, it will set an example for States to adopt similar procedures and practices.

Additionally, this legislation will establish a joint working group formed by the Attorney General and the Department of Health and Human Services on best practices regarding the care and treatment of sexual assault survivors and the preservation of forensic evidence. It will also make the Victims of Crimes Act grant funding available for States to disseminate written notice of survivors' rights. The Senate has unanimously passed these reforms, and now we must do our part to ensure that sexual assault survivors have a fair chance at justice.

This legislation, which I have introduced with Ms. LOFGREN, has been endorsed by Rise; the Rape, Abuse & Incest National Network, more commonly known as RAINN; the National Alliance to End Sexual Violence; and the National Center for Victims of Crime, among other groups. I thank these groups, Chairman GOODLATTE, Ms. LOFGREN, and all other cosponsors working to advance the Survivors' Bill of Rights.

I remain committed to ensuring that survivors of sexual assault can secure justice, and I look forward to working with my colleagues to advocate for victims of sexual assault and enact sensible reforms like this bipartisan bill. I encourage my colleagues to support the Survivors' Bill of Rights.

Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time.

Mr. Speaker, I want to celebrate our action today. I know that Lara McLeod and Marisa Ferri are watching this on C-SPAN. Amanda Nguyen is here in the Chamber. I just want to say to them: You are not weak victims. You are strong and powerful actors who turned tragedy into a triumph, and I commend you and honor you for your work.

I thank the gentleman, and I urge all Members to vote for this bill.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume. I just want to thank the gentlewomen from California, Mrs. MIMI WALTERS and Ms. LOFGREN, for their hard work, and the women who have spoken out about their own personal experiences with regard to sexual assaults because without their speaking out, we would not make the kind of progress that we have made in bringing this legislation this far to the floor of the House.

I urge my colleagues to support it. It is important legislation to protect women. It is important legislation to protect our judicial process, and it is important legislation to be sure that people are treated with respect and dignity as they go through this process.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of H.R. 5578, the "Survivors' Bills of Rights Act of 2016."

I am pleased to be an original cosponsor of this measure because this critical bill will eliminate barriers to the law faced by sexual assault survivors.

H.R. 5578 is an important bill intended to provide additional legal protections and support to survivors of the horrific crime of sexual assault.

An estimated 1 out of every 6 women in the United States will be the victim of a sexual assault or attempted sexual assault during their lifetime.

All too often, the victims of sexual abuse are children. According to a 2013 Department of Health and Human Services survey on child maltreatment, child protective service agencies estimated that for the period from 2009 through 2013, an average of 63,000 children were victims of sexual abuse each year.

Despite these statistics, the United States presently lacks standardized procedures for victims of sexual assault to gain full access to justice.

Basic rights and protections for survivors of sexual assault vary from state to state.

Moreover, not a single State gives sexual assault victims the right to require that critical forensic evidence in their case—the sexual assault evidence collection kit, or rape kit—be retained until the statute of limitations on the crime has expired.

As a result, critical evidence can be lost.

The Survivors' Bill of Rights Act will create a federal standard that states can model.

For example, Massachusetts has a 15-year statute of limitations on sexual assaults, but untested rape kits are required to be stored only for six months.

In another example, the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department in North Carolina has destroyed more than 1,000 rape kits since 2000.

This bipartisan legislation would ensure sexual assault survivors in federal criminal cases have certain rights and serve as an example for States to adopt similar practices.

This bill will add to the existing rights for the survivors of sexual assault the following:

The right to not be prevented from, or charged for, receiving a medical forensic exam;

The right to be informed of any result of a sexual assault evidence collection kit;

The right to be informed in writing of policies governing the collection and preservation of their rape kit;

The right to have that rape kit preserved, without charge, for the statutory limitation period or 20 years, whichever is shorter;

The right to receive written notice, no later than sixty days before the intended date, if the government intends to destroy or dispose of their rape kit before the end of the statutory limitation period; and

The right to request, in writing, that their rape kit be preserved, rather than be destroyed or disposed of before the expiration of the statutory limitation period.

This bill also amends Victims of Crime Act to authorize the Attorney General to make grants for the development and dissemination of written notices of applicable rights and policies for sexual assault survivors. September 6, 2016

ceive such grants will provide the notices to sexual assault survivors, as well as to medical facilities, law enforcement agencies, forensic examiners, sexual assault service providers, and other agencies that come in contact with sexual assault survivors.

Finally, this bill would create a working group under the Attorney General, with advice from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, and participation by representatives of sexual assault prevention, advocacy, or victims groups, to develop best practices regarding the care and treatment of sexual assault survivors and the preservation of forensic evidence.

These changes will allow survivors access to vital medical information, improve communication between law enforcement and survivors, ensure survivors have information necessary to monitor aspects of the investigation, and help prevent evidence in their cases being destroyed without their knowledge.

This bill expands and strengthens the rights of survivors of sexual assault, and will help ensure that they are fully and timely informed of, and thus able to meaningfully exercise, those rights.

For these reasons, I support the Survivors' Bill of Rights Act.

I urge my colleagues to support this bill because this important and necessary measure will help ensure that sexual assault survivors are given full access to the justice system.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. GOODLATTE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 5578.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

MAKING TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO UPDATE STATUTORY REF-ERENCES TO TITLE 2, UNITED STATES CODE

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2830) to make technical amendments to update statutory references to certain provisions classified to title 2, United States Code.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 2830

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

### SECTION 1. TITLE 2, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 701(c) of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 (2 U.S.C. 288(c)) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 72a(i))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4301(i))".

(2) Section 716 of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 (2 U.S.C. 288m) is amended by striking "Act of October 1, 1888 (28 Stat. 546; 2 U.S.C. 68)" and inserting "Act of October 2, 1888 (25 Stat. 546; 2 U.S.C. 6503)".

(3) Section 201(g) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 601(g)) is amend-

ed by striking "Act of October 1, 1888 (28 Stat. 546; 2 U.S.C. 68)" and inserting "Act of October 2, 1888 (25 Stat. 546; 2 U.S.C. 6503)".

(4) Section 104(a) of the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 1997 (2 U.S.C. 605(a)) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 111b)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4103)".

(5) Section 1101(a)(2) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2009 (Public Law 111-8, division G, 2 U.S.C. 1824a(a)(2)) is amended as follows:

(A) Subparagraph (A) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 117)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6516)".

(B) Subparagraph (B) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 117e)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 5540)".

(C) Subparagraph (C) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 121f)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 2026)".

(6) Section 104(c) of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1965 (Public Law 88-454, 2 U.S.C. 1927 note) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4507(b))" after "section 106(b) of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1963".

(7) Section 9A(a) of the Act of July 31, 1946 (2 U.S.C. 1966(a)) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 60-1(b))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4101(b))".

(8) Section 2(c) of Public Law 96-444 (2
U.S.C. 2025 note) is amended by striking "(2
U.S.C. 60j)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4507)".

(9) Section 1(e) of Public Law 110–279 (2 U.S.C. 2051(e)) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (1) is amended by striking ''(2 U.S.C. 60q)'' and inserting ''(2 U.S.C. 4505)''.

(B) Paragraph (2)(A) (matter before clause (i)) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 60q(e))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4505(e))".

(C) Paragraph (2)(A)(i) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4505)" after "section 210 of that Act".

(10) Section 312(e) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1992 (2 U.S.C. 2062(e)) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 95b(a))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 5507(a))".

(11) Section 316(a) of the Dire Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Assistance, Food Stamps, Unemployment Compensation Administration, and Other Urgent Needs, and Transfers, and Reducing Funds Budgeted for Military Spending Act of 1990 (2 U.S.C. 2107(a)) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 102a)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4107)".

(12) Section 411(c) of the Capitol Visitor Center Act of 2008 (2 U.S.C. 2251(c)) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 130e)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 2172)".

(13) Section 412 of the Capitol Visitor Center Act of 2008 (2 U.S.C. 2252) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(1) is amended by striking ''(2 U.S.C. 130e)'' and inserting ''(2 U.S.C. 2172)''; and

(B) Subsection (b)(1) is amended by-

(i) striking "section 310(b) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1990 (2 U.S.C. 130e)" and inserting "section 310(b) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1990 (2 U.S.C. 2172(b))"; and

(ii) striking "section 310(a) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1990 (2 U.S.C. 130e)" and inserting "section 310(a) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1990 (2 U.S.C. 2172(a))".

(14) Section 107(b)(4) of the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 1996 (Public Law 104-53, title I, 2 U.S.C. 4131 note) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 123b(g))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4131(g))".

(15) Section 105(a) of the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 1996 (Public Law 104-53, title I, 2 U.S.C. 4301 note) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 72a(b))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4301(b))".
(16) Section 10(a) of the Congressional Op-

(16) Section 10(a) of the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 1999 (2 U.S.C. 4336(a)) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (5) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4301(i))" after "section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946".

(B) Paragraph (6) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4301(j))" after "section 202(j) of such Act".

(17) Section 146 of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2014 (Public Law 113-46, 2 U.S.C. 4501 note) is amended by striking "section 610(a) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 31)" and inserting "section 601(a) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 4501)".

(18) Section 802 of the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 (Public Law 112-240, 2 U.S.C. 4501 note) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 31)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4501)".

(19) Section 1 of Public Law 111-165 (2
 U.S.C. 4501 note) is amended by striking "(2
 U.S.C. 31)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4501)".

(20) Section 103 of division J of the Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009 (Public Law 111-8, 2 U.S.C. 4501 note) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 31(2))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4501(2))"

(21) Section 115 of the Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2007 (Public Law 109–289, division B, 2 U.S.C. 4501 note) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 31)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4501(2))".

(22) Section 7(a) of the Emergency Unemployment Compensation Amendments of 1993 (Public Law 103-6, 2 U.S.C. 4501 note) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 31(2))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4501(2))".

(23) Section 106 of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1963 (2 U.S.C. 4507) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(1)(A) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 74b)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6538)".

(B) Subsection (b)(2) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4571)" after "section 4 of the Federal Pay Comparability Act of 1970".

(C) Subsection (b)(3)(B) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6538)" after "section 244 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946".

(24) Section 310 of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1979 (2 U.S.C. 4508) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4507)" after "section 106 of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act. 1963".

(25) Section 107 of the Congressional Operations Appropriation Act, 1984 (2 U.S.C. 4509) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 60j)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4507)".

(26) Section 107 of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1977 (2 U.S.C. 4572) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4571)" after "section 4 of the Federal Pay Comparability Act of 1970".

(27) Section 105 of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1968 (2 U.S.C. 4575) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (b) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 60j)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4507)".

(B) Subsection (d)(1)(B)(ii) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6314)" after "section 506 of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1973".

(C) Subsection (d)(1)(B)(iv) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6314(b)(2)(A)(iii)" after "section 506(b)(2)(A)(iii) of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1973".

(D) Subsection (d)(1)(C)(ii) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6314)" after "section 506 of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1973".

(E) Subsection (d)(1)(C)(iv) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6314(b)(3))" after "section 506(b)(3) of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1973".

(28) Section 10 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2004 (Public Law 108–83, 2 U.S.C. 4575 note) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 61-1(d)(2))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4575(d)(2))".

(B) Subsection (d)(1) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 61-1(d)(1)(A))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4575(d)(1)(A))"

(29) Section 105 of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1976 (Public Law 94-59, 2 U.S.C. 4575 note) is amended-

(A) by inserting ''(2 U.S.C. 4575(e)(3))" after "section 105(e) of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1968, as amended and modified'

(B) by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4575(e)(3))" after "joint committee employees, referred to in clause (A) of section 105(e)(3) of such Act";

(C) by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4575(e)(3))" after "two employees of the minority policy committee referred to in clause (A) of section 105(e)(3) of such Act"; (D) by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4575(d)(2)(ii)"

after "section 105(d)((2)(ii) of such Act"

(E) by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4575(f)" after "section 105(f) of such Act";

(F) by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4571)" after "section 4 of the Federal Pay Comparability Act of 1970".

(30) Section 4 of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1975 (Public Law 93-371, 2 U.S.C. 4575 note) is amended-

(A) by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4575(e)(3))" after "section 105(e)(3) of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1968, as amended and modified'

(B) by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4575(d)(2)(ii))" (C) by inserting '(2 C.S.C. 1576(d)(2)(1)) after "section 105(d)(2)(ii) of such Act"; and (C) by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4575(f))" after

after "section 105(f) of such Act"

(31) Section 111(a) of the Congressional Operations Appropriation Act, 1978 (Public Law 95-94, title I, 2 U.S.C. 4575 note) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 61-1(d))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4575(d))"

(32) Section 111(d) of the Congressional Operations Appropriation Act, 1978 (Public Law 95-94, title I, 2 U.S.C. 4575 note) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4571)" after "section 4 of the Federal Pay Comparability Act of 1970".

(33) Subsection (a) of Public Law 95-4 (2 U.S.C. 4575 note) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4575(e))" after "section 105(e) of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1968, as amended and modified'

(34) Section 114 of the Congressional Operations Appropriation Act, 1978 (2 U.S.C. 4576) is amended by striking "section 105(d)(2) of the Legislative Appropriations Act of 1968" and inserting "section 105(d)(2) of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1968 (2 U.S.C. 4575(d)(2))

(35) Section 102 of the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 2002 (2 U.S.C. 4579) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (c)(2)(B) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 61-1(d)(2), (e), or (f))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4575(d)(2), (e), (f))"

(B) Subsection (d)(4)(A) is amended by striking "section 104(c) of the Legislative Appropriation Act, 1977 (2 U.S.C. 60c-2a(c))' and inserting "section 104(c) of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1977 (2 U.S.C. 6568(c))'

(C) Subsection (e)(2) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 104a)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4108)

(36) Section 1001(c) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2012 (Public Law 112-74, division G, 2 U.S.C. 4579 note) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 60c-5)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4579)"

(37) Section 5(a) of the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act. 1992 (2 U.S.C. 4581(a)) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 61-1(d)(1))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4575(d)(1))".

(38) Section 105 of the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 1999 (2 U.S.C. 4713) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 104b)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 5535)".

(39) Section 492(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970 (2 U.S.C. 4902(i)) is

amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 88b)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4903)"

(40) Section 112 of the Congressional Operations Appropriation Act, 1984 (Public Law 98-51, title I, 2 U.S.C. 5142 note) is amended by-

(A) inserting "(2 U.S.C. 5142)" after "section 2 of House Resolution 393. Ninetv-fifth Congress, agreed to March 31, 1977, as enacted into permanent law by section 115 of the Congressional Operations Appropriation Act, 1978"; and

(B) inserting "(2 U.S.C. 5103)" after "section 473 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970"

(41) Section 109(b) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2005 (2 U.S.C. 5162(b)) is amended by striking "(2 USC and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 5507(c))" 95b(c))'

(42) Section 112(c) of Public Law 97-51 (2 U.S.C. 5303) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 5302)" 35)"

(43) The 2d paragraph of Public Resolution No. 1 of the 58th Congress, approved November 12, 1903 (2 U.S.C. 5308) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 5307)" after "section fortyseven of the Revised Statutes"

(44) Section 1 of the Act of August 21, 1935 (2 U.S.C. 5324) is amended by striking "(U.S.C., Supp. V, title 2, sec. 92a)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 5323)"

(45) Section 714(d) of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 (2 U.S.C. 5504) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 118)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 5503)"

(46) Section 102 of the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act. 1998 (Public Law 105-55, 2 U.S.C. 5507 note) is amended by-

(A) striking "(2 U S C 123b note)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4131 note)": and

(B) striking "(2 U.S.C. 95b(a))" and inserting ''(2 U.S.C. 5507(a))''

(47) Section 109(c) of the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 1998 (2 U.S.C. 5508) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 95b(a))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 5507(a))"

(48) Section 3(b) of Public Law 111-248 (2 U.S.C. 5521 note) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 84-2)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 5521)".

(49) Section 106(e)(2) of the House of Representatives Administrative Reform Technical Corrections Act (2 U.S.C. 5535(e)(2)) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 104a)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4108)".

(50) Section 102 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2003 (2 U.S.C. 5537) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (c) is amended by striking (2 U.S.C. 95b(a))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 5507(a))''

(B) Subsection (e) is amended by striking "section 103 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2005" and inserting "section 102 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2005 (2 U.S.C. 5538)"

(51) Section 102(c) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2005 (2 U.S.C. 5538(c)) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 95b(a))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 5507(a))". (52) Section 105 of the Legislative Branch

Appropriations Act. 2005 (2 U.S.C. 5545(c)) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(5) is amended by inserting "of this Act" after "section 103(a)"

(B) Subsection (c) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 95b(a)); and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 5507(a))"

(53) Section 106(b) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2004 (2 U.S.C. 5624) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 74d-1 et seq.)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 5622 et seq.)"

(54) Section 1(b)(1) of chapter VIII of title I of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1987 (2 U.S.C. 6136(b)(1)) is amended by strik-"(2 USC 31a-2)" and inserting ··(2 ing U.S.C. 6135)

(55) Section 195(a) of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1985 (2 U.S.C. 6157(a)) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 61g-6)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6155)"

(56) Section 105 of the Second Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1978 (2 U.S.C. 6311) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (b)(2) is amended by-

(i) striking "(2 U.S.C. 61-1(d))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4575(d))"; and

(ii) inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4575(d)(1)(B))" after "section 105(d)(1)(B) of such Act"

(B) Subsection (c) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 58)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6314(e))"

(C) Subsection (d)(1) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6314)" after "section 506 of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1973".

(D) Subsection (d)(2) is amended by

(i) inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6314)" after "section 506 of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1973'':

(ii) inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6314(c))" after "section 506(c) of such Act"; and

(iii) inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6314)" after "such section 506".

(57) Section 506(b) of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1973 (2 U.S.C. 6314(b)) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (2)(A)(ii) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4575(d))" after "section 105(d) of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1968'

(B) Paragraph (2)(A)(iv) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4575(d))" after "section 105(d) of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act. 1968"

(C) Paragraph (3)(A)(ii) is amended by in-serting "(2 U.S.C. 4575(d))" after "section 105(d) of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act. 1968'

(D) Paragraph (3)(A)(iv) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4575(d))" after "section 105(d) of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act. 1968"

(58) Section 2 of the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 1994 (Public Law 103-69, title I, 2 U.S.C. 6314 note) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 58(b)(3)(A)(iii) and (iv))" and inserting **``(2** U.S.C. 6314(b)(3)(A)(iii), (iv))"

(59) The 7th paragraph under the heading 'ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS'' in the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act. 1957, at 91 Stat. 664 (2 U.S.C. 6513) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 58)" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6314)

(60) Section 4 of the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1975 (Public Law 93-371, 2 U.S.C. 6531 note) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4571)" after "section 4 of the Federal Pay Comparability Act of 1970'

(61) The paragraph under the heading ' AD-MINISTRATIVE PROVISION" in chapter IV of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1972, at 85 Stat. 635 (2 U.S.C. 6533) is amended by striking "First Deficiency Act, fiscal year 1936 (44 Stat. 162; 2 U.S.C. 64a)" and inserting "First Deficiency Act, fiscal year 1926 (2 U.S.C.  $6532)^{3}$ 

(62) The 3d paragraph under the heading "ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS" in the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1973, at 86 Stat. 435 (2 U.S.C. 6566) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4301(i))" after "section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946"

(63) The last sentence in the 16th paragraph under the heading "SENATE." in section 1 of the Act of March 3, 1887, at 24 Stat. 596 (2 U.S.C. 6572), is amended by striking "section 69 of the Revised Statutes of the United States" and inserting "section 69 of the Revised Statutes (2 U.S.C. 4104)".

(64) Section 6 of the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 1990 (Public Law 101-163, title I, 2 U.S.C. 6573 note) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 46a-1)" and inserting '(2 U.S.C. 6573)''.

(65) Section 1 of the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 1995 (Public Law 103-283, title I, 2 U.S.C. 6576 note) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 121d(c))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6576(c))".

(66) Section 1(a) of Public Law 94-226 (2 U.S.C. 6594 note) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4571)" after "section 4 of the Federal Pay Comparability Act of 1970".

(67) Section 1 (matter before paragraph (1)) of Public Law 100-123 (2 U.S.C. 6621) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6621 et seq.)" after "this Act".

(68) Section 2 of Public Law 100-123 (2 U.S.C. 6622) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (b) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6621 et seq.)" after "this Act".

(B) Subsection (e) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6621 et seq.)" after "this Act".

(69) Section 3 of Public Law 100-123 (2 U.S.C. 6623) is amended by inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6621 et seq.)" after "this Act".

### SEC 2. TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 1101(a)(1) of the Ethics Reform Act of 1989 (Public Law 101–194, 5 U.S.C. 5303 note) is amended as follows:

(A) Subparagraph (A) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 31(2))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4501(2))".

(B) Subparagraph (B) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 31(2))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4501(2))".

(C) Subparagraph (C) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 31(2))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4501(2))".

(2) Section 704(a)(2)(B) of the Ethics Reform Act of 1989 (Public Law 101–194, 5 U.S.C. 5318 note) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 31(2))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 4501(2))".

(3) Section 5581(1)(iv) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by striking "section 36a of title 2" and inserting "Chapter I (1st paragraph under the heading 'Payment of Sums Due Deceased Congressional Personnel') of the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1951 (2 U.S.C. 4592)".

### SEC 3. TITLE 39, UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 5 of the Congressional Operations Appropriations Act, 1995 (Public Law 103–283, title I, 39 U.S.C. 3210 note) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 58(b)(3)(A)(iii))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 6314(b)(3)(A)(iii))".

### SEC 4. TITLE 42, UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 303(f)(1)(C) of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (42 U.S.C. 13212(f)(1)(C)) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 57b(a))" and inserting "(2 U.S.C. 5341(a))".

### SEC 5. TITLE 44, UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 725 of title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking "section 105 of title 2" and inserting "provisions of the Acts of October 19, 1888, July 19, 1897, and June 7, 1924, as set out in 2 U.S.C. 4303".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. GOODLATTE) and the gentlewoman from California (Ms. LOF-GREN) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Virginia.

### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H.R. 2830, currently under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Virginia?

There was no objection.

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to bring before the House H.R. 2830, a bill to make technical amendments to update statutory references to certain provisions classified to title 2 of the United States Code.

The Office of the Law Revision Counsel has an ongoing responsibility under section 285b of title 2 of the United States Code to maintain the United States Code and assist the House Judiciary Committee in the revision and codification of Federal statutes.

In order to maintain and improve the United States Code, the Office of the Law Revision Counsel must occasionally undertake editorial reclassification projects to reorganize areas of law that have outgrown their original boundaries, or to eliminate organizational units that are no longer efficient. The office assures us that the decision to transfer provisions in the United States Code is not undertaken lightly. After careful study, the Law Revision Counsel recently identified certain organizational deficiencies in the code that needed to be corrected, and accordingly, undertook the necessary changes.

The purpose of this bill is to update statutory references to laws classified to title 2 of the United States Code. H.R. 2830 will amend these citations to accurately reflect the new location of the corresponding provisions in the U.S. Code in light of the recent editorial reclassification of title 2. I want to thank Ranking Member CONYERS for sponsoring this bill along with me today.

Title 2 of the U.S. Code includes all of the laws governing Congress and the legislative branch. The reorganization of title 2 for the purpose of the online version of the code took place on February 1, 2014.

Because chapters 3 and 4 of title 2 far outgrew their original boundaries, the Office of Law Revision Counsel reorganized these two chapters into 11 new chapters in order to set forth more clearly the provisions related to the House of Representatives and the Senate. No statutory text was altered by the reorganization; the provisions were merely transferred from one place in title 2 to another.

As a result of the reclassification, title 2 now better exhibits the laws governing congressional pay and benefits, ethics, leadership, and administration, just to name a few.

The short-term inconvenience of adjusting to new code citations is greatly outweighed by the benefit of muchneeded long-term improvements in the organizational structure in the United States Code. Further, to eliminate any confusion, the office provides a comprehensive guide to the old and new code citations on its Web site: uscode.house.gov.

With enactment of this legislation, the citations that refer to code sections altered by the reorganization will be updated to reflect the changes made to title 2. For the foregoing reasons, I urge my colleagues to support this important bill.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, as the chairman has indicated, this bill makes technical amendments to title 2 of the U.S. Code in order to update statutory references and was crafted by the House Office of Law Revision Counsel, which is charged with developing and keeping current the United States Code.

This is really an enormous task. On average, Congress passes into law more than 6,900 pages of new public law each year. As that happens, some areas of the law get jammed into the code and become difficult to navigate. So this bill, along with the two that follow, just make it easier to read. It doesn't make any substantive changes whatsoever, and I support this legislation.

Mr. Speaker, I want to thank Chairman GOODLATTE and Ranking Member CONYERS for the work they put in to accomplish this fix.

I yield back the balance of my time. Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentlewoman for her assistance. I urge my colleagues to support this legislation, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. GOODLATTE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2830.

The question was taken; and (twothirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

### MAKING TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO UPDATE STATUTORY REF-ERENCES TO TITLE 50, UNITED STATES CODE

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2831) to make technical amendments to update statutory references to provisions classified to chapters 44, 45, 46, and 47 of title 50, United States Code, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

### The text of the bill is as follows:

### H.R. 2831

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

### SECTION 1. TITLE 3, UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 3 of Public Law 88–277 (3 U.S.C. 102 note) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (f)(1) is amended by striking "section 115(b) of the National Intelligence Reform Act of 2004" and inserting "section 3001(c) of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 (50 U.S.C. 3341(c))".

(B) Subsection (h)(1)(A) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3342(c) and 5 U.S.C. 1101 note)" after "sections 7601(c) and 8403(b) of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004".

### SEC. 2. TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 552(a)(3)(E) (matter before clause (i)) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))".

(2) Section 3(c) of Public Law 105-246 (5 U.S.C. 552 note) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 431)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3141(a))".

(3) Section 2306 of title 5, United States Code, is amended by—

(A) striking "(61 Stat. 495; 50 U.S.C. 403)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3023)";

(B) striking "(63 Stat. 208, 50 U.S.C. 403a and following)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.)"; and

(C) striking "the Act entitled 'An Act to provide certain administrative authorities for the National Security Agency, and for other purposes', approved May 29, 1959 (73 Stat. 63; 50 U.S.C. 402 note)" and inserting "the National Security Agency Act of 1959 (50 U.S.C. 3601 et seq.)".

(4) Section 5373(a) of title 5, United States Code, is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (3) is amended by striking "sections 403a-403c, 403e-403h, and 403j of title 50; or" and inserting "the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 (50 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.)".

(B) Paragraph (4) as enacted by section 10702(c)(3)(C) of Public Law 107-171 (relating to section 2(a)(7) of the Commodity Exchange Act) is renumbered as paragraph (5).

(5) Section 5727(f)(2) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by striking "section 403e(4) of title 50" and inserting "section 4(a)(4) of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 (50 U.S.C. 3505(a)(4))".

(6) Section 5948(g)(1) of title 5, United States Code, is amended as follows:

(A) Subparagraph (F) is amended by striking "section 10 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 (50 U.S.C. 403j)" and inserting "section 8 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 (50 U.S.C. 3510)".

(B) Subparagraph (H) is amended by striking "section 2 of the Act of May 29, 1959 (Public Law 86-36, as amended, 50 U.S.C. 402 note), relating to the National Security Agency" and inserting "chapter 83 of title 10, relating to Civilian Defense Intelligence Employees".

(7) Section 7342(f)(4)(C) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))".

(8) Section 8312(c)(1)(C) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 421)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3121)".
(9) Public Law 98-168 (5 U.S.C. 8331 note) is

amended as follows: (A) Section 203(a)(2)(C) is amended by

striking "the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act of 1964 for Certain Employees (50 U.S.C. 403 note)" and inserting "the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act (50 U.S.C. 2001 et seq.)".

(B) Section 204(a)(3) is amended by striking "section 211 of the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act of 1964 for Certain Employees (50 U.S.C. 403 note)" and inserting "section 211 of the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act (50 U.S.C. 2021)".

(C) Section 204(b) is amended by striking "the second sentence of section 211(a) of the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act of 1964 for Certain Employees (50 U.S.C. 403 note)" and inserting "section 211(a)(2) of the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act (50 U.S.C. 2021(a)(2))".

(D) Section 205(a)(2)(C) is amended by striking "the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act of 1964 for Certain Employees (50 U.S.C. 403 note)" and inserting "the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act (50 U.S.C. 2001 et seq.)".

(10) Section 301(c)(3) of Public Law 97-253 (5 U.S.C. 8340 note) is amended by striking "the

Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1964 for Certain Employees (50 U.S.C. 403 note)" and inserting "the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act (50 U.S.C. 2001 et seq.)".

(11) Section 4(h) of Public Law 98-615 (5 U.S.C. 8341 note) is amended by striking "the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act of 1964 for Certain Employees" and inserting "the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act (50 U.S.C. 2141)".

(12) Section 8351(d)(2)(A) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by striking "50 U.S.C. 403-4 note" and inserting "50 U.S.C. 3505 note".

(13) Section 8432(k)(1) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by striking "50 U.S.C. 403-4 note" and inserting "50 U.S.C. 3505 note".

(14) Section 9904(2) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 403r)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3518)".

**SEC. 3. TITLE 5 APPENDIX, UNITED STATES CODE.** The Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 App. U.S.C.) is amended as follows:

(1) Section 3(d)(3)(A) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))".

(2) Section 8H(a)(1)(D) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3517)" after "section 17 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949".

(3) Section 8H(g)(2) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3106)" after "section 507 of the National Security Act of 1947".

(4) Section 8H(g)(3) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003)".

### SEC. 4. TITLE 6, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 2 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 101) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (9) (matter before subparagraph (A)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(5))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(5))".

(B) Paragraph (9)(B) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4)))".

(2) Section 513 of Public Law 109-295 (6 U.S.C. 111 note) is amended by striking "50 U.S.C. 435b" and inserting "50 U.S.C. 3341".

(3) Section 201(d) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 121(d)) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (1) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 4040)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3056)".

(B) Paragraph (11)(B) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401 et seq.)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3001 et seq.)".

(4) Section 202(d)(1) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 122(d)(1)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4)))".

(5) Section 204 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 124a) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(5))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(5))".

(B) Subsection (b) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(5))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(5))".

(C) Subsection (d)(1)(A) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(5))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(5))".

(6) Section 502(b)(1) of Public Law 110-53 (6 U.S.C. 124a note) is amended by striking "Section 3(5) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 401a(5))" and inserting "section 3(5) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3003(5))".

(7) Section 207(1) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 124d(1)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(5))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(5))".

(8) Section 208 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 124e) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(5))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(5))". (9) Section 210(a) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 124g(a)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(5))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(5)))".

(10) Section 210D(g) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 124k(g)) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (2) (matter before subparagraph (A)) is amended by—

(i) striking ''119(f)(E)'' and inserting ''119(f)(1)(E)''; and

(ii) striking "(50 U.S.C. 4040(f)(E))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3056(f)(1)(E))".

(B) Paragraph (2)(B) is amended by-

(i) striking ''119(f)(E)'' and inserting ''119(f)(1)(E)''; and

(ii) striking "(50 U.S.C. 402 et seq.)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3024(f)(1)(B)(iii) and 3056(f)(1)(E))".

(11) Section 521(d)(1) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 321j(d)(1)) is amended by striking "section 104 of the National Security Act of 1947" and inserting "section 104A of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3036)".

(12) Section 601(c)(1)(B) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 331(c)(1)(B)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))" after "section 3(4) of the National Security Act of 1947".

(13) Section 892(f)(2) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 482(f)(2)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))".

### SEC. 5. TITLE 8, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 101(a)(43)(L) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(43)(L))is amended as follows:

(A) Clause (ii) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 421)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3121)".

(B) Clause (iii) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3121)" after "section 601 of the National Security Act of 1947".

(2) Section 1243(c) of Public Law 110-181 (8 U.S.C. 1157 note) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))".

(3) Section 154 of Public Law 101-649 (8 U.S.C. 1201 note) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (c)(1) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3508)" after "section 7 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949".

(B) Subsection (d) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3508)" after "section 7 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949".

(4) Section 2(5) of Public Law 107-173 (8 U.S.C. 1701(5)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))".

(5) Section 201(c)(3)(F) of Public Law 107-173 (8 U.S.C. 1721(c)(3)(F)) is amended by striking "section 103(c)(7) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 403-3(c)(7))" and inserting "section 102A(i) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3024(i))".

(6) Section 202(b)(5) of Public Law 107–173 (8 U.S.C. 1722(b)(5)) is amended as follows:

(A) Subparagraph (A) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 403–3 note)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3024 note)".

(B) Subparagraph (B) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 403-3 note)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3024 note)".

### SEC. 6. TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 3 (matter before paragraph (1)) of Public Law 99-433 (10 U.S.C. 111 note) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3002)".

(2) Section 812 of Public Law 96-342 (10 U.S.C. 1401a note) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(3) is amended by striking "the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1964 for Certain Employees (50 U.S.C. 403 note)" and inserting "the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act (50 U.S.C. 2001 et seq.)".

(B) Subsection (b)(3) is amended by striking "section 292 of the Central Intelligence

Agency Act of 1964 for Certain Employees (50 U.S.C. 403 note)" and inserting "section 292 of the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act (50 U.S.C. 2141)".

(C) Subsection (b)(4) is amended by striking "the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1964 for Certain Employees (50 U.S.C. 403 note)" and inserting "the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act (50 U.S.C. 2001 et seq.)"

(3) Section 1114(a) of Public Law 111-84 (10 U.S.C. 1601 note) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3001 et seq.)" after "National Security Act of 1947"

(4) Section 1032(c) of Public Law 107-314 (10 U.S.C. 2358 note) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))"

### SEC. 7. TITLE 12, UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 1114(a)(5)(C) of Public Law 95-630 (12 U S C 3414(a)(5)(C)) is amended by-

(1) inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3106)" after "section 507 of the National Security Act of 1947 ': and

(2) striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003)"

### SEC. 8. TITLE 15, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 626(h)(2) of Public Law 90-321 (15 U.S.C. 1681u(h)(2)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3106)" after "section 507 of the National Security Act of 1947'

(2) Section 627(f)(2) of Public Law 90-321 (15 U.S.C. 1681v(f)(2)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 415b)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3106)". SEC. 9. TITLE 18, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 1510(e) of title 18. United States Code, is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. "(50 436(b)(1))" and inserting USC 3162(b)(1))"

(2) Section 2517(6) of title 18. United States Code, is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003)"

(3) Section 3239(2) of title 18, United States Code, is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 421)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3121)"

(4) Section 118(a) of Public Law 109-177 (18 U.S.C. 3511 note) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 436(b))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3162(b))'

#### SEC. 10. TITLE 18 APPENDIX. UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 13(b) of the Classified Information Procedures Act (18 App. U.S.C.) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3106)" after "section 507 of the National Security Act of 1947".

### SEC. 11. TITLE 19. UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 201(a)(2)(B) of Public Law 112-208 (19 U.S.C. 2434 note) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3161 note)" after "national security information)"

### SEC. 12. TITLE 21, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 104(e)(3) of Public Law 108-487 (21 U.S.C. 873 note) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 403-3(d)(1))" and inserting **``(50** U.S.C. 3025(d)(1))'

(2) Section 704(h) of Public Law 105-277 (21 U.S.C. 1703(h)) is amended by-

(A) striking "(50 U.S.C. 401 et seq.)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3001 et seq.)"; and

(B) striking "(50 U.S.C. 403a et seq.)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.)"

(3) Section 705(a)(2)(A) of Public Law 105-277 (21 U.S.C. 1704(a)(2)(A)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401 et seq.)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3001 et seq.)"

### SEC. 13. TITLE 22, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 4(d)(2) of the Act of December 20, 1945 (22 U.S.C. 287b(d)(2)), is amended as follows:

(A) Subparagraph (A)(iv) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 413 et seq.)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.)"

(B) Subparagraph (B)(iv) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 413 et seq.)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.)"

(2) Section 1012(a)(2) of the Act of January 27, 1948 (22 U.S.C. 1442a(a)(2)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))" after "section 3(4) of the National Security Act of 1947

(3) Section 481(b)(2) of Public Law 87-195 (22 U.S.C. 2291(b)(2)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3001 note)" after "Executive Order 12333"

(4) Section 1012(c)(2) of Public Law 103-337 (22 U.S.C. 2291-4(c)(2)) is amended by-

(A) striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003)"; and

(B) inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3106)" after "section 507 of that Act"

(5) Section 502(c) of Public Law 99-83 (22 U.S.C. 2349aa-7(c)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3001 note)" after "Executive Order 12333".

(6) Section 655(b) of Public Law 87-195 (22) U.S.C. 2415(b)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.)" after "title V of the National Security Act of 1947"

(7) Section 1000(a)(7) [div. B, title XI, Sec. 1102(4)] of Public Law 106-113 (22 U.S.C. 2652c note) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))"

(8) Section 1607(2) of Public Law 103-160 (22 U.S.C. 2751 note) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003)".

(9) Section 101(d) [div. A, title V, Sec. 594(d)] of Public Law 105-277 (22 U.S.C. 2753 note) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.)" after "title V of the National Security Act of 1947"

(10) Section 36(a)(10) (matter after subparagraph (B)) of Public Law 90-629 (22 U.S.C. 2776(a)(10)(B) (matter after subparagraph (B))) is amended by striking "50 U.S.C. 413 et ' and inserting "50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.' seq.

(11) Section 38(g)(1)(A)(x) of Public Law 90-629 (22 U.S.C. 2778(g)(1)(A)(x)) is amended by striking "50 U.S.C. 421" and inserting "50 U.S.C. 3121".

(12) Title XIV of Public Law 106-65 (22 U.S.C. 2778 note) is amended as follows:

(A) Section 1411(c) is amended by striking (50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))"

(B) Section 1412(f) is amended by striking (50 U.S.C. 413)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3091)

(13) Section 40(h) of Public Law 90-629 (22 U.S.C. 2780(h)) is amended by striking "50 U.S.C. 413 et seq." and inserting "50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq."

(14) Section 102(b)(2) of Public Law 90-629 (22 U.S.C. 2799aa-1(b)(2)) is amended as follows:

(A) Subparagraph (D)(i) is amended by striking "(relating" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.; relating" after "title V of the National Security Act of 1947".

(B) Subparagraph (G) is amended by striking "(relating" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.; relating" after "title V of the National Security Act of 1947"

(15) Section 106(b) of Public Law 99-399 (22 U.S.C. 4805(b)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3001 note)" after "Executive Order 12333'

(16) Section 832(c) of Public Law 107-306 (22 U.S.C. 4861 note) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3106(d))" after "section 507(d) of the National Security Act of 1947".

(17) Section 3(12) of Public Law 105-292 (22 U.S.C. 6402(12)) is amended by striking "section 101(i) of the National Security Act of 1947, as added by section 301 of this Act" and inserting "section 101(k) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3021(k))"

(18) Section 205(c)(1) of Public Law 111-73 (22 U.S.C. 8425(c)(1)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 413 et seq.)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.)'

(19) Section 101(2)(A) of Public Law 112–158 (22 U.S.C. 8711(2)(A)) is amended by striking (50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))'

(20) Section 303(b)(1) of Public Law 112–158 (22 U.S.C. 8743(b)(1)) is amended as follows:

(A) Subparagraph (D) is amended by striking "50 U.S.C. 413 et seq." and inserting "50  $% 10^{-1}$ U.S.C. 3091 et seq.

(B) Subparagraph (F)(i) is amended by striking "50 U.S.C. 413 et seq." and inserting "50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq."

### SEC. 14. TITLE 26, UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 912(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 912(1)(B)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C., sec. 403e)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3505)"

### SEC. 15. TITLE 28, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 2002(c)(2) of Public Law 108-458 (28 U.S.C. 532 note) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 403-5b)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3040)

(2) Section 501(a) of Public Law 102-183 (28 U.S.C. 532 note) is amended by-

(A) striking "(50 U.S.C. 403j)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3510)"; and

(B) striking "(50 U.S.C. 402 (note))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3614))".

### SEC. 16. TITLE 31, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 311(a)(2) of title 31, United States Code, is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003)"

(2) Section 1031(25) of Public Law 106-65 (31 U.S.C. 1113 note) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 404a)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3043)"

(3) Section 3003(d)(18) of Public Law 104-66 (31 U.S.C. 1113 note) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 404a)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3043)

(4) Section 8105 of Public Law 103-139 (31 U.S.C. 1343 note) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3001 note)" after "Executive Order 12333"

(5) Section 1344(c) of title 31. United States Code, is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3510(a)(1))" after "section 8(a)(1) of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949"

(6) Section 3524 of title 31, United States Code, is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (d)(2) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 403j(b))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3510(b))"

(B) Subsection (e) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 403j(b))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3510(b))'

### SEC. 17. TITLE 41, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 2304(c)(1) of title 41, United States Code, is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3001 note)" after "Executive Order 12333'

(2) Section 4712(f) of title 41, United States Code, is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))".

(3) Section 8302(b)(4) of title 41, United States Code, is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003)". SEC. 18. TITLE 42, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 804(c)(3)(B)(i) of Public Law 110-53 (42 U.S.C. 2000ee-3(c)(3)(B)(i)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401 et seq.)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3001 et seq.)"

(2) Section 934(k) of Public Law 110-140 (42) U.S.C. 17373(k)) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (2) is amended by striking (50 U.S.C. 403-1(i))" and inserting (50 v.s.c.)U.S.C. 3024(i))'

(B) Paragraph (3) is amended by striking "50 U.S.C. 435 note" and inserting "50 U.S.C. 3161 note"

### SEC. 19. TITLE 44, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 2(a)(6) of Public Law 102-526 (44 U.S.C. 2107 note) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3161 note)" after "Executive Order No. 12356"

(2) Section 3511(b) of title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking "operational files as defined by the Central Intelligence Agency Information Act (50 U.S.C. 431 et seq.)" and inserting "operational files as defined by section 701(b) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3141(b))'

### SEC. 20. TITLE 50, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 1000(a)(7) [div. B, title XI, Sec. 1132(b)] of Public Law 106-113 (50 U.S.C. 1526(b)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 413 et seq.)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.)".

(2) Section 12 of Public Law 104-172 (50 U.S.C. 1701 note) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.)" after "title V of the National Security Act of 1947".

(3) Section 404(b)(5) of Public Law 110-261 (50 U.S.C. 1801 note) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3001 note)" after "Executive Order 12333".

(4) Section 701(b)(5) of Public Law 95-511 (50 U.S.C. 1881(b)(5)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))".

(5) Section 801(7) of Public Law 95-511 (50 U.S.C. 1885(7)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))".

(6) Section 806(a)(3) of Public Law 102-183
(50 U.S.C. 1906(a)(3)) is amended by inserting
('(50 U.S.C. 3106)'' after "section 507 of the National Security Act of 1947''.

(7) Section 214(c) of Public Law 94-522 (50 U.S.C. 2001 note) is amended by striking "section 221(a) of the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act of 1964 for Certain Employees, as amended (78 Stat. 1043; 50 U.S.C. 403 note)" and inserting "section 221(a) of the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement Act (50 U.S.C. 2031(a))".

(8) Section 201(c) of Public Law 88-643 (50 U.S.C. 2011(c)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 403-3(c)(1))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3024(i))" after "section 102A(i) of the National Security Act of 1947".

(9) Section 203(e)(2) of Public Law 103-178 (50 U.S.C. 2032 note) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3516(d))" after "Section 16(d) of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949".

(10) Section 295 of Public Law 88-643 (5) U.S.C. 2144) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3518)" after "section 18 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949".

(11) Section 1338(2) of Public Law 107-228 (50 U.S.C. 2357f(2)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 413 et seq.)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.)".

(12) Section 234(d)(2) of Public Law 105-85 (50 U.S.C. 2367(d)(2)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003)".

(13) Section 3281(3) of Public Law 106-65 (50
 U.S.C. 2471(3)) is amended by—

(A) striking "(50 U.S.C. 401 note)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3001 note)"; and

(B) striking "(50 U.S.C. 435 note)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3161 note)".

(14) Subtitle H of Public Law 108-458 (50 U.S.C. 3001 note) is amended as follows:

(A) Section 1091(b) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3025)" after "section 103 of the National Security Act of 1947".

(B) Section 1092(b) is amended by striking "as added by section 1021(a) of this Act" and inserting "as added by section 1021 of this Act (50 U.S.C. 3056(i))".

(C) Section 1097(b)(3) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3024)" after "section 102A of the National Security Act of 1947".

(15) Section 803 of Public Law 108-487 (50 U.S.C. 3001 note) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(1) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3023)" after "section 102 of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended by section 1011(a) of the National Security Intelligence Reform Act of 2004".

(B) Subsection (a)(3) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3023)" after "section 102 of the National Security Act of 1947, as so amended".

(C) Subsection (b)(1) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3036)" after "section 104A of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended by section 1011(a) of the National Security Intelligence Reform Act of 2004".

(D) Subsection (b)(2) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3036)" after "section 104A of

the National Security Act of 1947, as so amended".

(16) Section 701(a)(3) of Public Law 111-259 (50 U.S.C. 3001 note) is amended by striking "50 U.S.C. 401 note" and inserting "50 U.S.C. 3001 note".

(17) Section 1011(2) of Public Law 107-306 (50 U.S.C. 3001 note) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))".

(18) Section 2(2) of Public Law 112-87 (50 U.S.C. 3003 note) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))".

(19) Section 2(2) of Public Law 111-259 (50 U.S.C. 3003 note) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))".

(20) Section 102A of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3024) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (m)(1) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 403a et seq.)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.)".

(B) Subsection (m)(2) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.)" after "the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949".

(C) Subsection (n)(1) is amended by-

(i) striking ''(50 U.S.C. 403a et seq.)'' and inserting ''(50 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.)''; and

(ii) striking "50 U.S.C. 403j(b)" and inserting "50 U.S.C. 3510(b)".

(D) Subsection (n)(3)(C) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 403c(d))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3503(d))".

(E) Subsection (n)(3)(D) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3503(d))" after "section 3(d) of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949".

(F) Subsection (n)(4)(A) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 403c and 403j(a))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3503 and 3510(a))".

(G) Subsection (n)(4)(I) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 403c and 403j(a))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3503 and 3510(a))".

(H) Subsection (t)(2) is amended by striking "as defined in section 606(1)" and inserting "as defined in section 605(1) (50 U.S.C. 3126(1))".

(21) Section 1013(b) of Public Law 108-458 (50 U.S.C. 3024 note) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(7))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(7))".

(22) Section 2(2) of Public Law 112-18 (50 U.S.C. 3024 note) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))".

(23) Section 103 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3025) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (c)(3) is amended by inserting ''(50 U.S.C. 3026)'' after ''section 103A''.

(B) Subsection (d)(2) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3001 note)" after "section 1091 of the National Security Intelligence Reform Act of 2004".

(C) Subsection (e)(1) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))".

(24) Section 103B(c)(1)(C) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3027(c)(1)(C)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3024)" after "section 102A".

(25) Section 103F(a) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3031(a)) is amended by striking "(title IX of Public Law 107-306; 50 U.S.C. 402b et seq.)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3382)".

(26) Section 103H(k) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3033(k)) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (3)(A)(ii)(III) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3041)" after "section 106".

(B) Paragraph (5)(H) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 403q(d))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3517(d))".

(27) Section 103I of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3034) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (b)(3)(A) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3103)" after "section 506G".

(B) Subsection (b)(4) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3103)" after "section 506G".

(C) Subsection (b)(5) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3103)" after "section 506G".

(D) Subsection (e)(1) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3097(e))" after "section 506A(e)".

(E) Subsection (e)(2) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3103(f))" after "section 506G(f)".

(F) Subsection (e)(3) is amended by inserting ''(50 U.S.C. 3099(e))'' after ''section 506C(e)''.

(28) Section 104(b) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3035(b)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3036(c))" after "section 104A(c)".

(29) Section 423(c)(1) of Public Law 111-259 (50 U.S.C. 3037 note) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3037)" after "section 104B of the National Security Act of 1947".

(30) Section 105 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3038) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a) (matter before paragraph (1)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3023, 3024)" after "sections 102 and 102A".

(B) Subsection (b) (matter before paragraph (1)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3023, 3024)" after "sections 102 and 102A of this Act".

(31) Section 1032(b)(1) of Public Law 112-81 (50 U.S.C. 3043 note) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 404a)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3043)".

(32) Section 112(c) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3047(c)) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (1) is amended to read: "(1) impair or otherwise affect the authority of the Director of National Intelligence to protect intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure pursuant to section 102A(i) of this Act (50 U.S.C. 3024(i)); or".

(B) Paragraph (2) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.)" after "title V of this Act".

(33) Section 115(c)(1) (matter before subparagraph (A)) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3052(c)(1) (matter before subparagraph (A))) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))" after "section 3(4)".

(34) Section 118(c) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3055(c)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3106)" after "section 507".

(35) Section 119 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3056) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (e)(1) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3024(b))" after "section 102A(b)".

(B) Subsection (e)(2) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3024(b))" after "section 102A(b)".

(C) Subsection (f)(1)(E) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3024(b))" after "section 102A(b)".

(36) Section 311(b)(1) of Public Law 108-177
(50 U.S.C. 3072a(1)) is amended by inserting
(50 U.S.C. 3072)" after "section 302 of the National Security Act of 1947".

(37) Section 307 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3074) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3023, 3025, 3035, 3038, 3091 et seq., 3121 et seq., and 3141 et seq.)" after "sections 102, 103, 104, 105 and titles V, VI, and VII".

(38) Section 501 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3091) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(1) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.)" after "this title".

(B) Subsection (a)(2) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.)" after "this title".

(C) Subsection (c) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.)" after "this title".(D) Subsection (d) is amended by inserting

(b) Subsection (d) is amended by inserting"(50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.)" after "this title".(E) Subsection (f) is amended by inserting

(50 U.S.C. 3093(e))' after "section 503(e)'. (39) Section 502(a)(1) of the National Secu-

rity Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3092(a)(1)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3093(e))" after "section 503(e)".

(40) Section 405(a) of Public Law 102-88 (50 U.S.C. 3092 note) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.)" after "title V of the National Security Act of 1947".

(41) Section 503 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3093) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (d)(2)(D) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3094)" after "section 504".

(B) Subsection (e) (matter before paragraph (1)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.)" after "this title".

(42) Section 504 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3094) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(2) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3093)" after "section 503 of this Act".

(B) Subsection (c) is amended by-

(i) inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3093(e))" after "section 503(e)"; and

(ii) inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3093)" after "section 503".

(43) Section 312(d) of Public Law 108–177 (50 U.S.C. 3097 note) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (2) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3097)" after "section 506A of the National Security Act of 1947".

(B) Paragraph (3) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3097(e))" after "subsection (e) of section 506A of the National Security Act of 1947".

(44) Section 305(b) of Public Law 111-259 (50 U.S.C. 3098 note) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3098(b))" after "section 506B(b) of the National Security Act of 1947".

(45) Section 506C(e)(3) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3099(e)(3)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3097(e))" after "section 506A(e)".

(46) Section 322(b) of Public Law 111–259 (50 U.S.C. 3100 note) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (1) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3100(f))" after "subsection (f) of such section 506D of the National Security Act of 1947".

(B) Paragraph (2)(A) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3100(b))" after "subsection (b) of such section 506D".

(47) Section 506E of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3101) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(1)(A) is amended by inserting "50 U.S.C. 3102(c))" after "section 506F(c)".

(B) Subsection (a)(3)(A)(ii) is amended by inserting "50 U.S.C. 3102(c))" after "section 506F(c)".

(C) Subsection (a)(5) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3097(e))" after "section 506A(e)".

(D) Subsection (a)(7) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3097(e))" after "section 506A(e)".

(E) Subsection (e)(2) is amended by inserting '50 U.S.C. 3102'' after ''section 506F''.

(F) Subsection (g) (matter before paragraph (1)) is amended by—

(i) inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3102(b)(3))" after "section 506F(b)(3)"; and (ii) inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3102(b)(2))" after

"(ii) inserting (50, 0.8.6, 3102(0)(2))" are "section 506F(b)(2)".

(G) Subsection (g)(2) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3102(b)(2))" after "section 506F(b)(2)".

(H) Subsection (h)(2) is amended by inserting ''(50 U.S.C. 3099)'' after ''section 506C''. (48) Section 323(a)(2) of Public Law 111-259

(48) Section 323(a)(2) of Fublic Law 111–23 (50 U.S.C. 3101 note) is amended by—

(A) striking "security" and inserting "Security"; and

(B) inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3101(b))" after "subsection (b) of section 506E of the National Security Act of 1947" (as amended by subparagraph (A)).

(49) Section 506F of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3102) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a) (matter before paragraph (1)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3101(d))" after "section 506E(d)".

(B) Subsection (b)(1) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3101)" after "section 506E".

(C) Subsection (b)(3) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3101(e))" after "section 506E(e)".

(D) Subsection (f)(1) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3101)" after "section 506E".

(E) Subsection (f)(2)(A)(i) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3101(f))" after "section 506E(f)".

(F) Subsection (f)(2)(B) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3101)" after "section 506E".

(G) Subsection (g) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3101(a))" after "section 506E(a)".

(50) Section 506G of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3103) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (d)(2) is amended by striking "section 506G" and inserting "this section".

(B) Subsection (d)(3) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3097(a)(4))" after "section 506A(a)(4)".

(C) Subsection (e)(2) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3097(e))" after "section 506A(e)".

(51) Section 325(b) of Public Law 111-259 (50 U.S.C. 3103 note) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3103(a), (b))" after "subsection (a) and (b) of section 506G of the National Security Act of 1947".

(52) Section 367(a)(1)(B) of Public Law 111– 259 (50 U.S.C. 3104 note) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3104(a)(1))" after "section 506H(a)(1) of the National Security Act of 1947".

(53) Section 307(a)(2) of Public Law 112-87 (50 U.S.C. 3105 note) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3105(b))" after "section 506I(b) of such Act".

(54) Section 507 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3106) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(4) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3050(a))" after "section 114(a)".

(B) Subsection (a)(5) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3055)" after "section 118".

(55) Section 332(b) of Public Law 111-259 (50 U.S.C. 3107 note) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3107)" after "section 508 of the National Security Act of 1947".

(56) Section 602 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3122) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3121)" after "section 601".

(B) Subsection (b)(1) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3121)" after "section 601".(C) Subsection (c) is amended by inserting

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(D) Subsection (d) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3121)" after "section 601".

(57) Section 603 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3124) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3121)" after "section 601".

(58) Section 605(5) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3126(5)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))" after "section 3(4)".

(59) Section 501(b) of Public Law 106-120 (50 U.S.C. 3142 note) is amended by— (A) striking "(50 U.S.C. 431(a))" and insert-

(A) striking "(50 U.S.C. 431(a))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3141(a))"; and

(B) striking "section 105B of the National Security Act of 1947" and inserting "section 702 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3142)".

(60) Section 801(a)(3) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3161(a)(3)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3162)" after "section 802 of this title".

(61) Section 305(c) of Public Law 106–120 (50 U.S.C. 3161 note) is amended by inserting ''(50 U.S.C. 3161(a)(3))'' after ''section 801(a)(3) of the National Security Act of 1947''.

(62) Title VII of Public Law 106–567 (50 U.S.C. 3161 note) is amended as follows:

(A) Section 704(a)(2)(B) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))".

(B) Section 705(c) is amended by striking "section 103(c)(6) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 403-3(c)(6))" and inserting "section 102A(i) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3024(i))".

(63) Section 901 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3171) is amended by—

(A) inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3174)" after "section 904";

(B) inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3173)" after "section 903"; and

(C) inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3172)" after "section 902".

(64) Section 902 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3172) is amended by—

(A) inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3173)" after "section 903":

(B) inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3171)" after "actions pursuant to section 901"; and

(C) inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3171)" after "stay pursuant to section 901".

(65) Section 903 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3173) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3171, 3172)" after "sections 901 and 902".

(66) Section 904 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3174) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3171, 3172)" after "sections 901 and 902".

(67) Section 1013(a) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3203(a)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3201)" after "section 1011".

(68) Section 1014 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3204) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (b) (matter before paragraph (1)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3202, 3203)" after "sections 1012 and 1013".

(B) Subsection (b)(1) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3203)" after "section 1013".

(C) Subsection (b)(2) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3203(f))" after "section 1013(f)".

(69) Section 1015(1) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3205(1)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))" after "section 3(4)".

(70) Section 1023 of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3223) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 402 note)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3614)".

(71) Section 1102(c) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3232(c)) is amended by striking "50 U.S.C. 435 note" and inserting "50 U.S.C. 3161 note".

(72) Section 8131(b) of Public Law 103-335 (50 U.S.C. 3303(b)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))".

(73) Section 604(2) of Public Law 103-359 (50 U.S.C. 3304 note) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))".

(74) Section 601(d) of Public Law 110-53 (50 U.S.C. 3306(d)) is amended by striking "(50

U.S.C. 401a(6))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(6))"

(75) Section 1079(c)(1) of Public Law 110-181 (50 U.S.C. 3307(c)(1)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))"

(76) Section 348(a)(3)(B) of Public Law 111-259 (50 U.S.C. 3308(a)(3)(B)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401 et seq.)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3001 et seq.)"

(77) Section 313(c) of Public Law 106-120 (50 U.S.C. 3325(c)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))"

(78) Section 403(b) of Public Law 102-183 (50 U.S.C. 3329(b)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a(4))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))"

(79) Section 306(a) (matter before paragraph (1)) of Public Law 112-277 (50 U.S.C. 3341 note) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 435b(d))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3341(d))".

(80) Section 3002(c)(4)(B)(iii) of Public Law 108-458 (50 U.S.C. 3343(c)(4)(B)(iii)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a)" and inserting (50 U.S.C. 3003)". (81) Section 7 of Public Law 111–258 (50

U.S.C. 3344) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a) (matter before paragraph (1)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3161 note)" after "Executive Order 13526"

(B) Subsection (a)(1)(A) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 403-1(g)(1))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3024(g)(1))"

(82) Section 3(1) of Public Law 111-258 (50 U.S.C. 3344 note) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3161 note)" after "Executive "(50 U.S.C. 3161 note)" after Order No. 13526"

(83) Section 1152(g)(1)(B)(iii) of Public Law 103-160 (50 U.S.C. 3348(g)(1)(B)(iii)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a)" and inserting ''(50 U.S.C. 3003(4))''

(84) Section 343 of Public Law 107-306 (50 U.S.C. 3363) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (c) is amended by striking "section 103(c)(7) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 403-3(c)(7))" and inserting "section 102A(i) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3024(i))".

(B) Subsection (d)(2) is amended by striking "section 103(c)(7) of the National Security Act of 1947" and inserting "section 102A(i) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3024(i))".

(85) Section 1019(a) of Public Law 108-458 (50 U.S.C. 3364(a)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3024(h))" after "section 102A(h) of the National Security Act of 1947"

(86) Section 203(d)(1) of Public Law 107-56 (50 U.S.C. 3365(1)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 401a)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3003)"

(87) Section 402(b) of Public Law 111-259 (50 U.S.C. 3366) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 403-1(d)(2))" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3024(d)(2))"

(88) Section 811(b) of Public Law 103-359 (50 U.S.C. 3381(b)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3382)" after "section 902 of the Counterintelligence Enhancement Act of 2002"

(89) Section 902(c) of Public Law 107-306 (50 U.S.C. 3382(c))3 is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (2) is amended by striking "50 U.S.C. 402a" and inserting "50 U.S.C. 3381'

(B) Paragraph (3) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3383)" after "section 904"

(C) Paragraph (4) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3383)" after "section 904"

(90) Section 904(g) of Public Law 107-306 (50 U.S.C. 3383(g)) is amended by striking "(50

U.S.C. 431)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3141)". (91) Section 5(a)(1) of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 (50 U.S.C. 3506(a)(1)) is amended by striking "(50 U.S.C. 403-4a)." and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3036)"

(92) Section 6 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 (50 U.S.C. 3507) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3024(i))" after

"section 102A(i) of the National Security Act of 1947' (93) Section 506 of Public Law 99-569 (50

U.S.C. 3510b) is amended by-

(A) striking "(50 U.S.C. 403j)" and inserting (50 U.S.C. 3510)"

(B) striking "National Security Act of 1959" and inserting "National Security Agency Act of 1959"; and (C) striking "(50 U.S.C. 402 note)" and in-

serting "(50 U.S.C. 3614)"

(94) Section 15(d)(1) (matter before subparagraph (A)) of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 (50 U.S.C. 3515(d)(1)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3506(a)(4))" after "section 5(a)(4)"

(95) Section 17(d)(4) of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 (50 U.S.C. 3517(d)(4)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3091 et seq.)" after "Title V of the National Security Act of 1947".

(96) Section 306 of Public Law 101-193 (50 U.S.C. 3518a) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3518)" after "section 18 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949"

(97) Section 813(b) of Public Law 104-293 (50 U.S.C. 3520 note) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3520)" after "section 20 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949".

(98) Section 9(b)(3) of the National Security Agency Act of 1959 (50 U.S.C. 3607(b)(3)) is amended by-

(A) striking "(50 U.S.C. 403 note)" and inserting "(50 U.S.C. 2153)"; and

(B) inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3518)" after "section 18 of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949'

(99) Section 721(1)(2)(B) of the Act of September 8, 1950 (50 App. U.S.C. 2170(1)(2)(B)) is amended by inserting "(50 U.S.C. 3001 et seq.)" after "National Security Act of 1947".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. GOODLATTE) and the gentlewoman from California (Ms. LOF-GREN) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Virginia.

### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H.R. 2831, currently under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Virginia?

There was no objection.

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to bring before the House H.R. 2831, a bill to make technical amendments to update statutory references to provisions classified to chapters 44 through 47 of title 50, United States Code.

As I previously stated, the Office of Law Revision Counsel must occasionally undertake editorial reclassification projects to reorganize areas of law that have outgrown their original boundaries or to eliminate organizational units that are no longer efficient. H.R. 2831 reflects yet another of the office's editorial reclassification efforts, and I thank Ranking Member CONYERS for cosponsoring this bill as well

H.R. 2831 will update statutory references to provisions classified to title 50. The Office of Law Revision Counsel has prepared this bill and submitted it to the committee as part of the office's ongoing responsibility to maintain the code and assist the committee in the revision and codification of Federal statutes.

In May of 2013, title 50 was editorially reorganized to set forth more clearly the provisions of the National Security Act of 1947, the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, the National Security Agency Act of 1959, and certain other related statutes. No statutory text was altered in the reorganization; the provisions were merely transferred from one place to another in title 50. The change was necessary to improve the organizational structure of the material in the United States Code.

The technical amendments made by H.R. 2831 update United States Code citations to reflect the new code citations for the provisions. Further, to eliminate any confusion, the Office of Law Revision Counsel provides a comprehensive guide to the old and new code citations for this title on its Web site: uscode.house.gov.

H.R. 2831 is an important bill because it helps ensure that our laws are up to date and accurately reflect the location of statutory text in the United States Code.

For these reasons, I urge my colleagues to support this important bill. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of

my time. Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, I yield

myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, as with the preceding bill, this was drafted by the Office of Law Revision Counsel, and as the chairman has said, it is intended to make the statutes clearer.

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It doesn't make any change in substantive law. It creates a new chapter 44, entitled, "National Security," which consists primarily of the National Security Act of 1947; a new chapter 45, entitled, "Miscellaneous Intelligence Authorities," consisting primarily of related provisions from 16 different statutes; a new chapter 46, entitled, "Central Intelligence Agency," primarily made up of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949; and a new chapter 47, entitled, "National Security Agency," which consists of the National Security Agency Act of 1959.

It makes some technical amendments, but, as I said earlier, it makes no substantive change whatsoever. This will make it easier for the public, for lawyers, and for researchers to know what the law is.

I urge its passage.

I vield back the balance of my time. Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentlewoman, and I urge my colleagues to support the bill.

I yield back the balance of my time. The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. GOODLATTE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2831, as amended.

The question was taken; and (twothirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

MAKING TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO UPDATE STATUTORY REF-ERENCES TO TITLE 52, UNITED STATES CODE

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2832) to make technical amendments to update statutory references to certain provisions classified to title 52, United States Code, as amended

The Clerk read the title of the bill. The text of the bill is as follows:

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled.

### SECTION 1. TITLE 2, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 26(b) of the Revised Statutes (2 U.S.C. 8(b)) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph 5(A) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301 et seq.)" after "Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act".

(B) Paragraph 5(B) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301 et seq.)" after "Uniformed

and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act". (C) Paragraph 7(A) is amended by striking

"(42 U.S.C. 1973 et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10301 et seq.)".

(D) Paragraph  $\overline{7}(B)$  is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ee et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20101 et seq.)".

(E) Paragraph 7(C) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ff et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301 et seq.)".

(F) Paragraph 7(D) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20501 et seq.)".

(G) Paragraph 7(G) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 15301 et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 2001 et seq.)"

U.S.C. 20901 et seq.)". (2) Section 311(d)(1) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1991 (2 U.S.C. 503(d)(1)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101)" after "section 301 of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971".

(3) Section 5(d) of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1604(d)) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (1)(E) (matter after clause (iv)) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 434)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104)".

(B) Paragraph (2) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104(i)(8)(B))" after "section 304(i)(8)(B) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971".

(4) Section 506(e) of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1973 (2 U.S.C. 6314(e)) is amended by striking "section 301(b) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971" and inserting "section 301(2) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30101(2))".

(5) Section 504 of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 1973 (2 U.S.C. 6565) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101 et seq.)" after "Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971".

(6) The 3rd paragraph under the heading "ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS" in the Legislative Branch Appropriation Act, 1973, at 86 Stat. 435 (2 U.S.C. 6566) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101 et seq.)" after "duties under the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971". (7) Section 7(a) of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2008 (2 U.S.C. 6633(a)) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 431)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101)".

### SEC 2. TITLE 3, UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 3(h)(3)(B) of the Presidential Transition Act of 1963 (Public Law 88–277, 3 U.S.C. 102 note) is amended as follows:

(A) Clause (i)(I) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 431(8)))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(8)))".

(B) Clause (ii) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 431(9)))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(9)))".

### SEC 3. TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 7323(a)(2) of title 5, United States Code, is amended as follows:

(A) Subparagraph (A) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 441a(a)(4))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30116(a)(4))".

(B) Subparagraph (C) is amended by-

(i) striking "to the multicandidate political committee (as defined under section 315(a)(4) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (2 U.S.C. 441a(a)(4))" and inserting "to the multicandidate political committee (as defined under section 315(a)(4) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30116(a)(4))"; and

(ii) striking "had a multicandidate political committee (as defined under section 315(a)(4) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (2 U.S.C. 441a(a)(4))" and inserting "had a multicandidate political committee (as defined under section 315(a)(4) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30116(a)(4))".

### SEC. 4. TITLE 5 APPENDIX, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 812(b) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (5 U.S.C. App. 8G note) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20923)" after "section 203".

(2) Section 101(c) of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.) is amended by striking "section 301 of the Federal Campaign Act of 1971" and inserting "section 301 of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30101)".

(3) Section 103(i)(1) of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.) is amended by striking "section 316(a) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971" and inserting "section 312(a) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30113(a))".

(4) Section 109(15)(C) of the Ethics in Government Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 434)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104)".

### SEC 5. TITLE 6, UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 601(d) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 331(d)) is amended by—

(A) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(20)(A)(i),
(ii))" after "section 301(20)(A) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971"; and

(B) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30125(e)(1))" after "section 323(e) of such Act".

### SEC 6. TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 1566 of title 10, United States Code, is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (b)(1) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ff et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301 et seq.)".

(B) Subsection (e) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ff et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301 et seq.)".

(C) Subsection (i)(2) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301 et seq.)" after "Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act".

(2) Section 1566a of title 10, United States Code, is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(1) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ff)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301)".

(B) Subsection (a)(4) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ff et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301 et seq.)".

(C) Subsection (e) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg-5(a)(2))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20506(a)(2))".

(D) Subsection (g)(1) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ff-6(1))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20310(1))".

(E) Subsection (g)(2) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ff-6(3))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20310(3))".

(F) Subsection (g)(3) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ff(a))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301(a))".

(3) Section 2335 of title 10, United States Code, is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (c)(1) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 431 et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101 et seq.)".

(B) Subsection (d)(3) is amended by striking (2 U.S.C. 431 et seq.)" and inserting (52 U.S.C. 30101 et seq.)".

### SEC 7. TITLE 18, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 602(a)(4) of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(8))" after "section 301(8) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971".

(2) Section 603 of title 18, United States Code, is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(8))" after "section 301(8) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971".

(B) Subsection (b) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30102(e)(1))" after "section 302(e)(1) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971".

(3) Section 607(b) of title 18, United States Code, is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30102(e))" after "section 302(e) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971".

(4) Section 608 of title 18, United States Code, is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301 et seq.)" after "Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act".

(B) Subsection (b) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301 et seq.)" after "Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act".

(5) Section 2 of the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 2003 (18 U.S.C. 1531 note) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (9) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10303(e))" after "section 4(e) of the Voting Rights Act of 1965".

(B) Paragraph (10) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973c)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10304)".

### SEC 8. TITLE 20, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 428L(b)(1)(A)(ii)(VII) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1078–12(b)(1)(A)(ii)(VII)) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 15461)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21061)".

(2) Section 487(a)(23) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1094(a)(23)) is amended as follows:

(A) Subparagraph (A) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg-2(b))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20503(b))".

(B) Subparagraph (C) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 431(3))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(3))".

### SEC 9. TITLE 22, UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 304(b)(2) of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 3944(b)(2)) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 431(8))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(8))".

### SEC 10. TITLE 26, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 302(b)(1) of Public Law 95-502 (26 U.S.C. 527 note) is amended by striking "(as defined in section 301(e) and (f) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971; 2 U.S.C. 431(f))" and inserting "(as defined in section 301(8) and (9) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971; 52 U.S.C. 30101(8), (9))".

(2) Section 4 of Public Law 107–276 (26 U.S.C. 527 note) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(2) is amended by inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 30101 et seq.)'' after ''Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971''.

(B) Subsection (b) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101 et seq.)" after "Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971'

(3) Section 6033(g)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 6033(g)(3)) is amended as follows:

(A) Subparagraph (C) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(6))" after "section 301(6) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971"

(B) Subparagraph (D) is amended by inserting "52 U.S.C. 30101(14))" after "section 301(14) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971'

(C) Subparagraph (F) is amended by-

(i) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101 et seq.)" after "Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971"; and

(ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(4))" after "section 301(4) of such Act"

(4) Section 9002(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 9002(3)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30106(a)(1))" after "section 306(a)(1) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971"

(5) Section 9004(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 9004(a)(1)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30116(b)(1)(B)" after "section 315(b)(1)(B) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971".

(6) Section 9008 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 9008) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (b)(5) is amended by-

(i) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30116(b), (d))" after "section 315(b) and section 315(d) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971"; and

(ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30116(c))" after "section 315(c) of such Act"

(B) Subsection (g) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30103(b))" after "section 303(b) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971"

(7) Section 9032(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 9032(3)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30106(a)(1))" after "section 306(a)(1) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971

(8) Section 9034(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 9034(b)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30116(b)(1)(A))" after 'section 315(b)(1)(A) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971'

(9) Section 9035(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 9035(a)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30116(b)(1)(A))" after "section 315(b)(1)(A) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971"

### SEC 11. TITLE 28, UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 1869(c) of title 28, United States Code, is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10301 et seq.)" after "Voting Rights Act of 1965''

### SEC 12. TITLE 29, UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 2(a)(8) of the Assistive Technology Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C. 3001(a)(8)) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 15301 et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20901 et seq.)"

### SEC 13. TITLE 31. UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 1031(14) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000 (Public Law 106-65, 31 U.S.C. 1113 note) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ff(b)(6))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301(b)(6))"

### SEC 14. TITLE 36, UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 510(c) of title 36, United States Code, is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 441e(b)))" ··(52 and inserting U.S.C. 30121(b)))".

### SEC 15. TITLE 39, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 3406(a) (matter before paragraph (1)) of title 39, United States Code, is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301 et seq.)" after "Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act'

(2) Section 3629 of title 39, United States Code, is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20501 et seq.)" after "National Voter Registration Act of 1993"

### SEC 16. TITLE 42. UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 205(r)(8)(A) (matter before clause (i)) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 405(r)(8)(A) (matter before clause (i)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20901 et seq.)" after "Help America Vote Act of 2002".

(2) Section 403(a) of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 5043(a)) is amended by-

(A) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(1))" after section 301(1) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (Public Law 92-225)": and

(B) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(3))" after 'section 301(3) of such Act"

#### SEC 17. TITLE 47, UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 315(b)(2)(F) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 315(b)(2)(F)) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 431)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101)".

### SEC 18. TITLE 48, UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 1(5) of Public Law 108-376 (48 U.S.C. 1732 note) is amended by inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 20301 et seq.)'' after ''Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act".

### SEC 19. TITLE 50, UNITED STATES CODE.

Section 705 of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (50 U.S.C.) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a) (matter before paragraph (1)) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 431)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101)"

(B) Subsection (b) (matter before paragraph (1)) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 431)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101)"

### SEC 20. TITLE 52, UNITED STATES CODE.

(1) Section 2004(a)(2)(C) of the Revised Statutes (52 U.S.C. 10101(a)(2)(C)) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1974-74e; 74 Stat. 88)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20701 et seq.)"

(2) Section 2(a) of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. 10301(a)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10303(f)(2))" after "section 4(f)(2),

(3) Section 2(b) of the Fannie Lou Hamer. Rosa Parks, Coretta Scott King, César E. William C. Chávez, Barbara C. Jordan, Velásquez, and Dr. Hector P. Garcia Voting Rights Act Reauthorization and Amendments Act of 2006 (Public Law 109-246, 52 U.S.C. 10301 note) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10301 et seq.)" after "Voting Rights Act of 1965'

(B) Paragraph (4)(A) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10304)" after "section 5"

(C) Paragraph (4)(C) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10301)" after "section 2"

(D) Paragraph (4)(D) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10303(e), (f)(4), 10503)" after "sections 4(e), 4(f)(4), and 203 of such Act"

(E) Paragraph (6) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10304)" after "section 5 of such Act"

(4) Section 208 of Public Law 94-73 (52 U.S.C. 10301 note) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10301 et seq.)" after "Voting Rights Act of 1965

(5) Section 3 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. 10302) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a) is amended by inserting 10303(f)(2))" ·(52 U.S.C. after "section 4(f)(2)

(B) Subsection (b) is amended by inserting **``(52** U.S.C. 10303(f)(2))" after "section 4(f)(2)

(C) Subsection (c) is amended by inserting **``(52** U.S.C. 10303(f)(2))" after "section 4(f)(2)"

(6) Section 4 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. 10303) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(1)(D) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10304)" after "section 5 of this Act".

(B) The second paragraph of subsection (b) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10305, 10309)" after "section 8 or section 13".

(C) Subsection (d) is amended by striking "section 4(f)(2)" and inserting "subsection (f)(2)'

(7) Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. 10304) is amended as follows: (A) Subsection (a) is amended by-

(i) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10303(a))" after "Whenever a State or political subdivision with respect to which the prohibitions set forth in section 4(a)":

(ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10303(b))" after 'based upon determinations made under the first sentence of section 4(b)"; and

(iii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10303(f)(2))" after 'section 4(f)(2)".

(B) Subsection (b) is amended by inserting ``(52 U.S.C. 10303(f)(2))" after "section 4(f)(2)"

(8) Section 8 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. 10305) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10302(a))" after "section 3(a)".

(B) Subsection (a)(2) (matter before subparagraph (A)) is amended by-

(i) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10303(b))" after "section 4(b)"; and

(ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10303(a))" after 'section 4(a)"

(C) Subsection (a)(2)(A) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10303(f)(2))" after "section 4(f)(2)

(D) Subsection (e) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10302(a))" after "section 3(a)"

(9) Section 11 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. 10307) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (b) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10302(a), 42 U.S.C. 1973d, 52 U.S.C. 10305, 42 U.S.C. 1973g, 52 U.S.C. 10306, 10308(e))" after "section 3(a), 6, 8, 9, 10, or 12(e)

(B) Subsection (e)(3) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10502)" after "section 202 of this Act"

(10) Section 12 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. 10308) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a) is amended by-

(i) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10301, 10302, 10303, 10304, 10306)" after "section 2, 3, 4, 5, or 10"; and

(ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10307(a))" after "section 11(a)"

(B) Subsection (c) is amended by inserting (52 U.S.C. 10301, 10302, 10303, 10304, 10306, 10307(a))" after "section 2, 3, 4, 5, 10, or  $11(a)^{3}$ 

(C) Subsection (d) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10301, 10302, 10303, 10304, 42 U.S.C. 1973e, 52 U.S.C. 10306, 10307)" after "section 2, 3. 4. 5. 7. 10. 11'

(11) Section 13(a) of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. 10309(a)) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (1) is amended by-

(i) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10305)" after "section 8": and

(ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10303(f)(2))" after "section 4(f)(2)"

(B) Paragraph (2) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10302(a))" after "section 3(a)"

(12) Section 14 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. 10310) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (b) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10303, 10304)" after "section 4 or section 5"

(B) Subsection (d) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10303, 10304)" after "section 4 or section 5 of this Act"

(13) Section 202(i) of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. 10502(i)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10307(c))" after "section 11(c)

(14) Section 204 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. 10504) is amended by-

(A) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10501)" after "section 201"; and

(B) inserting "(52 U S C, 10502, 10503)" after 'section 202. or 203''

(15) Section 205 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. 10505) is amended by inserting

"(52 U.S.C. 10501, 10502, 10503)" after "section 201, 202, or 203".

(16) Section 207(a) of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. 10507(a)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10303(a))" after "section 4(a) of the Voting Rights Act of 1965".

(17) Section 5(c) of the Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act (52 U.S.C. 20104(c)) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973aa-6)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10508)".

(18) Section 7 of the Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act (52 U.S.C. 20106) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973 et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10301 et seq.)".

(19) Section 101 of the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (52 U.S.C. 20301) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (b)(2) is amended by inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 20302(a)(4))'' after ''section 102(a)(4)''.

(B) Subsection (b)(3) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20303)" after "section 103".

(C) Subsection (b)(8) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20304)" after "section 103A".
(D) Subsection (b)(10) is amended by insert-

(D) Subsection (b)(10) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20305)" after "section 103B".
(E) Subsection (b)(11)(A) is amended by in-

(E) Subsection (b)(11)(A) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20302(c))" after "section 102(c)".

(F) Subsection (c)(2) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20303)" after "section 103".
(20) Section 1601(b)(2) of the National De-

(20) Section 1601(b)(2) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2002 (Public Law 107-107, 52 U.S.C. 20301 note) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ff-6)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20310)".

(21) Section 102 of the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (52 U.S.C. 20302) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(3) is amended by inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 20303)'' after ''section 103''.

(B) Subsection (a)(4) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301)" after "section 101".(C) Subsection (a)(5) is amended by insert-

(C) Subsection (a)(5) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301(b)(7))" after "section 101(b)(7)".

(D) Subsection (a)(10) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20304(b)(1))" after "section 103A(b)(1)".

(E) Subsection (a)(11) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301(b)(11))" after "section 101(b)(11)".

(F) Subsection (c) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20901 et seq.)" after "Help America Vote Act of 2002".

(G) Subsection (i) (matter before paragraph (1)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301)" after "section 101".

(22) Section 576 of the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act (Public Law 111-84, division A, title V, subtitle H, 52 U.S.C. 20302 note) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ff et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301 et seq.)".

(23) Section 703(b) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (Public Law 107–252, 52 U.S.C. 20302 note) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20302(c))" after "section 102(c) of the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act".

(24) Section 103 of the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (52 U.S.C. 20303) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(2)(B)(ii) is amended by inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 20302(b))'' after ''section 102(b)''.

(B) Subsection (g)(1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20310(5)(A))" after "section 107(5)(A)".

(C) Subsection (g)(2) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20310(5)(B), (C))" after "section 107(5)(B) or (C)".

(25) Section 103A of the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (52 U.S.C. 20304) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20303)" after "section 103".

(B) Subsection (d) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20310(5)(A))" after "section 107(5)(A)".

(26) Section 104 of the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (52 U.S.C. 20306) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301)" after "section 101".

(27) Section 105A of the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (52 U.S.C. 20308) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(1) is amended by inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 20304)'' after ''section 103A''.

(B) Subsection (b)(1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20305)" after "section 103B".

(C) Subsection (b)(3) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20304)" after "section 103A".

(D) Subsection (c)(1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20304(d))" after "section 103A(d)".

(E) Subsection (c)(2) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301(a))" after "section 101(a)".

(28) Section 107(2) of the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (52 U.S.C. 20310(2)) is amended by—

(A) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301)" after "section 101"; and

(B) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20303)" after "section 103".

(29) Section 589 of the Military and Overseas Voter Empowerment Act (52 U.S.C. 20311) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(1) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ff-6(1))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20310(1))".

(B) Subsection (a)(2) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20310(5))" after "section 107(5) of such Act".

(C) Subsection (a)(3) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301(a))" after "section 101(a) of such Act".

(D) Subsection (b)(1) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ff et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301 et seq.)".

(E) Subsection (e)(1) is amended by striking "(Public Law 107-107; 115 Stat. 1277; 42 U.S.C. 1973ff note)" and inserting "(Public Law 107-107; 115 Stat. 1277; 52 U.S.C. 20301 note)".

(30) Section 3 of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C. 20502) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (1) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 431(1))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(1))".

(B) Paragraph (2) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 431(3))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(3))".

(C) Paragraph (5) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20506(a)(1))" after "section 7(a)(1)".

(31) Section 4(a) of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C. 20503(a)) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20504)" after "section 5".

(B) Paragraph (2) is amended by inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 20505)'' after ''section 6''.

(C) Paragraph (3)(B) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20506)" after "section 7".

(32) Section 5(c)(2)(D)(i) of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C. 20504(c)(2)(D)(i)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20507(a)(5)(A), (B))" after "section 8(a)(5)(A) and (B)".

(33) Section 6 of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C. 20505) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20508(a)(2))" after "section 9(a)(2)".

(B) Subsection (a)(2) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20508(b))" after "section 9(b)".

(C) Subsection (c)(2)(A) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ff-1 et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301 et seq.)".

(D) Subsection (c)(2)(B) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ee-1(b)(2)(B)(ii))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20102(b)(2)(B)(ii))".

(E) Subsection (d) is amended by-

(i) inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 20507(a)(2))'' after ''section 8(a)(2)''; and

(ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20507(d))" after "section 8(d)".

(34) Section 7(a)(6)(A) of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C. 20506(a)(6)(A)) is amended as follows:

(A) Clause (i) (matter before subclause (I)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20508(a)(2))" after "section 9(a)(2)".

(B) Clause (ii) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20508(a)(2))" after "section 9(a)(2)".

(35) Section 8 of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C. 20507) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(1)(A) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20504)" after "section 5".
(B) Subsection (a)(1)(B) is amended by in-

serting "(52 U.S.C. 20505)" after "section 6".

(C) Subsection (a)(5) (matter before subparagraph (A)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20504, 20505, 20506)" after "sections 5, 6, and 7".

(D) Subsection (b)(1) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973 et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10301 et seq.)".

(E) Subsection (g)(1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20509)" after "section 10".

(36) Section 9(b)(4)(i) of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C. 20508(b)(4)(i)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20507(a)(5)(A), (B))" after "section 8(a)(5)(A) and (B)".

(37) Section 11(d) of the National Voter Registration Act of 1993 (52 U.S.C. 20510(d)) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (1) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973 et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10301 et seq.)".

(B) Paragraph (2) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973 et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10301 et seq.)".

(38) Section 302 of the Civil Rights Act of 1960 (52 U.S.C. 20702) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20701)" after "section 301".

(39) Section 303 of the Civil Rights Act of
1960 (52 U.S.C. 20703) is amended by inserting
"(52 U.S.C. 20701)" after "section 301".
(40) Section 305 of the Civil Rights Act of

(40) Section 305 of the Civil Rights Act of 1960 (52 U.S.C. 20705) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20703)" after "section 303".

(41) Section 101 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 20901) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (c)(1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21145)" after "section 906".

(B) Subsection (d)(1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20903(b))" after "section 103(b)".

(42) Section 102 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 20902) is as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(2)(B) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21145)" after "section 906".

(B) Subsection (a)(2)(C) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21081)" after "section 301".

(C) Subsection (b)(1)(B) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21145)" after "section 906".

(D) Subsection (b)(1)(C) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21081)" after "section 301".

(E) Subsection (c)(1) (matter before subparagraph (A)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20903(b))" after "section 103(b)".

(F) Subsection (c)(2) is amended by inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 20904(a)(2))'' after ''section 104(a)(2)''.

(43) Section 625(b) of the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2009 (Public Law 111-8, 52 U.S.C. 20902 note) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20901 et seq.)" after "Help America Vote Act of 2002".

(44) Section 6301(b) of the U.S. Troop Readiness, Veterans' Care, Katrina Recovery, and Iraq Accountability Appropriations Act, 2007 (Public Law 110-28, 52 U.S.C. 20902 note) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20901 et seq.)" after "Help America Vote Act of 2002".

(45) Section 103 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 20903) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20901, 20902)" after "section 101 or 102".

(B) Subsection (b) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20901(d), 20902(c))" after "sections 101(d) and 102(c)".

(46) Section 104 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 20904) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(1) is amended by inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 20901)'' after ''section 101''.

(B) Subsection (a)(2) is amended by inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 20902)'' after ''section 102''.

(C) Subsection (c)(2)(A) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20902(d)(1))" after "section 102(d)(1)".

(D) Subsection (d) is amended by inserting
"(52 U.S.C. 21004(b))" after "section 254(b)".
(47) Section 209 of the Help America Vote

(47) Section 209 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 20929) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg-7(a))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20508(a))".

(48) Section 210 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 20930) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21123)" after "section 503".

(49) Section 212 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 20942) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20982(b))" after "section 242(b)".

(50) Section 215(a)(2)(A) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 20945(a)(2)(A)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20962)" after "section 222".

(51) Section 221 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 20961) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (e)(2)(A) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21083(a))" after "section 303(a)".

(B) Subsection (f) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20962)" after "section 222".

(52) Section 222(b)(1) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 20962(b)(1)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20961)" after "section 221".

(53) Section 242(a)(1) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 20982(a)(1)) is amended by—

(A) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20310(1))" after "section 107(1) of the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act"; and

(B) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20310(5))" after "section 107(5) of such Act".

(54) Section 244 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 20984) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(1)(A) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21083(b))" after "section 303(b)".

(B) Subsection (a)(1)(B)(i) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21083(b))" after "section 303(b)".

(C) Subsection (a)(2) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21083(b)(2))" after "section 303(b)(2)".

(D) Subsection (b) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21083(a)(5))" after "section 303(a)(5)".

(55) Section 251 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21001) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a) is amended by—

(i) inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 21002)'' after ''section 252''; and

(ii) inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 21003)'' after ''section 253''.

(B) Subsection (b)(2)(B) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21002(c)" after "section 252(c)".

(C) Subsection (b)(3) is amended by—

(i) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21007(a)(4))" after
"section 257(a)(4)"; and
(ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301 et seq.)"

(ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301 et seq.)" after "Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act".

(D) Subsection (c)(1) is amended by—

(i) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21004(a)(7))" after "section 254(a)(7)"; and

(ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21081)" after "section 301".

(E) Subsection (c)(2) is amended by—

(i) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21081)" after "section 301"; and

(ii) inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 21004(a)(7))'' after ''section 254(a)(7)''.

(56) Section 252 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21002) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21007)" after "section 257".

(B) Subsection (c)(1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21007)" after "section 257".

(57) Section 253 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21003) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (b)(1)(A) is amended by—

(i) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21004(a))" after "section 254(a)"; and

(ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21007(a)(4))" after "section 257(a)(4)".

(B) Subsection (b)(1)(B) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21005)" after "section 255".

(C) Subsection (b)(1)(C) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21006)" after "section 256".

(D) Subsection (b)(2)(A) is amended by—
(i) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21112)" after "sec-

tion 402"; and (ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21005(b), 21006)"

after "sections 255(b) and 256". (E) Subsection (b)(2)(B) is amended by in-

(E) Subsection (b)(2)(B) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21007(a)(4))" after "section 257(a)(4)".

(F) Subsection (b)(3) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21145)" after "section 906".

(G) Subsection (b)(4)(B) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21001(b))" after "section 251(b)".

(H) Subsection (b)(5)(A) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21001(c)(2))" after "section 251(c)(2)".

(I) Subsection (b)(5)(B) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21007(a)(4))" after "section 257(a)(4)".

(J) Subsection (d) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21005(b))" after "section 255(b)".

(K) Subsection (e) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg-8)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20509)".

(58) Section 254(a) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21004(a)) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21001(a)(2)" after "section 251(a)(2)".

(B) Paragraph (4) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21081)" after "section 301".

(C) Paragraph (9) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21112)" after "section 402".

(D) Paragraph (11)(A) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21005)" after "section 255".

(E) Paragraph (11)(B) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21006)" after "section 256".

(F) Paragraph (13) is amended by—

(i) inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 21005)'' after ''section 255''; and

(ii) inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 21006)'' after ''section 256''.

(59) Section 256 (matter before paragraph (1)) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21006) is amended by striking "section 251(a)(1)(C)" and inserting "section 253(b)(1)(C) (52 U.S.C. 21003(b)(1)(C))".

(60) Section 257(a) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21007(a)) is amended as follows:

(A) The matter before paragraph (1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20904(c))" after "section 104(c)".
(B) Paragraph (4) is amended by inserting

(b) Faragraph (4) is antended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21001(b)(3))" after "section 251(b)(3)".

(61) Section 258 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21008) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21001(b))" after "section 251(b)".

(B) Paragraph (3) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21004)" after "section 254".

(62) Section 261(a) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21021(a)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21023)" after "section 263".

(63) Section 265(a) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21025(a)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21021(b))" after "section 261(b)".

(64) Section 271 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21041) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (b)(1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10301 et seq.)" after "Voting Rights Act of 1965".

(B) Subsection (d)(4)(B) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20927)" after "section 207".

(65) Section 281 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21051) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (b)(1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10301 et seq.)" after "Voting Rights Act of 1965".

(B) Subsection (c)(4)(B) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20927)" after "section 207".

(66) Section 291(c)(1) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21061(c)(1)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21062)" after "section 292".

(67) Section 292(a) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21062(a)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21061(a))" after "section 291(a)".

(68) Section 301(a)(4) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21081(a)(4)) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973aa-1a)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10503)".

(69) Section 302 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21082) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a) (matter after paragraph (5)(B)) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg-2(b))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20503(b))".

(B) Subsection (b)(2)(D) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21083(b))" after "section 303(b)".

(70) Section 303 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21083) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(2)(A)(i) is amended by— (i) striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20501 et seq.)"; and

(ii) striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20507)".

(B) Subsection (a)(2)(A)(ii)(I) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6(a)(3)(B))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20507(a)(3)(B))".

(C) Subsection (a)(2)(A)(ii)(II) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg-6(a)(4)(A))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20507(a)(4)(A))".

(D) Subsection (a)(2)(A)(iii) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg-2(b))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20503(b))".

(E) Subsection (a)(4)(A) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20501 et seq.)".

(F) Subsection (b)(1) (matter before paragraph (A)) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg-4(c))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20505(c))".

(G) Subsection (b)(2)(B)(i) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21082(a))" after "section 302(a)'

(H) Subsection (b)(2)(B)(ii) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21082(a))" after "section 302(a)"

(I) Subsection (b)(3)(A) (matter before clause (i)) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg-4)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20505)"

(J) Subsection (b)(3)(B)(i) (matter before subclause (I)) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg-4)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20505)

(K) Subsection (b)(3)(C)(i) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ff-1 et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301 et seq.)"

(L) Subsection (b)(3)(C)(ii) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ee-1(b)(2)(B)(ii))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20102(b)(2)(B)(ii))"

(M) Subsection (b)(4)(A) (matter before clause (i)) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg-4)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20505)"

(N) Subsection (b)(5) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20501 et seq.)"

(71) Section 304 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21084) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21145)" after "section 906'

(72) Section 311 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21101) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21102)" after "section 312"

(B) Subsection (b)(1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21081)" after "section 301"

(C) Subsection (b)(2) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21082)" after "section 302"

(D) Subsection (b)(3) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21083)" after "section 303"

(E) Subsection (c) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21081)" after "section 301"

(73) Section 401 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21111) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21081, 21082, 21083)" after "sections 301, 302, and 303"

(74) Section 502(a) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21122(a)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21121(b))" after 'section 501(b)

(75) Section 503 (matter before paragraph (1)) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21123) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20930)" after "section 210".

(76) Section 801(a) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21131) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20921)" after "section 201"

(77) Section 802(a) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21132) is amended by-

(A) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20921)" after "section 201"; and

(B) striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg-7(a))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20508(a))"

(78) Section 804(a) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21134(a)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20923)" after "section 203'

(79) Section 902(b)(4) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21142(b)(4)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21001)" after "section 251"

(80) Section 905(a) of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21144(a)) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973i(c))" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10307(c))"

(81) Section 906 of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 21145) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a) (matter before paragraph (1)) is amended by-

(i) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 21083(b))" after "section 303(b) of this Act"; and

(ii) striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20501 et seq.)"

(B) Subsection (a)(1) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973 et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10301 et seq.)".

(C) Subsection (a)(2) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ee et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20101 et seq.)"

(D) Subsection (a)(3) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973ff et seq.)" and inserting "(52 U.S.C. 20301 et seq.)"

(E) Subsection (a)(4) is amended by striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973gg et seq.)" and inserting

"(52 U.S.C. 20501 et seq.)"

(F) Subsection (b) is amended by-(i) striking "(42 U.S.C. 1973c)" and insert-

ing "(52 U.S.C. 10304)"; and (ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 10301 et seq.)"

after "any other requirements of such Act". (82) Section 301 of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30101) is amended as follows:

(A) Paragraph (4)(B) is amended by insert-"(52 U.S.C. 30118(b))" after ing "section 316(b)'

(B) Paragraph (5) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30102(e)(1))" after "section 302(e)(1)"

(C) Paragraph (6) is amended by inserting 30102(e)(1))" ·(52 U.S.C. after "section 302(e)(1)".

(D) Paragraph (8)(B)(vi) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30118(b))" after "section 316(b)

(E) Paragraph (8)(B)(viii) (matter after subclause (II)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104(b))" after "section 304(b)"

(F) Paragraph (8)(B)(xiii) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30125)" after "section 323 of this Act"

(G) Paragraph (9)(B)(iii) is amended by-

(i) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104(a)(4)(A)(i))" after "section 304(a)(4)(A)(i)"; and

(ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104(a)(4)(A)(ii))" after "section 304(a)(4)(A)(ii)".

(H) Paragraph (9)(B)(v) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30118(b))" after "section 316(b)

(I) Paragraph (9)(B)(vi) is amended by-

(i) inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 30116(b))'' after 'section 315(b)''; and

(ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104(b))" after "section 304(b)".

(J) Paragraph (9)(B)(vii) (matter after subclause (II)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104(b))" after "section 304(b)"

(K) Paragraph (19) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101 et seq.)" after "Federal

Election Campaign Act of 1971 as amended". (L) Paragraph (25) is amended by inserting (52 U.S.C. 30116(i), 30117)" after "sections

315(i) and 315A" (83) Section 402 of the Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act of 2002 (Public Law 107-155, 52) U.S.C. 30101 note) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(4) is amended by-

(i) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30125(b))" after "section 323(b) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971"; and

(ii) striking "section 315(j) of Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971" and inserting "section 315(j) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30116(j))'

(B) Subsection (b)(1) is amended by insert-ing "(52 U.S.C. 30125)" after "section 323 of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971".

(C) Subsection (b)(2)(A) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30125(a))" after "section 323(a) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971'

(D) Subsection (b)(2)(B)(ii) is amended by striking "(2 U.S.C. 431(9)))" and inserting (52 U.S.C. 30101(9)))"

(84) Section 301(b) of the Federal Election Campaign Act Amendments of 1979 (Public Law 96-187, 52 U.S.C. 30101 note) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104(b))" after "section 304(b) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971'

(85) Section 303(b) of the Federal Election Campaign Act Amendments of 1979 (Public Law 96-187, 52 U.S.C. 30101 note) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30111(d))" after "sec-

tion 311(d) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971'

(86) Section 302 of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30102) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (d) is amended by inserting (52 U.S.C. 30104(a)(11))" after "section 304(a)(11)".

(B) Subsection (e)(5) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30118(b))" "section after 316(b)"

(C) Subsection (g)(4) is amended by-

(i) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30111(a)(4))" after "section 311(a)(4)"; and

(ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30111(a)(5))" after "section 311(a)(5)"

(87) Section 303 of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30103) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a) is amended by-

(i) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30102(e)(1))" after "section 302(e)(1)"

(ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30118(b))" after "section 316(b)"; and

(iii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(4))" after "section 301(4)"

(B) Subsection (c) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30102(g))" after "section 302(g)".

(C) Subsection (d)(1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30102(g))" after "section 302(g)"

(88) Section 304 of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30104) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(6)(C) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30116(i))" after "section 315(i)'

(B) Subsection (a)(6)(D) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30109)" after "section 309"

(C) Subsection (b)(4)(H)(iv) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30116(d))" after "section 315(d) of this Act"

(D) Subsection (b)(4)(I) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30116(b))" after "section 315(b)

(E) Subsection (b)(6)(B)(iv) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30116(d))" after "section 315(d) in the Act"

(F) Subsection (e)(2)(A) is amended by-

(i) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30125(b)(1))" after "section 323(b)(1)"; and

(ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(20)(A))" after "section 301(20)(A)".

(G) Subsection (e)(2)(B) is amended by-

(i) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(20)(A))" after

"section 301(20)(A)"; and (ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30125(b)(2)(A), (B))" after "section 323(b)(2)(A) and (B)"

(H) Subsection (f)(3)(B)(iv) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(20)(A)(iii))" after "section 301(20)(A)(iii)"

(I) Subsection (i)(3)(B) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30116(c)(1)(B))" after "section 315(c)(1)(B)"

(89) Section 204(b) of the Honest Leadership and Open Government Act of 2007 (Public Law 110-81, 52 U.S.C. 30104 note) is amended by inserting "of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30104)" after 'section 304 of the Federal Election Campaign Act'

(90) Section 201(b) of the Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act of 2002 (Public Law 107-155, 52 U.S.C. 30104 note) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104(f))" after "section 304(f) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971".

(91) Section 306(c) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30106(c)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30107(a))" after "section 307(a) of this Act"

(92) Section 307 of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30107) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(6) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30109(a)(8))" after "section 309(a)(8) of this Act".

(B) Subsection (a)(7) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30108)" after "section 308 of this Act".

(C) Subsection (e) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30109(a)(8))" after "section 309(a)(8) of this Act".

(93) Section 308(b) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30108(b)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30111(d))" after "section 311(d)".

(94) Section 108(b) of the Federal Election Campaign Act Amendments of 1976 (Public Law 94-283, 52 U.S.C. 30108 note) is amended by—

(A) striking "requirements established by section 312(a) of the Act" and inserting "requirements established by section 308(a) of the Act (52 U.S.C. 30108(a))";

(B) striking "section 312(b) of the Act" and inserting "section 308(b) of the Act (52 U.S.C. 30108(b))"; and

(C) striking "section 312(a) of the Act" and inserting "section 308(a) of the Act (52 U.S.C. 30108(a))".

(95) Section 309 of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30109) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(4)(C)(iv)(I) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104)" after "section 304".

(B) Subsection (a)(4)(C)(iv)(II) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30105)" after "section 305".

(C) Subsection (a)(5)(B) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30122)" after "section 320".

(D) Subsection (a)(6)(C) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30122)" after "section 320".

(E) Subsection (b) is amended by-

(i) inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 30104(a)(2)(A)(iii))'' after ''section 304(a)(2)(A)(iii)'';

(ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104(a)(2)(A)(i))" after "section 304(a)(2)(A)(i)"; and

(iii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30111(a)(7))" after "section 311(a)(7)".

(F) Subsection (d)(1)(B) is amended by—

(i) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30118(b)(3))" after "knowing and willful violation of section 316(b)(3)"; and

(ii) inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30119(b), 30122, 30123)" after "section 317(b), 320, or 321".

(G) Subsection (d)(1)(C) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30124)" after "section 322".

(H) Subsection (d)(1)(D) (matter before clause (i)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30122)" after "section 320".

(96) Section 311(b) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30111(b)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104)" after "section 304 of this Act".

(97) Section 502(b) of the Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act of 2002 (52 U.S.C. 30112(b)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101 et seq.)" after "Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971".

(96) Section 313(c)(4) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30114(c)(4)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104(i)(8)(B))" after "section 304(i)(8)(B)".

(99) Section 314 of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30115) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30111(a)(10))" after "section 311(a)(10)".

(100) Section 315 of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30116) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (a)(1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30117)" after "section 315A".

(B) Subsection (a)(4) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30103)" after "section 303".

(C) Subsection (a)(7)(C)(i) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104(f)(3))" after "section 304(f)(3)".

(D) Subsection (d)(4)(A)(i) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(17))" after "section 301(17)".

(E) Subsection (d)(4)(A)(ii) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(17))" after "section 301(17)".

(F) Subsection (i)(1)(D)(i) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104(a)(6)(B))" after "section 304(a)(6)(B)".

(G) Subsection (i)(2)(A)(i) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104(a)(6)(B))" after "section 304(a)(6)(B)".

(101) Section 315A(b)(3) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30117(b)(3)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30109)" after "section 309".

(102) Section 316 of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30118) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (b)(2) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101)" after "section 301".

(B) Subsection (c)(1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104(f)(3))" after "section 304(f)(3)".

(C) Subsection (c)(2) is amended by inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 30104(f)(2)(E), (F))'' after ''section 304(f)(2)(E) or (F) of this Act''.

(D) Subsection (c)(3)(B) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104(f)(2)(E))" after "section 304(f)(2)(E)".

(E) Subsection (c)(6)(B) is amended by inserting ''(52 U.S.C. 30104(f)(3))'' after ''section 304(f)(3)''.

(F) Subsection (c)(6)(C) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104(f)(3)(C))" after "section 304(f)(3)(C)".

(103) Section 317 of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30119) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (b) is amended by-

(i) striking "provisions of section 321" and inserting "provisions of section 316 (52 U.S.C. 30118)"; and

(ii) striking "under section 321" and inserting "under section 316".

(B) Subsection (c) is amended by striking "section 321(b)(1)" and inserting "section 316(b)(1) (52 U.S.C. 30118(b)(1))".

(104) Section 318(a) (matter before paragraph (1)) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30120(a) (matter before paragraph (1)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30104(f)(3))" after "section 304(f)(3)".

U.S.C. 30104(f)(3))" after "section 304(f)(3)".
(105) Section 319(a)(1)(C) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30121(a)(1)(C)) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30121(a)(1)(C)) is after "section 304(f)(3)".

(106) Section 323 of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (52 U.S.C. 30125) is amended as follows:

(A) Subsection (b)(2)(A) (matter before clause (i) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(20)(A))" after "section 301(20)(A)".

(B) Subsection (e)(1)(B)(i) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30116(a))" after "section 315(a)".

(C) Subsection (e)(4)(A) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(20)(A))" after "section 301(20)(A)".

(D) Subsection (e)(4)(B) (matter before clause (i) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(20)(A))" after "section 301(20)(A)".

(E) Subsection (f)(1) is amended by inserting "(52 U.S.C. 30101(20)(A)(iii))" after "section 301(20)(A)(iii)".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. GOODLATTE) and the gentlewoman from California (Ms. LOF-GREN) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Virginia.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous materials on H.R. 2832, currently under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Virginia? There was no objection.

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to bring before the House H.R. 2832, a bill to make technical amendments to update statutory references to certain provisions classified to title 52, United States Code.

H.R. 2832 is yet another bill addressing a reclassification of the United States Code by the Office of Law Revision Counsel, and I am pleased to be joined in cosponsoring this notable bill by Ranking Member CONYERS. It is only fitting that he cosponsor the bill recognizing the creation of a new title of the United States Code dedicated exclusively to voting and election laws.

In 1926, when the organizational structure of the United States Code was established, no separate title for voting and elections was created. At that time, only two Federal statutory provisions relating to voting and elections existed.

Since 1960, an extensive body of Federal statutory law relating to voting and elections has been enacted, including title III of the Civil Rights Act of 1960, the Voting Rights Act of 1965, the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, the Voting Accessibility for the Elderly and Handicapped Act, the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act, the National Voter Registration Act of 1993, and the Help America Vote Act of 2002.

Upon enactment, each of these laws was incorporated into the existing structure of the Code in the most logical manner possible. However, as this body of law grew and evolved, it became increasingly apparent to the Office of Law Revision Counsel that a separate title was needed.

On September 1, 2014, Title 52—Voting and Elections was established. This new title provides a well organized, coherent structure for this important body of law.

H.R. 2832 will update citations that refer to provisions altered by the reclassification. These updates are necessary to conform the citations to the current codification of the text.

In addition, to eliminate any confusion, the Office of Law Revision Counsel provides a comprehensive guide to the old and new Code citations for these provisions on its Web site, uscode.house.gov.

As is the case with reclassification projects, no statutory text was altered in this reorganization. The provisions were merely transferred from one place to another in the United States Code.

H.R. 2832 is an important bill because it helps ensure that our laws are up to date and accurately reflect the location of statutory text in the United States Code.

For these reasons, I urge my colleagues to support this important bill. I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

As with the prior bills, the Office of Law Revision Counsel has drafted this. The chairman has certainly explained what it does. It makes no change to the law, but it does do this. It highlights the value of voting rights laws by creating a title 52. I think that is going to make it easier for the public to understand what the rules are. It is an important measure, even though it doesn't change the existing law, by making the law more accessible.

I am going to diverge a little bit from the substance of this because when my plane landed from California this afternoon, I was saddened to find on my email the news that Alan A. Parker, who was general counsel for the Judiciary Committee and general counsel for the Civil Rights Subcommittee when my predecessor, Don Edwards, had chaired the Civil Rights Subcommittee, had passed away last Friday after a very long illness.

Alan Parker served in World War II in the South Pacific. He went to Santa Clara University School of Law. He loved the Congress and he loved the Judiciary Committee. He had a distinguished career teaching law. He would be, I think, actually pleased to be remembered on the occasion of reorganizing these civil rights measures that he cared so much about and that he worked for when he was here in the House.

I urge my colleagues to vote for this bill today and to join me in mourning the passage of Alan A. Parker, the former general counsel of the Committee on the Judiciary.

I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. GOODLATTE. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I would first like to thank the gentlewoman for her support of this important legislation, but also to thank her for remembering Mr. Parker and his contribution not only to the Judiciary Committee, but to this entire Congress and our country. Her words are well taken, and I thank her for them.

I urge my colleagues to support the bill.

I yield back the balance of my time. The SPEAKER pro tempore. The

question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. GOODLATTE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2832, as amended.

The question was taken; and (twothirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

### COOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT OF MINERAL RIGHTS ACT OF 2016

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 3881) to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to repeal provisions relating only to the Allegheny National Forest, as amended.

### The Clerk read the title of the bill. The text of the bill is as follows: H.B. 3881

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Cooperative Management of Mineral Rights Act of 2016". SEC. 2. REPEAL OF PROVISIONS REGARDING THE

## ALLEGHENY NATIONAL FOREST.

(a) REPEAL.—Subsection (o) of section 17 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 226) and 2508 of the Energy Policy Act of 1992 (Public Law 102-486; 106 Stat. 3108) are repealed.

(b) NOTICE REQUIREMENT NOT AFFECTED.— Nothing in this Act shall be construed or interpreted to (1) limit, modify, or otherwise affect the existing requirement to provide in writing 60-day advance notice of specific activities in accordance with the order dated December 16, 1980 in the case United States of America v. Minard Run Oil Company, 1980 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 9570 (W.D. Pa., Dec. 16, 1980); or (2) limit existing authority of the Forest Service under 16 U.S.C. 551.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON) and the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. POLIS) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Pennsylvania.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous materials on the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

There was no objection.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I very much appreciate the opportunity to bring my legislation, the Cooperative Management of Mineral Rights Act of 2016, to the floor today.

The Speaker's Task Force on Reducing Regulatory Burdens cited many examples from across the country of how our Nation's regulatory system is constricting both job growth and economic development. This legislation solves one such example in my district, where gross regulatory overreach by the U.S. Forest Service, in partnership with environmental groups, sought to halt American energy production in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

This energy production has occurred for generations in the region through conventional methods and remains a staple industry throughout many communities in the region. More recently, responsible energy development in the Marcellus shale has occurred in my district, which has pushed the United States to lead the world in energy production.

Just a few years ago, American families were forced to pay absurd energy prices and to look to foreign countries to meet our energy needs. Today, Pennsylvanian energy is reducing prices and meeting our Nation's demands, while also employing thousands of American workers.

For years, the Forest Service had worked cooperatively on a balanced approach to ensure responsible energy development could occur in the Allegheny National Forest. This balanced approach was tossed aside when the Forest Service sought to put crippling new regulations into place on privately held mineral rights in my district. After years of litigation, the courts decisively ruled against the Forest Service's authority to implement such regulation.

This legislation simply codifies what the courts have already ruled, restoring a balanced management approach to the Allegheny National Forest. Part of this balanced approach includes companies providing advance notice before commencing operations, which they have done for decades. While nothing in my bill circumvents this requirement, I was pleased to work with my colleague across the aisle, Energy and Mineral Resources Subcommittee Ranking Member ALAN LOWENTHAL, to accept his amendment to make this point crystal clear.

Today the House ends just one example of Federal overreach that has put the well-being of many families in my district in jeopardy. It is my hope that the House can continue to roll back the red tape to generate greater American prosperity.

I urge adoption of the measure.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. POLIS. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

H.R. 3881 is a bill that would repeal some unnecessary, redundant parts of the U.S. Code related to private oil and gas rights of the Allegheny National Forest.

The intent, as the sponsor indicated, is to ensure that the owners of those mineral rights are allowed to exercise them and drill within the boundaries as legal. While those rights are certainly valid and should be respected, the U.S. Forest Service also has certain rights that have also been confirmed by the courts, for instance, the right to receive 60 days' advance notice before any drilling begins.

The introduced draft of this legislation initially raised the possibility that it could have inadvertently overturned the court cases and precedences guaranteeing that advance notice and other rights of the U.S. Forest Service.

Thankfully, in markup, the sponsor of the legislation and the majority on the Natural Resources Committee agreed to accept an amendment offered by my colleague, the gentleman from California (Mr. LOWENTHAL), which made it completely clear that this bill does not affect the right of the Forest Service to get this advance notice or any other valid right of the Forest Service, nor does it negatively impact any other rights the Forest Service has to oversee activities in national forests and to protect forest resources pursuant to the law. This bill, as amended, simply repeals language that some have interpreted as potentially infringing on private property rights. Passing this bill would not have an impact on how oil and gas operations are conducted in the Allegheny National Forest or in any national forest nationwide.

I thank the sponsor of this bill for working with the Democrats on the committee to craft a workable response that hopefully will pass by unanimous consent. I ask my colleagues to support the bill.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for his support of this piece of legislation, and I urge passage of this bill.

I yield back the balance of my time. The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3881, as amended.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

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# BOLTS DITCH ACCESS AND USE ACT

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4510) to insure adequate use and access to the existing Bolts Ditch headgate and ditch segment within the Holy Cross Wilderness in Eagle County, Colorado, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

### H.R. 4510

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This  $\operatorname{Act}$  may be cited as the "Bolts Ditch Access and Use  $\operatorname{Act}$ ".

### SEC. 2. BOLTS DITCH ACCESS.

(a) ACCESS GRANTED.—The Secretary of Agriculture shall permit by special use authorization nonmotorized access and use, in accordance with section 293.6 of title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, of the Bolts Ditch headgate and the Bolts Ditch within the Holy Cross Wilderness, Colorado, as designated by Public Law 96-560, for the purposes of the diversion of water and use, maintenance, and repair of such ditch and headgate by the Town of Minturn, Colorado, a Colorado Home Rule Municipality.

(b) LOCATION OF FACILITIES.—The Bolts Ditch headgate and ditch segment referenced in subsection (a) are as generally depicted on the map entitled "Bolts Ditch headgate and Ditch Segment", dated November 2015. The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON) and the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. POLIS) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Pennsylvania.

### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and to include extraneous materials on the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

There was no objection.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Since 1882, the town of Minturn, Colorado, has used Bolts Ditch to fill Bolts Lake, a place of recreation for the town and an important source of water for the surrounding community. When Congress passed the Colorado Wilderness Act in 1980, 450 feet of Bolts Ditch was inadvertently included in the Holy Cross Wilderness area, which led to questions about the town's ability to access this important infrastructure. After a discussion amongst stakeholders, the town agreed to seek a legislative solution to address this access issue.

This bipartisan bill simply allows the Forest Service to issue a special use permit to the town of Minturn to allow nonmotorized access to maintain a headgate and water ditch in the Holy Cross Wilderness. This bill ensures the town will have access to Bolts Ditch for basic maintenance needs. H.R. 4510 was developed in consultation with the community and the Forest Service, and it enjoys support from a wide range of groups in the region.

I urge the adoption of the bill.

Mr. Speaker,  $\overline{I}$  reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. POLIS. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I thank Chairman BISHOP for bringing H.R. 4510, the Bolts Ditch Access and Use Act, to the floor today.

I introduced this simple but very important piece of legislation at the request of the local community of Minturn, in Eagle County, because it improves public land, water, and communities in my district.

This bill has bipartisan support from the Colorado delegation. I thank Mr. TIPTON and Mr. LAMBORN for partnering with me on this bill here in the House. In the Senate, Senator GARDNER and Senator BENNET have partnered to pass this bill as well. I am also thankful to the town of Minturn, to the conservation community, and to water utilities for working together for a commonsense solution that we can all support. This is an example of how we can solve a problem when everybody comes together.

The need for this legislation is to solve a vital local problem for the people of Minturn, Colorado, a town of about 1,000 people in Eagle County, which is in our Rocky Mountains in Colorado. The problem it fixes results from a mistake in the 1980 Wilderness Act, which inadvertently left Bolts Ditch off of the list of existing water facilities which it should have been included on. This legislation would authorize a special use of the Bolts Ditch headgate and the segment of the Bolts Ditch within the Holy Cross Wilderness area, allowing Minturn to use its existing water right to fill Bolts Lake.

The residents of Minturn who brought this bill to me, as well as Coloradans across the central mountains, have long relied on water infrastructure like Bolts Ditch to access clean and affordable drinking water. This bill will ensure that the town of Minturn is able to utilize a crucial resource and to do so without compromising the sanctity of the surrounding wilderness areas.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I have no additional speakers on this piece of legislation.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. POLIS. Mr. Speaker, I thank the majority and minority staffs of the committee for working with us on this bill. It is very important to the people of Minturn and to our central mountain region in Colorado, so I urge its passage.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, this is important infrastructure for this community in Colorado.

I yield back the balance of my time. The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4510, as amended.

The question was taken; and (twothirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

### FORT FREDERICA NATIONAL MONUMENT BOUNDARY EXPAN-SION ACT

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 3480) to expand the boundary of Fort Frederica National Monument in the State of Georgia, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

### H.R. 3480

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Fort Frederica National Monument Boundary Expansion Act".

### SEC. 2. FORT FREDERICA NATIONAL MONUMENT, GEORGIA.

(a) MAXIMUM ACREAGE.—The first section of the Act of May 26, 1936 (16 U.S.C. 433g), is amended by striking "two hundred and fifty acres" and inserting "305 acres".

(b) BOUNDARY EXPANSION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The boundary of the Fort Frederica National Monument in the State of Georgia is modified to include the land generally depicted as "Proposed Acquisition Areas" on the map entitled "Fort Frederica National Monument Proposed Boundary Expansion", numbered 369/132,469, and dated April 2016.

(2) AVAILABILITY OF MAP.—The map described in paragraph (1) shall be on file and available for public inspection in the appropriate offices of the National Park Service.

(3) ACQUISITION OF LAND.—The Secretary of the Interior may acquire the land and interests in land described in paragraph (1) by donation or purchase with donated or appropriated funds from willing sellers only.

(4) WRITTEN CONSENT OF OWNER.—No non-Federal property may be included in the Fort Frederica National Monument without the written consent of the owner.

(5) NO USE OF CONDEMNATION OR EMINENT DO-MAIN.—The Secretary of the Interior may not acquire by condemnation or eminent domain any land or interests in land under this Act or for the purposes of this Act.

(6) NO BUFFER ZONE CREATED.—Nothing in this Act, the establishment of the Fort Frederica National Monument, or the management plan for the Fort Frederica National Monument shall be construed to create buffer zones outside of the Monument. That activities or uses can be seen, heard, or detected from areas within the Fort Frederica National Monument shall not preclude, limit, control, regulate, or determine the conduct or management of activities or uses outside of the Monument.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON) and the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. BEYER) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Pennsylvania.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and to include extraneous materials on the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

There was no objection.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

The Fort Frederica National Monument, located on St. Simons Island, Georgia, preserves the archaeological remnants of a fort established in 1736 by James Oglethorpe. Oglethorpe constructed the fort to protect the colony of Georgia from attack from the Spanish. The fort successfully fended off a Spanish attack in 1742 and confirmed Georgia as a British territory.

H.R. 3480, introduced by Congressman BUDDY CARTER of Georgia, expands Fort Frederica by 21 acres. The St. Simons Land Trust currently owns the additional acreage and will steward the land until the National Park Service can acquire the property. This bipartisan bill is cosponsored by the entire Georgia delegation, and Congressman CARTER worked closely with Chairman BISHOP to modify the bill before markup.

I urge the adoption of the bill.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

As the chairman has said, this bill expands the Fort Frederica National Monument to include a 20-acre property, known as the North Marsh, which is currently owned by the St. Simons Land Trust. The National Park Service evaluated the property in a 2014 study and determined that its acquisition would provide additional opportunities to protect and interpret resources that are associated with the site.

Fort Frederica, located on St. Simons Island, Georgia, was built by James Oglethorpe in 1736 to protect the colony of Georgia from Spanish Florida. The fort has been managed by the National Park Service since 1936, when President Franklin Roosevelt used the Antiquities Act to designate the site as a national monument.

As a quick aside, I climbed Mount Katahdin last week, which is Maine's highest mountain, and I was in Maine when Secretary Jewell arrived to celebrate President Obama's use of the Antiquities Act to accept a gift of 87,000 acres in order to create the new Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument—some of the most beautiful country I have ever seen.

This bill is an important reminder of how a decision to protect and elevate our shared heritage resonates for generations. Eighty years after President Roosevelt made the decision to establish a national monument, we are looking at opportunities to expand it and increase the resources it protects. By using money from the Land and Water Conservation Fund—a Federal program that was not around in FDR's time but that is one, I am sure, he would have supported—we can continue this important legacy.

I thank the majority and my friend from Georgia (Mr. CARTER) for advancing this bill. I look forward to working with them to advance similar legislation that is designed to expand and enhance our public lands.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield 4 minutes to the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. CARTER), the author of bill.

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, the First Congressional District of Georgia is home to many natural and historic treasures, including the Fort Frederica National Monument. Fort Frederica was built on St. Simons Island in 1736 by James Oglethorpe, the founder of Georgia, to protect the new British colony from the Spanish. The fort's strategic location ensured a decisive victory for Oglethorpe in 1742 at the Battle of Bloody Marsh, which ended further Spanish attempts to claim Georgia as their own.

Today, the Fort Frederica National Monument is a popular destination in Glynn County that features portions of the original fort, a museum, and extensive hiking trails. H.R. 3480 would authorize the National Park Service to obtain adjacent land that likely contains artifacts from prehistoric human settlements, adding more to the rich history of this site.

I thank the chairman for his consideration of this bill as well as to thank the entire Georgia delegation for supporting and cosponsoring this legislation. I also thank the Natural Resources Committee staff for their work and dedication to this bill.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3480, as amended.

The question was taken; and (twothirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

### FORT ONTARIO STUDY ACT

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4202) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of Fort Ontario in the State of New York, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

### H.R. 4202

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Fort Ontario Study Act".

### SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

Congress makes the following findings:

(1) From 1755 until 1814, Fort Ontario and three previous fortifications built on the site of the Fort in Oswego, New York, on the shore of Lake Ontario were used as military installations during the French and Indian War, the Revolutionary War, and the War of 1812.

(2) The original fort, erected by the British in 1755, was destroyed by French forces in 1756. The fort was rebuilt and subsequently destroyed during both the American Revolution and the War of 1812. The star-shaped fort was constructed on the site of the original fortifications in the 1840s, with improvements made from 1863 through 1872.

(3) The United States Armed Forces began expanding Fort Ontario in the early 20th century and by 1941, approximately 125 buildings stood at the fort.

(4) On June 9, 1944, President Franklin D. Roosevelt announced that Fort Ontario would serve as the Nation's only Emergency Refugee Camp during World War II. From August of 1944 until February 1946, nearly 1,000 refugees were sheltered at Fort Ontario.

(5) Fort Ontario was conveyed from the Federal Government to the State of New York in 1946; it was used to house World War II veterans and their families and then converted to a State historic site in 1953.

(6) A post cemetery containing the graves of 77 officers, soldiers, women, and children who served at Fort Ontario in war and peace is situated on the grounds of the fort.

(7) In 1970, Fort Ontario was placed on the National Register of Historic Places.

# SEC. 3. FORT ONTARIO SPECIAL RESOURCE STUDY.

(a) STUDY.—The Secretary of the Interior (referred to in this section as the "Secretary") shall, subject to appropriations, conduct a special resource study of Fort Ontario in Oswego, New York.

(b) CONTENTS.—In conducting the study under subsection (a), the Secretary shall—

(1) evaluate the national significance of the site;

(2) determine the suitability and feasibility of designating the site as a unit of the National Park System;

(3) consider other alternatives for preservation, protection, and interpretation of the lands by Federal, State, or local governmental entities, or private and nonprofit organizations;

(4) consult with interested Federal, State, or local governmental entities, private and nonprofit organizations or any other interested individuals;

(5) determine the effect of the designation of the site as a unit of the National Park System on existing commercial and recreational uses and the effect on State and local governments to manage those activities;

(6) identify any authorities, including condemnation, that may compel or allow the Secretary to influence or participate in local land use decisions (such as zoning) or place restrictions on non-Federal land if the site is designated a unit of the National Park System; and

(7) identify cost estimates for any Federal acquisition, development, interpretation, operation, and maintenance associated with the alternatives.

(c) APPLICABLE LAW.—The study authorized under subsection (a) shall be conducted in accordance with section 100507 of title 54, United States Code.

(d) REPORT.—Not later than 3 years after the date on which funds are first made available for the study under subsection (a), the Secretary shall submit to the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate a report that describes—

(1) the findings of the study; and

(2) any conclusions and recommendations of the Secretary.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON) and the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. BEYER) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Pennsylvania.

### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and to include extraneous materials on the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania? There was no objection.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Fort Ontario is a military installation, located on the mouth of the Oswego River in New York, that was used during the French and Indian War, the Revolutionary War, and the War of 1812. The fort has a rich history of over 200 years of active military use and was destroyed and rebuilt on three separate occasions. At various points in history, it also served as a training post, as a hospital camp, and as an emergency refugee shelter.

H.R. 4202, which was introduced by Congressman JOHN KATKO of New York, authorizes a special resource study to evaluate Fort Ontario's national significance and determine the suitability and feasibility of designating it as a unit of the National Park System.

I urge the adoption of this bill.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

This bill authorizes the National Park Service to conduct a special resource study of Fort Ontario in Oswego, New York. Fort Ontario was a military installation that was used during the French and Indian War, which was later used to house refugees who fled the Nazi Holocaust during World War II.

Refugees were allowed into the United States as guests of President Franklin Roosevelt's. Many Americans remember our Nation's role in World War II through events like the Invasion of Normandy or the Battle of Iwo Jima. which have been re-imagined in film and memorialized in stone, but the story of Fort Ontario is also an important component of our historical legacy. Providing refuge from persecution says as much about our national character as the bravery and sacrifice of the millions of Americans who were deployed overseas. The site has been managed as a New York State Historic Site since 1949 and has been listed on the National Register of Historic Places since 1970.

The special resource study authorized by this bill will look into the best available options for the continued preservation and management of Fort Ontario, including the possibility of turning it into a unit of the National Park System. Fort Ontario has had many uses throughout our Nation's history, and it has had a particularly relevant place in the story of Jewish Americans. As we work to ensure that our public lands tell the story of all Americans, Fort Ontario and its unique story will be a fitting addition.

I thank Representative KATKO, the sponsor of this bill, for bringing the story of Fort Ontario to our attention. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from New York (Mr. KATKO), the author of this legislation.

Mr. KATKO. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, Fort Ontario has stood on the shores of Lake Ontario in Oswego, New York, since 1755. For the past 63 years, the fort has been preserved as a New York State Historic Site, serving as a cultural and historic landmark for Oswego County and the entire region.

I am proud to stand here today in support of this legislation which would take the crucial step towards ensuring this historic site receives the national recognition it deserves. The Fort Ontario Study Act would commission a special resource study of Fort Ontario to evaluate the site's national significance and determine the suitability of its designation as a part of the National Park System.

The history of Fort Ontario is truly unique within the National Park System and within our Nation as a whole. The fort has been involved in nearly every major American war from the French and Indian War to World War II. From 1944 to 1946, under a declaration by President Franklin Roosevelt, the fort served as the Nation's only emergency refugee camp, providing shelter to over 900 refugees who fled the Holocaust-a truly unique designation. The site now hosts the Safe Haven Holocaust Refugee Shelter Museum, which preserves the stories of these refugees, the tragedies they faced, and, eventually, the freedom and safety they gained right here in the United States.

Fort Ontario has become an important tourist attraction in central New York, drawing visitors from across the State, the country, and, indeed, throughout the world. Preserving this location as a national park will not only better preserve the history of the fort, but there will also be the potential to grow tourism and boost our regional economy.

I am very honored to introduce this legislation that recognizes the important history of the fort and to credit this important step to the local champions who have worked tirelessly to preserve the history of the site, including the Friends of Fort Ontario, Paul Lear with New York State Parks, the board of the Safe Haven Holocaust Refugee Shelter Museum—a great group of individuals—and the many volunteers who give their time to this cause.

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I want to thank fellow New York Representatives, Congressman HANNA and Congresswoman SLAUGHTER, who have worked with me in the House to support this effort, as well as the chairman of the committee for working to move this important legislation.

I ask all my colleagues to support this legislation.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I just want to thank Mr. KATKO for his leadership on this piece of legislation and for bringing this to our attention and bringing this process to the floor. I urge its support.

I yield back the balance of my time. The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4202, as amended.

The question was taken; and (twothirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

EXEMPTING IMPORTATION AND EXPORTATION OF SEA URCHINS AND SEA CUCUMBERS FROM EN-DANGERED SPECIES ACT LI-CENSING REQUIREMENTS

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4245) to exempt importation and exportation of sea urchins and sea cucumbers from licensing requirements under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

### The text of the bill is as follows: H.B. 4245

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Rep-

resentatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

### SECTION 1. EXEMPTION OF EXPORTATION OF CERTAIN ECHINODERMS AND MOL-LUSKS FROM PERMISSION AND LI-CENSING REQUIREMENTS.

(a) EXEMPTION.—Not later than 30 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service shall amend section 14.92 of title 50, Code of Federal Regulations, to clarify that— (1) fish or wildlife described in subsection (b)

(1) fish or wildlife described in subsection (b) are fishery products exempt from the export permission requirements of section 9(d)(1) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1538(d)(1)); and

(2) any person may engage in business as an exporter of such fish or wildlife without procuring permission under such section of that Act or an export license under subpart I of part 14 of such title.

(b) COVERED FISH OR WILDLIFE.—The fish or wildlife referred to in subsection (a) are members of the phylum Echinodermata that are commonly known as sea urchins and sea cucumbers, and members of the phylum Mollusca that are commonly known as squid, octopus, and cuttlefish, including products thereof, that—

(1) do not require a permit under part 16, 17, or 23 of title 50, Code of Federal Regulations;

(2) are harvested in waters under the jurisdiction of the United States or are processed in the United States; and

(3) are—

(A) exported for purposes of human or animal consumption; or

(B) taken in waters under the jurisdiction of the United States or on the high seas for recreational purposes.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON) and the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. BEYER) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Pennsylvania.

### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and to include any extraneous material on the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

There was no objection.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 4245, introduced by our Maine colleagues, CHELLIE PINGREE and BRUCE POLIQUIN, makes a commonsense adjustment to the Federal law to eliminate regulatory duplication.

This bipartisan bill, as reported, protects fishermen, small businesses, and their fresh, domestically harvested seafood destined for export by exempting them from the duplicative U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service inspections and permits.

During the legislative hearing on H.R. 4245, both sides of the aisle expressed concerns over these inspections, especially on sea urchin. In fact, one of our minority colleagues said it best when he called the inspections dramatic overkill. In addition, one witness discussed how Federal inspection delays have spoiled shipments that cost businesses thousands of dollars. This bill removes that Federal delay.

I commend our Maine colleagues for working on a bipartisan basis to address this matter.

Mr. Speaker, I include in the RECORD an exchange of letters with the chairmen of the House Ways and Means and the Foreign Affair Committees regarding this bill. We thank them for agreeing to help expedite consideration on this bill today.

I urge the adoption of this commonsense measure.

I reserve the balance of my time.

House of Representatives,

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

Washington, DC, July 7, 2016. Hon, KEVIN BRADY.

Chairman, Committee on Ways and Means, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: On December 10, 2015, the Committee on Natural Resources favorably reported as amended H.R. 4245, to exempt exportation of certain echinoderms and mollusks from licensing requirements under the Endangered Species Act of 1973. This bill was referred primarily to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means and Foreign Affairs. My staff has forwarded the reported text to your committee for review.

Based on this text, I ask that you allow the Committee on Ways and Means to be discharged from further consideration of the bill so that it may be scheduled by the Majority Leader. This discharge in no way affects your jurisdiction over the subject matter of the bill, and it will not serve as precedent for future referrals. In addition, should a conference on the bill be necessary, I would support your request to have the Committee on Ways and Means represented on the conference committee. Finally, I would be pleased to include this letter and any response in the bill report filed by the Committee on Natural Resources to memorialize our understanding, as well as in the Congressional Record.

Thank you for your consideration of my request, and I look forward to further opportunities to work with you this Congress. Sincerely,

Rob Bishop,

Chairman, Committee on Natural Resources.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, COM-MITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS,

Washington, DC, July 7, 2016.

Hon. ROB BISHOP,

Chairman, Committee on Natural Resources, Washington, DC.

DEAR CHAIRMAN BISHOP: Thank you for your letter concerning H.R. 4245, to exempt the importation and exportation of sea urchins and sea cucumbers from licensing requirements under the Endangered Species Act. As you note, the Committee on Ways and Means was granted an additional referral.

I appreciate your willingness to work with my Committee on this legislation. In order to allow H.R. 4245 to move expeditiously to the House floor, I agree to waive formal consideration of this bill. The Committee on Ways and Means takes this action with our mutual understanding that by foregoing consideration on H.R. 4245 at this time, we do not waive any jurisdiction over subject matter contained in this or similar legislation. and that our Committee will be appropriately consulted and involved as this bill or similar legislation moves forward. Our Committee also reserves the right to seek appointment of an appropriate number of conferees to any House-Senate conference involving this or similar legislation, and asks that you support any such request.

I would appreciate your response to this letter confirming this understanding, and would request that you include a copy of this letter and your response in the Congressional Record during the floor consideration of this bill. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

KEVIN BRADY, Chairman.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES,

Washington, DC, August 30, 2016. Hon. EDWARD R. ROYCE.

Chairman, Committee on Foreign Affairs, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: On December 10, 2015, the Committee on Natural Resources favorably reported as amended H.R. 4245, to exempt exportation of certain echinoderms and mollusks from licensing requirements under the Endangered Species Act of 1973. This bill was referred primarily to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Foreign Affairs and Ways and Means. My staff has forwarded the reported text to your committee for review.

Based on this text, I ask that you allow the Committee on Foreign Affairs to be discharged from further consideration of the bill so that it may be scheduled by the Majority Leader. This discharge in no way affects your jurisdiction over the subject matter of the bill, and it will not serve as precedent for future referrals. In addition, should a conference on the bill be necessary, I would support your request to have the Committee on Foreign Affairs represented on the conference committee. Finally, I would be pleased to include this letter and any response in the bill report filed by the Committee on Natural Resources to memorialize our understanding, as well as in the Congressional Record.

Sincerely.

Thank you for your consideration of my request, and I look forward to further opportunities to work with you this Congress.

### ROB BISHOP. Chairman, Committee on Natural Resources.

### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, COM-MITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS,

Washington, DC, August 31, 2016. Hon. ROB BISHOP,

Chairman, House Committee on Natural Re-

sources, Washington, DC. DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Thank you for consulting with the Committee on Foreign Affairs on your committee-reported text of H.B. 4245, a bill to exempt exportation of certain echinoderms and mollusks from licensing requirements under the Endangered Species Act of 1973.

I agree that the Foreign Affairs Committee may be discharged from further action on this bill so that it may proceed expeditiously to the Floor, subject to the understanding that this waiver does not in any way diminish or alter the jurisdiction of the Foreign Affairs Committee, or prejudice its jurisdictional prerogatives on this bill or similar legislation in the future. The Committee also reserves the right to seek an appropriate number of conferees to any House-Senate conference involving this bill, and would appreciate your support for any such request

I ask that you place our exchange of letters into the Congressional Record during floor consideration of the bill. I appreciate your cooperation regarding this legislation and look forward to continuing to work with you as this measure moves through the legislative process.

Sincerely,

### EDWARD R. ROYCE, Chairman.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as she may consume to the gentlewoman from Maine (Ms. PIN-GREE), the sponsor of this bill.

Ms. PINGREE. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. BEYER) for yielding the time, and I also thank my colleague from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON) for speaking in support of this as well.

I rise today in support of H.R. 4245, a bill that will end the practice of export inspections for sea urchin, sea cucumbers, souid, and cuttlefish that are being shipped overseas as part of our Nation's fisheries and fish processing industry

At the outset, I want to thank Chairman BISHOP, subcommittee Chairman FLEMING, Ranking Member GRIJALVA, and my good friend from California, Ranking Member HUFFMAN, for their support and help in getting this bill through the committee and to the House floor today. I want to recognize my friend and colleague from Maine (Mr. POLIQUIN) who has been an original cosponsor of this bill and a tireless supporter of this effort.

To better understand this bill, I would like to tell you a little bit about the sea urchin industry in Maine. which is a critical part of our marine economy. Second only to California, the sea urchin industry in Maine brings over \$5.4 million to our State every year and supports 600 jobs, which includes harvesters up and down our beautiful coast.

Companies in Maine also process urchins that are harvested here, as well as those from Canada and Chile, before being exported overseas. In Japan and other parts of Asia, urchins are a valuable delicacy, known in sushi restaurants as uni. They are also a delicacy here in the United States and are very highly regarded.

Urchins imported to Maine from other countries are inspected by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service upon entering the country. Relatively recently, the Fish and Wildlife Service has begun inspecting the products once again before leaving the country. The policy change ended a longtime exemption that urchins had received, an exemption that lobster and other shellfish continue to receive.

Over 18 months ago, I started hearing from urchin processors in Maine who reported problems with this recent change. Sometimes the urchins sat in a hot warehouse in New York—usually at the JFK Airport-for days waiting for an inspection, possibly resulting in the loss of a very valuable and highly perishable product.

Since these are such a perishable product, despite the harvesters' and processors' speedy work to get the urchins ready for shipment, once they reached the inspection point in New York, they often came to a halt.

I immediately started working with the Fish and Wildlife Service to try and find a solution. Even though we haven't always seen eye to eye with the Fish and Wildlife Service, they have been very willing to hear our concerns, work with us on particular problems, and try to make things easier on our harvesters and processors.

We had a very recent example. Last Friday afternoon, my office received a call from an urchin processor who had \$50,000 worth of product soon to be sitting at the JFK Airport. The Fish and Wildlife Service had closed this Friday, meaning that the urchins would be left over a 3-day weekend. We were able to get it cleared, but it was a very close call. Stories like this make it clear that the only real solution is to get rid of this duplicative inspection, and this is what this bill would do.

After working with the Fish and Wildlife Service, talking to urchin harvesters, and visiting a processing plant in my district, I firmly believe that these extra inspections are unnecessary. There is no reason why sea urchins should be treated differently than shellfish.

These burdensome inspections create a great deal of risk for valuable exports and too much uncertainty for a job-creating industry. As communities on the Atlantic and Pacific coasts deal with challenges to commercial fishing and working waterfronts, it is critical that Congress do everything it can to support successful industries like sea urchins in Maine or squid and cuttlefish in California, Rhode Island, and other States

I am very proud to have introduced this bipartisan legislation, and I en-

courage my colleagues to support this bill.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I urge passage of this piece of legislation.

I yield back the balance of my time. The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4245, as amended.

The question was taken; and (twothirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The title of the bill was amended so as to read: "A bill to exempt exportation of certain echinoderms and mollusks from licensing requirements under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 ''

### ESTABLISHMENT OF A VISITOR SERVICES FACILITY ON THE AR-LINGTON RIDGE TRACT

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4789) to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish a structure for visitor services on the Arlington Ridge tract, in the area of the U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

### H.R. 4789

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled

### SECTION 1. DEFINITION.

In this Act, the term "Arlington Ridge tract" means the parcel of Federal land located in Arlington County, Virginia, known as the Nevius Tract and transferred to the Department of the Interior in 1953, that is bounded generally by-

(1) Arlington Boulevard (United States Route 50) to the north;

(2) Jefferson Davis Highway (Virginia Route 110) to the east;

(3) Marshall Drive to the south; and

### (4) North Meade Street to the west. SEC. 2. ESTABLISHMENT OF A VISITOR SERVICES

#### THE FACILITY ON ARLINGTON RIDGE TRACT.

Notwithstanding section 2863(g) of Public Law 107-107, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to construct a structure for visitor services to include a public restroom facility on the Arlington Ridge tract in the area of the U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON) and the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. BEYER) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Pennsylvania.

### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous materials on the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

There was no objection.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, the United States Marine Corps War Memorial in Arlington, Virginia, honors the many members of the Marine Corps who have given their lives fighting for our country. This is one of the most popular memorials in the area, attracting over 1 million visitors annually and hosting several popular events, such as the Summer Sunset Parades and the Marine Corps Marathon.

Despite the popularity, the site only has portable toilets and no permanent bathroom facilities for visitors. This bipartisan, straightforward bill introduced by Congressman DON BEYER authorizes the construction of a visitor services center that includes permanent restroom facilities.

Due to a generous donation from billionaire David Rubenstein, this new visitor service center will come at no cost to the taxpayer. This new facility represents a more respectful and permanent solution to improve visitor experiences at this important site.

I urge the adoption of the measure.

I reserve the balance of my time. Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 4789 is an uncontroversial technical provision authorizing construction of a small restroom facility on the grounds of the Marine Corps Memorial, also known as the Iwo Jima Memorial.

Recently, billionaire David Rubenstein donated more than \$5 million to the National Park Foundation to be used for repairs and rehabilitation of the memorial and the surrounding grounds.

Because of the donation, the National Park Service was able to look closely at the needs of the memorial and the visitors who come there, and one amenity it clearly lacks is public restrooms. At the moment, the only restrooms available are Park Servicesupplied porta potties.

With visitation steady and possibly increasing because of the memorial rehabilitation, there is a clear need to address this deficiency in visitor services, and this is especially concerning because this is a very popular destination for veterans, not all of whom are able-bodied.

The current statutory ban on additional structures on the Marine Corps Memorial dates to 2002, and it was part of this debate over the location of the Air Force Memorial. Well, in the meantime, the Air Force Memorial was ultimately located somewhere else, but we still need this legislation to authorize construction of restroom facilities.

The provision has already been passed by the Senate, and I am pleased by its consideration in the House. The National Park Service has long wanted to build a small structure with water and restrooms at the Marine Corps Memorial because there are no such facilities within several miles, and this is in keeping with the broader policy of improving accessibility of all the memorials on and around the National Mall.

I am particularly thankful for Mr. COOK's support in putting this together and for Mr. THOMPSON's leadership and for the chairman's support.

I urge all Members to support this bipartisan bill.

I yield back the balance of my time. Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I urge passage of this bill.

I yield back the balance of my time. The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by

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The question was taken; and (twothirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

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### INNOVATION IN OFFSHORE LEASING ACT

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 5577) to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct offshore oil and gas lease sales through Internetbased live lease sales, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

### H.R. 5577

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Innovation in Offshore Leasing Act".

# SEC. 2. INTERNET-BASED OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS LEASE SALES.

(a) AUTHORIZATION.—Section 8 of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1337) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(q) INTERNET-BASED OIL AND GAS LEASE SALES.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—In order to modernize the Nation's offshore leasing program to ensure the best return to the Federal tarpayer, reduce fraud, and ensure a fair and competitive leasing process, the Secretary may conduct lease sales under this section through Internet-based, sealed-bidding methods.

*((2)* SALE REQUIREMENTS.—Sales conducted under paragraph (1) shall ensure—

"(A) a publicly and freely accessible digital delivery of the bid reading process, such as live Internet streaming, and an option for bidders to submit bids electronically;

"(B) a bidder verification process that discloses to bidders, by no later than 5 p.m. Central Time of the day before each sale, a list of all bids submitted (including the person submitting each bid) on each lease tract without disclosing bid amounts;

"(C) the ability for a bidder to correct a possible misreading of a submitted bid;

"(D) a designee from within the Office of the Solicitor of the Department of the Interior to act

as an independent, third-party observer who will be present during the bid reading process to prevent wrongdoing, independently certify the bidding process, and maintain transparency;

"(E) data security measures to ensure bidder data is kept secure; and

(F) a participant survey soliciting voluntary feedback from bidders on the bidding process.

"(3) TRANSPARENCY IN SALE-DAY STATISTICS.— "(A) REQUIREMENT.—The Secretary shall publicly disclose statistical data regarding each lease sale under this subsection, on the day the sale is executed.

"(B) INCLUDED DATA.—Among data disclosed, the Secretary shall include—

"(i) the total value of high bids;

"(ii) the number of tracts offered;

"(iii) the number of acres offered;

"(iv) the number of tracts receiving bids;

"(v) the number of acres receiving bids;

"(vi) the total number of bids;

"(vii) the average number of bids per tract;

"(viii) the total number of bidders participating;

"(ix) bidding statistics by water depth;

"(x) the name of the entity that submitted each bid, the amount of the bid, and the tract for which the bid was submitted;

"(xi) of tracts receiving bids, the number of bids per tract by water depth;

"(xii) the tract receiving the greatest number of bids;

"(xiii) the tract receiving the highest bid; and "(xiv) any other statistical data that may be disclosed in accordance with this Act.

"(C) DATA TRANSPARENCY.—The Secretary shall ensure all data regarding lease sales under this subsection is publicly available and easily accessible, free of charge, on the Internet, including for download and aggregation in machine-readable format.".

(b) MODERNIZING LEASING THROUGH COLLABORATION.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Before conducting the first Internet-based lease sale under the amendment made by this section, the Secretary of the Interior shall issue a request for information from each company present for bidding at the ten most recent oil and gas lease sales conducted by the Secretary under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, in order to provide the bidding public sufficient opportunity to share innovative ideas, methods, and concerns regarding Internet-based leasing.

(2) INTEGRATION OF INFORMATION.—The Secretary shall review, evaluate, and integrate suggestions and concerns collected under paragraph (1) as the Secretary works to modernize the offshore leasing process through Internetbased leasing options.

(3) USER WORKSHOP.—The Secretary shall conduct not less than one user workshop with viable bidders prior to conducting an Internetbased lease sale to provide the bidding public with an opportunity to beta test any prototype of an Internet-based leasing platform.

(c) DEADLINE FOR GULF OF MEXICO LEASE SALE.—Not later than 18 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall conduct at least one Internetbased lease sale under the amendment made by subsection (a) for leasable acreage in the Gulf of Mexico.

(d) EVALUATING INTERNET-BASED OFFSHORE LEASING.—Not later than 90 days after the third Internet-based lease sale conducted under the amendment made by subsection (a), the Secretary of the Interior shall analyze all such Internet-based lease sales and transmit to Congress a thorough analysis of the sales. The analysis shall include—

(1) estimates of increases or decreases in such lease sales, compared to sales conducted by non-Internet-based bidding, in—

(A) the number of bidders;

(B) the average amount of bids;

(C) the highest bid; and (D) the largest hid:

(D) the lowest bid;

(2) an estimate of the total cost or savings to the Department of the Interior as a result of such sales, compared to sales conducted by non-Internet-based bidding;

(3) voluntary and anonymous feedback from persons participating in such sales, on the Internet-based leasing process and potential areas for improvement in such sales; and

(4) an evaluation of the demonstrated or expected effectiveness of different structures for lease sales that may provide an opportunity to better maximize bidder participation, ensure the highest return to the Federal taxpayers, minimize opportunities for fraud or collusion, and ensure the security and integrity of the leasing process.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON) and the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. BEYER) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Pennsylvania.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous materials on the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

There was no objection.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 5577, introduced by Congressman GARRET GRAVES, will increase transparency and efficiency regarding the Federal Government's current process for conducting lease sales while also saving Federal tax dollars in the development of oil and gas on the Outer Continental Shelf.

Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Louisiana (Mr. GRAVES), the author of the bill.

Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, my fourth grader's homework is online. We go up on a Web site and pull down homework. My ninth grader can check out books from the library and download it to his Kindle. Our 6-year-old takes my iPhone and sends text messages, unbeknownst to me, to her aunts and uncles. Everything is now evolving to online—everything is.

Mr. Speaker, the reality is that there is this reputation that the Federal Government has that we are incredibly inefficient and behind the times, and unfortunately that reality is well earned. Everything is going online now. We can go on different Web sites and have things delivered to our homes the same day or the next day. We can order things online and go to stores and go pick them up. That is how the world is evolving, and what the online presence does is it provides for transparency.

Now, this bill addresses offshore lease sales. What are offshore lease sales? That is the second largest revenue stream for the United States Treasury after taxes. It is a huge revenue stream. By some estimates, it has exceeded \$200 billion in revenues for the United States Treasury.

What this bill is designed to do is to bring us into the 21st century, to allow for potential bidders to go online to broaden access, to allow for the taxpayer's resource, the American public's resource, to have more bidders, to have more competition to ultimately make sure that the full value of that resource is realized by taxpayers.

I very much appreciate the gentleman from California (Mr. LOWENTHAL), my good friend, being our lead cosponsor on this bill, showing that this is a bipartisan bill, that we have strong support from very diverse ideologies across the country.

Mr. Speaker, I just want to reiterate the fact that this simply puts it online. It simply allows for better access for information. This is an asset that belongs to the American public. It is worth billions and billions of dollars. It should have transparency in how the process takes place, in the amount that bidders put forth, the amount that bidders bid for different auctions or lease sales. I think it is very important.

Lastly, Mr. Speaker, I also want to make note of this. What this does, this whole transparency and openness and improved value and competition, it complements the public process because, Mr. Speaker, related to this last lease sale, lease sale 248, there were 18 opportunities for public participation, public comment, public meetings, 18 separate opportunities through the development of the lease sale, the development of the EIS, the development of the 5-year plan. So this complements all of that transparency and doesn't allow this to be done only by folks who can afford to go buy a plane ticket and go down into this facility, but that everyone can participate; and it allows for that public access to this last stage in the process that complements this very open and transparent process that takes place prior to.

So, Mr. Speaker, I want to urge support for H.R. 5577. I think this is in the best interest of taxpayers. This is in the best interest of transparency and, certainly, the public.

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

H.R. 5577 is a bipartisan bill, introduced by two of my colleagues on the Committee on Natural Resources, the gentleman from Louisiana (Mr. GRAVES), and the gentleman from California (Mr. LOWENTHAL). It really would bring the offshore oil and gas leasing system into the 21st century.

Last month the Department of the Interior took one step in that direction by streaming the opening of leasing bids live on the Web. However, companies still submitted their bids by sticking them in an envelope and mailing them. This bill would direct Interior to start moving that process online and to provide much more transparency by

ensuring that the public has access to all the data from these sales in machine-readable and downloadable format.

H.R. 5577 will also ensure that people across the country can follow these sales in real time. I commend the sponsor of this bill for their efforts to improve government operations.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, once again, I urge passage of this measure.

I yield back the balance of my time. The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 5577, as amended.

The question was taken; and (twothirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 5 o'clock and 36 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN) at 6 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. WHITFIELD), the whole number of the House is 432.

EXPRESSING THE CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTA-TIVES ON THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE MARK TAKAI, A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE STATE OF HAWAII

Ms. GABBARD. Madam Speaker, I offer a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

### H. RES. 841

*Resolved*, That the House has heard with profound sorrow of the death of the Honorable Mark Takai, a Representative from the State of Hawaii.

*Resolved*, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and transmit a copy thereof to the family of the deceased.

*Resolved*, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn as a further mark of respect to the memory of the deceased.

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The resolution was agreed to. A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

H.R. 5578, by the yeas and nays;

H.R. 3881, by the yeas and nays.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. The second electronic vote will be conducted as a 5-minute vote.

### SURVIVORS' BILL OF RIGHTS ACT OF 2016

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 5578) to establish certain rights for sexual assault survivors, and for other purposes, on which the yeas and navs were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill. The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. GOODLATTE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were-yeas 399, nays 0, not voting 32, as follows:

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Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico changed her vote from "nay" to "yea."

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

### MOMENT OF SILENCE IN REMEM-BRANCE OF THE LATE HONOR-ABLE MARK TAKAI

(Ms. GABBARD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. GABBARD. Mr. Speaker, over the past few weeks, the people of Hawaii and our colleagues have celebrated the life and service of our friend and colleague, Congressman Mark Takai, in a series of memorials, religious services, and community events. Leader PELOSI led a congressional delegation, including many of the Members who are standing with me today, to Hawaii, where we visited with Mark's wife, Sami, and his children, Matthew and Kaila, as well as with his parents and siblings, and shared with them the memories that we made with Mark and the impact that he had on our country during his service here in the U.S. Congress.

I thank Mark's family on behalf of all of us for opening their hearts to us and sharing Mark with us. He touched the lives of so many people throughout his life of service as a Pearl City High School athlete and student organizing voter registration drives, as the president of Associated Students of the University of Hawaii at Manoa, representing Hawaii's 34th House district for 20 years in the State legislature, his 17 years of service as a soldier in the Hawaii Army National Guard, and, most recently, serving Hawaii's First Congressional District.

I had the good fortune of serving with Mark over the years in the State legislature, in the National Guard, and here in Congress. Like all of you, when I think of Mark, I will always remember his ready smile, his deep laugh, and, most of all, his heart of aloha. No matter where he was or in what capacity, Mark always kept his service to Hawaii's people at the forefront of all that he did. While he served just 18 months here in Congress, the impact that he made and the aloha spirit that he embodied will live on in Hawaii and in these Halls forever.

As we remember our friend, our colleague, may we carry this aloha spirit in our hearts as we gather together to do the people's work.

Mr. Speaker, I ask for a moment of silence to honor the life and service of Congressman Mark Takai.

### CONGRESSIONAL RECORD—HOUSE

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Ryan (OH)

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O'Rourke

Mooney (WV)

The SPEAKER. All present will rise for a moment of silence.

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### COOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT OF MINERAL RIGHTS ACT OF 2016

The SPEAKER. Without objection, 5minute voting will continue. There was no objection.

The SPEAKER. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 3881) to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to repeal provisions relating only to the Allegheny National Forest, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

This is a 5-minute vote.

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The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 395, nays 3, not voting 33, as follows:

[Roll No. 480]

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The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

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So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

Sanchez, Loretta

Sinema

Yarmuth

Wilson (SC)

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. CALVERT. Madam Speaker, on rollcall votes 479 and 480 I was unable to vote as I was detained in my congressional district to attend the funeral of a dear friend. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes" on rollcall votes 479 and 480.

### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. RUPPERSBERGER. Madam Speaker, I missed the following votes during leave of absence for medical reasons: "Yes" on rollcall 479: HR.R. 5578-Survivors' Bill of Rights Act of 2016. "Yes" on rollcall 480: H.R. 3881-Cooperative Management of Mineral Rights Act of 2016

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PRO-VIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF STOP SETTLEMENT H.R. 5063, SLUSH FUNDS ACT OF 2016

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 114-724) on the resolution (H. Res. 843) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5063) to limit donations made pursuant to settlement agreements to which the United States is a party, and for other purposes, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PRO-VIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2357, ACCELERATING ACCESS TO CAPITAL ACT OF 2016, AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 5424, INVESTMENT AD-VISERS MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2016

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 114-725) on the resolution (H. Res. 844) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2357) to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to revise Form S-3 so as to add listing and registration of a class of common equity securities on a national securities exchange as an additional basis for satisfying the requirements of General Instruction I.B.1. of such form and to remove such listing and registration as a requirement of General Instruction I.B.6. of such form. and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5424) to amend the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 and to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to amend its rules to modernize certain requirements relating to investment advisers, and for other purposes, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HARDY). Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on the additional motion to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote incurs objection under clause 6 of rule XX.

Any record vote on the postponed question will be taken later.

#### BLACK HILLS NATIONAL CEME-BOUNDARY TERY EXPANSION ACT

Mr. BISHOP of Utah. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 3839) to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Bureau of Land Management land from the Secretary of the Interior to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for inclusion in the Black Hills National Cemetery, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

### H.B. 3839

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled.

### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

The Act may be cited as the "Black Hills National Cemetery Boundary Expansion Act".

### SEC. 2. WITHDRAWAL AND TRANSFER OF PUBLIC LAND FOR CEMETERY USE.

(a) DUE DILIGENCE.—Prior to the withdrawal and transfer in subsection (b), the Secretary of Veterans Affairs will complete appropriate environmental, cultural resource and other due diligence activities on the public lands identified in subsection (c), so that the Secretary of Veterans Affairs may confirm that the land is suitable for cemetery purposes. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall notify the Secretary of the Interior of such due diligence activities prior to initiating and shall coordinate as needed during the performance of such activities.

(b) WITHDRAWAL AND TRANSFER.—After completion of the due diligence activities in subsection (a) and upon receipt by the Secretary of the Interior of written confirmation from the Secretary of the Veterans Affairs that the land is suitable for cemetery purposes, and subject to valid existing rights, the public lands described in subsection (c) shall be-

(1) withdrawn from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including the mining laws, the mineral leasing laws, and the geothermal leasing laws, for as long as the lands remain under the administrative jurisdiction of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs:

(2) deemed property as defined in section 102(9) of title 40, United States Code. for as long as the lands remain under the administrative jurisdiction of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; and

(3) transferred to the administrative jurisdiction of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for use as national cemeteries under chapter 24 of title 38, United States Code.

(c) LAND DESCRIPTION .- The public lands withdrawn, deemed property, and transferred under subsection (b) shall be the approximately 200 acres of land adjacent to Black Hills National Cemetery, South Dakota, generally depicted as "Proposed National Cemetery Expansion" on the map entitled "Proposed Expansion of Black Hills National Cemetery - South Dakota" and dated June 16, 2016, except the land located within 100 feet of the centerline of the Centennial Trail (which runs along the northern boundary of the "Proposed National Cemetery Expansion") and that is located south of the Trail.

(d) BOUNDARY MODIFICATION.—Immediately after the public lands are withdrawn, deemed property, and transferred under subsection (b), the boundary of the Black Hills National Cemetery shall be modified to include the public lands identified in subsection (c).

(e) MODIFICATION OF PUBLIC LAND ORDER.-Immediately after the public lands under subsection (b) are withdrawn, deemed property, and transferred under subsection (b), Public Land Order 2112, dated June 6, 1960 (25 Fed. Reg. 5243), shall be modified to exclude the lands identified in subsection (c). SEC. 3. LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS.

(a) PREPARATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS -As soon as practicable following receipt of written confirmation from the Secretary of the Veterans Affairs that the land is suitable for cemetery purposes, the Secretary of the Interior shall publish in the Federal Register a notice containing the legal descriptions of the public lands withdrawn, deemed property, and transferred under section 2(b).

(b) LEGAL EFFECT.—The legal descriptions prepared under subsection (a) shall have the same force and effect as if the legal descriptions were included in this Act, except that the Secretary of the Interior may correct any clerical and typographical errors in the legal descriptions.

(c) AVAILABILITY .- Copies of the map referred to in section 2(c) and the legal descriptions prepared under subsection (a) shall be available for public inspection in the appropriate offices of-

(1) the Bureau of Land Management; and

(2) the National Cemetery Administration. (d) COSTS .- The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall reimburse the Secretary of the Interior for reasonable costs incurred by the Secretary of the Interior in implementing this section, including the costs of any survevs.

### SEC. 4. RESTORATION TO PUBLIC LANDS FOR NON-CEMETERY USE.

(a) NOTICE AND EFFECT.-Upon a determination by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs that all or a portion of the lands withdrawn, deemed property, and transferred under section 2 shall not be used for cemetery purposes, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall notify the Secretary of the Interior of such determination. Subject to subsections (b) and (c), the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall transfer administrative jurisdiction of the lands subject to such notice to the Secretary of the Interior.

(b) DECONTAMINATION.-The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall be responsible for costs of any decontamination of the lands resulting from contamination on the lands withdrawn, deemed property, and transferred under section 2(b) while the Secretary of Veterans Affairs exercised jurisdiction over those lands subject to a notice under subsection (a) determined by the Secretary of the Interior to be necessary for the lands to be restored to the public lands.

(c) RESTORATION TO THE PUBLIC LANDS.— The lands subject to a notice under subsection (a) shall only be restored to the public lands upon acceptance by the Secretary of the Interior and a determination by the Secretary of the Interior that such lands are suitable for restoration to the public lands and operation of one or more of the public land laws.

(d) OPENING ORDER —If the Secretary of the Interior accepts the lands subject to such a notice and determines that the lands are suitable for restoration, in whole or in part. the Secretary of the Interior may open the lands to operation of one or more of the public land laws and may issue an order to that effect.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from

Utah (Mr. BISHOP) and the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. POLIS) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Utah.

### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. BISHOP of Utah. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous materials on the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Utah?

There was no objection.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

This is a unique bill, and I rise in strong support of the Black Hills National Cemetery Boundary Expansion Act that is offered by the gentlewoman from South Dakota (Mrs. NOEM).

This bill is one of those things that actually helps people. Instead of being bureaucratically stuck in the predicament that we are, this will transfer from BLM 200 acres, roughly, to the Department of Veterans Affairs so they can actually have an expanded cemetery there for Native Americans. This is one of those things where we are actually doing something good to help people, and it takes a piece of legislation to allow that to happen when it should have been done administratively.

At this point. I include in the RECORD an exchange of letters with Chairman JEFF MILLER of the Veterans' Affairs Committee and thank him and his staff for their cooperation in scheduling this particular bill.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS,

Washington, DC, July 6, 2016.

HOD ROB BISHOP. Chairman, Committee on Natural Resources.

DEAR MR. ROB: I am writing to you concerning H.R. 3839, the Black Hills National Cemetery Boundary Expansion Act. There are certain provisions in the legislation which fall within the Rule X jurisdiction of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

In the interest of permitting your committee to proceed expeditiously to floor consideration of this important bill. I am willing to waive this committee's right to sequential referral. I do so with the understanding that by waiving consideration of the bill, the Committee on Veterans' Affairs does not waive any future jurisdictional claim over the subject matters contained in the bill which fall within its Rule X jurisdiction. I request that you urge the Speaker to name members of this committee to any conference committee which is named to consider such provisions.

Please place this letter into the committee report on H.R. 3839 and into the Congressional Record during consideration of the measure on the House floor. Thank you. Sincerely,

JEFF MILLER. Chairman. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, Washington, DC, July 7, 2016.

Hon. JEFF MILLER, Chairman, Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: On June 15, 2016, the Committee on Natural Resources ordered favorably reported as amended H.R. 3839, the Black Hills National Cemetery Boundary Expansion Act, by unanimous consent. The bill was referred primarily to the Committee on Natural Resources, with an additional referral to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

I thank you for allowing the Committee on Veterans' Affairs to be discharged from further consideration of the bill so that it may be scheduled by the Majority Leader. This discharge in no way affects your jurisdiction over the subject matter of the bill, and it will not serve as precedent for future referrals. In addition, should a conference on the bill be necessary, I would support having the Committee on Veterans' Affairs represented on the conference committee. Finally, I would be pleased to include your letter and this response in the bill report filed by the Committee on Natural Resources to memorialize our understanding, as well as in the Congressional Record when the bill is considered by the House.

Thank you for your response and cooperation. I look forward to further opportunities to work with you this Congress.

Sincerely,

### ROB BISHOP, Chairman, Committee on Natural Resources.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah. I yield such time as she may consume to the gentlewoman from South Dakota (Mrs. NOEM), who is a sponsor of this bill.

Mrs. NOEM. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 3839, the Black Hills National Cemetery Boundary Expansion Act. I want to thank the chairman of the committee and his staff for helping to move this bill through the House and the agencies involved for their constructive input. Their support means so much to me, to our veterans, and to all of their families as well.

Those who have served, and the families that have sacrificed beside them, deserve our Nation's eternal gratitude. Since 1948, the Black Hills National Cemetery has been but one way that this appreciation is shown.

The cemetery currently covers around 100 acres of land and is home to the Korean Veterans War Memorial. Most importantly, its peaceful landscape serves as the final resting place for hundreds of servicemembers and their families.

Chief David Beautiful Bald Eagle is among the brave men and women buried there. Born in a tepee in 1919, Chief Bald Eagle served our country in World War II as a paratrooper and one of the legendary Lakota code talkers. We lost him earlier this summer, but his life continues to be an inspiration to the Lakota people and to those who knew him.

Brigadier General Richard E. Ellsworth is also laid to rest there. This is a man who flew 400 combat missions during Word War II and earned numerous medals. He returned to the U.S., where he eventually became wing commander of the Rapid City Air Force Base. In 1953, that base was renamed to Ellsworth Air Force Base in his honor.

We honor the legacy of those veterans and many others at the Black Hills National Cemetery, but the facility will not have the room it needs to continue serving future veterans without expansion. This bill will allow that expansion by transferring around 200 acres of adjacent land near Sturgis, South Dakota, from the Bureau of Land Management's jurisdiction to the Department of Veterans Affairs.

My office has worked with these agencies and stakeholders in crafting the legislation, and all agree that this land transfer is necessary. The transfer of this land will provide the Black Hills National Cemetery with the additional burial space that it needs and assure today's veterans and servicemembers, as well as their families, that we will be able to uphold our commitment and offer this Nation's eternal gratitude for all that they have done.

Again, I thank the committee and the chairman and my colleagues for supporting this bill, and I urge a "yes" vote.

Mr. POLIS. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

As a fellow Representative of the West, I join my colleagues from Utah and South Dakota in support of this bill. Whenever we need to make an alteration to Federal land, whether it is the U.S. Forest Service or the Bureau of Land Management. it frequently requires an actual bill to go through this entire process—the House, the Senate. and the President's signature. I have had to do that a number of times and worked with our chairman on a number of bills important to my district. Now we have one that is not only of importance to South Dakotans, but important to veterans nationally. This bill provides the Veterans Administration with 200 acres of Federal land that is managed by the BLM to expand the Black Hills National Cemetery.

As we know, national cemeteries are reserved for brave men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice while serving in the military, and it is important that we have space to meet those interment requests. Our veterans have served their country, and they deserve to permanently rest in a cemetery that honors their sacrifice and commitment to the ideals that hold us together as a nation.

It so happens that the BLM land that this bill would transfer abuts the current cemetery. The BLM and the VA determined that only Congress can provide the permanent jurisdiction transfer necessary for this expansion. Again, that is not uncommon to actually bring bills before Congress for land exchanges or border extensions. That is why we are discussing this bipartisan, commonsense bill, and I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting it. Expanding the Black Hills National Cemetery is a noble and worthy cause. It deserves our support.

I want to thank Representative NOEM of South Dakota for bringing this issue forward and for all of her hard work in guiding this bill through committee and, hopefully, shortly, through the United States Congress.

I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this bill.

I yield back the balance of my time. Mr. BISHOP of Utah. Mr. Speaker, once again, this is a great bill. Without this bill, they run out of space. With this bill, we continue to actually help people, which is one of the reasons why Congress exists, to do good things for people.

I urge my colleagues to adopt this measure.

I yield back the balance of my time. □ 1915

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Utah (Mr. BISHOP) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3839, as amended.

The question was taken; and (twothirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

### ZIKA THREAT TO SOUTH FLORIDA

(Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, today marks the 39th day since local transmission of the Zika virus via mosquitoes was confirmed in my area of south Florida on July 29, 39 days since it was obvious that much more needed to be done to confront the threat that Zika posed to U.S. citizens here at home. And yet here we are with 56 locally acquired cases of Zika in Miami-Dade County, 7 of them having been confirmed just today—today, Mr. Speaker. There are 2,686 travel-related cases across the continental U.S.

Federal funding is needed now to help those born with congenital Zika infections, such as Micaela Mendoza. Every day since her birth in July, Micaela and her parents have waited to learn more about the extent of her complications from Zika because so little is still to be known about the virus.

Mr. Speaker, how many more days will south Florida families have to wait for a comprehensive response package from the Federal Government? We have waited too long. Send in the cavalry.

### GLOBAL WARMING IS REAL

(Mr. COHEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, I am dressed in a seersucker suit. Most people from the South would recognize that, and traditionally people from the country and the South and the fashion industry would say you are not supposed to wear seersucker after Labor Day and before Memorial Day. But this year, according to NASA, is going to be the hottest year on record ever since the 1880s, when we started keeping records. Each of the first 6 months of the year have been the hottest months in history, according to NASA.

Global warming is real, and we are going to be wearing these seersucker suits into October, and we will be starting to wear them in April, probably around the first of April to coincide with April Fool's Day, because for those people who don't think there is global warming, all they have got to do is go out in the weather before Memorial Day or after Labor Day in something other than seersucker and they will realize that global warming is real.

Climate change is with us. The oceans will rise; land will disappear. Miami Beach is too nice.

### RECOGNIZING JAMES DAVIS' CON-TRIBUTIONS TO PENNSYLVANIA AGRICULTURE

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, in August I was proud to recognize someone from Pennsylvania's Fifth Congressional District who made a big contribution to the Commonwealth's largest industry—agriculture. James Davis was the recipient of the Huntingdon County Pomona Grange #6 Community Service Award.

Mr. Davis has been a strong advocate for agriculture over the past 50 years. As a child, he attended a one-room schoolhouse before graduating from Juniata Valley High School and later earning a degree in agricultural sciences from Penn State University and a master of arts degree from West Virginia University.

He dedicated his life to agriculture education, teaching in Butler, Lebanon, Fulton, and Franklin Counties. He also taught agriculture, science, math, social studies, and English in Juniata Valley School District, later becoming an elementary principal.

Along with his brother, he has operated the Peaceful Terrain Farm, which has been in the Davis family since 1832.

Jim continues to serve as a volunteer in his community and is an enthusiastic mentor for countless youth across Huntingdon County.

Congratulations, Jim. You have earned it.

### ACTION TO REDUCE GUN VIOLENCE

(Mr. TONKO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, during this summer's historically long 53-day recess, I heard from many in New York's capital region about Congress' failure to pass commonsense gun violence prevention measures. They wonder why nothing will be done after 93 days, the period between Memorial Day and Labor Day, where we witnessed unfathomable horrors like the worst mass shooting in modern American history in Orlando, law enforcement's deadliest day since 9/11 in Dallas, and a gun homicide death toll of 4,100 Americans around the country. This is way beyond unacceptable.

Each new report of a shooting, regardless of its scale, begs the question: What will it take for the House leadership to finally bring legislation to the floor that addresses the root cause of these tragedies?

With more than 90 percent of Americans demanding congressional action to reduce gun violence, I am certain my colleagues on the other side heard similar requests from their constituents last month, imploring all of us to take a stand against the national gun lobby and to fight to make all of our communities safer places in which to live.

I urge my colleagues to listen to these voices and to join House Democrats in debating and ultimately passing legislation that will prevent dangerous individuals from purchasing firearms.

### INDIANA BICENTENNIAL TORCH RELAY

(Mr. ROKITA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ROKITA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Indiana Bicentennial Torch Relay, which will kick off in Indiana this Friday. 2016 marks two centuries of statehood for my great State, and this relay will see the bicentennial torch—designed, by the way, by the Fourth District's own Purdue University engineering students carried through every one of our 92 counties.

Along with other Hoosiers, I will have the honor of carrying the torch on Wednesday, October 12, in Fountain County. I am excited for the chance to be involved in this unique and privileged event. This relay will last for over a month, with the route ending at the statehouse on October 15, just in time for the dedication of Bicentennial Plaza, a brand-new public space for both Hoosiers and visitors to enjoy year round.

I want to thank the Bicentennial Commission and each member's great leadership for all they have done to make our State's bicentennial year memorable for generations to come.

### IT IS TIME WE LISTEN AND ACT

(Mr. KENNEDY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. Speaker, before heading to the airport earlier today, I met with a group of mothers from the Massachusetts chapter of Moms Demand Action.

Even in a State with some of the strictest gun laws in the country, headlines of lives lost or forever altered by gun violence are commonplace: "Boston shooting gravely injures man"; "Two dead, two injured overnight in Boston shootings"; "11-year-old boy shot in the face in Abington home" all these from the last 2 weeks alone.

In the time since we have last voted in this Chamber, guns have taken the lives of thousands of Americans in every corner of this country; and in the weeks to come, they will take thousands more.

You cannot tell me we are powerless as men, women, and children carry the wounds of our inaction. You cannot tell me that the answer to this bloodshed is more guns capable of causing greater damage with less regulation; and you cannot tell grieving families that they are just in our thoughts and prayers, but that their memories are just not strong enough to spur action that could prevent another gun from falling into the wrong hands.

Mothers and fathers, sons and daughters, friends and colleagues are crying out for this body to address this Nation's epidemic of gun violence. It is time we listen and act.

### HONORING THE MEMORY OF CALEB SCHWAB

(Mr. YODER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. YODER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart. I would like to honor the memory of Caleb Schwab, who tragically died last month in an accident at a water park in my district. Just 10 years old, Caleb was the amazing son of my good friends Michele and Scott Schwab, whom I have known for years, and Scott and I served together in the Kansas Legislature.

Words cannot express how heartbroken I am for them and their boys in this time of devastation. There may be no greater loss in life than a parent losing a child. Children are supposed to bury their parents, and no parent should ever have to bury their own child.

Caleb will always be remembered for his love of sports, kindness toward others, and the joy he received from his deep love of the Lord. His parents and brothers will always remember the same question that came out of Caleb's mouth every day: "Can I go out and play?"

Caleb, we will love life to the fullest in your memory, and we know you are playing in heaven.

Mr. Speaker, may God bless Scott, Michele, and their family, and may everyone please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

### LET'S STOP PLAYING POLITICS

(Ms. JACKSON LEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, over the August work recess, I met with many constituents, but I also met with my regional Zika task force that included health professionals from the public and private sector who recognize the devastation of the Zika virus.

In the continental United States, there are over 2,000 cases. Over 600 pregnant mothers have been impacted by the Zika virus with yet unborn children, and then there are about 30-plus cases of transmission right here in the United States. And yet tonight the other body failed to pass the Zika funding. Now is the time.

My committee was very constructive. Dr. Persse from the city of Houston talked about surveillance of those coming into their clinics to determine whether they have been impacted by fever and a rash. We have talked about the vaccine and also a Zika act to be able to give information to those who are in need of knowing how to prevent it.

Yet the funding is not here. Why? Because we cannot pass a clean Zika funding, emergency funding, without riders.

Let's stop playing politics. Pass the Zika funding. The health professionals insist on it. People are dying.

### REMOVING REDUNDANT RED TAPE

(Mr. POLIQUIN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. POLIQUIN. Mr. Speaker, there are millions of Americans across our country who are frustrated that Republicans and Democrats are not working together to get things done. Well, I can tell you that is not the case, Mr. Speaker, in the great State of Maine.

During the past 6 months, I have worked very hard with Congresswoman CHELLIE PINGREE, a Democrat, who represents our First District in Maine. I am a Republican representing our Second District. Together we have ushered through a very important bill, Mr. Speaker, that removes redundant and harmful red tape from being imposed upon 650 hardworking Mainers who harvest and process sea urchins and cucumbers from the ocean floor.

Now, unlike lobsters, Mr. Speaker, that are caught in traps up in Maine, sea urchins and cucumbers are collected on the bottom of the sea floor by those who dive in the cold, dark waters. It is a very dangerous job, and the product is a delicacy in the Far East, but it is very perishable.

Now already, Mr. Speaker, Maine officials inspect sea cucumbers and urchins before they leave the State, but the last couple years, U.S. Fish and Wildlife folks down in New York are imposing additional red tape before they can get on cargo planes. Mr. Speaker, I would like to say that I am proud of the Maine commonsense, bipartisan bill that removes this redundant red tape from 650 people who work as hard as anyone you can find.

### JUDGE POE IS CONFIDENT HE WILL BEAT CANCER

(Mr. GOHMERT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Speaker, while most of us have been working around in our districts trying to assist others in their lives, one of our number, who is one of the most dedicated public servants in the world, has been fighting leukemia. That is our friend Judge TED POE. He sends this message:

"This summer, while Congress has been out of session, I have undergone treatment here in Houston for leukemia. Fortunately, just 8 weeks into treatment, I am feeling like myself again and am confident I will beat cancer. Incredible progress has been made so far thanks to the good Lord and the world-class team physicians at MD Anderson.

"Tomorrow I will return to Washington for votes and then be present for as much of the fall session as my treatment schedule will allow. The support I have received during this difficult time has been overwhelming." He goes on to say: "Thank you for

He goes on to say: "Thank you for your continued thoughts and prayers. This September, during Leukemia Awareness Month, I intend to keep fighting the disease with all that I have while fighting for Texans in the House of Representatives just as I always have.

"And that is just the way it is."

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### STOP THE SLAUGHTER OF CHRISTIANS IN THE MIDDLE EAST

(Mr. ROHRABACHER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ROHRABACHER. Mr. Speaker, as we stand here today, let us remember that the slaughter of Christians in the Middle East continues. The slaughter by radical Islamic terrorists continues as we do our business as usual. We have a President who is even unable to use the words "radical Islamic terrorists," which could have something to do with the fact that we have had policies that have failed to stop this historic slaughter of Christians in the Middle East.

This group has declared jihad on the West and has begun their gruesome bloodletting by targeting Christians in the Middle East for genocide. Again, this administration has failed to do anything to stop the slaughter. Those people who have been permitted into our country from that part of the world, overwhelmingly, have been Muslims and not Christians.

It is time for Congress to act. We have not done our job. We have failed

as well. We need to pass legislation. I have submitted such legislation that says that, from now on, in that part of the world where Christians have been targeted for genocide, they will be given preference for any refugee status or immigration status into the United States. At the very least, we can do this to stop this slaughter of Christians in the Middle East.

### STUDENT LOAN DEBT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 6, 2015, the gentleman from California (Mr. GARAMENDI) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the minority leader.

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, as I was flying to Washington from California today, I recalled conversations I had over the weekend with a group of students who are headed back to school at the universities in California and other parts of the Nation.

To an individual, I asked them: "How are you financing it? What are you going to do? Are your parents taking care of you; your grandparents?"

In some cases, they said: "Well, they are helping a little bit, but I am going to do this with a student loan."

All across this Nation, young men and women and maybe some that are not so young are going back to school to continue their education, to begin it, and, in some cases, learn new skills, and they are taking out student loans. This is an incredible, incredible way in which we have now begun the financing of our higher education system.

What does it amount to?

Well, let me show you what it amounts to. It amounts to a whopping amount of debt. Among Americans, no other loan program exceeds the amount of student debt, except for home mortgages. It is well over a trillion dollars in 2014, and probably approaching a trillion and a quarter dollars.

It is a burden on not just current students, but students from yesterday and from the decades before, still carrying that burden of debt, unable to begin what used to be the normal process of a family, a car, a house, participating in the economic activities of America. But, rather, they are burdened by an extraordinary debt. And here we are in Congress, really not even paying attention to this fundamental American issue. It is an economic issue for the large economy. It is macroeconomic. It is also very, very much a personal issue.

Is there one of you out there in America that doesn't have a son, a daughter, or maybe even yourself that is burdened by this student debt?

You are paying interest rates that are 5, 6, 7, 8 percent and you are wondering why, if you are able to refinance your home, why you are not able to refinance your student debt.

That is a reasonable question and one that I asked my staff and others: Why

can't we refinance this student debt? After all, the Federal Government is able to borrow money for 10 years at less than 2 percent. Why don't we refinance those loans—that trillion dollars—and bring it down from 5, 6, 7, 8 percent, down to, let's say, 2 percent, plus 1 percent for the processing costs?

We could do it. It is feasible. It is possible. Oh, but it is going to cost the government. Well, yes. Right now, the government is earning a profit on the backs of those students. Over \$200 billion of profit will flow into the Federal Government because we, the American public, through the inaction of Congress, are burdening the students of America today and in the past with this incredible amount of debt. So let's refinance it.

Here are some astonishing facts that you may not know. It is \$1.2 trillion actually, more—second only to the mortgage debt. The number of borrowers on the average balance increased by 70 percent between 2004 and 2012. In other words, mostly every student is taking out loans. The average student loan debt for graduates of 2015 is \$35,051, a burden that they will carry for many, many years.

There are solutions, one of which several of us in Congress and the Senate have proposed, somewhat different versions, but they all amount to refinancing your student debt on current students who are borrowing as well as those in the past that have taken out loans. We can refinance it.

Take a look here. My particular legislation would set all student loan interest rates at 3.23 percent. Actually, that was based on the 10-year cost of a Federal bond about a year ago. So it is a little less today. Save low-income borrowers thousands by delaying the interest while they are actually in school. Right now, that interest rate will continue to accrue.

I was talking to a person on the airplane today. They said: "Well, I am going to go back to school, but I can't continue to pay off my loan just because I get a hiatus."

I said: "Whoa, whoa. Yes, while you are in school, you don't have to pay, but that interest clock continues to tick along the way."

So this legislation would say that if you are continuing your education, the interest clock stops. Also, we want to make sure that the average student can save a lot of money. It amounts to over \$2,000 through the life of the loan.

By the way, why does the Federal Government currently cause a cost here called the origination fee? I know if you go borrow money or refinance your mortgage, there is a fee. But why would the Federal Government charge a fee for the origination of a loan?

Students go down to the student loan office at the university and they take out the loan. The cost to the Federal Government is part of that over \$200 billion profit that the Federal Government has.

Anyway, we have an opportunity here to address this issue. Now that ev-

erybody is focused on this, let's see what we can do.

Changes to the student loan interest rates, we talked about this. If you are a graduate student, it is over 6 percent and so forth. We can bring it down to less than 3 percent based upon today's rates.

There are other people that are involved in this effort to try to deal with the cost of education here in the United States. I want to introduce to you a friend of mine who is often on the floor as we do our East-West show, PAUL TONKO from the State of New York. I know that he is faced with this issue in his district, as I am in mine. I represent the University of California, Davis and four different community college campuses, all of which have this problem. If he would share with us his situation in New York and what he faces in his district.

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from California for leading us in this Special Order to focus on what is a very strong concern that some in the House have for the costs of higher education.

We have prided ourselves as a society on our intellect and our intellectual capacity. That has driven all sorts of entrepreneurship. It has driven new product lines, prototypes that are developed. It really provides for a comeback as an economy, based on the intellect that we can drive into the equation for us as an American society.

So it is very important to be able to make certain that whatever those skills, those talents, those abilities, those likes, those passions are of students out there, that they pursue their intellectual development in a way that is not stifled or diminished by the cost of student loans.

As you heard from Representative GARAMENDI, that loan activity—student loan debt—rivals that of automobile loans and house loans. Something of the caliber of \$1.2 trillion in debt for student loans is not a driving factor that will build our economy. It is one that will have people paying for years and decades for the experience of a higher education.

People are adjusting their dreams, they are adjusting their goals, simply by looking at what debt they can assume or what the salary structure may be. That is telling us we are not fitting our skill set or our intellectual ability to the most appropriate journey that we can travel as students because of the debt situation.

Now, there are many things that we can do. And that was outlined. Representative GARAMENDI, I look at the student population in New York. I look at the wonderful institutions we have: higher ed institutions, public and private sector, a community college environment that is tremendously strong. Many will suggest that is the campus of choice these days, for economic reasons and for very practical reasons.

So we shouldn't limit that choice because we are not open to change in this arena. We have got to side, I believe, with consumers out there—that being students and their families—making certain that items like loan forgiveness, revisiting our loans and refinancing those loans so they are more affordable and forgiveness that comes for those that may start a business or a social enterprise and assistance that might be given them.

I know Secretary Clinton has made mention of that in her campaign for President, making certain that in distressed communities there would be loan forgiveness, I believe, by as much as \$17,500, and making certain that we are utilizing the strength of our intellectual capacity, driven by desires of students out there that can then champion the cause of the growth of our economy. But we have to be mindful of the debt with which they are saddled, that we may diminish those dreams, we may suffocate those dreams, simply by the lack of affordability of investing in one's future.

So I stand with our colleagues in the House. I stand with Representative GARAMENDI on the issue of refinancing college loans, making certain that, if you can revisit the situation for your mortgage, why not be able to go forward and revisit that student loan debt that you assume?

Again, in Secretary Clinton's package, she speaks of the opportunity for, I believe, some 25 million borrowers in this country to be able to save upward of \$2,000 on their college loan simply by refinancing at today's rates.

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So there is an opportunity for us to be constructive and creative in responding to the needs of our students. We have got to do that. That has to be of utmost priority in this House and in this Congress so that we can go forward and alleviate, however possible, the burden of that student loan debt. No society can continue to function adequately and effectively without addressing the cost of that higher education.

These are tools, the higher education opportunities are the tools in the kit that enable people to truly aspire to their dreams, to their goals, and to be able to utilize fully their given abilities that have been fostered and nurtured and brought to the forefront. That discovery is made through K-12, and it is denying that self-discovery of what your strengths are, simply by the cost of a college loan, that is diminishing that opportunity.

So let's go forward. We know what to champion here in terms of forgiveness of repayment of direction that can be fostered by the Department of Education, where there can be, again, a revisiting of loans, refinancing those loans in a powerful way that enables us, again, to do the economically strong thing for this Nation and for individual students and their families.

You know, as was made mention by the gentleman from California, these are loans that are visited not only years, but decades into the post-higher ed experience, where people are then hampered when it comes to other choices of growing a family, having a family, raising that family, maintaining a household.

These are situations that we need to address so that the freedom of choice to these individual students is fully freedom, fully allowed to be addressed by them, as individuals who want to make choices for their future.

Again, thank you, Representative GARAMENDI, for leading us in this Special Order.

Mr. GARAMENDI. I thank the gentleman from New York with whom we have often on the floor talked about many, many issues, including making it in America and building a strong economy here. But a strong economy really depends upon the individuals that work in that economy, and if they are saddled with student debt, they are not able to really explore and really carry out all of their potential. So what we want to do is to address this issue.

You mentioned the Presidential campaigns, and Secretary Clinton, she actually has a very strong and robust and fulsome program dealing with the cost of education. She does have an additional item beyond the debt issues, which you very well explained that she wants to pursue. She also has a program in place where all families who earn initially less than \$85,000 a year would be able to go to a State university, public university in their State, at no cost, and that would then grow to \$125,000 in the next 4 years. That is really extraordinary.

That is pretty much like it was when I went to school a few decades ago and the University of California was literally free. We had a couple of—I don't know—\$125 for the Student Union and some athletic programs, but it was tuition-free. Those are bygone days.

But Secretary Clinton believes—and I think she is correct—that it is possible for the Federal Government to institute programs that would make higher education free for those families that earn initially less than \$85,000, and then growing to less than \$125,000. What an enormous boom that would be to the economy.

So I am excited. I am excited about the potential here in the House of Representatives. PETER WELCH, our colleague from Vermont, has introduced a bill that is identical to Senator WAR-REN's over in the Senate, and they have a refinancing bill, similar to my bill. My bill goes a little bit further because we not only lower the cost of current students' loans, but we go to those loans that are on the books. So we can deal with this. We have the ability and the economic strength in this Nation to deal with it.

I know you may have some additional comments on that, but my mind, as we were talking here and I was thinking about this Special Order hour,

went to the young and the not-soyoung that have student loans, but also to those that are now in their more senior years and the issues that they face in their senior years. So perhaps we can shift to that, unless you have some additional things on student loans.

Mr. TONKO. Well, let me just make mention that—associating my comments with those that you just made about the opportunities for working families to have that tuition issue addressed, I believe that would cover some 80 percent of American families, which, to me, is a tremendously strong number universe.

Mr. GARAMENDI. Wow. 80 percent of American families would be able to send their kids to school without tuition costs.

Mr. TONKO. Would be able to participate in that program. I think that when we start to address those numbers, you can imagine the impact that that would have on revitalizing our economy, producing the talent that we need.

You know, I am impressed with the startup businesses that students at various campuses that I represent are being offered, these wonderful startup opportunities that are tremendously creative and innovative, and that was all triggered by—the inspiration came through work in the classroom and in labs that they may have in pursuing their degree.

This is the sort of climate that you want to grow, not shrink; and that is why these opportunities for these many, many families in this Nation to have that benefit, that is how we prosper.

Also, when we talk about Secretary Clinton's plan, I believe it is that there is the proposal to make certain that community colleges be free for all families, for all working families, making certain that we are in compliance with what the President has suggested many times over during his administration, the sought-for degree, that working knowledge of an associate's degree, where there is oftentimes hands-on experience through that matriculation.

It is so important for us to recognize that community colleges oftentimes speak to the needs in an atypical fashion, where there may be individuals working and going to school, raising a family, going to school, keeping it close to home, so that there is affordability in that regard; and making certain that, again, we have that need for the business community, for the commerce community, to be met so that this hands-on training, educating, matriculating is made possible through the community college which oftentimes is the campus of choice.

So I think it is putting all the dynamics of what is changing in our society into a working order. And I have to compliment Secretary Clinton for having that commitment, making that commitment to students, their families, our Nation, our economic resur-

gence, our recovery, and, certainly, to the innovation economy that finds us working within an international marketplace, where we can't afford to go backward or stand still. We need to go forward, and a plan like this will enable us to empower the engine of higher education that then takes us to new levels.

We have talked about this many times over. There is a pioneer spirit in this Nation. I am a host community to the original pioneer spirit, I believe, in terms of an Erie Canal movement that sparked a westward movement and an industrial revolution. You see it with all sorts of tech valleys that have driven the economy.

These are the dynamics of which we speak so often on this floor, that need to be heeded, need to be made priority in our agenda of getting work done so that this Nation can again stretch its opportunities to all the folks that we can so that we will then provide those opportunities which create that intellectual capacity.

Mr. GARAMENDI. I am so pleased that you brought up this issue of entrepreneurs. I know you often talk about this as something that is very important to you personally and the work that you have done before you came to Congress in New York State with the entrepreneurial activities of that State.

But I also note that Secretary Clinton, who was a Senator from New York, perhaps had listened to you during those years, and is carrying in her proposal a very special program for entrepreneurs.

I am thinking about a group that I met with in Davis, California, this last year, a group that actually nourishes students that are wanting to start a business. And as you said, coming out of the science or out of the technology or other areas, they come upon an idea where they want to grow a business.

Well, Secretary Clinton has loan forgiveness as part of her education package that would forgive \$17,500 of their student loans when they begin that business. When they become entrepreneurs and it begins to operate, there is this loan forgiveness. So suddenly they go into a program where they are \$17,500 less debt on their balance sheet. An enormous act, an enormous piece of advantage.

I am also thinking about—this is not directly to the entrepreneurs, but to home buyers. That student loan prevents people from buying a home because it shows up on their balance sheet and they are not able to get on with it.

I really like what Secretary Clinton is proposing here because it goes along with what you and I and many of our colleagues see as an impediment to economic growth and individual growth in our Nation.

Mr. TONKO. I think that, certainly, there is no denying that the training of the workforce of the future requires all sorts of insertion of technology, handson, cutting edge, perhaps ahead-of-thecurve sort of mentality applied in the classroom, and that can happen when we invest and invest appropriately.

You talk about the Secretary's plan—Secretary Clinton's plan. I believe she extends that beyond business. It can be social enterprise also, so you can help distressed communities with these startups and everybody wins. It's an across-the-board win situation. And, you know, it is the kind of focus we need for that front end of life, for that early-in-professional-development

stages of our economy on the age spectrum scale.

To your point, there also needs to be compassion expressed and concern expressed for the opposite end, for the more senior in our society. And you and I have seen what investments are required there, including those for caregivers who provide respite for what is a growing phenomenon there with Alzheimer's in the senior elements of our society.

Mr. GAŘAMENDI. Exactly. We have been talking about students, some of whom are young, some not so young, and others who are carrying those student loans. But if you begin to look at the totality of society, and if we care about each other and about what is happening in our communities, we come to the more senior years, and immediately we find that seniors are faced with a host of issues. One of the issues—and I am glad you brought this up—is Alzheimer's and dementia.

Let me show you something that we developed here. This is a graph of the cost of Alzheimer's in our society. It is growing very, very rapidly. You can see right now we are spending somewhere around \$236 billion a year on it. And as the population ages, which is part of the baby boom, and the fact that we are all going to get older, we figure by 2050 that we will be spending \$1.3 trillion a year to deal with Alzheimer's. It is an extraordinary burden and it is probably one that will bust the bank, the Medicare bank, and the Medicaid bank.

We know that these costs are shared largely by the Federal Government and by individuals and families. In my own family, my mother-in-law was a victim of Alzheimer's, and she spent her last 3 years of her life in our home and we were able to care for her, but that is unusual.

For most families, it is a burden that cannot be afforded, so that cost then comes to the Medicare and the Medicaid program. In fact, the single biggest expense in Medicaid is dementia and Alzheimer's. This is one where we are faced with an enormous challenge, but it is a challenge that actually may have a solution.

Let me put up another chart here before we get to that issue of how to deal with this. This is one that deals with the cost of caring for seniors with Alzheimer's will increase nearly fivefold by 2050, and here we have broken down the cost, Medicare and Medicaid, \$1.1

trillion in 2050 and the extraordinary rise. But the burden for the Federal Government becomes awesome and, frankly, probably unaffordable.

Can we do something about it?

I think so. And this takes us back to what we were talking about earlier, about the universities and about research.

Let me just put this up very quickly. What happens when we invest in research?

Well, let's take a look at what we do invest in research. We know, for example, that for cancer we are investing about—Federal government dollars now—\$5.5 billion a year for cancer research. This is through the National Institute of Health.

For HIV/AIDS, somewhere near almost \$3 billion a year. For cardiovascular problems, a little over \$2 billion a year.

For Alzheimer's, it is now about \$900 million a year. So we were able this last year—in 2015-16 budget year, we were able to increase from \$560 million to just under \$1 billion. So we have ramped up.

We thank President Obama for putting that in his budget, and for all of our colleagues, Democrat and Republican, for approving that additional funding for research.

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But what does research mean? What does it mean when we actually research these illnesses? It is incredible. One very quick chart here will show you what happens when we invest in research.

I know, Mr. TONKO, this is a big issue in your district. It is a big issue—not just the illness, but the research, because New York is one of the great research centers.

Deaths from major diseases, 2000 to 2013. So what has happened with breast cancer? We have seen a small decline in breast cancer deaths. Prostate cancer, we have seen an 11 percent decline in prostate cancer deaths; heart disease, 14 percent decline; for strokes, 23 percent decline; for HIV/AIDS, a 52 percent decline. What is that decline a result of? Obviously, better medical care, but also research.

So what has happened with Alzheimer's? Remember that we were investing basically at one-tenth of what we invest in cancer and one-fourth of what we invest in heart disease. For Alzheimer's disease, we have seen a 71 percent increase—not a decrease in the number of deaths but, rather, an increase in the number of deaths. So as we ramp up the research, will we be able to see this kind of reduction in deaths? Well, we would hope so. But what we do know is that if we are able to delay the onset of this terrible illness, quality of life will be better, and the cost to the public and to families will decline.

I know, Mr. TONKO, that in your area, while your family may not have been directly affected by Alzheimer's, I

know that you are seriously interested in it because you see it in your community as I do in mine.

Mr. TONKO. Right. Absolutely. I see it. It is the walk taken by many, many families that I represent. I have to share with you that it has touched my family also. So it behooves all of us to be there in this universal format to speak to what is a growing, growing problem.

I was struck by the dollar figures you shared and the bankrupting of our situation with Alzheimer's and student loans. We are driving—we are driving such heavy burdens on to all of us as a society that it challenges us to come forward with some order of prevention and some order of hope that will be driven into the efforts that we currently share to speak more wisely and speak more compassionately to these situations.

I am reminded that the brain is the least researched organ of the body. Now, that alone should speak to us forcefully. Think of not only Alzheimer's but the many neurologically based situations that affect numbers of people out there from the very young to the more senior, the most senior. The brain, as an organ, needs to be researched, and so we need to make certain that we share that message here in the halls of government. Let's bring the hope to the doorstep of individuals who are rendered hopeless at times, who see their loved ones crumble and become someone different. We know that we can invest in that research and that we do have the minds that can lead us in those research attempts and efforts

When we look at the budget for Alzheimer's, less than one cent of every dollar invested in speaking to and treating Alzheimer's disease is spent on research. We had put together legislation a couple of sessions ago now that require that we have these Alzheimer's townhalls and put together a plan as a nation to speak to conquering the effects of Alzheimer's. It meant that we have to have certain orders of budgeting done to speak to Alzheimer's.

Then we further improved upon that with legislation that said that this budget is not going to be put together with its guidelines in an ordinary process. It was going to bring in the clinicians and the professionals who speak to the Alzheimer's issues as a disease, and they will put together this professional budgeting that will tell us from now to 2025 what that budget will be, what the demands on the system should be.

So that, again, renders a budget that is speaking to the soundness of numbers for the investment made to conquer Alzheimer's. I think that is the professional approach to be taken. It is the compassionate approach to be taken.

Now we are working on issues, on legislation, that will allow for coverage, Medicare coverage, for planning when you, as an individual, and better said, as a family, are impacted by Alzheimer's, let's do the planning. What should we expect? How do we walk through this with the greatest amount of dignity and effectiveness? That planning will be covered if this legislation were to be approved.

So there are things we can do here. It really is a challenge, I believe, in these times to make certain that research dollars are available that will, again, study the organ in the body that is least researched, Representative GARAMENDI. I know that, by pushing our colleagues who share our beliefs on this issue, we can get it done.

Mr. GARAMENDI. I thank you so very much for bringing up the Alzheimer's Accountability Act. The new money that goes into it, this additional 300-plus million dollars bringing it up to some \$900 million a year is accountable. There are specific plans that are needed; there is a mechanism to prioritize the expenditures—all of those things. So it is not just money that is going to be thrown out there.

I am also reminded that this issue is one that is a brain issue, obviously, but that is an issue that affects our soldiers who have got PTSD, traumatic brain injury, post-traumatic stress syndrome, all of those things for our veterans who have come back, which, again, is an issue of the brain. If we are studying Alzheimer's, we will also be studying those issues.

About 3 years ago now, in the National Defense Authorization Act, we enacted a provision that required the Department of Defense, as it goes about dealing with these terrible problems that the veterans have with posttraumatic stress or the other brain injuries, coordinate their work with other brain researchers. So we really need to understand that we have one mind, one human brain, and the research will go at it from different symptoms and different diseases, but it is still dealing with the brain. So the sharing of knowledge is a part of what this accountability act will bring forward to us.

We have challenges. We have many, many challenges, and this issue of Alzheimer's that was in the omnibus bill last year and our Republican colleagues, our Democratic colleagues, all alike faced with this issue in their families and their communities, voted in support of this legislation. So this is not a partisan issue. This is a human issue and an American issue. It is one that we can deal with, and we really do have the money to do it.

Mr. TONKO. I think, too, it speaks to the priorities, again, that we need to carve into the budget work that we do. We make a statement with the budget. We identify with the great public, the great many of us, as to what we believe are those champion issues and what we need to take into concern first and foremost. While we may have cast this into opposite ends of the age spectrum, what really strikes me is, when the

Alzheimer's advocacy community comes to Washington on their given fly-in day, every year you hear of numbers going lower and lower in the population, so that you begin to wonder: Is this genetics, is it geriatrics, or is it environmental? What is driving it? But lower and lower creeps the age.

Mr. GARAMENDI. The early onset.

Mr. TONKO. When some of the early onset occurs.

So, again, it affects all of us in a way that, while you may research Alzheimer's or dementia in a broader sense, it unlocks the door to untold possibilities of discovery, genetic discovery, whatever it might be, gene therapy, gene awareness that might come about that speaks to a plethora of issues that affect the brain.

So many, many are graced with the opportunities of research. We as a nation can partner-the private sector, academia—with the public, with the government. It is the message that I hear as a contrast, government isn't an enemy force. Our domestic investment has shrunk in many ways. We need to ramp up the opportunities for hope, for discovery, for intellectual capacity, and for achieving our dreams. We can do that by this concerted effort to do it with our eves wide open and with a sense of morality driven by the heartfilled and soulful attempts to really adjust our framework to go to those issues that require the partnership of our government.

Mr. GARAMENDI. As you talk about partnerships, I'm thinking about many of the partnerships that do exist already and those that could exist. This brain research, Alzheimer's, and other brain issues are researched around the world. There is an organization that I am familiar with in California that one of our friends from the Napa Valley started, a program called the One Mind Institute. Our former colleague, Mr. KENNEDY, is part of that organization. We have one human brain, and if we could pull together the research from all around the United States and all around the world so that there is a sharing of information, perhaps we will get to some knowledge much, much faster

So I am really heartened by the effort that the Congress has made thus far to almost double the research for Alzheimer's. I look forward in this month of September as we put together our appropriations, which hopefully we will, or even a continuing resolution, that we would keep in mind that this is an area where money could be well spent.

We make choices here in Congress, and I just want to lay out, as I prepare to close, and then if you would also, Mr. TONKO, among the choices we make is one that I deal with on my committee assignments. I am on the House Armed Services Committee, and I am on the Strategic Forces Subcommittee. Strategic arms mean nuclear weapons. I just am troubled—deeply, deeply troubled—by what we are in the proc-

ess of doing here in the United States as well as Russia, China, and perhaps other places around the world in rebuilding our entire nuclear arsenal.

If you take all of the various things that are involved in that nuclear arsenal-the rockets, the bombs, the submarines, the airplanes, and all the command and control systems—in the next 20 years, 25 years, we will spend \$1 trillion-\$1 trillion-on that whole system. I just often think what if we were to spend just a small portion of that, maybe \$1 billion a year or \$2 billion a year of the \$1 trillion on brain research, what would it mean to American families? What would it mean to families around the world? There is not going to be a family in this world that doesn't suffer from this Alzheimer's thing if they live long enough.

So we make choices here, and I wrestle with those choices. But in this particular case, the choice is clear. I prefer to spend some portion of that money on this Alzheimer's issue and on the students and, therefore, on the very important future of this Nation. That would be my choice, and hopefully our colleagues and the American public would see the wisdom of that.

Mr. TONKO, would you like to close?

Mr. TONKO. Yes. I again thank the gentleman from California for bringing us together this evening for discussion on what I believe are very high-priority items that face us in this Congress. I think it is important for us to speak with that anecdotal evidence and to put a human face on all of these discussions. We talk about illnesses like Alzheimer's, dementia, and neurologically based issues. There is also an issue of the illness of addiction that can be benefited; it can be responded to by research.

So my pledge always to my district and, similarly, their request of me is to provide for that human empathy, provide for those stories, the countless stories of individuals who walk the journey that is so very difficult and how they could be assisted simply by the burning sense of hope that we can address, that we can bring to their lives, this focus and this commodity of hope that provides them the extra energy and the ability to walk their journey, walk straight through the bit of difficulty that faces them.

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We are a great Nation. We can be made even greater by our intellect investing in research, investing in student loan reform, and investing in Alzheimer's, a disease that can bankrupt the system. These are wise choices driven by human compassion and responded to, I hope, with a passion that you hear from the gentleman from California (Mr. GARAMENDI), and that all of us need to embrace as we walk this journey together and make certain our government is an effective government responding wholeheartedly to a given cause.

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from New York

(Mr. TONKO), my friend and colleague, for the passion and commitment he has to his people and to the American people and beyond.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. DESJARLAIS (at the request of Mr. McCARTHY) for today and for the balance of the week on account of doctor ordered travel limitations for arthroscopic surgery.

Mr. POE of Texas (at the request of Mr. McCARTHY) for today on account of personal reasons.

Mr. Ross (at the request of Mr. MCCARTHY) for today and for the balance of the week on account of medical reasons.

Mr. RUPPERSBERGER (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today on account of health related.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 8 o'clock and 16 minutes p.m.), under its previous order and pursuant to House Resolution 841, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, September 7, 2016, at 10 a.m., for morning-hour debate, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Honorable Mark Takai.

### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

6340. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's interim rule — Tuberculosis in Cattle and Bison; State and Zone Designations; California [Docket No.: APHIS-2016-0052] received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (100 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6341. A letter from the Director, Issuances Staff, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Eligibility of Namibia To Export Meat Products to the United States [Docket No.: FSIS-2012-0028] (RIN: 0583-AD51) received July 28, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6342. A letter from the Regulatory Review Group, Commodity Credit Corporation, Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Environmental Policies and Procedures; Compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act and Related Authorities (RIN: 0560-AH02) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6343. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — National Poultry Improvement Plan and Auxiliary Provisions [Docket No.: APHIS-2014-0101] (RIN: 0579-AE16) received August 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6344. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, National Organic Program, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — National Organic Program (NOP); Sunset 2016 Amendments to the National List [Document Number: AMS-NOP-15-0052; NOP-15-12] (RIN: 0581-AD43) received August 16, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6345. A letter from the Acting Deputy Director, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Rural Broadband Access Loans and Loan Guarantees (RIN: 0572-AC06) received August 16, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6346. A letter from the Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Organization and Functions; Releasing Information; Privacy Act Regulations; Enforcement of Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Handicap in Programs or Activities Conducted by the Farm Credit Administration (RIN: 3052-AD17) received July 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6347. A letter from the Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting the Administration's Major final rule — Margin and Capital Requirements for Covered Swap Entitles (RIN: 3052-AC69) received July 28, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6348. A letter from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation Governance; Standards of Conduct; Risk Management; and Disclosure and Reporting (RIN: 3052-AC89) received July 28, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6349. A letter from the Director, Issuances Staff, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Requirements for the Disposition of Non-Ambulatory Disabled Veal Calves [Docket No.: FSIS-2014-0020] (RIN: 0583-AD54) received August 2, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6350. A letter from the Management Analyst, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Reauthorization of the United States Grain Standards Act (RIN: 0580-AB24) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

6351. A letter from the Associate Director for Operations, National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Office of Grants and Financial Management, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Agriculture and Food Research Initiative Competitive Federal Grants Program — General Administration Provisions (RIN: 0524-AA67) received August 2, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture. 6352. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting a notification of the President's intent to exempt all military personnel accounts, including Coast Guard personnel accounts, from any discretionary cap sequestration in FY 2017, if a sequestration is necessary, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 905(f); Public Law 99-177, Sec. 255(f) (as amended by Public Law 105-33, Sec. 10207(b)); (111 Stat. 704); to the Committee on Appropriations.

6353. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting a letter reporting a violation of the Antideficiency Act, Joint Department of Defense — VA Medical Facility Demonstration Fund account, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1517(b); Public Law 110-161, Sec. 1517(b); (121 Stat. 2285); to the Committee on Appropriations.

6354. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter authorizing twelve officers to wear the insignia of the grade of rear admiral (lower half), pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 777(b)(3)(B); Public Law 104-106, Sec. 503(a)(1) (as added by Public Law 108-136, Sec. 509(a)(3)); (117 Stat. 1458); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6355. A letter from the Under Secretary, Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting the Fiscal Year 2016 Operational Energy Budget Certification Report, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2926(c)(4); Public Law 113-291, div. A, title IX, Sec. 901(g)(1); (128 Stat. 3465); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6356. A letter from the Acting Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Perry L. Wiggins, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1370(c)(1); Public Law 96-513, Sec. 112 (as amended by Public Law 104-106, Sec. 502(b)); (110 Stat. 293); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6357. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General John F. Mulholland, Jr., United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1370(c)(1); Public Law 96-513, Sec. 112 (as amended by Public Law 104-106, Sec. 502(b)); (110 Stat. 293); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6358. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral Sean A. Pybus, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1370(c)(1); Public Law 96-513, Sec. 112 (as amended by Public Law 104-106, Sec. 502(b)); (110 Stat. 293); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6359. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Detection and Avoidance of Counterfeit Electronic Parts--Further Implementation (DFARS Case 2014-D005) [Docket No.: DARS-2015-0038] (RIN: 0750-AI58) received July 25, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6360. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: New Qualifying Countries--Japan and Slovenia (DFARS Case 2016-D023) [Docket No.: DARS-2016-0021] (RIN: 0750-AI97) received July 25, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6361. A letter from the Alternate OSD FRLO, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Public Affairs Liaison With Industry [Docket ID: DOD-2016-OS-0084] (RIN: 0790-AI94) received August 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6362. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Request for Audit Services in France, Germany, the Netherlands, or the United Kingdom (DFARS Case 2016-D027) [Docket No.: DARS-2016-0029] (RIN: 0750-AJ04) received August 24, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6363. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Costs Related to Counterfeit Electronic Parts (DFARS Case 2016-D010) [Docket No.: DARS-2016-0002] (RIN: 0750-AI86) August 24, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6364. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule — Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Instructions for the Wide Area WorkFlow Reparable Receiving Report (DFARS Case 2016-D004) [Docket No.: DARS-2016-0001] (RIN: 0750-AI83) received August 24, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Armed Services.

6365. A letter from the Under Secretary, Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting a report on the Defense Production Act (DPA) Title III Fund for Fiscal Year 2015, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 4534(f)(3); Sept. 8, 1950, ch. 932, title III, Sec. 304 (as added by Public Law 111-67, Sec. 7); (123 Stat. 2017); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6366. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting the 2015 Annual Report regarding the Department's enforcement activities under the Equal Credit Opportunity Act, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 1691f; Public Law 90-321, Sec. 707 (as added by Public Law 94-239, Sec. 7); (90 Stat. 255); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6367. A letter from the Chair, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting the "Annual Report to the Congress on the Presidential \$1 Coin Program", pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 5112(p)(3)(B); Public Law 97-258 (as amended by Public Law 109-145, Sec. 104); (119 Stat. 2670); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6366. A letter from the Special Assistant to the Board, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting the Board's Major final rule — Margin and Capital Requirements for Covered Swap Entities [Docket No.: R-1415] (RIN: 7100-AD74) received August 19, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6369. A letter from the Special Assistant to the Board, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting the Board's Major interim final rule — Margin and Capital Requirements for Covered Swap Entities [Docket No.: R-1415] (RIN: 7100-AD74) received August 19, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6370. A letter from the Special Assistant to the Board, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting the Board's Major final rule — Margin and Capital Requirements for Covered Swap Entities [Docket No.: R-1415] (RIN: 7100-AD74) received August 19, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6371. A letter from the Administrator, Rural Housing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Civil Monetary Penalties (RIN: 0575-AC93) received August 19, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6372. A letter from the Chief Counsel, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Final Flood Elevation Determinations; Onodaga County, New York (Docket ID: FEMA-2016-0002] received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6373. A letter from the Chief Counsel, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Suspension of Community Eligibility; Maine: Bald Island, Hancock County [Docket ID: FEMA-2016-0002; Internal Agency Docket No.: FEMA-8437] received August 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6374. A letter from the Chief Counsel, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Suspension of Community Eligibility (Prince Georges County, MD, et al.) [Docket ID: FEMA-2016-0002; Internal Agency Docket No.: FEMA-8445] received August 19, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6375. A letter from the Chief Counsel, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Suspension of Community Eligibility (Wayne County, WV, et al.) [Docket ID: FEMA-2016-0002; Internal Agency Docket No.: FEMA-8443] received August 19, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6376. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Office of Housing, Federal Housing Commissioner, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule — Disposition of HUD-Acquired Single Family Properties; Updating HUD's Single Family Property Disposition Regulations [Docket No.: FR-5776-F-02] (RIN: 2502-AJ32) received August 23, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6377. A letter from the Director, Office of Legislative Affairs, Legal, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's Major final rule — Margin and Capital Requirements for Covered Swap Entities (RIN: 3064-AE21) received August 10, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6378. A letter from the Special Inspector General, Office of the Special Inspector General for the Troubled Asset Relief Program (SIGTARP), transmitting the Program's

Quarterly Report to Congress for the period ending July 27, 2016, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 5231(i); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6379. A letter from the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Form ADV and Investment Advisers Act Rules [Release No.: IA-4509; File No.: S7-09-15] (RIN: 3235-AL75) received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

6380. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting a report entitled "Coming Into Focus: The Future of Juvenile Justice Reform, 2014 Annual Report", pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5617; Public Law 93-415, Sec. 207 (as added by Public Law 100-690, Sec. 7255); (102 Stat. 4437); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

6381. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final priorities, requirements, and definition — Disability Innovation Fund--Transition Work-Based Learning Model Demonstrations [CFDA Number: 84.421B] [Docket ID: ED-2016-OSERS-0022] received July 28, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

6382. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final priority — Training of Interpreters for Individuals Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing and Individuals Who Are Deaf-Blind Program [Docket ID: ED-2016-OSERS-0018] received August 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

6383. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final regulations — Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, Miscellaneous Program Changes [Docket No.: 2015-ED-OSERS-0002] (RIN: 1820-AB71) received August 23, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

6384. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act [Docket No.: ETA-2015-0001] (RIN: 1205-AB73) received August 19, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

6385. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training and the Assistant General Counsel, Department of Labor and Department of Education, transmitting the Departments' Major final rule — Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act; Joint Rule for Unified and Combined State Plans, Performance Accountability, and the One-Stop System Joint Provisions [Docket No.: ETA-2015-0002] (RIN: 1205-AB74) and (RIN: 1830-AA21) received August 19, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

6386. A letter from the PRAO Branch Chief, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program: Eliminating Applications Through Community Eligibility as Required by the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 [FNS-2011-0027] (RIN: 0584-AE16) received August 5, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

6387. A letter from the PRAO Branch Chief, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Administrative Reviews in the School Nutrition Programs [FNS 2014-0011] (RIN: 0584-AE30) received August 5, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

6388. A letter from the PRAO Branch Chief, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Local School Wellness Policy Implementation Under the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 [FNS-2014-0010] (RIN: 0584-AE25) received August 5, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

6389. A letter from the PRAO Branch Chief, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's Major final rule and interim final rule — National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program: Nutrition Standards for All Foods Sold in School as Required by the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 [FNS-2011-0019] (RIN: 0584-AE09) received August 5, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

6390. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule — Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Paying Benefits received July 28, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

6391. A letter from the Deputy Assistant General Counsel, Division of Regulatory Services, Office of the General Counsel, Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting the Department's final priority and requirements — Technical Assistance on State Data Collection Program ---- Targeted and Intensive Technical Assistance to States on the Analysis and Use of Formative and Summative Assessment Data To Support Implementation of States' Identified Measurable Result(s) [ED-2016-OSERS-0024; CFDA Number: 84.373A.] received July 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

6392. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Department's Twenty-second Report to Congress on Progress Made in Licensing and Constructing the Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 16523; Public Law 109-58, Sec. 1810; (119 Stat. 1126); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6393. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Fiscal Year 2015 Annual Progress Report to Congress on the C.W. Bill Young Cell Transplantation Program and National Cord Blood Inventory Program, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 274k(a)(6); July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title III, Sec. 379 (as amended by Public Law 109-129, Sec. 3(a)); (119 Stat. 2554); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6394. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Garrett Lee Smith Youth Suicide Prevention and Early Intervention Program National Outcomes Evaluation Report to Congress, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 290bb-36b(f); Public Law 108-355, Sec. 3(d); (118 Stat. 1415); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce. 6395. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the NURSE Corps Loan Repayment and Scholarship Programs Report to Congress for Fiscal Year 2015, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 297n(h); July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VIII, Sec. 846(h) (as amended by Public Law 107-205, Sec. 103(d)); (116 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6396. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Fiscal Year 2015 Report on the Preventive Medicine and Public Health Training Grant and Integrative Medicine Programs, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 295c(d); July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VII, Sec. 768(d) (as amended by Public Law 111-148, Sec. 10501(m)); (124 Stat. 1002); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6397. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Fiscal Year 2015 Report Congress on the Nurse Education, Practice, Quality, and Retention Program, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 296p(f); July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VIII, Sec. 831(f) (as amended by Public Law 107-205, Sec. 201); (116 Stat. 816) and 42 U.S.C. 296p-1(e); July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title VIII, Sec. 831A(e) (as amended by Public Law 111-148, Sec. 5309(b)); (124 Stat. 630); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6398. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's "Eighth Annual Report on Delays in Approvals of Applications Related to Citizen Petitions and Petitions for Stay of Agency Action for Fiscal Year 2015", pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 355(q)(3); Public Law 110-85, Sec. 914(a); (121 Stat. 956); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6399. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Communications and Information, Department of Commerce, transmitting the National Telecommunications and Information Administration third quarter FY 2016 report of the Stewardship of the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority Functions, pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016, Public Law 114-113; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6400. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation, and Energy Efficiency, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule — Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Ceiling Fans [Docket No.: EERE-2013-BT-TP-0050] (RIN: 1904-AD10) received July 28, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6401. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule — Energy Conservation Program: Notice of Partial Grant and Partial Denial of Petitions to Amend the Error Correction Rule [Docket No.: EERE-2016-BT-PET-0016] (RIN: 1904-AD63) received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6402. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the report entitled, "Examining Oversight of the Privacy and Security of Health Data Collected by Entities Not Regulated by HIPAA", pursuant to Public Law 111-5, Sec. 13424(b); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6403. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule – Food Labeling; Calorie Labeling of Articles of Food in Vending Machines; Extension of Compliance Date [Docket No.: FDA-2011-F-0171] (RIN: 0910-AG56) received August 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6404. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's direct final rule — Refuse To Accept Procedures for Premarket Tobacco Product Submissions [Docket No.: FDA-2016-N-1555] received August 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6405. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's direct final rule — Standard Preparations, Limits of Potency, and Dating Period Limitations for Biological Products; Confirmation of Effective Date [Docket No.: FDA-2016-N-1170] received August 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6406. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Regulatory Hearing Before the Food and Drug Administration; General Provisions; Technical Amendment [Docket No.: FDA-2016-N-0011] received August 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6407. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — New Animal Drug Applications; Contents of Notice of Opportunity for a Hearing; Correction [Docket No.: FDA-2016-N-1943] received August 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6400. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Substances Generally Recognized as Safe [Docket No.: FDA-1997-N-0020 (formerly 97N-0103)] (RIN: 0910-AH15) received August 23, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6409. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's interim final rule — Schedules of Controlled Substances: Placement of Thiafentanil Into Schedule II [Docket No.: DEA-375] received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6410. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; Florida; Regional Haze Progress Report [EPA-R04-OAR-2015-0361; FRL-9950-01-Region 4] received July 29, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6411. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Air Plan Approval; VT; Prevention of Significant Deterioration, Nonattainment and Minor New Source Review [EPA-R01-OAR-2014-0617; A-1-FRL-9950-03-Region 1] received July 29, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6412. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Measurement and Reporting of Condensable Particulate Matter Emissions [EPA-R03-OAR-2016-0005; FRL-9949-94-Region 3] received July 29, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6413. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Hazardous and Solid Waste Management System: Disposal of Coal Combustion Residuals From Electric Utilities; Extension of Compliance Deadlines for Certain Inactive Surface Impoundments; Response to Partial Vacatur [EPA-HQ-OLEM-2016-0274; FRL-9949-44-OLEM] received July 29, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6414. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule - National Emission Standards for Aerospace Manufacturing and Rework Facilities Risk and Technology Review; Clarification [EPA-HQ-OAR-2014-0830; FRL-9950-10-OAR] (RIN: 2060-AS99) received July 29.2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6415. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Promulgation of State Implementation Plan Revisions; Infrastructure Requirements for the 2008 Lead, 2008 Ozone, 2010 NO2, 2010 SO2, and 2012 PM2.5 National Ambient Air Quality Standards; Utah [EPA-R08-OAR-2013-0561; FRL-9949-99-Region 8] received July 29, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6416. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Allocations of Cross-State Air Pollution Rule Allowances from New Unit Set-Asides for the 2016 Compliance Year [FRL-9949-93-OAR] received August 2, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6417. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule - Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; West Virginia; Prevention of Significant Deterioration and Approval of Infrastructure State Implementation Plans for Specific National Ambient Air Quality Standards [EPA-R03-OAR-2015-0539: FRL-9950-29-Region 31 received August 2, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868): to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6418. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Louisiana; Revisions to the New Source Review State Implementation Plan; Air Permit Procedure Revisions [EPA-R06-OAR-2014-0821; FRL-9950-18-Region 6] received August 2, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6419. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Arkansas: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision [EPA-R06-RCRA-2016-0176; FRL-9950-13-Region 6] received August 2, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6420. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Finding that Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Aircraft Cause or Contribute to Air Pollution that May Reasonably Be Anticipated to Endanger Public Health and Welfare [EPA-HQ-OAR-2014-0828; FRL-9950-15-OAR] (RIN: 2060-AS31) received August 2, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6421. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Flonicamid; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2015-0561; FRL-9949-19] received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6422. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revision to the California State Implementation Plan; San Joaquin Valley; Demonstration of Creditable Emission Reductions from Economic Incentive Programs [EPA-R09-OAR-2015-0489; FRL-9950-19-Region 9] received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6423. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's partial withdrawal of direct final rule — Technical Amendments to Performance Specification 18 and Procedure 6 [EPA-HQ-OAR-2013-0696; FRL-9950-26-OAR] received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6424. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California; San Joaquin Valley; Revisions to Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets for Ozone and Particulate Matter [EPA-R09-OAR-2015-0711; FRL-9949-84-Region 9] received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6425. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District [EPA-R09-OAR-2012-0959; FRL-9948-11-Region 9] received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6426. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Approval of California Air Plan Revisions, Modoc County Air Pollution Control District, Permit Programs [EPA-R09-OAR-2016-0119; FRL-9948-26-Region 9] received July 27, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6427. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Approval of California Air Plan Revisions, Placer County Air Pollution Control District and Ventura County Air Pollution Control District [EPA-R09-OAR-2016-0262; FRL-9948-10-Region 9] received July 27, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6428. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revisions to California State Implementation Plan; Bay Area Air Quality Management District; Stationary Source Permits [EPA-R09-OAR-2015-0280; FRL-9947-70-Region 9] received July 27, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6429. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Air Quality: Revision to the Regulatory Definition of Volatile Organic Compounds — Exclusion of 1,1,2,2-Tetrafluoro-1-(2,2,2-trifluorothoxy) ethane (HFE-347pcf2) [EPA-HQ-OAR-2015-0041; FRL-9949-77-OAR] (RIN: 2060-AR94) received July 27, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6430. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Reasonable Further Progress Plan, Contingency Measures, Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets for the Baltimore 1997 8-Hour Ozone Serious Nonattainment Area [EPA-R03-OAR-2015-0788; FRL-9949-70-Region 3] received July 27, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6431. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Control of Volatile Organic Compounds Emissions from Fiberglass Boat Manufacturing Materials [EPA-R03-OAR-2016-0304; FRL-9949-72-Region 3] received July 27, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6432. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Air Plan Approval; Maine: Prevention of Significant Deterioration; PM2.5 [EPA-R01-OAR-2014-0291; FRL-9949-58-Region 1] received July 27, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6433. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval of Missouri's Air Quality Implementation Plans; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan Revision and 2013 Five-Year Progress Report [EPA-R07-OAR-2015-0581; FRL-9949-68-Region 7] received July 27, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

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6434. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Amendments to Regional Consistency Regulations [EPA-HQ-OAR-2014-0616; FRL-9949-79-OAR] (RIN: 2060-AS53) received July 27, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6435. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Etoxazole; Pesticide Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2015-0735; FRL-9948-73] received July 27, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6436. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Flumioxazin; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2015-0652; FRL-9949-21] received August 11, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6437. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Iowa; Infrastructure State Implementation Plan (SIP) Requirements for the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter (PM2.5) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS), and the Adoption of the 1997 PM2.5 Standard [EPA-R07-OAR-2014-0213; FRL-9950-65-Region 7] received August 11, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6438. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Case-by-Case Reasonably Available Control Technology for the 2008 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) [EPA-R03-OAR-2016-0210; FRL-9950-71-Region 3] received August 11, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6439. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Control of Volatile Organic Compound Emissions from Fiberglass Boat Manufacturing Materials [EPA-R03-OAR-2016-0189; FRL-9950-69-Region 3] received August 11, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6440. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; South Carolina; Prong 4-2008 Ozone, 2010 NO2, SO2, and 2012 PM2.5 [EPA-R04-OAR-2016-0247; FRL-9950-82-Region 4] received August 11, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6441. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Air Plan Approval; DC; Infrastructure Requirements for the 2012 PM2.5 NAAQS [EPA-R03-OAR-2016-0350; FRL-9950-73-Region 3] received August 11, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce. 6442. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Minor New Source Review Requirements [EPA-R03-OAR-2015-0642; FRL-9950-91-Region 3] received August 16, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6443. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Revisions to Test Methods, Performance Specifications, and Testing Regulations for Air Emission Sources [EPA-HQ-OAR-2014-0292; FRL-9950-57-OAR] (RIN: 2060-AS34) received August 16, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6444. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Air Plan Approval; Wisconsin; Kenosha County 2008 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area Reasonable Further Progress Plan [EPA-R05-OAR-2015-0075; FRL-9950-86-Region 5] received August 16, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6445. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Minor New Source Review — Nonroad Engines [EPA-R03-OAR-2016-0418; FRL-9950-94-Region 3] received August 16, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6446. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Air Plan Approval; Indiana; Shipbuilding Antifoulant Coatings [EPA-R05-OAR-2015-0523; FRL-9950-84-Region 5] received August 16, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6447. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Air Plan Approval; Indiana; Abengoa Bioenegy of Indiana, Commissioner's Order [EPA-R05-OAR-2015-0724; FRL-9950-52-Region 5] received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6448. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Wisconsin; Approval/Disapproval of Interstate Transport Requirements for the 2008 Ozone NAAQS [EPA-R05-OAR-2014-0704; FRL-9950-54-Region 5] received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6449. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Technical Correction to Equation 2 in Appendix N [EPA-HQ-OAR-2016-0408; FRL-9950-48-OAR] (RIN: 2060-AS89) received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6450. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — n-Butyl 3-hydroxybutyrate and Isopropyl 3-hydroxybutyrate; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2015-0719; FRL-9949-49] received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6451. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Halauxifen-methyl; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0919; FRL-9946-30] received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6452. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval of Iowa's Air Quality Implementation Plans; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan Revision and 2013 Five-Year Progress Report [EPA-R07-OAR-2014-0365; FRL-9949-82-Region 7] received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6453. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Idaho: Stationary Source Permitting Revisions [EPA-OAR-R10-2015-0397; FRL-9950-58-Region 10] received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6454. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Texas; Interstate Transport of Air Pollution for the 2008 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards [EPA-R06-OAR-2012-0985; FRL-9950-50-Region 6] received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6455. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Louisiana; Interstate Transport of Air Pollution for the 2008 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards [EPA-R06-OAR-2013-0464; FRL-9950-49-Region 6] received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6456. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Aminocyclopyrachlor; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2011-0144; FRL-9944-48] received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6457. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Air Plan Approval; NH; Control of Volatile Organic Compound Emissions from Minor Core Activities [EPA-R01-OAR-2012-0865; A-1-FRL-9950-60-Region 1] received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6458. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards: State Implementation Plan Requirements [EPA- HQ-OAR-2013-0691; FRL-9946-36-OAR] (RIN: 2060-AQ48) received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6459. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Maryland: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions [EPA-R03-RCRA-2015-0674; FRL-9951-51-Region 3] received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6460. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Citrus tristeza virus expressing spinach defensin proteins 2, 7, and 8; Temporary Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2016-0034; FRL-9947-19] received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6461. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Control of Emissions from Various Processes and Fuel-Burning Equipment from Kraft Pulp Mills [EPA-R03-OAR-2016-0054; FRL-9951-22-Region 3] received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6462. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Air Plan Approval; Reno, Nevada; Second 10-Year Carbon Monoxide Maintenance Plan [EPA-R09-OAR-2016-0096; FRL-9957-48-Region 9] received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6463. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Acrylic Polymers; Tolerance Exemption [EPA-HQ-OPP-2016-0283; FRL-9949-81] received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6464. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; Alabama; Cross-State Air Pollution Rule [EPA-R04-OAR-2016-0294; FRL-9951-52-Region 4] received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6465. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; Kentucky; Source Specific Revision for Louisville Gas and Electric [EPA-R04-OAR-2015-0675; FRL-9951-59-Region 4] received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6466. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Air Plan Approval; NH; Approval of Single Source Orders [EPA-R01-OAR-2013-0260; A-1-FRL-9951-46-Region 1] received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6467. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Air Plan Approval; Connecticut; Open Burning and Portable Fuel Containers [EPA-R01-OAR-2015-0471; A-1-FRL-9943-06-Region 1] received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6468. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Partial Approval and Partial Disapproval of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New York; Interstate Transport Infrastructure SIP Requirements for the 2008 Ozone NAAQS [EPA-R02-OAR-2016-0320; FRL-9951-49-Region 2] received August 23, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6469. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Natamycin; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2015-0811; FRL-9949-03] received August 23, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6470. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Extension of Deadline for Action on the July 2016 Section 126 Petition From Delaware [EPA-HQ-OAR-2016-0402; FRL-9951-18-OAR] received August 23, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6471. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; Virgin Islands; Sewage Sludge Incinerators [EPA-R02-OAR-2016-0088; FRL-9957-24-Region 2] received August 23, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6472. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality State Implementation Plans; California; San Joaquin Valley; Moderate Area Plan for the 2006 PM2.5 NAAQS [EPA-R09-OAR-2014-0636; FRL-9951-42-Region 9] received August 23, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6473. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of Wyoming; Emission Inventory Rule for 2008 Ozone NAAQS and Revisions to Incorporation by Reference [EPA-R08-OAR-2016-0377; FRL-9951-34-Region 8] received August 23, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6474. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; North Carolina; Regional Haze Progress Report [EPA-R04-OAR-2015-0449; FRL-9951-25-Region 4] received August 23, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6475. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Air Plan Approval; Indiana; RACM Determination for Indiana Portion of the Cincinnati-Hamilton 1997 Annual PM2.5 Nonattainment Area [EPA-R05-OAR-2016-0169; FRL-9961-29-Region 5] received August 23, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6476. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Emergency Permit Control Regulations; Technical Amendments [Docket No.: FDA-2015-N-2819] received July 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6477. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's direct final rule — Administrative Actions for Noncompliance; Lesser Administrative Actions; Confirmation of Effective Date [Docket No.: FDA-2015-N-5052] received July 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6478. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Change of Address; Technical Amendment [Docket No.: FDA-2016-N-0011] received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6479. A letter from the Acting Division Chief, Office of Engineering and Technology, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule - Promoting Expanded Opportunities for Radio Experimentation and Market Trials under Part 5 of the Commission's Rules and Streamlining Other Related Rules [ET Docket No.: 10-236]; 2006 Biennial Review of Telecommunications Regulations - Part 2 Administered by the Office of Engineering and Technology (OET) [ET Docket No.: 06-155] received July 28, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6480. A letter from the Deputy Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Implementation of the Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010, Section 105, Relay Services for Deaf-Blind Individuals [CG Docket No.: 10-210] received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6481. A letter from the Deputy Division Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Improvements to Benchmarks and Related Requirements Governing Hearing Aid-Compatible Mobile Handsets [WT Docket No.: 15-285] received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6482. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Requirements for Frequency and Voltage Ride Through Capability of Small Generating Facilities [Docket No.: RM16-8-000; Order No. 828] received July 28, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6483. A letter from the Secretary, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule amendments — Disclosure Requirements and Prohibitions Concerning Franchising received August 23, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6484. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Update to Transcript Correction Procedures [NRC-2016-0117] (RIN: 3150-AJ76) received July 28, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6485. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission' Regulatory Guide 1.219 Revision 1 — Guidance on Making Changes to Emergency Plans for Nuclear Power Reactors received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6486. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's revision — NRC Enforcement Policy received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6487. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's interim staff guidance — Guidance for Closure of Activities Related to Recommendation 2.1, Flooding Hazard Reevaluation [NRC-2016-0084] received August 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6488. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final evaluation of vendor submittal — Safety Evaluation of the BWRVIP-42, Revision 1, "Low Pressure Coolant Injection (LPCI) Coupling Inspection and Flaw Evaluation Guidelines" received August 24, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6489. A letter from the General Counsel, Office of General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Revised Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards [Docket No.: RM15-14-002] received August 5, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6490. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-020, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6491. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-014, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6492. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-041, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6493. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State,

transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-025, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6494. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-031, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6495. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-006, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6496. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 15-042, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6497. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-050, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6498. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 15-110, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6499. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-036, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6500. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-030, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6501. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-047, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6502. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a sixmonth periodic report on the national emergency with respect to terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process that was declared in Executive Order 12947 of January 23, 1995, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6503. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a sixmonth periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Cote d'Ivoire that was declared in Executive Order 13396 of February 7, 2006, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6504. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a sixmonth periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Libya that was declared in Executive Order 13566 of February 25, 2011, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6505. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a sixmonth periodic report on the national emergency with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism that was declared in Executive Order 13224 of September 23, 2001, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(c); (90 Stat. 1257) and 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); Public Law 95-223, Sec 204(c); (91 Stat. 1627); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6506. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification that the national emergency declared with respect to Lebanon that was declared in Executive Order 13441 of August 1, 2007 is to continue in effect beyond August 1, 2016, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1622(d); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 202(d); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 114-158); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

6507. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification that the national emergency declared, in light of the expiration of the Export Administration Act of 1979, in Executive Order 13222 of August 17, 2001 is to continue in effect beyond August 17, 2016, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1622(d); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 202(d); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 114-159); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

6508. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification that the national emergency declared in Proclamation 7463 with respect to certain terrorist attacks on the United States of September 11, 2001, is to continue for one year beyond September 14, 2016, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1622(d); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 202(d); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 114—160); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

6509. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a Report to Congress on U.S. Policy toward the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 9213(b); Public Law 114-122, Sec. 103(b); (130 Stat. 98); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6510. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser, Office of Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report concerning international agreements other than treaties entered into by the United States to be transmitted to the Congress within the sixty-day period specified in the Case-Zablocki Act, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(d)(1); Public Law 92-403, Sec. 1; (86 Stat. 619); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6511. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser, Office of Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report concerning international agreements other than treaties entered into by the United States to be transmitted to the Congress within the sixty-day period specified in the Case-Zablocki Act, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(d)(1); Public Law 92-403, Sec. 1; (86 Stat. 619); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6512. A letter from the Director, International Cooperation, Office of the Under Secretary, Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's intent to sign Amendment Number Three to the Memorandum of Understanding Among the Department of Defence of Australia, the Department of National Defence of Canada, the Secretary of State for Defence of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the Department of Defense of the United States of America, Transmittal No. 25-16, pursuant to Sec. 27(f) of the Arms Export Control Act, and Executive Order 13637; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6513. A letter from the Director, International Cooperation, Office of the Under Secretary, Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's intent to sign a Project Arrangement pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Department of Defense of the United States of America and the Department of Defence of Australia, Transmittal No. 24-16, pursuant to Sec. 27(f) of the Arms Export Act, and Executive Order 13637; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6514. A letter from the Director, International Cooperation, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense, Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's intent to sign a Project Agreement between the Department of Defense of the United States of America and the Secretary of State for Defence of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Transmittal No. 18-16, pursuant to Sec. 27(f) of the Arms Export Control Act, and Executive Order 13637; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6515. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule Commerce Control List: Addition of Items Determined to No Longer Warrant Control under United States Munitions List Category XIV (Toxicological Agents) or Category XVIII (Directed Energy Weapons) [Docket No.: 120105019-5755-01] (RIN: 0694-AF52) received July 28, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs

6516. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's interim final rule — Amendment to the Export Administration Regulations to Add Targets for the Production of Tritium and Related Development and Production Technology to the List of 0Y521 Series [Docket No.: 160303184-6184-01] (RIN: 0694-AG90) received August 5, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6517. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule — Revisions to the Export Administration Regulations (EAR): Harmonization of the Destination Control Statements [Docket No.: 150107020-6464-02] (RIN: 0694-AG47) received August 18, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6518. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, Addition of Certain Persons to the Entity List [Docket No.: 160719631-6631-01] (RIN: 0694-AH06) received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6519. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting a notice of the Air Force's proposed lease amendment, to the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany, Transmittal No. 06-16, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2796a(a); Public Law 90-629, Sec. 62 (as added by Public Law 97-113, Sec. 62 (as added by Public Law 97-113, Sec. 109(a)); (95 Stat. 1525); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6520. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting a proposed Letter of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Argentina, Transmittal No. 16-50, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b)(1); Public Law 90-629, Sec. 36(b) (as amended by Public Law 106 -113, Sec. 1000(a)(7)); (113 Stat. 536); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6521. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting a proposed Letter of Offer and Acceptance to the NATO Support and Procurement Agency, Transmittal No. 16-30, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2776(b)(1); Public Law 90-629, Sec. 36(b) (as amended by Public Law 106 -113, Sec. 1000(a)(7)); (113 Stat. 536); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6522. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense, transmitting a proposed Letter of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Afghanistan, Transmittal No. 15-55, pursuant to Sec. 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6523. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a memorandum of justification, pursuant to Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, Sec. 652; and Public Law 113-235, Div. J., Sec. 7009(d); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6524. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a memorandum of justification, pursuant to Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, Sec. 652; and Public Law 111-117, Div. F, Sec. 2009(d), as amended by Public Law 112-10, Div. B; and Public Law 112-74, Div. I, Sec. 7009(d); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6525. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a memorandum of Justification Under Section 610 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 for assistance for the West Bank and Gaza; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6526. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Procedures for Obtaining State Department Authorization to Export Items Subject to the Export Administration Regulations; Revision to the Destination Control Statement; and Other Changes (RIN: 1400-AC88) received August 18, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6527. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a determination by the Secretary, pursuant to Sec. 614(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6528. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a Determination under Secs. 614(a)(1) and 610 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 for Assistance for Nigeria; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6529. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a memorandum of justification, pursuant to the Foreign Assistance Act, Sec. 614(a)(3); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6530. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a memorandum of justification, pursuant to the Foreign Assistance Act, Sec. 614(a)(3); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6531. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting determinations of the Secretary, pursuant to the Iran Freedom and Counter-Proliferation Act of 2012, Secs. 1244(c)(1), 1246(a), and 1247(a); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6532. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-056, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6533. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-027, pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6534. A letter from the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction, transmitting the thirty-second quarterly report to Congress on Afghanistan Reconstruction, in accordance with Sec. 1229 of Public Law 110-181; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

6535. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. ACT 21-484, "Financial Exploitation of Vulnerable Adults and the Elderly Amendment Act of 2016", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6536. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. ACT 21-488, "Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Support Act of 2016", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6537. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. ACT 21-489, "Public Space Naming Amendment Act of 2016", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6538. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. ACT 21-486, "Procurement Integrity, Transparency, and Accountability Amendment Act of 2016", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6539. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. ACT 21-487, "Incarceration to Incorporation Entrepreneurship Program Act of 2016", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6540. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. ACT 21-485, "Building Service Employees Minimum Work Week Act of 2016", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6541. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. ACT 21-468, "Theodore 'Ted' Williams Alley Designation Act of 2016", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6542. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. ACT 21-467, "Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Amendment Act of 2016", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6543. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. ACT 21-466, "Renewable Portfolio Standard Expansion Amendment Act of 2016", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6544. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. ACT 21-469, "Grocery Store Restrictive Covenant Prohibition Temporary Amendment Act of 2016", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

 $6545.\ A$  letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting

D.C. ACT 21-470, "Gas Station Advisory Board Temporary Amendment Act of 2016", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6546. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. ACT 21-471, "Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Compact Temporary Amendment Act of 2016", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6547. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. ACT 21-449, "Medical Marijuana Cultivation Center Relocation Temporary Amendment Act of 2016", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6548. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. ACT 21-465, "Public Charter School Fiscal Transparency Amendment Act of 2016", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6549. A letter from the Special Advisor, Office of the White House Liaison, Department of Commerce, transmitting a notification of a federal vacancy and a notification of a discontinuation of service in acting role, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6550. A letter from the Special Advisor, Office of the White House Liaison, Department of Commerce, transmitting a notification of a discontinuation of service in acting role, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6551. A letter from the Executive Analyst (Political), Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a notification of a federal vacancy and designation of acting officer, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6552. A letter from the Deputy Secretary, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final guidance — Guidance for Executive Order 18673, "Fair Pay and Safe Workplaces'' (ZRIN: 1290-ZA02) received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6553. A letter from the Assistant General Council, Department of the Treasury, transmitting two notifications of a federal vacancy and discontinuation of service in acting role, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6554. A letter from the Acting Director, Employee Services, Pay and Leave, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's final rule — Disabled Veteran Leave and Other Miscellaneous Changes (RIN: 3206-AN31) received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6555. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Virginia; Control of Emissions of Volatile Organic Compounds from the Reynolds Consumer Products LLC — Bellwood Printing Plant [EPA-R03-OAR-2016-0233; FRL-9951-41-Region 3] received August 23, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

6556. A letter from the Director, General Counsel and Legal Policy Division, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting the Office's final rule — Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Executive Branch; Amendments to the Seeking Other Employment Rules (RIN: 3209-AA04) received July 28, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6557. A letter from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's small entity compliance guide — Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-90 [Docket No.: FAR 2015-0051, Sequence No.: 4] received August 23, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6558. A letter from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting the Administration's summary presentation of a final rule — Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-90; Introduction [Docket No.: FAR 2015-0051, Sequence No.: 4] received August 23, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6559. A letter from the Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting the Board's FY 2015 No FEAR Act report, pursuant to Public Law 107-174, 203(a); (116 Stat. 569); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6560. A letter from the Auditor, Office of the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting a report entitled, "The District May Have Forfeited Nearly \$500,000 Through Changes to the Contract for the H.D. Cooke Elementary School Modernization Completed in 2010"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6561. A letter from the Auditor, Office of the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting a report entitled, "The District May Have Forfeited Nearly \$500,000 Through Changes to the Contract for the H.D. Cooke Elementary School Modernization Completed in 2010"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6562. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, transmitting a letter stating the Department has assessed all the annual permit fees as of January 1, 2016, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 6214(k); Public Law 113-291, Sec. 3024(k); (128 Stat. 3764); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6563. A letter from the Deputy Chief, National Forest System, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's report on the detailed boundary of the Skagit Wild and Scenic River in Washington, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 1274(b); Public Law 90-542, Sec. 3(b) (as amended by Public Law 100-534, Sec. 501); (102 Stat. 2708); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6564. A letter from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's temporary rule Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Yellowfin Sole for Vessels Participating in the BSAI Trawl Limited Access Fishery in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No.: 150916863-6211-02] (RIN: 0648-XE669) received July 28. 2016. pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6565. A letter from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's temporary rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Other Hook-and-Line Fishery by Catcher Vessels in the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No.: 150818742-6210-02] (RIN: 0648-XE667) received July 28, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6566. A letter from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's temporary rule

- Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Trimester Total Allowable Catch Area Closure for the Common Pool Fishery (Docket No.: 151211999-6343-02] (RIN: 0648-XE670) received July 28, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6567. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's temporary rule — Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; 2016 Commercial Accountability Measure and Closure for Gulf of Mexico Greater Amberjack [Docket No.: 1206013412-2517-02] (RIN: 0648-XE716) received July 28, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6568. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's temporary rule — Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Commercial Aggregated Large Coastal Shark and Hammerhead Shark Management Group Retention Limit Adjustment [Docket No.: 150413357-5999-02] (RIN: 0648-XE586) received July 28, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6569. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's temporary rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Kamchatka Flounder in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No.: 150916863-6211-02] (RIN: 0648-XE647) received July 28, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6570. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's temporary rule — Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Exchange of Flatfish in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area [Docket No.: 150916863-6211-02] (RIN: 0648-XE694) received July 28, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6571. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator For Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule - International Fisheries; Western and Central Pacific Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species; Purse Seine Observer Requirements, and Fishing Restrictions and Limits in Purse Seine and Longline Fisheries for 2016-2017 [Docket No.: 160205084-6510-02] (RIN: 0648-BF76) received Julv 28. 2016.pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110

Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6572. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator For Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Fisheries [Docket No.: 160622548-6548-01] (RIN: 0648-BG16) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6573. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator For Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Annual Specifications and Management Measures for the 2016 Tribal and Non-Tribal Fisheries for Pacific Whiting [Docket No.: 160126053-6398-02] (RIN: 0648-BF74) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6574. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator For Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Amendment 17 to the Atlantic Surfclam and Ocean Quahog Fishery Management Plan [Docket No.: 150902808-6451-02] (RIN: 0648-BF04) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6575. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator For Regulatory Programs, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Provisions; Implementation of the Shark Conservation Act of 2010 [Docket No.: 111014628-6513-02] (RIN: 0648-BB54) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6576. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NMFS, Office of Protected Resources, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Listing Three Angelshark Species as Endangered Under the Endangered Species Act [Docket No.: 150506424-6642-02] (RIN: 0648-XD940) received August 16, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6577. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; 2015-2016 Biennial Specifications and Management Measures; Inseason Adjustments [Docket No.: 140904754-5188-02] (RIN: 0648-BG08) received August 18, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6578. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's temporary rule — Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Sea Scallop Fishery; Closure of the Mid-Atlantic Access Area to General Category Individual Fishing Quota Scallop Vessels [Docket No.:151210999-6348-02] (RIN: 0648-XE709) received August 18, 2016,

pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6579. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's temporary rule — Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Georges Bank Cod Trimester Total Allowable Catch Area Closure for the Common Pool Fishery [Docket No.: 151211999-6343-02] (RIN: 0648-XE720) received August 18, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6580. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator For Regulatory Programs, NMFS, Office of Protected Resources, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Taking and Importing Marine Mammals; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Seismic Surveys in Cook Inlet, Alaska [Docket No.: 140912776-6553-02] (RIN: 0648-BE53) received August 10, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6581. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's temporary rule — Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; 2016 Recreational Accountability Measures and Closure for Gulf of Mexico Gray Triggerfish [Docket No.: 121004518-3398-01] (RIN: 0648-XE701) received August 2, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

6582. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting activities of the Review Panel on Prison Rape in Calendar Year 2015 and the Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Data Collection Activities for 2016, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 15603(c)(1)(A); Public Law 108-79, Sec. 4(c)(1)(A); (117 Stat. 977); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6583. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Policy, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's interim final rule — Civil Monetary Penalties Inflation Adjustment [Docket No.: OAG 148; AG Order No.: 3690-2016] received July 27, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6584. A letter from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's interim final rule — Department of Homeland Security and Department of Labor Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Catch-Up Adjustments for the H-2B Temporary Non-agricultural Worker Program [CIS No.: 2585-16] (RIN: 1615-AC10) received August 2, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6585. A letter from the Secretary, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the thirtyeighth annual Hart-Scott-Rodino Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2015, pursuant to Sec. 7A of the Clayton Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6586. A letter from the Secretary, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting the Commission's interim final rule — Adjustment of Civil Monetary Penalty Amounts received August 23, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6587. A letter from the Regulatory Liaison, Office of Natural Resources Revenue, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendments to Civil Penalty Regulations [Docket No.: ONRR-2012-0005; DS63644000 DR2PS0000.CH7000 167D0102R2] (RIN: 1012-AA05) received August 11, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6588. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's interim final rule — Program Fraud Civil Remedies: Civil Monetary Penalty Inflation Adjustment (RIN: 3206-AN39) received July 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6589. A letter from the Acting Chief Regulatory Coordination Division, Office of Policy and Strategy, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's interim final rule — Department of Homeland Security and Department of Labor Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Catch-Up Adjustments for the H-2B Temporary Non-agricultural Worker Program (RIN: 1235-AA15) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6590. A letter from the Chief Counsel, Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's interim final rule — Civil Penalties (RIN: 2135-40) received July 29, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6591. A letter from the Project Manager, Regulatory Coordination Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Expansion of Provisional Unlawful Presence Waivers of Inadmissibility [CIS No.: 2557-2014; DHS Docket No.: USCIS-2012-0003] (RIN: 1615-AC03) received August 2, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6592. A letter from the Project Manager, Regulatory Coordination Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Expansion of Provisional Unlawful Presence Waivers of Inadmissibility [CIS No.: 2557-2014; DHS Docket No.: USCIS-2012-0003] (RIN: 1615-AC03) received August 2, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6593. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Detroit River Days Air Show, Detroit River, Detroit, MI [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0460] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6594. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Chesapeake Bay, Cape Charles, VA [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0416] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6595. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; 2016 Wings over Vermont Air Show, Lake Champlain, Burlington, VT [Docket No.: USCG-2015-1127] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6596. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Pleasure Beach Bridge, Bridgeport, CT [Docket No.: USCG-2015-1088] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6597. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Inspection of Towing Vessels [Docket No.: USCG-2006-24412] (RIN: 1625-AB06) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6598. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Fox River, DePere to Oshkosh, WI [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0256] (RIN: 1625-AA09) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6599. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Security Zone, Delaware River, Schuylkill River; Philadelphia, PA [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0363] (RIN: 1625-AA87) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6600. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Hudson River, Edgewater, NJ [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0648] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received July 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6601. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Navy UNDET, Apra Outer Harbor, GU [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0555] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received July 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6602. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Tennessee River 385.0-387.0; Scottsboro, AL [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0467] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received July 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6603. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule -Safety Zone; Tall Ships Challenge Great Lakes 2016, Fairport Harbor, OH, Bay City, MI, Chicago, IL, Green Bay, WI, Duluth, MN, Erie, PA [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0267] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received July 26.2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6604. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Houma Navigation Canal miles 23 to 23.5, Dulac, LA [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0650] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received July 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6605. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Special Local Regulation; Suncoast Super Boat Grand Prix; Gulf of Mexico, Sarasota, FL [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0418] (RIN: 1625-AA08) received July 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6606. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC) — Reader Requirements [Docket No.: USCG-2007-28915] (RIN: 1625-AB21) received August 18, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6607. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Regulated Navigation Area; Holiday Events; Biscayne Bay, Miami, FL [Docket No.: USCG-2015-0786] (RIN: 1625-AA11) received June 21, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6608. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Special Local Regulations; Tall Ships Duluth 2016 Parade of Sail, Lake Superior, Duluth, MN [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0797] (RIN: 1625-AA08) received August 18, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6609. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Special Local Regulation; Allegheny River mile 0.0-1.5; Pittsburgh, PA [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0541] (RIN: 1625-AA08) received August 18, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6610. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zones; Marine Events held in the Sector Long Island Sound Captain of the Port Zone [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0670] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received August 18, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6611. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Safety Zone; Annual Roy Webster Cross-Channel Swim, Columbia River, Hood River, OR [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0370](RIN: 1625-AA00) received August 18, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

 $6612.\ A$  letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland

Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Pittsburgh Steelers Fireworks; Allegheny River mile 0.0-0.25, Ohio River mile 0.0-0.1, Monongahela River mile 0.0-0.1, Pittsburgh, PA [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0739] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received August 18, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6613. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Apra Outer Harbor, Naval Base Guam [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0644] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received August 18, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6614. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Tall Ships Duluth 2016-Giant Duck, Lake Superior, Duluth, MN [Docket No.: USCG-2016-6017] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received August 18, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6615. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Special Local Regulation; Black Warrior River, Mile 338.8 to 341.9; Tuscaloosa, AL [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0576] (RIN: 1625-AA08) received August 30, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6616. A letter from the Regulatory Ombudsman, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendments To Implement Certain Provisions of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act or "FAST Act" [Docket No.: FMCSA-2016-0091] (RIN: 2126-AB89) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6617. A letter from the Regulatory Ombudsman, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Parts and Accessories Necessary for Safe Operation; Inspection, Repair, and Maintenance; General Amendments [Docket No.: FMCSA-2015-0176] (RIN: 2126-AB81) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6618. A letter from the Paralegal, Office of Chief Counsel, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Bus Testing: Establishment of Performance Standards, a Bus Model Scoring System, a Pass/Fail Standard and other Program Updates [Docket No.: FTA-2015-0019] (RIN: 2132-ABI1) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6619. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Fuel Tank Vent Fire Protection [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0500; Amdt. Nos.: 25-142,21-376, and 129-53] (RIN: 2120-AK30) received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. 6620. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Extension of the Requirement for Helicopters to Use the New York North Shore Helicopter Route [Docket No.: FAA-2010-0302; Amdt. No.: 93-99] received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6621. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment of Class D Airspace: Destin, FL; Duke Field, Eglin AFB, FL; Revocation of Class D Airspace; Eglin AF Aux No 3 Duke Field, FL; and Amendment of Class D and E Airspace; Eglin Air Force Base, FL; Eglin Hurlburt Field, FL; and Crestview, FL [Docket No.: FAA-2015-7203; Airspace Docket No.: 15-ASO-14] received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6622. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class E Airspace for the following Indiana Towns; Goshen, IN; Greencastle, IN; Huntingburg, IN; North Vernon, IN; Rensselaer, IN; Tell City, IN; and Washington, IN [Docket No.: FAA-2016-4291; Airspace Docket No.: 16-AGL-7] received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6623. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class E Airspace for the following Louisiana Towns; De Quincy, LA; Minden, LA; Slidell, LA; and Revocation of Class E Airspace; Homer, LA [Docket No.: FAA-2016-4429; Airspace Docket No.: 16-ASW-8] received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6624. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2016-3993; Directorate Identifier 2015-NM-065-AD; Amendment 39-18592; AD 2016-15-01] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6625. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2016-5463; Directorate Identifier 2016-NM-013-AD; Amendment 39-18598; AD 2016-15-07] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6626. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; The Boeing Company Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2016-3700; Directorate Identifier 2015-NM-171-AD; Amendment 39-18595; AD 2016-15-04] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6627. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of

Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; CFM International, S.A. Turbofan Engines Modified by Supplemental Type Certificate SE00034EN [Docket No.: FAA-2012-1289; Directorate Identifier 2012-NE-43-AD; Amendment 39-18591; AD 2016-14-10] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6628. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; M7 Aerospace LLC Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2016-5431; Directorate Identifier 2015-CE-044-AD; Amendment 39-18593; AD 2016-15-02] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6629. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2016-3983; Directorate Identifier 2015-NM-009-AD; Amendment 39-18582; AD 2016-14-01] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6630. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2015-8435; Directorate Identifier 2015-NM-049-AD; Amendment 39-18594; AD 2016-15-03] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6631. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Changing the Collective Risk Limits for Launches and Reentries and Clarifying the Risk Limit Used to Establish Hazard Areas for Ships and Aircraft [Docket No.: FAA-2014-0418; Amdt. Nos.: 417-4, 420-7, 431-4 and 435-3] (RIN: 2120-AK06) received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6632. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Changes to the Application Requirements for Authorization To Operate in Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum Airspace [Docket No.: FAA-2015-1746; Amdt. No.: 91-342] (RIN: 2120-AK54) received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6633. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's interim final rule — Repair Stations [Docket No.: FAA-2016-8744; Amdt. No.: 145-31] (RIN: 2120-AK86) received August 8, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6634. A letter from the Chairman, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Regulations Governing Fees for Services Performed in Connection with Licensing and Related Services—2016 Update [Docket No.: EP 542 (Sub-No. 24)] received

August 11, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6635. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Operation and Certification of Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems [Docket No.: FAA-2015-0150; Amdt. Nos.: 21-99, 43-48, 61-137, 91-343, 101-9, 107-1, 119-18, 133-15, and 183-16] (RIN: 2120-AJ60) received August 10, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6636. A letter from the Chairman, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — On-Time Performance Under Section 213 of the Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act of 2008 [Docket No.: EP 726] received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6637. A letter from the Regulatory Ombudsman, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Unified Registration System; Correction [Docket No.: FMCSA-1997-2349] (RIN: 2126-AB85; Formerly 2126-AA22) received August 19, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6638. A letter from the Paralegal, Office of Chief Counsel, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Transit Asset Management; National Transit Database [Docket No.: FTA-2014-0020] (RIN: 2132-AB07) received July 29, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6639. A letter from the Paralegal, Office of Chief Counsel, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Public Transportation Safety Program [Docket No.: FTA-2015-0009] (RIN: 2132-AB22) received August 19, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6640. A letter from the Legal Intern USCG Office of Regulations, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Lake Erie Open Water Classic; Lake Erie, Cleveland, OH [Docket No.: USCG-2016-0624] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6641. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Army, Civil Works, Department of Defense, transmitting the Swope Park Industrial Area, Blue River, Kansas City, Missouri Flood Damage Reduction Project-Post Authorization Change Report for April 2016 (revised May 2016) (H. Doc. No. 114-156); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and ordered to be printed.

6642. A letter from the Assistant Secretary of the Army, Civil Works, Department of Defense, transmitting the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan Picayune Strand Restoration Project Limited Re-evaluation Report & Environmental Assessment for April 2016 (H. Doc. No. 114-157); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and ordered to be printed. 6643. A letter from the Assistant Administrator for Procurement, Office of Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — NASA Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Clarification of Award Fee evaluations and payments (NFS Case 2016-N008) (RIN: 2700-AE31) received August 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

6644. A letter from the Assistant Administrator for Procurement, Office of Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — NASA Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Removal of Grant Handbook References (NFS Case 2016-N001) (RIN: 2700-AE27) received July 28, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

6645. A letter from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Capital Access, Small Business Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Affiliation for Business Loan Programs and Surety Bond Guarantee Program (RIN: 3245-AG73) received July 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Small Business.

6646. A letter from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of the General Counsel, Small Business Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Small Business Mentor Protégé Programs (RIN: 3245-AG24) received August 18, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Small Business.

6647. A letter from the Office Program Manager, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Office of the General Counsel (00REG), Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's interim final rule — Veterans Employment Pay for Success Grant Program (RIN: 2900-AP72) received August 15, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

6648. A letter from the Office Program Manager, Office of Regulation Policy and Management Staff, Office of the General Counsel (00REG), Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule — Loan Guaranty: Delegation of Authority (RIN: 2900-AP77) received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

6649. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a statement supporting many of the recommendations and the underlying objectives offered by the Commission on Care in the final report transmitted on July 6, 2016, pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 1701 note; Public Law 113-146, Sec. 202(g)(2); (128 Stat. 1776) (H. Doc. No. 114-161); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and ordered to be printed.

6650. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a letter designating David S. Johanson as Vice Chair of the United States International Trade Commission, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1330(c)(1); June 17, 1930, ch. 497, Sec. 330(c)(1) (as amended by Public Law 95-106, Sec. 1); (91 Stat. 867); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6651. A letter from the Acting Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting the Administration's "2016 Annual Report of the Supplemental Security Income Program", pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1383f(a); Aug. 14, 1935, ch. 531, title XVIII, Sec. 1875 (as amended by Public Law 104-193,

Sec. 231); (110 Stat. 2197); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6652. A letter from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment of the Tip of the Mitt Viticultural Area [Docket No.: TTB-2015-0011; T.D. TTB-139; Ref: Notice No.: 155] (RIN: 1513-AC22) received August 1, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

 $6\bar{6}53$ . A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Small Rural Hospital Improvement Grant Program Report to Congress for Fiscal Year 2014, pursuant to Sec. 1820(g)(3)(F)(ii)(I) of the Social Security Act; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6654. A letter from the Chief, Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's interim final rule — Administrative Exemption on Value Increased for Certain Articles (CBP Dec. No. 16-13) [USCBP-2016-0057] (RIN: 1515-AE09) received August 24, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6655. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training, Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule — Federal-State Unemployment Compensation Program; Implementing the Total Unemployment Rate as an Extended Benefits Indicator and Amending for Technical Corrections (RIN: 1205-AB62) received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6656. A letter from the Chief, Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's interim regulations — Investigation of Claims of Evasion of Antidumping and Countervailing Duties [USCBP-2016-0053] (CBP Dec. 16-11) (RIN: 1515-AE10) received August 18, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6657. A letter from the Chief, Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of the Treasury, and Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Departments' final rule — Prohibition on Importation of Jadeite or Rubies Mined or Extracted from Burma, and Articles of Jewelry Containing Jadeite or Rubies Mined or Extracted from Burma [Docket No.: USCBP-2016-0054] (CBP Dec. 16-12) (RIN: 1515-AE15) received August 18, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6658. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training, Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule — Federal-State Unemployment Compensation Program; Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 Provision on Establishing Appropriate Occupations for Drug Testing of Unemployment Compensation Applicants (RIN: 1205-AB63) received August 2, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6659. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final regulation — Guidance under Section 108(a)Concerning the Exclusion of Section 61(a)(12) Discharge of Indebtedness Income of a Grantor Trust or a Disregarded Entity [TD 9771] (RIN: 1545-BJ14) received August 2, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6660. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final and temporary regulations — Income Inclusion When Lessee Treated as Having Acquired Investment Credit Property [TD 9776] (RIN: 1545-BM74) received August 2, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6661. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Recapitalization Into 'Control' and Unwind — Section 355(a) (Rev. Proc. 2016-40) received August 2, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6662. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final regulations — Property Transferred in Connection with the Performance of Services [TD 9779] (RIN: 1545-BM63) received August 2, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6663. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Applicable Federal Rates — September 2016 (Rev. Rul. 2016-20) received August 25, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6664. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — National Average Monthly Premium for a Bronze-Level Health Plan under Section 5000A (Rev. Proc. 2016-43) received August 25, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6665. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final regulations and removal of temporary regulations — Preparer Tax Identification Number (PTIN) User Fee Update [TD 9781] (RIN: 1545-BN02) August 25, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6666. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's temporary regulations — Election into the Partnership Audit Regime Under the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015 [TD 9780] (RIN: 1545-BN34) received August 25, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6667. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final regulations — Tax on Certain Foreign Procurement [TD 9782] (RIN: 1545-BK06) received August 25, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6668. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Use of Contingency to Satisfy CRAT Exhaustion Test (Rev. Proc. 2016-42) received August 25, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6669. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Interim Guidance Under Section 7705 for Certified Professional Employer Organizations [Notice 2016-49] received August 25, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6670. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Update on Jurisdictions Treated as If They Have an IGA in Effect (Announcement 2016-27) received August 25, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6671. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Voss v. Commissioner, 796 F.3d 1051 (9th Cir. 2015), rev'g Sophy v. Commissioner, 138 T.C. 204 (2012) (AOD-131448-15) received August 25, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6672. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulations and Reports Clearance, Social Security Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Extension of Expiration Dates for Four Body System Listings [Docket No.: SSA-2016-0023] (RIN: 0960-AI03) received August 26, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6673. A letter from the Chief, Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Import Restrictions Imposed on Archaeological and Ethnological Material of Syria [CBP Dec. 16-10] (RIN: 1515-AE14) received August 12, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6674. A letter from the Chairman, U.S. International Trade Commission, transmitting the Commission's report "The Year in Trade 2015", pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 2213(c); Public Law 93-618, Sec. 163(c) (as amended by Public Law 100-418, Sec. 1641); (102 Stat. 1271); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6675. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, Regulatory Affairs Law Division, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's interim final rule — Petitions for Rulemaking, Amendment, or Repeal [Docket No.: DHS-2009-0009] (RIN: 1601-AA56) received August 18, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Homeland Security.

6676. A letter from the Under Secretary, Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics, Department of Defense, transmitting the Fiscal Year 2015 Defense Environmental Programs Annual Report to Congress, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2711(a); Public Law 112-81, Sec. 317(a); (125 Stat. 1359); jointly to the Committees on Armed Services and Energy and Commerce.

6677. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's notice — Medicare Program; FY 2017 Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Prospective Payment System — Rate Update [CMS-1650-N] (RIN: 0938-AS76) received July 29, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees

on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

6678. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major rule notice — Medicare Program; FY 2017 Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Prospective Payment System — Rate Update [CMS-1650-N] (RIN: 0938-AS76) received August 10, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

6679. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Medicare Program; FY 2017 Hospice Wage Index and Payment Rate Update and Hospice Quality Reporting Requirements [CMS-1652-F] (RIN: 0938-AS79) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

6680. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Medicare Program; Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Prospective Payment System for Federal Fiscal Year 2017 [CMS-1647-F] (RIN: 0938-AS78) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

6681. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Medicare Program; Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities for FY 2017, SNF Value-Based Purchasing Program, SNF Quality Reporting Program, and SNF Payment Models Research [CMS-1645-F] (RIN: 0938-AS75) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

6682. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rules - Medicare Program; Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems for Acute Care Hospitals and the Long-Term Care Hospital Prospective Payment Systems and Policy Changes and Fiscal Year 2017 Rates; Quality Reporting Requirements for Specific Providers; and others [CMS-1655-F; CMS-1644-F; CMS-1632-F] (RIN: 0938-AS77; 0938-AS88; 0938-AS41) received August 4, 2016, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

6683. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting certification that other countries have contributed, including assistance-in-kind, an amount not less than 40 percent of the \$715 million appropriated for the Iraq Train and Equip Fund and that not less than 50 percent of the amount contributed by other countries has been contributed by the Government of Iraq, pursuant to Public Law 113-291, Sec. 1236(k)(1), as amended; jointly to the Committees on Foreign Affairs and Armed Services.

6684. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting the Third Quarterly Report for FY 2016 on the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994, pursuant

to 38 U.S.C. 4332(b)(1); Public Law 103-353, Sec. 2(a) (as added by Public Law 110-389, Sec. 312(c)); (122 Stat. 4165); jointly to the Committees on the Judiciary and Veterans' Affairs.

6685. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Economic Development Administration's Fiscal Year 2015 Annual Report, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 3213; Public Law 89-136, Sec. 603 (as added by Public Law 105-393, Sec. 102(a)); (112 Stat. 3614); jointly to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and Financial Services.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. GOODLATTE: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 5578. A bill to establish certain rights for sexual assault survivors, and for other purposes (Rept. 114-707, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. MILLER of Florida: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H.R. 3286. A bill to encourage effective, voluntary private sector investments to recruit, employ, and retain men and women who have served in the United States military with annual presidential awards to private sector employers recognizing such efforts, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 114-708). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. MILLER of Florida: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H.R. 3471. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the provision of automobiles and adaptive equipment by the Department of Veterans Affairs; with an amendment (Rept. 114-709). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. MILLER of Florida: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. H.R. 3974. A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to provide educational assistance to certain former members of the Armed Forces for education and training as physician assistants of the Department of Veterans Affairs, to establish pay grades and require competitive pay for physician assistants of the Department; and for other purposes, with amendments (Rept. 114-710). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 3881. A bill to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to repeal provisions relating only to the Allegheny National Forest; with an amendment (Rept. 114–711). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 4245. A bill to exempt importation and exportation of sea urchins and sea cucumbers from licensing requirements under the Endangered Species Act of 1973; with amendments (Rept. 114–712, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 5577. A bill to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct offshore oil and gas lease sales through Internet-based live lease sales, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 114-713). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 3839. A bill to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Bureau of Land Management land from the Secretary of the Interior to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for inclusion in the Black Hills National Cemetery, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 114-714, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 1157. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for the benefit of the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 114-715). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 3342. A bill to provide for stability of title to certain lands in the State of Louisiana, and for other purposes (Rept. 114-716). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 3843. A bill to authorize for a 7-year period the collection of claim location and maintenance fees, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 114-717, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 4576. A bill to implement the Convention on the Conservation and Management of High Seas Fisheries Resources in the North Pacific Ocean, to implement the Convention on the Conservation and Management of High Seas Fishery Resources in the South Pacific Ocean, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 114-718). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 5468. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment obligations under Repayment Contracts between the United States and the Weber Basin Water Conservancy District (Rept. 114-719). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. House Resolution 169. Resolution acknowledging and honoring brave young men from Hawaii who enabled the United States to establish and maintain jurisdiction in remote equatorial islands as prolonged conflict in the Pacific lead to World War II (Rept. 114-720). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. S. 1579. An act to enhance and integrate Native American tourism, empower Native American communities, increase coordination and collaboration between Federal tourism assets, and expand heritage and cultural tourism opportunities in the United States (Rept. 114-721 Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Natural Resources. S. 246. An act to establish the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 114-722). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. HENSARLING: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 4850. A bill to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to exempt certain micro-offerings from the registration requirements of such Act, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 114-723). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 843. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5063) to limit donations made pursuant to settlement agreements to which the United States

is a party, and for other purposes (Rept. 114-724). Referred to the House Calendar.

Rules. Mr. SESSIONS: Committee on House Resolution 844. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2357) to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to revise Form S-3 so as to add listing and registration of a class of common equity securities on a national securities exchange as an additional basis for satisfying the requirements of General Instruction I.B.1. of such form and to remove such listing and registration as a requirement of General Instruction I.B.6. of such form, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5424) to amend the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 and to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to amend its rules to modernize certain requirements relating to investment advisers, and for other purposes (Rept. 114-725). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. HENSARLING: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 4852. A bill to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to revise Regulation D relating to exemptions from registration requirements for certain sales of securities; with an amendment (Rept. 114-726). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

#### DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committee on Energy and Commerce and House Administration discharged from further consideration. S. 1579 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state on the Union.

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committee on Veterans' Affairs discharged from further consideration. H.R. 3839 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure and Energy and Commerce discharged from further consideration. H.R. 3843 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committees on Ways and Means and Foreign Affairs discharged from further consideration. H.R. 4245 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committee on Energy and Commerce discharged from further consideration. H.R. 5578 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

#### PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

> By Mr. ROYCE (for himself, Mr. Zeldin, Ms. Ros-Lehtinen, Mr. NUNES, Mr. MEADOWS, Mr. THORN-BERRY, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. DONOVAN, Mr. MCCAUL, Mr. DENT. Mr. CHAFFETZ, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. ROHR-ABACHER, Mr. RIBBLE, Mr. TROTT, Mr. YOUNG OF IOWA, Mr. DESJARLAIS, Mr. COOK, Mr. PITTENGER, Mr. DESANTIS, Mr. DUFFY, Mr. STIVERS, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. YOHO, Mr. ROTHFUS, Mr. CHABOT, and Mr. WILLIAMS):

H.R. 5931. A bill to provide for the prohibition on cash payments to the Government of

Iran, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. DUCKWORTH (for herself and Mr. ZELDIN): H.R. 5932. A bill to amend title 38, United

States Code, to eliminate copayments by the Department of Veterans Affairs for medicines relating to preventive health services. and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. FLEISCHMANN:

H.R. 5933. A bill to rescind certain Federal funds identified by States as unwanted and use the funds to reduce the Federal debt; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. KATKO (for himself, Mr.

CICILLINE, and Mr. DENT): H.R. 5934. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to add certain synthetic substances to schedule I, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

> By Mr. MEADOWS (for himself, Mr. MULVANEY, and Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina):

H.R. 5935. A bill to repeal the violation of sovereign nations' laws and privacy matters: to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MILLER of Florida (for himself

and Mr. TED LIEU of California): H.R. 5936. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into agreements with certain health care providers to furnish health care to veterans, to authorize the Secretary to enter into certain leases at the Department of Veterans Affairs West Los Angeles Campus in Los Angeles, California, to make certain improvements to the enhanced-use lease authority of the Department, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. MILLER of Florida:

H.R. 5937. A bill to amend title 36, United States Code, to authorize the American Battle Monuments Commission to acquire, operate, and maintain the Lafayette Escadrille Memorial in Marnes-la-Coquette, France, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 5938. A bill to amend title 4, United States Code, to permit the flag of the United States to be flown at half-staff in the event of the death of the Mayor of the District of Columbia; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. POLIS:

H.R. 5939. A bill to require employers to provide pay stubs, codify the executive order relating to Government contracting, provide greater oversight of executive compensation and restrictions on sales of stocks, clarify the definition of a supervisor, and enhance penalties for violations of workforce safety and standards: to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committees on Financial Services, and Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

- By Mr. POMPEO (for himself, Mr. Ros-
  - KAM, Mr. ZELDIN, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. YOUNG of Indiana, and Mr. COSTELLO of Pennsylvania):

H.R. 5940. A bill to To prohibit the President from using funds appropriated under CONGRESSIONAL RECORD—HOUSE

section 1304 of title 31, United States Code, to make payments to Iran, to impose sanctions with respect to Iranian persons that hold or detain United States citizens, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, Rules, and Intelligence (Permanent Select), for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. YOUNG of Iowa (for himself and Mr. ZELDIN):

H.R. 5941. A bill to provide for congressional review of transfers of funds from Executive agencies to state sponsors of terrorism, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. GABBARD:

H. Res. 841. A resolution expressing the condolences of the House of Representatives on the death of the Honorable Mark Takai, a Representative from the State of Hawaii; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. McCARTHY:

H. Res. 842. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the terrorist attacks launched against the United States on September 11, 2001, on the 15th anniversary of that date; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on Foreign Affairs, Armed Services, Transportation and Infrastructure, the Judiciary, Homeland Security, and Intelligence (Permanent Select), for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. LOBIONDO (for himself, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. POSEY, and Ms. CASTOR of Florida):

H. Res. 845. A resolution supporting the designation of the week of September 17 through September 24, 2016, as National Estuaries Week; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. NORTON:

H. Res. 846. A resolution calling on Congress to enact a new preclearance formula for the Voting Rights Act and condemning voter suppression laws enacted by States and political subdivisions; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII, memorials were presented and referred as follows:

290. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Senate of the State of Kansas, relative to Resolution No. 1798, opposing the Obama Administration Title IX guidance as an act of executive overreach that threatens the rights to privacy, safety and education of students in Kansas; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

291. Also, a memorial of the Senate of the State of New Jersey, relative to Resolution No. 37, urging the U.S. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and Congress to investigate practices involving direct and indirect remuneration fees and take appropriate steps to safeguard fairness and transparency; jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

#### CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. ROYCE:

H.R. 5931.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8.

By Ms. DUCKWORTH:

H.R. 5932.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

"The constitutional authority of Congress to enact this legislation is provided by Article I, section 8, clause 18 of the United States Constitution which gives Congress the authority to "make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof."

By Mr. FLEISCHMANN:

H.R. 5933.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The principal constitutional authority for this legislation is clause 7 of section 9 of article I of the Constitution of the United States (the appropriation power), which states: "No Money shall be drawn from the Treasury, but in Consequence of Appropriations made by Law; and a regular Statement and Account of the Receipts and Expenditures of all public Money shall be published from time to time."

By Mr. KATKO:

H.R. 5934.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. MEADOWS:

H.R. 5935.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 By Mr. MILLER of Florida:

H.R. 5936.

Congress has the power to enact this legis-

lation pursuant to the following: Article 1, Section 8 of the United States

Constitution.

By Mr. MILLER of Florida: H.R. 5937.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 5938.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

clause 18 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution.

By Mr. POLIS: H.B. 5939.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The Congress shall have Power... To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes.

By Mr. POMPEO:

H.R. 5940.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clauses 1 and 18 of the U.S. Constitution

By Mr. YOUNG of Iowa:

H.R. 5941.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution of

the United States

#### ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 27: Mrs. HARTZLER.

H.R. 188: Mr. RICE of South Carolina.

H.R. 213: Mr. TONKO, Mr. YODER, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. JEFFRIES, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. PAULSEN, Mr. AL GREEN OF TEXAS, MS. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. FARR, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. RYAN OF Ohio, and Mr. MCCAUL.

H.R. 225: Mr. LYNCH, Mr. TONKO, Mrs. CARO-LYN B. MALONEY of New York, and Mr. RYAN of Ohio.

H.R. 226: Mr. LYNCH, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. COHEN, Mr. CAPUANO, Mr. HONDA, Mr. JEFFRIES, MS. PLASKETT, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. HASTINGS, and Mr. SCOTT of Virginia.

H.R. 232: Mr. SESSIONS.

H.R. 250: Mr. REED.

H.R. 286: Mr. Sessions.

H.R. 292: Ms. EDWARDS.

H.R. 430: Ms. JUDY CHU of California.

H.R. 539: Mrs. Comstock.

H.R. 546: Ms. PINGREE. H.R. 584: Mr. GUINTA.

H.R. 592: Ms. EDWARDS.

H.R. 605: Mr. GUTIÉRREZ and Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York.

H.R. 663: Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico.

H.R. 670: Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. MCKINLEY, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, and Mr. POCAN.

H.R. 700: Ms. CLARKE of New York.

H.R. 711: Mr. BLUM, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE

of Pennsylvania, Mr. BARLETTA, Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky, Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana, and

Ms. KAPTUR.

H.R. 745: Mr. POLIQUIN.

H.R. 746: Mr. NADLER, Mr. PASCRELL, Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ OF California, and Mr.

GUTIÉRREZ. H.R. 759: Mrs. LOVE, Mr. LOEBSACK, and Ms.

GABBARD.

H.R. 875: Mr. O'ROURKE.

H.R. 902: Mr. Толко.

H.R. 920: Ms. Ros-Lehtinen.

H.R. 921: Mr. CONNOLLY and Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico.

H.R. 932: Mr. Norcross.

H.R. 1061: Mr. GUTIÉRREZ and Mr. GRI-JALVA.

H.R. 1062: Mr. Gohmert.

H.R. 1316: Mr. POLIQUIN.

H.R. 1356: Mr. REED.

H.R. 1387: Mr. Ross.

H.R. 1399: Mr. REED.

Alabama.

SCHULTZ.

H.R. 1089: Mr. COOK and Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.

H.R. 1151: Mrs. Comstock and Mr. Coff-MAN.

H.R. 1209: Mr. POMPEO, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. TONKO, and Mr. TED LIEU of California.

H.R. 1211: Mr. CONNOLLY, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, and Mr. MEEHAN.

H.R. 1248: Mr. SANFORD and Mr. WESTERMAN. H.R. 1258: Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. DAVID SCOTT

of Georgia, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Ms. HAHN,

Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, and Ms. SEWELL of

H.R. 1427: Mr. Bost, Mr. Dent, Mr. Sher-

MAN, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. DUN-

CAN of South Carolina, and Ms. WASSERMAN

H.R. 1453: Mr. TED LIEU of California.

H.R. 1342: Mr. LANCE and Mr. DONOVAN.

H.R. 1380: Mr. CARTER of Texas.

H.R. 4514: Mr. PALAZZO, Mrs. HARTZLER,

H.R. 4585: Mr. Peterson, Ms. Lee, Ms.

H.R. 4592: Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mr. BILIRAKIS,

H.R. 4621: Mr. HONDA, Mr. SMITH of Wash-

H.R. 4626: Mr. PAYNE, Mr. SCHRADER, and

H.R. 4662: Mr. CONNOLLY and Ms.

H.R. 4695: Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of

New Mexico. Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. LO-RETTA SANCHEZ OF California, Mr. TED LIEU

H.R. 4696: Ms. NORTON and Ms. LOFGREN.

H.R. 4708: Ms. MOORE, Ms. BROWN of Flor-

ida, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms.

KUSTER, Mr. HASTINGS, Ms. NORTON, Mrs.

DINGELL, Mr. TONKO, Ms. CLARKE of New

York, Ms. SINEMA, Mr. KIND, and Mr. CART-

H.R. 4715: Mr. FOSTER, Ms. JENKINS of Kan-

H.R. 4760: Mr. HARPER, Mr. GRAVES of Lou-

H.R. 4764: Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. SCOTT of Vir-

H.R. 4796: Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of

H.R. 4817: Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of

H.R. 4893: Mr. BROOKS of Alabama and Mr.

H.R. 4919: Mr. COHEN, Mr. HARPER, and Mr.

H.R. 4938: Ms. DelBene, Mr. Johnson of

Georgia, Mr. RIBBLE, Mr. SMITH of Missouri,

Mrs. Capps, Ms. Lee, Mr. Thornberry, Ms.

JACKSON LEE, MS. SPEIER, Mr. PERRY, Mr.

JONES, Mr. RUPPERSBERGER, Mrs. BEATTY,

Mr. MEEKS, Mr. GRAVES of Missouri, and Mr.

H.R. 4980: Mr. MASSIE, Mr. HUDSON, and Mr.

H.R. 5006: Ms. NORTON, Mr. WEBER of Texas,

H.R. 5073: Mr. FOSTER and Mr. KEATING.

H.R. 5147: Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of

H.R. 5167: Mr. Gallego, Mr. Lowenthal,

H.R. 5180: Mrs. Comstock, Mr. DEFAZIO,

Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania, Mr. BRAT, Mr.

HILL, Mr. ROSKAM, Mr. WITTMAN, and Mr.

H.R. 5182: Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. CÁRDENAS, and

4955: Mr. DESAULNIER and Mr.

H.R. 4932: Mr. THOMPSON of California.

ginia, Mr. RUSH, Ms. JUDY CHU of California,

Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ OF California, Mr.

CURBELO of Florida, and Mr. GRAYSON.

H.R. 4706: Mr. EMMER of Minnesota.

ington, and Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Penn-

MATSUI, MS. SLAUGHTER, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr.

QUIGLEY, Mr. VELA, and Ms. BONAMICI.

Mr. MCCLINTOCK, Mr. CÁRDENAS, and Mr.

VALADAO.

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WRIGHT.

New York

DOGGETT

DUFFY.

CLAY.

H.R.

LAMALFA.

WENSTRUP.

New Mexico.

and Mr. CRAMER.

HECK of Nevada.

Mr. KILMER.

H.R. 4989: Ms. NORTON.

H.R. 5021: Mr. BURGESS.

H.R. 5023: Mr. Ellison.

H.R. 5061: Mrs. Comstock.

H.R. 5097: Mr. Sessions.

H.R. 5143: Mr. Renacci.

H.R. 5177: Ms. KAPTUR.

and Mr. POE of Texas.

H.R. 4515: Mr. Royce.

H.R. 4552: Mr. Ross.

H.R. 4523: Mr. MASSIE.

Mr. McCAUL, and Mr. DOLD.

H.R. 4613: Ms. Lofgren.

H.R. 4616: Ms. MOORE.

H.R. 4622: Mr. GIBSON.

H.R. 4636: Mr. RENACCI.

H.R. 4640: Mr. RATKO.

H.R. 4667: Mr. DEUTCH.

of California, and Mr. YARMUTH.

sas, and Mr. BROOKS of Alabama.

isiana, and Mr. WESTMORELAND.

H.R. 4766: Mr. ROYCE.

H.R. 4784: Mr. Peters.

H.R. 4773: Mr. LAMALFA.

New York and Ms. LOFGREN.

WASSERMAN SCHULTZ.

Ms. Ros-Lehtinen.

H.R. 4598: Mr. MARCHANT.

- H.R. 1516: Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. H.R. 1538: Mr. LOEBSACK, Ms. PINGREE, and
- Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia.
- H.R. 1552: Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California and Mr. GUTIÉRREZ.
- H.R. 1559: Mr. GUTHRIE.
- H.R. 1600: Mr. RICHMOND
- H.R. 1602: Mr. GUTIÉRREZ.
- H.R. 1603: Mr. REED.
- H.R. 1618: Mr. BLUMENAUER.
- H.R. 1653: Ms. SLAUGHTER.
- H.R. 1706: Ms. DELBENE and Ms. McCollum.
- H.B. 1728: Mr. JEFFRIES, Mr. CONNOLLY, and Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California.
- H.R. 1854: Ms. Ros-Lehtinen.
- H.R. 1856: Ms. LEE.
- H.R. 1877: Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia. H.R. 1902: Mr. ENGEL and Ms. WASSERMAN

SCHULTZ.

- H.R. 1976: Mr. CLAY.
- H.R. 2035: Ms. VELÁZQUEZ.
- H.R. 2058: Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. COFF-
- MAN. Mr. MULLIN, and Mr. MOOLENAAR. H.R. 2096: Mr. JOYCE, Mr. AMODEI, and Mr.
- KATKO.

H.R. 2101: Miss RICE of New York and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ.

- H.R. 2102: Mr. BEN RAY LUJÁN of New Mexico
- H.R. 2151: Mr. BURGESS.

H.R. 2173: Mr. BLUMENAUER.

H.R. 2174: Mr. LUCAS.

- H.R. 2191: Mr. Peters.
- H.R. 2246: Mr. PEARCE.
- H.R. 2278: Mr. MARCHANT.
- H.R. 2290: Mrs. Walorski, Mr. Brooks of Alabama, Mr. WENSTRUP, and MS. GRANGER. H.R. 2302: Mr. SMITH of Washington and Ms.
- EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas.
- H.R. 2313: Mr. LANGEVIN and Mr. HANNA.
- H.R. 2315: Mr. LARSON of Connecticut.
- H.R. 2319: Ms. DUCKWORTH.
- H.B. 2342: Mr. GRAYSON, Mr. CONNOLLY, and Mr. PASCRELL.

H.B. 2355: Miss BICE of New York.

H.R. 2368: Ms. BONAMICI, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. GUTIÉRREZ, Mr. HECK of Washington, Mr. HIGGINS, Mr. JEFFRIES, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. Kelly of Illinois, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM OF New Mexico, Ms. MATSUI, MS. MOORE, Mr. MOULTON, Mr. MURPHY of Florida, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. PALLONE, Ms. PINGREE, MS. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. RUPPERS-BERGER, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. SCHRADER, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. SERRANO, MS. SLAUGHTER, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Ms. Speier, Mr. Thompson of California, Mr. TONKO, Mrs. TORRES, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. DELANEY, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. Welch, Mr. Ashford, Ms. Adams, Mr. HUFFMAN, and Mr. VAN HOLLEN.

- H.R. 2404: Mr. CURBELO of Florida.
- H.R. 2441: Mr. PASCRELL.
- H.R. 2461: Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi and Mrs. Bustos.
- H.R. 2493: Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California.
- H.R. 2519: Mr. RUPPERSBERGER.
- H.R. 2536: Mr. TIPTON.
- H.R. 2656: Mr. Tonko.
- H.R. 2715: Mr. CONNOLLY, Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ OF California, and Mr. GUTIÉRREZ.
- H.R. 2726: Mr. KING of Iowa.
- H.R. 2775: Mr. Mullin.
- H.R. 2817: Mr. MCKINLEY.

H.R. 2846: Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Ms. CLARKE of New York.

H.R. 2902: Mr. Lynch, Mr. Perlmutter, Mr. VARGAS, MS. DEGETTE, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. NAD-LER, Ms. BROWNLEY of California, Mr. PAL-LONE, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. LEWIS, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. BEYER, Mr. DOGGETT, Ms. KELLY of Illi-

nois, Mr. CLAY, Mrs. LAWRENCE, and Mr. ASHFORD. H.R. 2903: Mr. FLORES, Mr. GOWDY, Mr.

RATCLIFFE, and Ms. MCCOLLUM. H.R. 2972: Mr. CLAY and Mr. RUSH.

H.R. 2991: Mr. ELLISON.

H.R. 3084: Mr. Ross, Mrs. WALORSKI, and Mr. ENGEL.

H.R. 3099: Mr. LOEBSACK, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. JEFFRIES, Mr. PAULSEN, Mr. COSTELLO of Pennsylvania, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. BYRNE, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, and Mr. HONDA.

H.R. 3119: Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER, Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. CHABOT, Ms. HAHN, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Mr. Roskam, and Mr. ROG-ERS of Alabama.

- H.R. 3130: Mr. RUIZ.
- H.R. 3229: Mr. Connolly, Mr. Palazzo, Mr. HASTINGS, and Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ.
- H.R. 3235: Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. LOBI-ONDO, MS. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM OF New
- Mexico, Mr. CICILLINE, and Mr. LEWIS.
  - H.R. 3244: Ms. SINEMA.
  - H.R. 3255: Mr. KLINE.
- H.R. 3323: Mr. DEFAZIO, Mr. WILLIAMS, and Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina.
  - H.R. 3337: Mr. PAYNE.
  - H.R. 3365: Mr. COHEN and Ms. ADAMS.
  - H.R. 3381: Mr. SANFORD.
  - H.R. 3397: Mr. YODER and Ms. DELAURO.
- H.R. 3411: Mr. MCNERNEY and Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.
- H.R. 3520: Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. SENSEN-
- BRENNER, and Mr. YARMUTH. H.R. 3522: Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN and Mr.
- CONYERS.
- H.R. 3523: Ms. Matsui.
- H.R. 3546: Ms. Meng, Mr. Tonko, Mr. Gene GREEN of Texas, Mr. DENT, Mr. YARMUTH and Mr. Welch.
- H.R. 3573: Mr. BROOKS of Alabama.
- H.R. 3632: Mr. GALLEGO.
- H.R. 3652: Mrs. NAPOLITANO.
- H.R. 3660: Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mrs. BEATTY, and Mr. LOWENTHAL.
- H.R. 3712: Mr. CAPUANO.
- H.R. 3713: Mrs. Love, Mr. Doggett, Mr. TED LIEU of California, and Mrs. DAVIS of California.
- H.R. 3765: Mr. HILL, Mr. STIVERS, and Mr. HUNTER.

H.R. 3790: Mr. BUTTERFIELD.

- H.R. 3815: Mr. CURBELO of Florida, Mr. TROTT, Mr. LANGEVIN, Ms. ESHOO, and Mrs. LOWEY.
- H.R. 3886: Ms. LINDA T. SÁNCHEZ of California, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. Grijalva, and Mr. GUTIÉRREZ.
- H.R. 3929: Mr. HIMES, Ms. LEE, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, and Mr. SMITH of Texas.
  - H.R. 4016: Mr. KING of Iowa.
  - H.R. 4019: Mr. BLUMENAUER.
- H.R. 4055: Mr. CICILLINE.
- H.R. 4057: Mr. BEYER.
- H.R. 4162: Ms. BROWNLEY of California and Ms. Eshoo.
- H.R. 4211: Mr. COFFMAN.

B. MALONEY of New York.

H.R. 4435: Ms. BONAMICI.

THOMPSON of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 4485: Mr. Byrne.

H.R. 4499: Mr. TIPTON.

Ms. GRANGER.

H.R. 4475: Mrs. NAPOLITANO.

- H.R. 4212: Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.
- H.R. 4229: Ms. Velázquez.
- H.R. 4247: Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas and Mr. Ratcliffe.
- H.R. 4277: Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. LANGEVIN,
- Mrs. Napolitano, Ms. Wasserman Schultz, Ms. LEE, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, and Mr. ELLISON. H.R. 4399: Mr. RICHMOND and Mrs. CAROLYN

H.R. 4480: Mr. HECK of Washington and Mr.

H.R. 4481: Mr. ROONEY of Florida, Ms.

KELLY of Illinois, Mr. ISRAEL, Mr. PRICE of

North Carolina, Ms. FRANKEL of Florida, and

- H.R. 5190: Mrs. Comstock.
- H.R. 5204: Mr. BRAT.
- H.R. 5215: Ms. DelBene.
- H.R. 5219: Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, and Mrs. CAPPS.
  - H.R. 5230: Mr. FLEISCHMANN.
- H.R. 5232: Mr. CICILLINE.
- H.R. 5240: Mrs. WAGNER and Mr. CICILLINE.
- H.R. 5265: Mr. GUTIÉRREZ and Mr. KILMER. H.R. 5292: Mr. BUCSHON, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ,
- Mr. DELANEY, Mr. SWALWELL of California,
- and Mr. CONNOLLY.
- H.R. 5304: Mr. Aguilar. H.R. 5321: Mr. SENSENBRENNER and Mr. HONDA.
- H.R. 5333: Mr. McClintock.
- H.R. 5351: Mrs. HARTZLER, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. JODY B. HICE of Georgia, Mr. STEWART, Mr. DESJARLAIS, and Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina.
- H.R. 5386: Mr. Jones, Mr. Sanford, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. SCHIFF, and Ms. MCCOLLUM.
- H.R. 5395: Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico.
- H.R. 5405: Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. LOFGREN, and Mrs BEATTY
- H.R. 5426: Mr. WALZ.
- H.R. 5432: Mr. MEEHAN.

H.R. 5475: Mr. COHEN and Mr. LOWENTHAL.

- H.R. 5499: Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. COFFMAN, and
- Mr. FARENTHOLD.
- H.R. 5552: Mr. BRIDENSTINE and Mr. RIBBLE. H.R. 5555: Mr. Peters, Ms. McCollum, Mr.
- HARPER, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. DEFAZIO, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY. H.R. 5560: Mr. PRICE of North Carolina,
- Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Ms. JUDY CHU of California, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. FARR, Mr. TED LIEU of California, Mr. TAKANO, and Mr. MCNERNEY.
- H.R. 5576: Ms. Ros-Lehtinen.
- H.R. 5578: Mr. MEEHAN and Mr. LOEBSACK.
- H.R. 5587: Mr. WILSON of South Carolina,
- Mr. HECK of Nevada, Mr. ISSA, Mr. BARLETTA, and Mr. McGovern.
- H.R. 5589: Mr. GUTHRIE.
- H.R. 5601: Mr. TIPTON.
- H.R. 5619: Mr. BURGESS and Mr. MCKINLEY.
- H.R. 5620: Mr. Bilirakis, Mr. Flores, Mr.
- PITTENGER, Mr. TIPTON, and Mr. WALBERG.
- H.R. 5632: Mr. NEAL.
- H.R. 5682: Mrs. BEATTY.
- H.R. 5686: Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mrs. CAPPS, and Mr. TED LIEU of California.
- H.R. 5689: Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. SENSEN-BRENNER, Mr. TONKO, Mr. CONYERS, Ms. MENG, and Mr. VISCLOSKY.
- H.R. 5691: Mrs. Comstock, Mr. Coffman, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. FOSTER, and Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico.
  - H.R. 5692: Mr. GUTIÉRREZ.
- H.R. 5693: Ms. SLAUGHTER and Mr. TED LIEU of California.
- H.R. 5708: Mr. PITTS, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. ROHRABACHER, and Mr. DESANTIS.
- H.R. 5719: Ms. Eshoo.
- H.R. 5720: Mr. LOWENTHAL.
- H.R. 5727: Mr. McClintock.
- H.R. 5732: Mr. VISCLOSKY, Mr. POMPEO, Mr.
- CURBELO OF Florida, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. MOULTON, Mr. NADLER, Mr. MEADOWS, Mr. MCCAUL, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California, Mr. ISRAEL, and Mr. MCKINLEY.
- H.R. 5745: Ms. Schakowsky.
- H.R. 5750: Mr. LOUDERMILK.
- H.R. 5756: Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. HONDA, MS. NORTON, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN,

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H. Res. 840: Ms. MOORE, Mr. CRAMER, Ms.

CONGRESSIONAL EARMARKS, LIM-

ITED TAX BENEFITS, OR LIM-

Under clause 9 of rule XXI, lists or

statements on congressional earmarks,

limited tax benefits, or limited tariff

The amendment to be offered by Rep-

resentative JOHN CONYERS, JR. or a designee,

to H.R. 5063, the Stop Settlement Slush

Funds Act of 2016, does not contain any con-

gressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or

limited tariff benefits as defined in clause 9

The amendment to be offered by Rep-

resentative BILL FOSTER or a designee, to H.R. 5424, the Investment Advisers Mod-

ernization Act of 2016, does not contain any

congressional earmarks, limited tax bene-

fits, or limited tariff benefits as defined in

PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 3 of rule XII, petitions

79. The SPEAKER presented a petition of

Councilmember Carla Smith, Atlanta, GA,

relative to Resolution 16-R-3942, urging the

United States Congress to identify a reliable

funding stream to address deferred mainte-

nance needs of America's National Park Sys-

tem; to the Committee on Natural Re-

80. Also, a petition of the Governing Body

of the City of Santa Fe, New Mexico, relative

to Resolution No. 2016-56, urging Congress to

create a reliable, predictable stream of re-

sources to address deferred maintenance

needs in America's National Park System; to

81. Also, a petition of The City Commission

of Miami Beach, FL, relative to Resolution

No. 2016-29482, calling upon federal and state-

elected officials to collaborate with local of-

ficials and first responders to prevent mass

shootings and large-scale human loss of life

and suffering from mass shootings in Amer-

ica by limiting the availability and use of

military grade, high capacity magazine as-

sault weapons to law enforcement agencies:

82. Also, a petition of Mr. Gregory D. Wat-

son, a citizen of Austin, Texas, relative to

urging the Congress to propose, for ratifica-

tion by special conventions held within the

individual states, an amendment to the

United States Constitution which would

grant to Congress the ability to veto, by sim-

ple majority vote of at least one house of

Congress, any rule, any regulation, any pol-

icy, or any procedure adopted by any agency

within the Executive branch of the Federal

Government, with the sole exception of the

Executive Office of the President; to the

83. Also, a petition of the City Council of

East Orange, NJ, relative to Resolution I-178,

encouraging Congress to pass common sense

gun sale restriction laws on those listed on

the "Terror Watch List" designation by the

Department of Homeland Security; to the

Committee on the Judiciary.

Committee on the Judiciary.

to the Committee on the Judiciary.

the Committee on Natural Resources.

and papers were laid on the clerk's

desk and referred as follows:

benefits were submitted as follows:

NORTON, and Mr. TED LIEU of California.

ITED TARIFF BENEFITS

of rule XXL

sources.

clause 9 of rule XXI.

- H.R. 5765: Mr. JOYCE
- H.R. 5790: Mr. Lynch.
- H.R. 5799: Mr. PALAZZO, Mr. FORTENBERRY,
- and Mr. KILMER.
- H.R. 5809: Mr. JOYCE. H.R. 5810: Mr. LANGEVIN.
- H.R. 5815: Mr. CHAFFETZ.
- H.R. 5816: Mr. RATCLIFFE.
- H.R. 5859: Mrs. Comstock.
- H.R. 5904: Mr. DESJARLAIS, Mr. POMPEO,
- Mr. RATCLIFFE, and Mr. FLEMING.
- H.R. 5920: Ms. DUCKWORTH.
- H.R. 5930: Ms. LEE. H.J. Res. 9: Mr. SMITH of Texas and Mr.
- LANCE.
  - H.J. Res. 22: Mr. Ashford.
  - H.J. Res. 23: Mr. BLUMENAUER.
- H. Con. Res. 19: Mrs. WALORSKI.
- H. Con. Res. 33: Mr. RUPPERSBERGER.
- H. Con. Res. 114: Mr. SENSENBRENNER.
- H. Con. Res. 140: Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. BABIN, Mr. BYRNE, and Mr. MULVANEY.
- H. Con. Res. 141: Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. CLAY, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. BRIDENSTINE, Mr. HASTINGS, and Mr. RANGEL.
- H. Con. Res. 146: Mr. HILL and Mr. MCCLIN-TOCK.
- H. Res. 28: Ms. KELLY of Illinois and Ms. DELAURO.
  - H. Res. 54: Mr. CURBELO of Florida.
  - H. Res. 112: Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana.
  - H. Res. 130: Mr. LEWIS.
  - H. Res. 154: Miss RICE of New York.
- H. Res. 207: Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California and Mr. YOUNG of Iowa.
- H. Res. 220: Mr. SERRANO, Mr. HANNA, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, and Mr. SCHRADER.
  - H. Res. 265: Mr. GIBSON.
  - H. Res. 289: Mr. TED LIEU of California.
- H. Res. 352: Mr. CAPUANO, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ OF
- California, and Mr. HULTGREN.
  - H. Res. 469: Mr. CALVERT.
  - H. Res. 487: Mr. PEARCE.
  - H. Res. 494: Mr. MILLER of Florida. H. Res. 528: Mr. VELA and Mr. CICILLINE.

  - H. Res. 650: Ms. DEGETTE.
  - H. Res. 660: Mr. PRICE of North Carolina.
  - H. Res. 683: Mrs. BEATTY and Ms. LEE.
  - H. Res. 703: Mr. TED LIEU of California.
- H. Res. 729: Mr. Lynch, Mr. SWALWELL of California, and Mr. SCALISE.
  - H. Res. 748: Mr. WEBER of Texas.
- H. Res. 752: Mr. MCDERMOTT. Mr. KATKO. Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. COLLINS of New York, Mr. SARBANES, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. VALADAO, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. DOGGETT, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. NORCROSS, Mr. LEVIN, MS. ESHOO, MS. ROYBAL-ALLARD, MS. DELAURO, Mr. LEWIS, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. CON-YERS, Mrs. LOWEY, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. NEAL, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. MOULTON, and Mr. ZINKE.
- H. Res. 769: Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Penn-
- sylvania. H. Res. 807: Mr. JENKINS of West Virginia
- and Mr. RUIZ. H. Res. 808: Mr. MCCLINTOCK.
- H. Res. 813: Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. CLAWSON of Florida, Mr. RUPPERS-BERGER, Mr. BOUSTANY, Mr. CULBERSON, and Mr. GRIJALVA.

H. Res. 836: Mr. HULTGREN, Mr. BYRNE, and

H. Res. 837: Mr. BEYER and Mr. LEWIS.

- H. Res. 821: Mr. CICILLINE.
- H. Res. 835: Mr. HULTGREN.

Mr. Gosar.



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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.

Gracious Father, fill our Senators with Your truth and peace. Let Your truth bring them freedom from anxiety, fear, pride, timidity, and sin. Let Your peace guard their hearts, reminding them of the power of Your sovereignty and grace. As they have opportunity, empower them to do good for all people. Thank You for bestowing such love upon us that we can be called Your children. Lord, use us for Your glory as You keep us on the path You have selected for our lives.

We pray in Your great 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.

#### RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. LANKFORD). The majority leader is recognized.

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

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

## Senate

#### APPOINTMENTS

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I understand appointments were made during the adjournment of the Senate. I ask that they be stated for the record.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, upon the recommendation of the majority leader, pursuant to Public Law 105-292, as amended by Public Law 106-55, Public Law 107-228, and Public Law 112-75, appoints the following individual to the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom: Clifford D. May of Maryland.

The Chair announces, on behalf of the majority leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 114–140, the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Evidence-Based Policymaking Commission: Kathleen B. Rice of Indiana (data minimization/personal-identifiable information expert), Robert J. Shea of Virginia (data expert with experience in administering programs), and Kenneth R. Troske of Kentucky (academic researcher/data expert).

#### ISSUES BEFORE THE SENATE

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I welcome everyone back from what I hope was a productive State work period. I am sure I speak for all of us when I say that traveling to our States and meeting with those we represent is one of the best parts of this job. It is also one of the most important. That is because it allows us to hear different perspectives on critical issues and reminds us of the real difference good policy can make in the lives of the American people.

From funding the government to supporting our servicemembers and taking action on issues such as Zika, we have a lot to get done in this upcoming work period. I look forward to working with colleagues on these and other important issues in the coming weeks. As I mentioned, over the State work period, Senators on both sides had opportunities to meet with constituents and talk with them about a number of serious problems facing our country. From combating the Zika virus to addressing an array of national security challenges, Americans such as those I met with back home wanted to know what steps both parties are taking to help.

For our friends across the aisle, that must have been a little bit of a difficult conversation. That is because before the work period, Senate Democrats filibustered funding to combat Zika and to support veterans—not once but twice. They also filibustered funding to provide resources for our servicemembers and national defense priorities. It is hard to explain why, despite their own calls for funding, Senate Democrats decided to block a bill that could help keep pregnant women and babies safer from Zika.

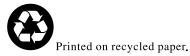
It is also hard to explain why—despite the array of terror attacks we have seen across the world—Senate Democrats decided to block a bill that could help keep the American people safer from threats like ISIL.

Our colleagues across the aisle can point to a series of partisan excuses, but the bottom line is this: There is no good explanation for blocking these public health and national security funding bills.

Over the summer, there were important steps taken to combat the virus. The administration took the guidance of Appropriations Chairmen COCHRAN and ROGERS, and with the advocacy of Members such as Senators BLUNT and RUBIO, HHS shifted funds already available to them to strengthen our defense against the virus.

Aerial spraying also started early in August and has produced positive results. The CDC Director has said he has been "impressed by the effectiveness" of the spraying, noting the "substantial reduction in the number of mosquitoes" in the transmission areas, but

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these issues have certainly not gone away. In fact, this summer brought even more cases of Zika, with mosquitos now spreading the virus in some counties and health officials issuing travel warnings for pregnant women going to Miami.

This summer also brought with it even more ISIL-inspired or directed terror attacks from France to Turkey, as well as more concerns of growing aggression from countries like North Korea, which recently test-launched another missile.

These instances from the summer further underscore the urgency of the challenges facing us and why it is imperative our colleagues end their irresponsible filibusters of these bills.

So today we will give Senate Democrats another opportunity to follow through on their own calls for action on Zika, to support our veterans who deserve the treatment and benefits they have earned, and to provide for our servicemembers who sacrifice so much to protect the country and the people we love.

I hope our colleagues will join us now to finally end their senseless filibusters and help us do our part to address these serious issues.

#### RECOGNITION OF THE MINORITY LEADER

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The minority leader is recognized.

#### ISSUES BEFORE THE SENATE

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I, too, am glad to be back. I appreciate all the people here whom we spend so much time with and all their good work. We have been gone for 7 weeks. Baseball season is about over. I wish it went year-round, but it doesn't. So all good things come to an end, and we will have that over with in about a month.

Today, the Republicans return from the longest summer recess in more than 60 years. I am still stunned that the Republican leader decided to have a 7-week vacation, and it was more important to them than funding our Nation's Zika response or giving Merrick Garland a hearing or even meeting with him or keeping terrorists and criminals from buying guns, and as the New York Times reported in some detail on Sunday, climate change is here. Military installations-like those in Virginia as an example, but they are not the only ones-are in peril of surviving. Whole neighborhoods are under water. Highways and bridges to islands are unpassable for weeks at a timebut 7 weeks of vacation and not a word of debate on the rising seas, and they are here. Just ask anyone in Florida trying to pass a bond issue now for billions of dollars to raise the highways and the roads and the foundations of buildings.

Now, because of the Republican leader's decision to recess for the summer, Congress is floundering because of Republican inaction. The Senate has a mountain of work to do and no time to do it.

First and foremost, the Senate needs to fund efforts to combat Zika. It is a dreaded problem sweeping this country. Earlier this year. Democrats tried in vain to bring Republicans to the realization that Zika was imperiling the health of all but especially women of child-bearing age. We accepted the Senate Zika compromise. Last May. 89 Senators voted to pass that legislation. Republicans in the House said no, and then surprisingly, when we tried to pass it as a stand-lone here, the Republican Senate said we will not agree to what we agreed to a few weeks agostunning, to say the least.

President Obama proposed a meeting with Senator McCONNELL, Speaker RYAN, Secretary Burwell, and Director Donovan to work on the Zika crisis. They said no to the meeting. Democrats offered to negotiate a compromise, but Republicans rejected our efforts to compromise. Republicans were more interested in attacking Planned Parenthood and flying the Confederate flag than protecting women and babies from this awful virus.

As Republicans stalled, Zika spread quickly. Puerto Rico has been ravaged by the virus. Two thousand Puerto Ricans are infected each week—different Puerto Ricans. Remember, Puerto Ricans are citizens of the United States. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention predicted that by the end of the year, 25 percent of Puerto Rico's population will be infected by Zika. That is 900,000 people.

Last month, the Department of Health and Human Services declared a health emergency in Puerto Rico due to the Zika virus. Democrats pleaded for Republicans to cut short their 7week break and return to the Capitol in order to pass emergency Zika funding. Republicans said: No, we are going to stay home some more.

While the Republican Senate insisted on vacation, Zika spread to the mainland in the United States. Local transmission of Zika was confirmed in Florida and elsewhere. Last week, public health officials in Florida even trapped some mosquitoes carrying this virus. To date, nearly 17,000 men, women, and children in the United States and its territories have been infected with Zika, claiming 1,600 pregnant women, and 16 babies have been born with the deforming birth defects caused by Zika.

We still don't understand all the devastating effects of this virus. That is why we need more study. We know, though, about microcephaly—the birth defect that inhibits brain development and prevents the skull from growing. We have all seen the heart-wrenching pictures of babies with tiny heads, but in recent weeks we have also learned newborns with Zika face other problems, such as hearing loss, vision impairment, and joint deformities. Be-

cause of Republican inaction, our entire Nation is exposed to this scourge. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention do not have the resources to fight Zika. CDC Director Thomas Frieden told reporters:

The cupboard is bare... Basically, we are out of money and we need Congress to act.

We must stop the spread of this disease. We need to learn more. We need to pass a bipartisan funding bill that gives doctors, researchers, and public health officials the resources they require to understand and fight the spread of this deadly virus. We passed something here with 89 votes. As I said, it went to the House. They sent it back with all this strange, weird stuff in it. They cut funding for the Veterans' Administration by one-half billion dollars. They tried to disguise the fact that what they were trying to do was to eliminate Planned Parenthood. Remember, last year 2 million American women went to Planned Parenthood for help. Now, with this Zika virus frightening women all over America, they want to cut this off.

As I said, they did other things. When I talk about flying the Confederate flag, I am not kidding. Part of the legislation sent back to us said they could continue flying the Confederate flag over military installations. Is that something we could vote for? Of course not.

The continuing resolution, that has become the kind of thing we do around here since Republicans have perfected filibusters. Continuing resolutions are a way of saying we can't do our regular appropriations work, so let's do something that gets us through the year. We must focus on our efforts to keep the government open. Press reports indicate that Republicans want to pass a continuing resolution that extends into next year. That seems odd-strange. We just completed 7 weeks of doing nothing-none of our country's essential business-and now Republicans are suggesting another 10 weeks of vacation. Speaker RYAN and Senator MCCONNELL should understand that Democrats will not support 10 more weeks away from Washington. We have a lot of work to do. We cannot ignore the Nation's work any longer. President Obama will reject any continuing resolution that extends into 2017.

Notably, Members of Congress received their pay during the 7 weeks we were out of Washington and would receive their salaries during the Republicans' proposed 10-week recess. Let's be clear. A funding resolution that stretches into next year is a permission slip for Congress to refuse to do its job for the rest of the year. The next Senate should not begin months behind because of this Republican Senate's failure to do its job. Once we have ensured that the government is properly funded, we must turn our attention to the important issues that the Republican Senate has failed to adequately address, and these are only some of them.

How about the Supreme Court and judicial nominations? The Senate

needs to give the U.S. Supreme Court a full complement of nine Justices. The Republicans still refuse to give Chief Judge Merrick Garland a hearing or a vote. ORRIN HATCH, who opened the Senate a few minutes ago, has said Merrick Garland is a consensus nomination. I don't know if he forgot what he said or didn't mean it at the time. I think he did mean it at the time. Republicans want to hold the seat open for Donald Trump to fill. If that doesn't startle you, I don't know what would.

What more do you need to see from Trump to realize that he is dangerous and unfit for the Presidency? How can you hold a Supreme Court vacancy open for this man and his weird ideas?

It is not just the Supreme Court. Republicans have deadlocked our entire system of justice because of the Republican Senate's dysfunction. This Republican Senate has confirmed the fewest circuit and district court judges in many decades. Republicans want Trump to remake the justice system in his image. What an image that would be—a Trump judiciary.

To show the American people's disgust with how Republicans have treated Merrick Garland's nomination, starting today I am objecting to committees meeting for other purposes until the Judiciary Committee schedules a meeting to consider Judge Garland's nomination. If the Republican leader thinks there is a committee that needs to meet because of extraordinary circumstances, I would be pleased to consider his request. But in the meantime, as of today, we are objecting to committees meeting, in line with the rules of the Senate.

In addition to ending the disgusting and repugnant opposition to Merrick Garland's nomination to the Supreme Court, we must also pass legislation to keep guns and explosives out of the hands of suspected terrorists and other dangerous individuals. How many more acts of gun violence must we witness before we need to do something about it? How many more slaughters must we witness? The American people agree with us. Eighty-five percent want to do something about this worsening gun situation. It is gun violence. Eightyfive percent of Americans support legislation to keep guns away from suspected terrorists. This is the case all over America. Sensible background checks-that is all it is.

The Senate Republicans should listen to the American people and stop listening to the National Rifle Association. We must take a stand against violence.

There are many, many other pressing ideas. We need to address the criminal justice system, which is in deep need of repair and renovation. The United States needs to help make college more affordable for American families. The United States needs to address campaign finance reform. We must keep dark money out of politics. It is here and getting bigger every day, principally because of two people—the

Koch brothers. The Kochs today are in hog heaven because they now can secretly funnel money to all their clandestine committees and groups. They are spending hundreds and hundreds of millions of dollars, funneling money to the Chamber of Commerce, the National Rifle Association, and many other front groups that no one has ever heard of—none of us have—but they are out running those ads with this secret money.

The U.S. Senate has much to do; I have mentioned only a few of the things. We have to use our time wisely. Sadly, for the last 7 weeks, we have not been using our time in a productive manner, and that is an understatement. That is why I was baffled to learn that the Republicans want to move to the Water Resources Development Act next week. I understand WRDA legislation. I have been chairman of that committee on two separate occasions. I know there is money in this bill for beleaguered Flint. MI. The people of Flint have waited months and months for this overdue relief.

Also in this bill is the Tahoe Restoration Act, which I support. Last Wednesday I had my 20th and last summit on Lake Tahoe. It is a much better place because of what we have done over the last 20 years. Two billion dollars has been spent on that beautiful lake. There is only one other lake like it in the whole world, and that is in Siberia. I know how important this Tahoe Restoration Act is. The fact remains that the Republican House is not going to pass it anyway, but I am willing to do what I can to act responsibly by not blocking this bill, as the Republicans would do, but we will legislate very carefully. Staffs are working to find out if we can have a path forward. I hope we can.

I appreciate the good work of Senators BOXER and INHOFE. I am hopeful that we can find a path forward on WRDA, as well as Zika, funding the government, and other matters about which I have spoken. In the meantime, the Senate has to prioritize. I know the Republican leader sets the Senate schedule, but he should acknowledge the situation for what it is. Now we have a logjam of important legislation that he created by recessing for 7 weeks—7 weeks, everybody.

We have a mess, but the mess is of the Republican leader's own making. Now that the Republicans have finally decided to come back to the Nation's Capital, it is time we move forward on these important issues that have been ignored for 7 weeks. In short, it is time for the Republicans to do their job.

Mr. President, I see no one on the floor. I ask that the Chair announce the business of the day.

#### RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND RE-LATED AGENCIES APPROPRIA-TIONS ACT, 2017—CONFERENCE REPORT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will resume consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 2577, which the clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows: Conference report to accompany H.R. 2577, a bill making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, and for other purposes.

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

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

OBAMACARE

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, over the past several weeks, I spent a lot of time traveling around my home State of Wyoming. I know the Presiding Officer spent a lot of time traveling around his home State of Oklahoma. I talked to a lot of people in Wyoming, as he did in Oklahoma, about one of the top concerns of the things that are on their minds. To me, and I know to the Presiding Officer, that has been the Obama health care law and the disastrous problems that people are facing. People now tell me that some of them are paying more for their health insurance than they are for their mortgage. That is not just a problem in Oklahoma or in Wyoming; it is a problem all across the country. And that is now.

What they are also doing is reading stories in the papers, front-page stories that are saying the rates next year are going to go up again—not just a little but a lot. I know that my Senate colleagues from all across the country— Republicans and Democrats—are hearing that because of the disastrous problems that the Obama health care law is currently experiencing. In Wyoming, the Obama health insurance exchange has only one company selling insurance—only one. Wyoming is not alone. This wasn't supposed to happen.

The Democrats in Congress who supported this health care law said that they were going to create more competition—bring down prices by lots of competition. I can still remember when the President gave a speech to Congress in 2009, and what did he tell us? He said that in 34 States, 75 percent of the insurance market was controlled by five or fewer companies—five or fewer. Now in Wyoming we are down to one.

The President said that without competition, the price of insurance goes up, and he said that the quality goes down. That is what President Obama said 7 years ago. He said that five options or fewer were such a threat to competition and to quality of care for American families that he needed to create his entire ObamaCare health care system.

What is the situation today? Onethird of America will have only one ObamaCare insurer in 2017. The colorcoded map from the Kaiser Family Foundation came out just last week, and it shows all these areas in orange have only one ObamaCare insurer selling insurance in their locations. I note that Oklahoma and Wyoming are all in orange.

Millions of Americans will have fewer choices in 2017 than they had in 2016, with one-third of the country having only one option for coverage next year. The Obama administration said that these were supposed to be competitive marketplaces. That is what President Obama said. When there is only one company selling a product in an area, that is not competition; that is a monopoly. The President ought to understand that, and so should every Democrat in this body.

What do the national newspapers have to say about it? The Wall Street Journal, front page story, last week, August 29: "Health-Plan Choices Shrink."

It says that in 31 percent of U.S. counties, insurance exchanges appear likely to offer consumers only one option. It is a monopoly. That is the Wall Street Journal. You go through the article and it will tell you 2.3 million people currently on ObamaCare will have one option for when they shop next year.

What are people expecting? They are expecting their insurance premiums to go up? When will they go up? November 1, a week before the election. When people start signing up for next year's insurance, they will see the incredible sticker shock and how that affects them. That is what competition looks like under President Obama. There is only one insurance company in all of those orange areas.

I see the minority leader left to go back to his office—the same office, behind closed doors, where the health care law was written.

He is from the State of Nevada. Let's look at the State of Nevada—orange, orange, orange. All of those counties, other than this one area, have just one option because these very bright people—the architects of ObamaCare wrote a health care law behind that closed door that says that one in three Americans will only have one ObamaCare insurer in 2017.

It was what we predicted on the floor of the Senate as this bill was being debated. President Obama said: No, you are all wrong. It doesn't matter whether it was the minority leader, who was then the majority leader. They obviously lost the majority as a result of the poor judgment of the Democrats, NANCY PELOSI saying that first you have to pass it before you get to find

out what is in it, or others who said this is going to be wonderful.

This is what the American people are facing now. All the areas in blue have only two options to choose from. It is astonishing what has happened. When you are down to one choice, you basically have no choice. Except for the people in Pinal County, AZ—this area in red—they actually have no choices. No one wants to sell ObamaCare insurance to the people who live there none. It is an ObamaCare ghost town. The others may be ObamaCare wastelands or no man's land, but this is an ObamaCare ghost town.

What does President Obama say about that? It has gotten so bad in some places that State insurance commissioners have said that some of the ObamaCare exchanges are very near collapse. Does President Obama hear any of these things? Do the Senate Democrats hear any of these things? You would think they would if they go home and talk to people who live in their home States, but the insurance commissioner in Tennessee described the situation in her State as very near collapse.

Now, if you look at Tennessee on the map, there are actually some places where they have more than one choice, but the companies that are selling insurance are saying: We cannot do it; we cannot continue because of the losses that have been incurred by trying to comply with all of the rules and regulations of the Obama health care law.

The people in Tennessee who get ObamaCare insurance will be paying as much as 62 percent more starting in January. When they go to sign up on November 1, they will pay 62 percent more in January.

Our colleague from Tennessee, Senator LAMAR ALEXANDER, recently said that for a 40-year-old person who is a nonsmoker, lives in his home State of Tennessee, and buys the cheapest possible ObamaCare silver plan, comparing this year's plan to next year's plan, that same person is going to have to pay \$852 more than they did this year—not \$852 but \$852 more than they did this year.

I talked to Senator KIRK, our colleague from Illinois, about that, and they will pay 45 percent more next year. Georgia will pay 33 percent more. These aren't just proposed increases. These are increases that have been approved by the insurance commissioner of those States.

It is interesting that when the Democrats come to the floor, they say: Well, they are only proposed increases that will never happen. These are the increases that have been approved by the insurance commissioners of each of those States. Premiums are going through the roof. Americans are stuck with fewer options because the insurance companies just can't afford to sell on the exchanges due to the rules, regulations, and mandates of the exchanges.

It is interesting to note that if you pick up a newspaper, you have to page

all the way through to get to the stories. Here is the Washington Post, dated Sunday, August 28. The Presiding Officer can see it. It says: "Health exchange sign-ups fall short." Well, if this is such a great deal, as the President says it is, why are the health exchange signups falling short? The American people know it is not a good deal. It is not a good deal for them personally. It goes on to say: "Several firms opt-out citing losses."

When you go through the whole article, it goes on to say that the "Obama administration's promise''-promise of a menu of health care choices—"has been replaced by a grim forecast." Those are their words—"a grim forecast." This is the forecast right here on the map. This is what the country has gotten because of President Obama's plan and the demands by the Democrats that they take complete control of the health care in this country rather than leaving it in the hands of the men and women at home across the country who know what is best for them and their families. People living in one-third of the country won't have any choice next year. They will all have to deal with an ObamaCare health insurance monopoly and heading to ObamaCare no man's land.

Companies are giving up because people don't want ObamaCare insurance. People can't afford it, and they are not buying it. They say that for them it is not a good deal.

The Congressional Budget Office made some predictions. They predicted there would be about 24 million people signed up for ObamaCare by now. They made that prediction 1 year or so ago. The actual number is just 11 million. They overestimated by more than 2 to 1. From the very beginning, the health care law has failed to live up to the hype and to all the promises that Democrats and President Obama have made.

Remember when President Obama said: Under this law, if you like your insurance, you can keep your insurance. If you like your insurance, you can keep your insurance. That is what the President told the American people. One of the factfinders called it the lie of the year. But President Obama said: If you like your insurance, you can keep your insurance.

Here is USA Today of August 30, and the front page says: "Health care choices choked further." More than 2 million people could be bumped from insurance plans in 2017. More than 2 million people currently on ObamaCare could be bumped from their plans, and the President looked the American people in the eye and said: If you like what you have, you can keep it. That is what the American people are facing today. So one in three only have one insurer to choose from.

The situation is going to get worse. State insurance commissioners say things are very near collapse. What is the best thing the President can do and says about all of this? He says to the

Democrats: Forcefully defend and be proud. Where are the proud defenders? Where are they today? Why aren't they here on the floor of the Senate defending this monstrosity that has hurt so many American people who had insurance? If you want to help people who didn't have insurance, you shouldn't have to hurt people who do have insurance. Yet I don't see the Democrats who are supposed to be proud and forcefully defending this law coming to the floor. I challenge them to come to the floor and debate me about this law and the impact it has had on the American people.

What does Hillary Clinton say? She is running for President. She says: Defend and improve. Why aren't her supporters here on the Senate floor defending it? These ideas have failed. The promises have gone up in smoke.

Do they have any solutions? Do they have any recommendations? The recommendations are more Washington control. That is what Zeke Emanuel said the other day on television. He is the architect who sat behind the closed doors over there and came up with this plan, along with the Senate minority leader and a number of the Senate Democrats. That is what he says—more Washington control, more taxpayer money, and bigger taxpayer funded subsidies. That is what they said.

Hillary Clinton talks about expanding the failing Medicaid Program. They want to hurt our seniors by cramming more people onto the Medicare Program, which is already headed for insolvency. Americans know that our health care system is in trouble. ObamaCare has failed. It is in the insurance death spiral, and Democrats cannot fix it by making it larger.

People in one-third of the counties in America won't have a choice for where they buy their health insurance starting November 1. America does have a choice when it comes to fixing our broken health care system. We can choose to get rid of ObamaCare and put solutions in place that we know actually will work for people-not for unelected and unaccountable bureaucrats but for people who we talked to in our home States over the August break. It means letting people get out from under the burden of all the Washington mandates. It is the mandates that are really the cause of these devastating price increases. We want to create real competition, not ObamaCare monopolies. We should let people choose the coverage and costs that are right for them and their families, not what Washington says is right for them.

When we are from a rural State such as Wyoming or from the Presiding Officer's State of Oklahoma, we know about rural medicine, we know about rural health care, we know about big distances, and we know what people need. The people there know a lot better than what people in Washington think they know about smalltown and rural America.

The Republicans in this body and Republicans all around the country are

going to continue to fight. We will not stop fighting for the kinds of reform that get the power out of Washington and gives the power back to the States so people can have more control of the decisions that affect them, their lives, their communities, and their future. Democrats don't have any ideas other than higher subsidies, more government control, more one-size-fits-all for the failed policies of the past. These policies, I will tell the Presiding Officer, have failed. From the President's first speech, where he was condemning the fact that there were only four or five choices, to now, where you are looking at one, two, or zero choices, this points to the failure of the ObamaCare health care law.

It is time, as we get back here—and I hope that Democrats listened to people at home and heard their complaints—for Democrats to work with us and give the American people the health care they want, need, and deserve.

I thank the Presiding Officer.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

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

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

Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to speak for 10 minutes.

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

Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, I have a very personal interest in a vote that is coming up on Zika, and I wish to share my thoughts on that.

Today we have the opportunity to provide the funding to help combat the mosquito-borne Zika virus that has hit Florida and some other southern States. As of this week, there have been 49 travel-related cases of the Zika virus in Florida and 576 travel-related cases altogether. Within those cases, 80 are pregnant women who have been infected with the virus. This is extremely concerning since the Zika virus has been linked to severe birth defects in children born from mothers who contracted the Zika virus. Zika has created a public health emergency that can't be ignored.

This isn't the first time we have taken up this vote. In June, Senate Democrats blocked the passage of the conference report, claiming that funds did not need to be offset. The \$1.1 billion provided in funding in the conference report will be used to fight the Zika virus and prevent it from spreading. This is the same amount as the Senate-passed bill in which every Democrat voted in favor. All the Democrats voted for it. Republicans have put together a responsible funding package that includes \$750 million in offsets, with strong oversight and control to

ensure that funds are being used properly.

There has been a lot of discussion and a lot of things we are saying here on the floor and to the public that the public doesn't understand. They can't be expected to understand; they are too busy out trying to make a living. But when they hear things like this, they shake their heads and they say: What is wrong with that system up there?

I say this because there is a little girl who happens to be my sister's granddaughter. Her name is Callie Hamilton. Callie Hamilton has lived for some time in Florida, and she is pregnant. She has called me several times. She said: I don't understand it. You have Democrats who are saying "We don't want to do something to save the lives of these pregnant mothers in Florida and elsewhere unless you also fund Planned Parenthood and some of the other programs." Everything gets all mixed up, and because of the sense of urgency, it is now a vehicle for everybody else to hitchhike on.

Let me tell my colleagues, when I was asked the question by my own great-niece, who is pregnant and living in Florida, saying, Why is it that people aren't too concerned about the political politics of a vote when this is different from any other virus vote we have taken? We have had many, and normally there is some question as to what caused it, some question as to whether the solution is a viable solution when, in fact, in this case, it is. There is no question about it.

There are two things that are factual about this that we have not seen before. First of all, the virus is contracted through mosquitoes. We all know that. Nobody refutes that. The second thing is, you can kill mosquitoes, and everybody knows that. Now, whether the amount is \$750 million or whatever the amount is—it doesn't really matter; even if you are out there with a very small amount and you just kill several million mosquitoes, that could save lives, and it could be my grand-niece, Callie Hamilton.

So this is different. I hope-and I am going to encourage my Republican and Democratic friends alike, when this vote comes up to consider, that this isn't something to put something else on. This is something that—we can immediately get in there and eradicate a bunch of mosquitoes and save lives and very likely prevent this from happening. I hope they will make an exception on this. It doesn't make any difference about offsets. It doesn't make any difference about the cost when we know we can save lives. This isn't something that is up in the air and debatable; these are facts we are aware of

I wasn't going to talk about that, but I do think it is necessary for us to concentrate on what we are really doing since we are now back here. We have been gone for several weeks. I think the country has probably benefited from that—I don't know—but we are back now and we have an opportunity to do some things.

#### WRDA

Mr. President, I chair a committee and have chaired a committee that is called the Environment and Public Works Committee. It is a committee that—sometimes, somewhat jokingly, I say: Now we will hear from a committee that actually does things. We do. We had the bill that was the FAST Act, the highway bill, the first one we have had in 17 years. It is one on which we all got along. We had Democrats and Republicans and passed it almost unanimously out of our committee, and almost unanimously we had support on this floor.

Then we came up with Frank Lautenberg's chemical safety act. That is an interesting one because there are a lot of Democrats who are opposed to that to begin with, yet there is no regulation over the use of chemicals-none whatsoever. So our manufacturing base has disappeared, many of them going to countries where they know they can define what a chemical is. There are a lot of liberals around who say: Let's just oppose all chemicals. Well, obviously, if we don't have chemicals, we can't manufacture, and that affects everyone. So we have people going overseas now. By the way, I have personally talked to them since we have that under control. For the first time in 4 years, we are getting people to come back to this country to manufacture. So we achieved that chemical bill.

Working together with Senator BOXER—this is interesting because when they talk about the most conservative Members of the U.S. Senate, I am always in that crowd, and BAR-BARA BOXER is in the most liberal group, and yet we worked together on the things we are supposed to be doing. We have that old, worn-out document that nobody reads anymore called the Constitution, and it says that we are supposed to be defending America and doing infrastructure. So that is what this is all about.

We have the WRDA bill, the Water Resources Development Act. It is coming up. If we get on that, it is going to benefit everyone. I worry about it because we get to something that is good for everyone—Zika is a good example and then all of a sudden opposition comes up, and you don't know what the source of that opposition is, but it is there.

Briefly, I want to cover these things because of the significance of the WRDA bill, the water resources bill. We talk about five different areas. One is the Corps projects. We know about the Corps of Engineers and its projects. There is one Member of the Senate who has had efforts and dogs in that fight dams and levees. Certainly the occupier of the chair and I both know some of these problems that exist in our State of Oklahoma.

The EPA water infrastructure on both drinking water and wastewater is something that—particularly in my State, a State that is primarily rural, we have a lot of small towns. They don't know how in the world they are going to come up with the massive amounts of millions of dollars to somehow do something to stop the unfunded mandates that come from government, primarily the EPA. When I was mayor of Tulsa, that was the biggest problem we had because we had unfunded mandates. We needed things to be done, and we were not able to get them done.

We also deal with the restoration programs and the coal ash programs.

So let's start with the Corps of Engineers. In their part of the bill, we authorized 29 projects recommended by the chief of engineers that will provide benefits that significantly exceed the cost of the projects. These include important harbor-deepening projects for Charleston, SC; Jacksonville, FL; and Brownsville, TX, as well as significant flood protection projects in Kansas, Missouri, California, North Carolina, Louisiana, and elsewhere.

Chart No. 1 shows—this happens to be the Port of Charleston, and it gives you an idea of what we have.

We also authorized the next phase of the Everglades restoration project. Certainly the two Senators from Florida have this as a great concern. I have been on this road going through the Everglades, and they have problems there. It is one of the real gems we have in this country, and we do address that in a very cost-effective way.

In addition to new projects, the bill modifies some existing projects that need additional congressional authority before they can continue. These include critical flood control projects in Missouri, Kansas, Kentucky, and Arizona, as well as critical navigation safety projects in Texas.

The bill also makes policy changes on the recommendations of Senators, project sponsors, and the users of our water transportation infrastructure. This photo I have in the Chamber gives you an idea, and I have been not to the one in Ohio, but I have been to the one in Oklahoma. A lot of people don't know-I am sure both the Chair and I are aware of this, but a lot of people are not aware that we in the State of Oklahoma are navigable. We have ports, including the Port of Catoosa. It looks just like this when you go through the lock and dams, and they are about in that condition, and when that stops, everything stops.

We have some ideas on how to do this using local sponsors. We have people who are users of the navigation way throughout America who want to be able to update and make sure that they are going to be safe and that they are going to continue to operate. But the law does not allow us to do that, so we correct that in this bill. So we talk about how local sponsors can make changes so levee districts are not caught in bureaucratic nightmares when they attempt to repair levees, which means everything stops. So drought-stricken communities can increase reservoir storage capacity.

When the Corps rebuilds a levy after a disaster, we now allow local levy districts to increase the level of flood protection at their own expense. We actually did that 2 years ago in the last WRDA bill, and I might add that I was proud of us when we came back in and we were able to get back on a 2-year cycle. We are supposed to do a water resources development bill every 2 years. We haven't been doing it. We didn't do it during the years the Democrats controlled the Senate. But right now we are doing that, and that is one of the benefits that came from the last bill.

In WRDA 2016, we expand the current authority of the Corps to accept funds from non-Federal interests to expedite permits for rail transportation projects. Overall, we estimate that the Corps of Engineers' section of the bill will cost about \$6 billion over a 10-year period.

The second group is called dams and levees. We address this in the-just imagine. This is the Ohio River. A minute ago, we showed one of the levees. This is just like that levee, except this one erupted. There is a term that is used called the "high-hazard potential." When a classification of "high hazard'' takes place-we have about 14,726 potentially high-hazard dams in the United States. The definition of "high hazard" is that if it breaks, people will die, and we can see that people will die. This is serious stuff. Anyway. we now have that in this bill so that we will be able to protect those and to do something about the high-hazard dams and infrastructure that we have, and the levee system.

Under our legislation the Federal Emergency Management Agency is authorized to help rehabilitate dams in States where safety officials have determined them to have a high hazard potential. FEMA is authorized to come in and do the work. CBO estimates that implementing these dam and levee safety programs will cost \$401 million over 10 years.

In our substitute we have added the Bureau of Indian Affairs dam safety program for dams in Indian Country at a cost of \$129 million. This is based on S. 2717, which Senator BARRASSO moved through the Indian Affairs Committee with unanimous support. Senator BARRASSO, whom we heard from just a few minutes ago, was one step ahead of everybody else when he moved this legislation through the committee that I chaired, the Indian Affairs Committee. We had unanimous support for this program to be expanded in Indian Country.

The third issue is the drinking water and waste water infrastructure. I spent a lot of my time going into the small communities. As I said, years ago I had a hard job. I was mayor of a major city. At that time the biggest problem we had was unfunded mandates—the Federal Government coming along. We tried to stop that, but this bill goes a long way toward making sure that the smaller communities, the poorer and rural communities, have access to resolving the problems of these mandates. It is primarily in the drinking water and waste water infrastructure. We are working on that now.

S. 2848 includes several million dollars to address lead emergencies and public health consequences for those emergencies. For example, we provide \$70 million to capitalize the new Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act, the WIFIA Act, so that we can provide secured loans for water and waste water. That is what we are in the process of doing.

In the fourth area, restoration programs, we have four regional restoration programs that we reported out of committee. These include Senator KIRK's Great Lakes Restoration Initiative and the Lake Those Initiative that was put forward by Senators HELLER, REID, BOXER and FEINSTEIN. So we are addressing these restoration programs.

The final area is coal ash. Some people don't know about coal ash. They think of it as being something that is dangerous and that environmentalists shouldn't like, when in fact coal ash is a critical ingredient for making concrete for roads and bridges. It is more durable and less expensive than the alternatives, and many States actually require fly ash to be used in their projects. We have a whole section on coal ash which includes consensus legislation to allow the EPA to review and approve the State permitting program for coal ash disposable units. This is something that is very effective. There is no other environmental regulation solely enforcing this very issue we are talking about. So this is our chance.

I know the next vote is going to be on the Zika virus—I assume—and I do encourage people to keep in mind that when they vote on that they are voting on something I don't remember ever seeing before, but it is something where we know a government program will work. We know it comes from mosquitoes, and we know how to eradicate mosquitoes. So let's get with it and quit talking about who we are offending politically. Let's just get it done.

In the meantime, let's be lining up for a major bill that we need to be doing. Hopefully, we will be doing it during this work period. It is the WRDA bill.

With that I yield the floor.

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

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

BIPARTISAN ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Mr. CORNYN. Mr. President, I thought I had gotten to the point where I wasn't surprised at some of the rhetoric we hear from our colleagues

on the other side of the aisle, particularly the Democratic leader when he claims that we haven't gotten anything done in the U.S. Congress since Republicans have been in the majority. I guess to the extent that he says that and there is nobody who corrects it, then people might actually believe it.

I just want to point out from the beginning some of the important work we have been able to do on a bipartisan basis. I see our friend the Senator from Tennessee here. He has been the point man for so many of these pieces of legislation, such as the education reform bill, among others that I will mention, but the fact is that since Republicans have been in the majority after the election in 2014, more than 140 pieces of legislation have been signed into law, and 240-plus bills have passed the Senate alone. We have also had, by and large, an open amendment process where any Senator who thinks they have a better idea on a bill can come to the floor and offer an amendment and get a vote on it. So compare the 240 amendment votes in this Congress to the 15 when Senator REID was majority leader in the 113th Congress. People need to know that his representation isn't borne out by the facts. It is not even close.

I was reminded of the quote from Abraham Lincoln. He defined a hypocrite as a man who murdered his parents and then pleaded for mercy because he was an orphan. It is true that we find ourselves in the current messy posture primarily because of the obstruction of our Democratic colleagues on the other side.

We were hoping that we would get back to what we internally call regular order, which is a more transparent process where each of the 12 appropriations bills can be passed out of the Appropriations Committee, come across the floor, be amended and voted on, then matched up with what our friends and colleagues in the House do, and then sent on to the President for his signature. Instead of that normally functioning Congress, there are the filibusters of our Democratic colleagues led by the Democratic leader who is claiming that the Congress has become dysfunctional all of a sudden. It is because of their actions. They are the ones that have blocked the appropriations process. This is why we find ourselves in the remaining few weeks of September trying to figure out how we pay the bills, how we keep the government up and running.

I have a list of legislation that makes up that 240 bills and 140 laws written that were signed into law. I will not waste the Senate's time by reciting those, but I ask unanimous consent that following my remarks it be printed in the RECORD.

Mr. President, we find ourselves voting again on a \$1.1 billion appropriation to combat the Zika virus. There has been a lot of discussion about the Zika virus. As we have come to learn, this is a virus carried by a certain spe-

cies of mosquito and because of summer weather and because the Zika virus seems to be coming our way from Central and South America, we figured it was important for us to do something about it.

On the high-tech end, our scientists need to come up with a vaccine to make sure that pregnant women don't have to worry about birth defects in their unborn children, typified by this chart that demonstrates a condition known as microcephaly, where literally the head is shrunken along with the brain. One can imagine the prognosis for this child to be very poor, and nothing but heartache is in store for this child's family. This is what our Democratic colleagues are risking by continuing to filibuster the spending that we have provided for in this appropriations bill—\$1.1 billion.

It is also important to do what sometimes is referred to as the low-tech part of this as well. Recently I was in Houston, TX, with some of my friends from the Harris County Public Health district. They were demonstrating to me how they trapped mosquitoes. The Culex mosquito can spread other types of virus, but the Aedes aegypti mosquito carries the Zika virus. There is fantastic work being done at the local level by our public health districts to monitor the mosquito population and then test it to see whether they can detect the presence of the Zika virus. When they do, that of course directs the spraying effort by the public health district. One of the most important things to do is control the mosquito population. It cannot be eliminated entirely, and spraying without any particular target is a waste of time and money. But it can be targeted, and that is what is happening in places like Houston, TX, and in the Harris County Public Health district.

I spent an afternoon with public health officials at what is called the mosquito and vector control unit. Of course, Houston is a big place. Harris County, where Houston is located, is the third largest county in the country by population, and it covers 1,777 square miles. It is bigger than the State of Rhode Island. The reason I mention that is to just consider the idea of going out to spray 1,777 square miles. That doesn't make any sense. That is why the work being done by the mosquito and vector control unit is so important-to actually target the spraying where it is needed most.

The most important thing we can do as citizens is to educate ourselves and to prevent ourselves from being bitten by the mosquito in the first place. Some of that has to do with the clothing we wear and also wearing insect repellent, particularly for pregnant women. The danger of this particular birth defect is real, and it is important that women of childbearing age take care to protect themselves. Part of the reason I visited with the public health officials in Houston was to not only educate myself but to help raise public

awareness of what we can do as individual citizens to protect ourselves. I met with one of the surveillance entomologists: it is quite a title. A surveillance entomologist with the mosquito and vector control unit is a fellow I met who has a wonderful name. His name is Max Vigilant—what a great name for a surveillance entomologist in Harris County, TX. He gave me a glimpse of what he and his colleagues are doing every day to safeguard their communities, but they cannot do this alone. That is why this funding that has been blocked on numerous occasions by our Democratic colleagues over ridiculous objections makes no sense whatsoever.

I happened to see that the senior Senator from New York, Mr. SCHUMER, sent out a tweet this afternoon urging Senate Republicans to pass Zika funding, to which I responded: Well, you blocked it, CHUCK—which is true. And they continue to block it.

It has unfortunately fallen to local leaders such as County Judge Ed Emmett in Harris County and people like Max Vigilant to take care of this pending crisis because frankly the dysfunction that is occurring in Congress is led by the Democratic leader. So I think it is important to set the record straight. I am grateful we have leaders at the local and State level who step up when the Federal Government seems incapable of doing so.

But now it is time for the Federal Government to step up. Why our Democratic colleagues would risk this horrific birth defect for political reasons is just lost on me. It makes no sense whatsoever. I might add that not only is it spread by mosquitoes, there is now some demonstrated cases or proven cases of sexual transmission of the Zika virus.

As we know, our friends in Florida in particular have had domestically transmitted cases of Zika virus and are working hard to combat the mosquito there and to contain the virus and to prevent this sort of terrible result, but for the health of our country and for the protection of all our children, let's get this compromise legislation done.

No one should doubt the gravity of the threat or the long-term health consequences of failing to get our work done. So I hope our Democratic colleagues put their words into action and vote to send additional resources to those communities across the country that are already working hard to defeat the Zika virus.

I will conclude by saying, I implore our Democratic colleagues, including the senior Senator from Nevada, the Democratic leader, to quit saying things that are demonstrably not true. We have worked hard, many times over the Democratic leader's objection. I can think of two of them that stand out in my mind: for trade promotion authority and for a long-term highway bill, where he did not support it and he actively tried to block it. So we had to find other Democrats and work with

the White House to get it done. We have been able to pass a number of important bills but very little with his help because, for some reason, he seems intent on trying to cause this Congress to be as dysfunctional as it was when he was the leader, but it is not going to happen. We are working with people of good faith on both sides of the aisle and, when we can, with the White House, to do the important work of the American people.

So with that, I yield the floor.

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

#### MAJOR BIPARTISAN ACCOMPLISHMENTS

#### ADDRESSING IMPORTANT ISSUES

First significant education reform since 2002, First major Trade Promotion Authority bill since 2002, First significant reforms to Social Security since 1983, First major environmental law reauthorization (TSCA) since the 1990's, Addressed the fiscal crisis in Puerto Rico, Acted to preempt states from imposing costly, unworkable mandates on the food supply, Protecting the homeland: National Defense Authorization Act, Cybersecurity, North Korea sanctions.

ENDING MANAGEMENT BY CRISIS/CLIFF

First multi-year Highway Bill since 2005 longest since 1998, First time enhanced small business expensing was made permanent, First time a prohibition on Internet Access Taxes is made permanent, First time cycle of patching Medicare Sustainable Growth Rate (SGR) since 1997, First major Energy Bill passes Senate since the Bush Administration, First long-term FAA Bill in almost a decade.

HELPING THOSE WHO NEED IT MOST

First major legislation confronting America's opioid crisis (CARA), Protected Victims of Trafficking, Reauthorized Adam Walsh.

#### CONSERVATIVE PRIORITIES

Bill to repeal Obamacare & defund Planned Parenthood to the President's desk, Preventing an activist liberal majority on the Supreme Court, NLRB ambush election CRA, Pain Capable abortion ban, Sanctuary Cities/ Kate's Law, Syrian refugee pause, Audit the Fed, First time Senate passes measures overturning Obama-era EPA overreach: Waters of the US (WOTUS), Carbon rules on existing power plants, Carbon rules on new power plants.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Tennessee.

Mr. ALEXANDER. Mr. President, I am here for another reason, but I am listening to the distinguished majority whip, the Senator from Texas. I congratulate him on his remarks and make an observation.

I was once the Republican Governor in a State that had a Democratic legislature. If I had gone around the State for the first 4 years of my term announcing that we could not get anything done because I could not work with the Democratic legislature, I think about half the people would have said: Well, maybe we need another Governor. Maybe we need someone who has the capacity to work with people and get results.

So I have never understood the strategy that exists—I hope temporarily on the other side of the aisle of telling the American people the Senate can't

function. That does not bring any respect and credit to this body. It does not help the Democrats to say that. It does not help the Republicans. All it does is cause the American people to think that those of us whom they elect are not capable of working together to get a result, when, in fact, as the Senator from Texas said, that is not true.

I know for a fact—he cited one example; that is, the bill we passed last December to fix No Child Left Behind. President Obama signed it. He said it was a Christmas miracle. It got 85 votes in the Senate. It was difficult to do, but I have been careful every time I talk about this to say, it would never have happened had Senator PATTY MURRAY, the Democratic Senator from Washington, not been willing to work with me and other Republicans and Democrats on the committee to get a consensus.

In fact, every single Democrat on the committee worked that way. For example, the Senator from Minnesota, Mr. FRANKEN, held back an amendment he cared a lot about in committee and agreed to offer it on the floor because he did not want to hurt the bill.

We passed very important legislation in the Senate. The cyber security bill is important. It would not have passed without Democratic support.

The Wall Street Journal said the Education bill that was passed, with the support of not just the Governors but of the National Education Association and the American Federation of Teachers—usually Democratic constituents—it was the most significant devolution of power from Washington to States in 25 years. I hear from everybody I talk to in Tennessee—teachers, Governors. They like the bill we passed. They are proud we did it. They thank us for it.

I have heard from physicians in Tennessee they are glad that for once now we have fixed the doc fix. In other words, every few months we are not leaving them in limbo about how they are paid for their Medicare patients. That has been taken care of, not just by Senator HATCH but also by Democratic Senator WYDEN.

Right out of the box last year, with a new Republican majority, we passed a trade bill. With whose support? With President Obama's support. That was a Democratic and Republican effort together. The chemical safety bill. Several Republican Senators worked hard on that but so did the Senator from California Mrs. BOXER. Without her leadership, it never would have passed.

Our legislature in Tennessee has not been able to agree on a long-term highway funding bill, but in Washington we have, again, because of cooperation between Republicans and Democrats.

My practice always has been to give people credit when they do something good because I think often that credit reflects back on the institution and maybe even on the person giving the credit. That is a time-honored way of doing business in the Senate. I would like to see us get back to that in the next Congress. Let's recognize the fact that there are a number of things that have not gotten done. I can cite all the reasons I am unhappy about the fact that we were able to pass 12 appropriations bill in committee, but we are blocked from bringing them to the floor by the Democrats.

I would rather talk about the things we accomplished, the things we have gotten done, and show the American people that when they put us here, they were making a good decision.

We have had a productive Senate these last 2 years. One newspaper said it was the most productive we have had since the early 1990s. Anytime you pass a bill that sends more power from Washington back to the States that has the support of the Governors, the NEA, and the American Federation of Teachers at the same time, I think we have done something pretty good.

I am happy to give credit to the Democratic Senators who voted for it, because without them and without the President's signature, it would have not happened. So a little more of that spirit would help this Senate function and function in the way it traditionally has.

We can finish our work this year, by the way.

We have a mental health bill that Senator CASSIDY and Senator MURPHY have worked hard on. We have a 21st century cures bill that has broad support-19 bipartisan cosponsors. We are moving, next week I think, to a water resources development bill that Senator BOXER as well as Senator INHOFE are working on. Why do we not give other Members of the Senate due credit when they work together and get a result? No wonder the American people wonder whether we are getting anything done. The truth is, we are getting quite a bit done, and it is in their interests, and I am proud of it.

HONORING OFFICER KENNETH RAY MOATS

Mr. President, now, let me take 3 or 4 minutes, because I see other Senators here, on something that is very important to me, a completely different subject and important to the people of my hometown of Maryville, TN.

Last Tuesday, I attended a funeral for Officer Kenny Moats, a Maryville, Tennessee, police officer who was killed in the line of duty responding to a domestic disturbance call.

Kenny Moats was a young man with three young children, Mackenzie, Kamron, and Tyson. His wife, Britteni, and he are in their early thirties.

Nothing has so touched our community that I can remember in a long, long time. Maryville, TN, is a small town. Blount County is our county. Things like this are not supposed to happen where we live.

An officer gets a call, he goes to deal with a domestic disturbance, and he is ambushed from the house he was called to by a person who is now in jail.

There was a huge outpouring of support from our community, not just for

Kenny Moats but also for the men and women in blue of the Maryville Police Department and of the Blount County Deputies who were there as well.

There was a procession before the funeral. The funeral was at 7 o'clock last Tuesday. The church, Sevier Heights Baptist Church, began filling up at 4 p.m. It was nearly full with hundreds of people, and there were more than 1,200 who listened in on a Webcast.

The next day, as I was driving to the airport, I found myself behind a procession of maybe 200 squad cars from many different police departments and sheriffs' offices around our State and other places. There was a flag of honor—the United States flag of honor—the United States flag of honor—that is flown to honor first responders who are killed in the line of duty. It was driven from Texas so it could be there to honor Kenny Moats as well.

So today on the Senate floor, I come simply to express the feelings of the Senate—I am sure all of us—to his family and to those who served with him in the Maryville Police Department, to the Blount County Sheriff's Deputies, to the entire community who have all grieved over his loss.

After the funeral, the police chief, Tony Crisp, gave a commendation to Officer Moats. It is called the "Commendation of Valor." It is awarded to a police officer who demonstrates gallantry and extraordinary heroism. The act must have been so exceptional that the rules say that "the officer while fully aware of the imminent threat to their own personal safety assumed a voluntary course of action above and beyond the call of duty, at the risk of his own life." This commendation is the highest decoration conferred by the department.

Î was moved, as was everyone in the church last Tuesday night, by Chief of Police Tony Crisp's reading of the "Commendation of Valor." I would like to offer that "Commendation of Valor" to be printed in the RECORD and express once again to the family of Kenny Moats and to the Maryville Police Department and all of the law enforcement officers in the area, our respect for his life, his bravery and for what they do to protect us on a daily basis.

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

CHIEF TONY JAY CRISP,

MARYVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT, Maryville, TN, August 30, 2016.

Re Commendation of Valor OFFICER KENNETH BAY MOATS.

Officer Kenneth Ray "Kenny" Moats of the Maryville Police Department and the Fifth Judicial Drug Task Force voluntarily responded to a domestic dispute call involving a handgun on the afternoon of August 25, 2016, where the perpetrator had made threats to kill his father. Officer Moats was assigned to the Fifth Judicial Drug Task Force when this event occurred. The response of Officer Moats along with Deputy Dave Mendez of the Blount County Sheriffs Office, was predicated by their close proximity to the call, along with a sense of voluntary service due to their positions as law enforcement officers.

On the scene, Officer Moats and Deputy Mendez positioned their vehicle in the driveway of 3111 Kerrway Lane. Upon their arrival, Officer Moats and Deputy Mendez were able to make contact with the perpetrator's father, who had been able to escape from his 625 Alcoa Trail residence, unbeknownst to the perpetrator, who was still positioned in a makeshift bunker located in the garage of the residence. Shortly after speaking with the father, Officer Moats, Deputy Mendez and the father came under gunfire from the perpetrator's concealed location within the garage of the residence. At this time Officer Moats and Deputy Mendez were able to place the father behind the engine block and front wheel of their service vehicle and placed themselves between him and the perpetrator in an attempt to protect the father to the best of their ability considering the fluidity of the evolving situation

The suspect fired multiple shots from his fortified location, one shot fatally striking Officer Moats. The suspect was successfully taken into custody, unharmed, after an exchange of gunfire with Deputy Mendez and Deputy Craig Flanagin, who had arrived on scene during the perpetrator's initial assault.

While knowing full well the risk and imminent threat to his own personal safety, Officer Moats took a voluntary course of action to confront an armed suspect. Officer Moats ultimately lost his life in the line of duty.

The quick actions of Officer Moats helped preserve the life of the perpetrator's father and exemplified behavior above and beyond the call of duty. Officer Moats' actions and selfless sacrifice bring great honor upon himself and hold true to the highest traditions and expectations of the Maryville Police Department.

Officer Moats demonstrated the extraordinary act of courage, under dangerous circumstances, gallantly and heroically giving his life in the service of the City of Maryville Police Department and the community of Blount County.

It is my honor and privilege that I posthumously bestow the highest honor conferred by the Maryville Police Department to Kenneth Ray "Kenny" Moats.

Mr. ALEXANDER. I want to express once again to the family of Kenny Moats, the Marysville Police Department, and all of the law enforcement officers in the area, our respect for his life, his bravery, and for what they do to protect us on a daily basis.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Vermont.

ENDING THE THREAT OF UNEXPLODED ORDNANCE IN LAOS

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, I suspect there are not many Americans who have either visited or know much about Laos. It is a poor country, geographically about the size of Utah, with less than 7 million people. It is wedged between Vietnam and Cambodia.

I am sure that back in the 1960s and 1970s, even fewer Americans had heard of Laos, and virtually no one was aware that the United States was involved in a war in Laos.

For nearly a decade, from 1964 to 1973, the United States military unleashed more than 2 million tons of ordnance on Laos during some 580,000 bombing missions. That amounts to a planeload of bombs every 8 minutes, 24 hours a day, for 9 years. Laos became, and still is, the most heavily bombed country per capita in history.

It was part of a U.S. war in Laos that was never declared or publicized. It was kept secret. It was done to support the Royal Lao government against the Pathet Lao and to interdict the Viet Cong along the Ho Chi Minh Trail, but the bombs destroyed many villages and displaced hundreds of thousands of Lao civilians.

As is so often the case with landmines, cluster bombs, and other types of munitions, wars end but the suffering continues. The Vietnam War ended in 1975. In April of 1975, the Senate Armed Services Committee, by a one-vote margin, voted to finally end the authorization for that war. I remember it very well because that was the first vote I cast as a member of the Armed Services Committee.

The war ended, but the casualties continue from the bombs that failed to explode. All this ordnance is scattered on or beneath the surface of the ground. A child is walking to school, a farmer is working in the field, a woman is collecting water or firewood, and they step on one of those and they are killed or maimed.

Of the 270 million U.S. cluster bombs that were dropped on Laos during that period, it is estimated that as many as 80 million did not detonate, but they remain ready to explode if they are disturbed by an unsuspecting farmer or child.

Nearly 40 years later, only a small fraction of these munitions have been destroyed. But progress has been made. Today there are just under 50 new UXO casualties in Laos each year. That is down from more than 300 a decade ago. The majority of the accidents result in death, and nearly half of the casualties are children.

Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to show a photograph to my colleagues on the Senate floor.

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

Mr. LEAHY. This photograph of a Laotian girl was taken a number of years ago. She was actually one of the lucky ones because she survived, but as you can see her left leg is gone and she uses a homemade crutch. This is what cluster munitions do to civilians. This happened after the war ended, and she stepped in the wrong place.

I first became concerned with this problem in the late 1980s, and in 1990 the first assistance from the Leahy War Victims Fund was provided to help victims of U.S. cluster bombs in Laos. Since then, the Leahy War Victims Fund, administered by USAID, has provided medical and related assistance for thousands of Laotians.

Also, as either chairman or ranking member of the Appropriations Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, I have included funding each year above the amounts requested by successive administrations, Democratic and Republican, to support programs to locate and destroy

unexploded ordnance in Laos. Since fiscal year 1995, the United States has contributed more than \$100 million for UXO programs in Laos. There is \$19.5 million for UXO clearance in fiscal year 2016, which has bipartisan support, including the current chair of our subcommittee, Senator GRAHAM, and of the House subcommittee, Representative GRANGER, and the House ranking member, Representative LOWEY. I appreciate their support for this.

But I have long felt that the United States should do more, and so I am very pleased that President Obama the first American President to visit Laos—announced earlier today that the United States will increase its support for UXO programs in Laos.

The President pledged \$90 million over the next 3 years to continue clearance, victims' assistance, and risk education programs at the fiscal year 2015 level of \$15 million annually. The balance of \$45 million is going to be used to support a national UXO survey. The survey is extremely important. As I said, Laos is about the size of Utah. The survey will establish a baseline for contaminated land that remains to be cleared so the Lao Government and international donors can plan their future clearance activities and accurately forecast how much time and money it will take to make Laos UXO impact-free.

Earlier this year, in anticipation of President Obama's trip to Laos, Tim Rieser from my office met twice with White House staff. They discussed ways to increase funding for UXO programs in Laos. I applaud President Obama for publicly recognizing that we have a responsibility to do more to end this tragic legacy by accelerating our efforts.

I will do all I can to ensure that Congress does its part to appropriate the funds, so that in the not too distant future all Laotians can walk in safety.

I think what President Obama is doing is similar to what President George H. W. Bush did, the first President Bush. Even though we had fought a war with Vietnam, even though it divided this country, after the war he decided we needed to do something to begin to reengage with Vietnam and to show our appreciation for those who had helped us with MIAs in Vietnam. He worked with Bobby Muller, Tim Rieser, me, and the Vietnam Veterans of America Foundation and used the Leahy War Victims Fund there.

I visited it at the time and could see what a difference it can make. I look forward to going to Laos and seeing what a difference the Leahy Fund and our country's efforts will make there.

#### JUDICIAL NOMINATIONS

Mr. President, as most of us do in August, I traveled around my State. Vermont—the land area is only the second largest State in New England, which makes it not that large. I can travel all over it. I heard from Vermonters all around my home State about the issues that are important to them.

One thing I heard at almost every stop I made—whether it was for a Republican group, a Democratic group, or an Independent group, whatever their age, whatever they did for work, they said: What about the Supreme Court? Why has the Senate failed to act on the nomination of Chief Judge Merrick Garland?

I told them that the Senate is returning from the longest recess in nearly 50 years, and perhaps the Republican leadership was hoping that Americans had forgotten about the unprecedented obstruction of a Supreme Court nominee. But I can assure you that Americans-and certainly Vermonters-have not forgotten. They have not forgotten the fact that Senate Republicans have refused to hold a hearing for Chief Judge Garland, and they have not forgotten this unprecedented step in not allowing a hearing. They have not forgotten that some Senators still have not even afforded Chief Judge Garland the courtesy of a meeting. This means the Supreme Court continues to be hindered by the lack of a full bench of Justices.

Chief Judge Garland's nomination has been blocked by Republicans in the Senate for 174 days. Nearly half a year has passed since President Obama nominated Chief Judge Garland to the Supreme Court after Justice Scalia's untimely death—and Senate Republicans have done nothing about it. At no time in the history of our country has something like this been done.

I think the Senate should get to work and fulfill its constitutional duty of providing advice and consent on the nomination and then have the guts to vote either yes or no to ensure that we have a fully functioning Supreme Court. Instead of doing our job, we are voting "maybe." Over the recess, the Majority Leader bragged that one of his "proudest moments" was when he unilaterally declared that he would not allow the Supreme Court vacancy to be filled by President Obama. Such cynical rhetoric is beyond disappointing. The partisan decision to refuse any sort of consideration of a highly qualified nominee such as Chief Judge Garland is an embarrassment. It is not an accomplishment of which the Senate can be proud.

We must all be reminded that this stubborn refusal to consider Chief Judge Garland has real world consequences that go beyond politics. The Republican obstruction of Chief Judge Garland has diminished the Supreme Court. It has impacted millions of families across the country. This summer when the Supreme Court completed its most recent term, the damage became clear. In seven separate cases, the eight remaining Justices could not serve as the final arbiter of law when they were unable to issue a final decision on the merits. In another case involving a death penalty appeal-a matter of life and death-the Court also deadlocked. Just last week, the Court deadlocked on consideration of an election law

case that will impact the constitutional rights of millions of voters ahead of this year's election.

Notwithstanding that, Senate Republicans, who are in the majority, have taken this unprecedented step-the only time in the history of the country. For months, in poll after poll, twothirds of the American people want a public hearing for Chief Judge Garland. They continue their blockade in the hope that their party's Presidential nominee wins in November. It is disappointing that they continue to hold our highest Court hostage in support of an intemperate political candidate who has demonstrated contempt for the rule of law and who has said that some judges aren't qualified because their forebears were Mexican.

The Republican nominee for president is a man who opposes the bedrock principle of freedom of the press. He is a man who attacked a Federal judge based on his race and heritage. He is a man who repeatedly attacked the gold star parents of a brave, selfless Army captain who was killed in Iraq while protecting his fellow soldiers. Despite these and several additional episodes demonstrating that the Republican nominee represents an unacceptable risk to our country, Senate Republicans continue to block Chief Judge Garland in the hope that their nominee is elected and can appoint judges.

The Republican obstruction and disregard for a coequal branch of government also extends to the lower Federal courts. Since taking over the majority last year. Senate Republican inaction has allowed judicial vacancies to more than double and to reach 90 vacancies. This amounts to more than 10% of the Federal bench. Vacancies have reached what the Congressional Research Service calls "historically high" levels. The American people are left waiting for justice as the number of vacant seats pile up. Yet the Republican leadership refuses to allow a vote on any of the 27 judicial nominees who are already pending on the Executive Calendar. These nominees are the result of the President working with home State Senators, Republicans and Democrats, to make a nomination. Each of these nominees was voted out of the Judiciary Committee with bipartisan support.

For example, the next Federal district court nominee ready for a vote is Edward Stanton from Tennessee. Mr. Stanton is the U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Tennessee. He has the support of both of his Republican home state senators and was voice voted out of the Judiciary Committee. Yet this excellent nominee, who has been serving the people of Tennessee as one of the state's top Federal prosecutors, has been languishing on the floor since last October. I think both Senators from Tennessee will agree with me that there is no good reason why Mr. Stanton should have waited this long for an up-or-down vote.

In 2008, George W. Bush was President. He was in the last year of his

term. Democrats controlled the Senate. I was chairman of the Judiciary Committee. All Senators, whether Republican or Democratic, actually worked together to fill these lower court vacancies. In September 2008, we confirmed 10 judicial nominees in 1 day. We actually did it in September. And not a single nominee was left on the Executive Calendar. Of those 10 nominees, nine had support from home state Republican Senators. I was proud to work with Senators Arlen Specter, PAT ROBERTS, Sam Brownback, John Warner, Mel Martinez, Wayne Allard, Bob Bennett, and ORRIN HATCH to confirm nominees to fill vacancies in their states, and help ensure that the people of those states had access to justice in our Federal courts.

Today, 13 judicial nominees from States represented by 16 Republican Senators are ready for confirmation votes. These nominees have been waiting two, three, even 10 months for a simple vote. I hope that these 16 Republican Senators are able to impress upon their leadership just how important it is to allow the Senate to do its job and vote on these nominees who would serve their States. I despair somewhat because even though they are nominees from their States and are here with their approval, they are not getting their leadership to move forward, just as not a single Republican Senator has been able to get their Republican leadership to allow a hearing and a vote on Judge Garland.

I hope the Republican leadership will reconsider their outright refusal to allow a hearing and vote for Chief Judge Garland's nomination on the Supreme Court. This unprecedented, unwarranted stance has already undermined one term of the High Court, but there is still time to avoid harming another term.

It is good that we actually show up now and then in Washington to do our work. There is plenty of time to have a hearing and vote on Chief Judge Garland's nomination. It is time for the Senate to get back to work.

I hope my friends on the other side of the aisle will realize what they have done to the Supreme Court and will reverse this. It is able to be blocked only because all Republicans stood with their leader and blocked the Supreme Court nominee. I think that is wrong. It has never been done before. In fact, the last time there was a vacancy-I mention this for the young pages who are here. They will get a little history lesson, and it is something the Senators should know. The last time there was a vacancy in a Presidential election year, there was a Republican President and Democrats were in control of the Senate. We confirmed that nominee in the Presidential election year, and the vote was unanimous.

I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum, and I ask unanimous consent that the time be equally divided. The PRESIDING OFFICER (Ms. AYOTTE). Without objection, it is so ordered.

The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

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

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

Mr. NELSON. Madam President, we have a vote coming up at 5:30 on the Zika crisis. Unfortunately, it is not the vote we voted on in the bipartisan bill which there were 69 votes in favor of out of 100 Senators and which we then sent to the House. The House then added a number of political messages that don't have anything to do with Zika, such as the display of the Confederate flag. There are some people who want that displayed in certain areas. What does that have to do with Zika? There are others who definitely don't want that.

Here is another one: Defund Planned Parenthood. Well, there are clearly people in the House of Representatives who want to defund Planned Parenthood, but what does that have to do with Zika, save for a lot of women who are pregnant and who suspect they might have the Zika virus and might go to a Planned Parenthood clinic? That would suggest we shouldn't defund Planned Parenthood.

What about cutting back on Medicaid funding for Puerto Rico? Now, that has something to do with Zika because Puerto Rico and Brazil are the two places that are the most infected. The CDC estimates that 25 percent of the population of Puerto Rico is infected with the Zika virus. So why would we want to cut Medicaid funding for Puerto Rico? Well, that is not only ridiculous, it is silly.

So once again—now multiple times at 5:30, we will have that vote, and those who desperately want the funding to meet the emergency crisis of Zika are being asked to do so by having to take these political riders that people who are in the extreme spectrum of politics in the House of Representatives want and think they can force us to take. Well, it is not going to happen.

Is there a crisis? Well, let me tell you what the latest is in my State of Florida. There are 67 non-travel-related cases of Zika that have been established. There are 577 in the State of Florida that are travel-related. What does that mean? That means that 577 people have contracted Zika someplace else and they have come to Florida. But they are there. There are 67 maybe over 70—who have contracted Zika in the State of Florida.

You can contract it one of two ways. You can contract it from a mosquito that is infected. The Aedes aegypti strain of mosquito is not a normal mosquito. He lurks in the back, dark corners of the house. She can lay her eggs in stagnant water in something as little as a bottle cap. That is one way to get Zika transmitted in Florida, and there have been upwards of 70 of those cases. The other way is by sexual transmission. If one of the partners has Zika, they can transmit it to the other.

The Zika virus lives in the male for about 2 months. The Zika virus itself manifests itself like a mild flu. That is not really the problem; the problem is the over 80 females in Florida who are pregnant and who also have the Zika virus. Madam President, you have seen the photos of these terribly deformed children. That is because as the fetus develops, the virus attacks the brain stem and lessens the ability of the fetus to develop a normal head and a normal size brain. As a result, we see these pictures of these terribly deformed babies. It is such a tragedy not only for the family, but it is a considerable expense. We have heard some authorities estimate that for the expected life of a child who is born with microcephaly, it may cost as much as \$10 million. Where is that money going to come from? And in our State of Florida, there are over 80 females who are pregnant and who are infected with the Zika virus.

I gave just the statistics of our State. We happen to be ground zero for the Zika virus. There are 12 flights a day into the Miami International Airport from Brazil and Puerto Rico. So you see the opportunity to keep bringing it in just into the State of Florida. It is elsewhere in the country as well.

Some of our brethren and sistren around here-but especially in the other body, since we passed the bill here—still have their heads in the sand and are refusing to recognize that this is an emergency. If they continue, here is what is going to happen: An infected person doesn't necessarily stay in one place. They can get on an airplane or they can get on a train or in a car and go elsewhere in the country. Elsewhere in the country, if that infected person is bitten by an aegypti mosquito, now that mosquito is infected, and that mosquito feeds on an average of four people at one sitting for dinner. So now the infected mosquito has now infected four more people in another State because that person traveled to another State.

It ought to be common sense. And how many times have folks like me and the Senator from Maryland come and pled with our colleagues to stop this monkey business? Let's stop these political games. Let's stop these political riders. Let's do what the Senate did 3 months ago when it passed—bipartisan—by 69 votes \$1.1 billion in emergency funding and sent it to the House and asked the House to stop playing these games.

So it seems to me we are going to go through another exercise, now having done so multiple times. We are going to vote this down at 5:30. What is going to happen next? I hope reasonable heads will prevail.

Madam President, I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Maryland.

Mr. CARDIN. Madam President, first, I want to thank my colleague from Florida, Senator NELSON, for his comments in regard to the Zika funding. As the Senator from Florida, he knows firsthand of the locally acquired Zika virus in his own State. This is not just a matter of individuals traveling to other countries and obtaining the Zika virus and coming back to the United States; we have a locally acquired Zika virus here in the United States, and Senator NELSON has been an outspoken leader in the Senate and in the Congress for doing the right thing.

He was absolutely right when he said that 3 months ago we passed a compromise bill that would have funded the NIH, USAID, and the other agencies and what they need for the remainder of the year. It would have done it in a way that was not all the money I thought or he thought should be provided, but it was a fair compromise. Instead, of course, we got a conference report that contained less funds, poison pills, and issues that are not related to the Zika funding to try to move forward a pretty extreme agenda. That is not what we should be doing with the health of the people of this country.

So I take this time to support what Senator NELSON has said, and I rise to talk about the urgent need for us to provide full funding—full funding—for our response to the Zika virus.

More than 6 months ago, President Obama submitted a request to Congress for \$1.9 billion in emergency supplemental funding to address the virus. The request included \$1.5 billion for the Department of Health and Human Services, \$335 million for the U.S. Agency for International Development, \$41 million for the Department of State, and support for several other Federal agencies.

The administration's plan, which had the full weight of the scientific community behind it, represents a coordinated, well-funded, whole-of-government approach to combating the virus, with a focus on prevention, treatment, and research. But instead of listening to the experts, Republicans offered a Zika conference report that underfunded critical Federal, State, and global response efforts by more than \$800 million and included poisonous policy riders and pay-fors. The Senate rightly rejected the Zika conference report. We will have another opportunity, and I just urge my colleagues: Let's stop playing politics with this and let's bring forward clean funding for the Zika virus. Many Senators, including myself, were extremely disappointed that we adjourned for the summer recess before dealing with this public health emergency.

One thing is clear. Zika will not simply disappear on its own. When we left town in July, there were approximately 1,100 travel-associated Zika cases reported in the continental United States, including 31 in my home State of Maryland and 2,474 locally ac-

quired cases across U.S. territories. As has been pointed out, people travel and they bring the virus back here to the United States. It can be transmitted via mosquitoes here, and it can be locally acquired here. Just 6 weeks later, the number of travel-associated Zika infections has more than doubled to 2,500 cases, including 77 cases in Maryland. The number of locally acquired cases across the U.S. territories has jumped fourfold in the last 6 weeks to more than 9,000 cases, and, perhaps most alarmingly, as Senator NELSON pointed out, it is documented here in the United States. Florida has documented approximately 30 locally acquired Zika cases.

Zika isn't just a threat to us at home. It also threatens American service men and women and their families and other personnel who are serving abroad. Earlier this month, the Department of Defense officially confirmed that 33 U.S. servicemembers have contracted the virus abroad. Just last week, officials in Singapore—a country we haven't even considered in the context of Zika—announced that it had 82 confirmed cases of the virus and had detected local transmission.

We cannot play partisan politics with this virus. Because of Zika, babies are being born in the United States and throughout Central and South America with horrible birth defects. A recent study found that microcephaly is not the only birth defect resulting from this virus. To date, more than 1,300 pregnant women in the continental United States and territories are being monitored following laboratory evidence of possible Zika virus infection. This is according to the Zika Pregnancy Registry.

Without congressional action to fund our response to the Zika epidemic adequately, the efforts to better understand and combat this terrible disease are in danger of being derailed. Let me quote from Dr. Tony Fauci, the Nation's leading infectious disease expert and the Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases. He is well known by all of us on both sides of the aisle, and he is frequently used by Democrats and Republicans here as the expert. This is what he said: "The vaccine effort will be blunted if not aborted if we don't have the funding."

Dr. Fauci also emphasized that other vital HHS and National Institutes of Health programs will suffer if the agency is forced to focus funding primarily on vaccine development. Already, the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases has diverted funds from tuberculosis and malaria research to fund Zika efforts. These funds have not been paid back. Those programs are now suffering.

While Congress has been away, the administration has been forced to rob vital research programs focusing on Ebola, kidney disease, and cancer. Earlier this month, Secretary Burwell announced that HHS will transfer another \$81 million from other research programs to NIH and Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority to continue Zika vaccine development. It is unconscionable that we are forcing our public health officials to make these kinds of decisions. Funding of NIH has always been a bipartisan priority, yet here we are not making the money available, requiring money to be diverted from other important NIH projects and inadequately funding a response to the public health emergency of Zika.

Even with those additional funds that were made available. Dr. Fauci will still need \$196 million to fully fund NIH's research of Zika. If Congress doesn't approve emergency funding for Zika research, NIH's Zika vaccine trials will once again be interrupted and treatments will be further delayed. How do we explain this to the millions of Americans at risk for contracting Zika here at home?

Let me just point out that on August 30, just a couple of days ago, the Director of the Centers for Disease Control announced that the agency will run out of funding to fight Zika. We don't have the money there. It is up to Congress to provide those funds. As we know, from mosquitoes is how this virus is contracted. The peak mosquito season in the United States typically lasts through October. If local transmission spreads in other areas, the CDC is unlikely to have the resources to respond and send teams to support local and State health departments. That is what is at risk. Millions of Americans are at risk.

State and local health departments also bear the brunt of the consequences of not fully funding Zika response efforts. Our Nation's health departments are on the front line, fighting the disease while working on grassroots levels to expand and enhance prevention efforts, including mosquito surveillance and control, promoting culturally conscious education programs to raise public awareness, and equipping our public health care workforce with the most medically accurate guidelines to help patients make informed decisions about their health care.

The first order of business for this Congress should be to pass an adequate and clean Zika funding bill. Neglecting to pass an appropriate Zika response bill is a failure to expectant mothers who are growing concerned about the lasting impact that mosquito bites this summer could have on the health of their unborn children, and it is a failure to the millions of Americans who trust us to do everything in our power to safeguard their health and wellbeing. If we expect to make adequate progress on combating this virus this year, if we want to protect the health and welfare of all Americans, Congress must pass a clean, well-resourced funding bill without delay.

Madam President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

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

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

#### 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 legislative clerk 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 conference report to accompany H.R. 2577, an act making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, and for other purposes.

Mitch McConnell, John Cornyn, John Thune, Orrin G. Hatch, Jerry Moran, Shelley Moore Capito, Johnny Isakson, Mike Crapo, Thom Tillis, John Hoeven, Joni Ernst, Steve Daines, Chuck Grassley, James E. Risch, John Boozman, Cory Gardner, John Barrasso.

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 conference report to accompany H.R. 2577, an act making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, and for other purposes, shall 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 North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN).

Further, if present and voting, the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) would have voted "vea".

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from Virginia (Mr. KAINE) is necessarily absent.

I further announce that, if present and voting, the Senator from Virginia (Mr. KAINE) would vote nay.

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 52, navs 46. as follows:

> [Rollcall Vote No. 135 Leg.] VEAC 59

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Baldwin Bennet	Heitkamp Hirono	Peters Reed
Blumenthal Booker Boxer Brown	King Klobuchar Lankford Leahy	Reid Sanders Schatz Schumer
Cantwell Cardin Carper Casey Coons	Lee Manchin Markey McCaskill Menendez	Schumer Shaheen Stabenow Tester Udall Warner
Durbin Feinstein Franken Gillibrand Heinrich	Merkley Mikulski Murphy Murray Nelson	Warren Whitehouse Wyden

NAVS 46

NOT VOTING-2

#### Hoeven Kaine

The PRESIDING OFFICER. On this vote, the yeas are 52, the nays are 46.

Three-fifths of the Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, the motion is rejected.

#### 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 legislative clerk 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 proceed to Calendar No. 524, H.R. 5293, an act making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, and for other purposes

Mitch McConnell, James Lankford, John Thune, Orrin G. Hatch, Jerry Moran, Shelley Moore Capito, Johnny Isakson, Mike Crapo, John Boozman, Thom Tillis, John Hoeven, Joni Ernst, David Perdue, Dan Sullivan, Steve Daines, Chuck Grassley, James E. Risch.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. DAINES). 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 proceed to H.R. 5293, an act making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, and for other purposes, shall 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 North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN).

Further, if present and voting, the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) would have voted "yea."

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from Virginia (Mr. KAINE) is necessarily absent.

I further announce that, if present and voting, the Senator from Virginia (Mr. KAINE) would vote "nay."

The result was announced—veas 55. nays 43, as follows:

> [Rollcall Vote No. 136 Leg.] YEAS-55

Alexander	Barrasso	Boozman
Ayotte	Blunt	Burr

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NOT VOTING—2			

Hoeven

The PRESIDING OFFICER. On this vote, the yeas are 55, the nays are 43.

Kaine

Three-fifths of the Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, the motion is rejected.

The majority leader.

WATER RESOURCES DEVELOP-MENT ACT OF 2016—MOTION TO PROCEED

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I move to proceed to Calendar No. 523, S. 2848.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the motion.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

Motion to proceed to Calendar No. 523, S. 2848, a bill to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, and for other purposes.

#### MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

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

#### TRIBUTE TO JAMES BAIRD

Mr. REID. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize the 60th birthday of James Baird, who is a hard-working businessman, ecclesiastical leader, and friend.

James was born in Las Vegas, NV, and raised in Provo, UT. His father, Joseph Hugh Baird, worked at Brigham Young University, and his mother, Florence Richards, was a piano teacher. As a child, James enjoyed spending

time with his nine siblings and nurturing his horse, Julie.

James grew up with a strong entrepreneurial spirit. He began his career in grade school by mowing lawns and eventually starting his own landscaping company. He graduated from the University of Colorado with a business degree and went on to own and operate multiple start-up companies, each of which made a positive impact on their local communities. James currently serves as the director of operations for Madison Fields, a farm and riding facility for children and adults with autism, where he is regarded as a patient and caring colleague.

In addition to being a successful businessman, James is also devoted to his wife of 38 years, Dr. Melinda Lambert Baird. Dr. Baird is a phenomenal concert pianist and serves as the director of piano programs at Levine Music and the director of education and community outreach at Steinway & Sons. James and Melinda have four children and eleven grandchildren, whom they love dearly.

James's family values come from his membership in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints-LDS. At a young age, James served a mission for the LDS church in Baton Rouge, LA. During that time, James's brother, Mark, was killed in a jeep accident. James decided to remain in Louisiana and continued to serve the people there. Since then, James has remained an involved member of his church and served as a bishop in Rockville, MD. Currently, James is acting as the president of the Washington, DC. Stake. In this position, President Baird lends his service to more than 2,000 church members in the Washington DC, and southern Maryland areas without pay or reimbursement. James's arms are open for anyone in need, and he is devoted to improving the lives of people in Washington, DC. I have had the pleasure of knowing James as one of my church leaders and friends, and I admire and appreciate his service.

James is a man who has inspired countless lives in his local, work, and religious communities. I congratulate him on his many successes, and I wish him the best as he continues to serve the people of Washington, DC.

#### RECOGNIZING THE WORK OF THREE NEVADA CONSERVATION CHAMPIONS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, today I wish to honor Terri Robertson, Helen Mortenson, and Marge Sill, three lifelong conservation activists from Nevada.

Terri Robertson has been a longtime advocate for the protection of southern Nevada's unique outdoor spaces. This fourth-generation Nevadan embarked on her mission to protect Nevada lands over 40 years ago, beginning with her work to protect Red Rock Canyon from encroachment from nearby Las Vegas. Terri was also instrumental in the des-

ignation of Sloan Canyon National Conservation Area. I know of her outsized influence because I led the effort in the Senate to establish Red Rock Canyon and Sloan Canyon National Conservation Areas. Even today, Terri continues to push for additional protections and amenities for Sloan, where she visited ancient petroglyph galleries on family trips as a child. It is because of the work of people like Terri that the Bureau of Land Management recently unveiled a plan to add a visitor center, information kiosks, and paved roads to provide access to the canyon. In May 2016, the BLM and city of Henderson celebrated the opening of the first paved access road to Sloan. Terri has also used her passion and knowledge of Nevada's natural resources to protect other special places in Clark County, including Tule Springs and Gold Butte.

Marge Sill has been a wilderness advocate in Nevada and California for 50 years. After she moved to Reno, she began working to protect wilderness land in northern and central Nevada as urban development began to encroach upon those wild spaces. Marge has been working to protect the stark and stunning vistas of the West for so long that she has earned the nickname "Mother of Wilderness." Marge got her start in the Sierra Club a half century ago. To describe that time, she once remarked that the women of the club did the work, while the men just talked about change. Marge put in the work to create the Lake Tahoe State Park in 1963, and she fought to establish the Great Basin National Park, Nevada's only national park. However, Marge considers her greatest accomplishment to be the passage of the Nevada Wilderness Protection Act of 1989, which designated over 700,000 acres of wilderness in the Silver State. I was pleased to author this legislation, which created several wilderness areas that Nevadans now treasure, including the Mount Charleston, Mount Rose, and the Ruby Mountains Wilderness Areas, among others, and expanded Nevada's first wilderness area, Jarbidge. Marge has always been my most avid supporter, for which I will always be grateful.

Finally, I would like to recognize Helen Mortenson. Together with her late husband, Harry, Helen advocated for the preservation and protection of Nevada's outdoors for decades. A consultant specializing in nuclear, radiological, and environmental issues, Helen fought for years with her husband, Harry, a conservation champion in the Nevada State Assembly, to keep Nevada's environment safe and clean by opposing the Yucca Mountain Nuclear Waste Repository. But Helen's greatest work has no doubt been her advocacy for the protection of Tule Springs in northern Las Vegas. Thanks to Helen and Harry's activism, I was able to work with my colleagues in Congress to pass legislation in 2014 that designated the Tule Springs Fossil Beds National Monument. As president

of the Las Vegas Ice Age Park Foundation and an archaeologist herself, Helen used her knowledge to educate her community and local lawmakers about the significance of the Tule Springs site. Because of her, fossil sites of prehistoric mammoths and giant sloths will always remain only a short drive away for residents of the Las Vegas Valley.

These three champions of conservation taught us all about the need to protect and treasure Nevada's wild places. Their passion, advocacy, and community-building facilitated the passage of legislation that will keep the wild Nevada I love intact and accessible for generations. Their work is appreciated, and I wish them continued success for years to come.

# 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FIRST AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I wish to honor the 50th anniversary of the First African Methodist Episcopal—FAME— Church. In September 2016, FAME will formally celebrate over 50 years of commitment to worship and community outreach in the great State of Nevada.

Since 1996, FAME has played an integral role in the success of both north Las Vegas and the State of Nevada. The church works to provide Nevadans with a place to worship and connect with the community. FAME takes pride in ensuring that its members are positive contributors to the communities in which they reside, all while promoting their spiritual development.

Since its inception, the church has also been a strong supporter of outreach ministries that promote and bring awareness to the importance of community service. FAME has helped much-needed resources to the homeless, elderly, and disabled, and it has created educational and career opportunities for young students and high school graduates. These programs not only encourage people to remain civically engaged, but also foster connections between members of the church and communities throughout the State of Nevada.

I applaud Reverend Ralph E. Williamson and his team for their strong leadership of this important organization. It is through their selfless efforts that numerous Nevadans have been positively impacted by FAME. This institution is an invaluable part of the Silver State, and I extend my best wishes for continued success as the church enters its next chapter.

75TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF SOUTH-ERN NEVADA

Mr. REID. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize the 75th anniversary of the Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada.

Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada was established in 1921 by Bishop

Thomas K. Gorman to provide social services for Nevadans in need. Bishop Gorman assigned Father Thomas F. Collins as the first director of Catholic Charities, and Father Collins diligently organized programs to combat homelessness and connect families with foster children throughout the Silver State. Bishop Gorman and Father Collins inspired hope through service to southern Nevadans, and we continue to see the same dedication in the organization's current leadership.

With the incredible growth in Nevada, Catholic Charities has expanded to provide aid to senior citizens, refugees, immigrants, girls in crisis, and the homeless population throughout the Las Vegas Valley. Catholic Charities is now one of the largest private nonprofit social service providers in Nevada, offering comprehensive assistance through 20 programs to support the community. I have worked closely with Catholic Charities to forge publicprivate partnerships to address human trafficking, homelessness, immigration services, and poor nutrition. Today the organization serves as a sanctuary for people in southern Nevada.

Catholic Charities has always made significant and positive contributions to our community. The services provided by Catholic Charities ensure Nevadans have the support they need to live a better life in Nevada. Catholic Charities' work is appreciated and admired, and I wish their continued success.

# 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LAMBDA BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

Mr. REID. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize the 25th anniversary of the Lambda Business Association.

The Lambda Business Association was established in Las Vegas in 1991 as a networking club for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer— LGBTQ—businessowners and professionals. Since then, Lambda has grown into a strong nonprofit organization known as the LGBTQ Chamber of Commerce for Southern Nevada and has become a resilient voice for the LGBTQ business community.

For the past 25 years, Lambda has brought together LGBTQ business owners and their allies to build a strong network of public leaders. Lambda's members proudly display the attributes of inclusion, equality, integrity, fairness, and responsibility outlined in Lambda's code of ethics. Lambda also provides important volunteer opportunities to its members to bring positive change to southern Ne-Through its dedicated work, vada Lambda has fought for a more inclusive economic environment that promotes the entrepreneurial spirit that helps businesses grow and succeed.

Lambda's work is appreciated and admired. I look forward to the continued work of Lambda to ensure equal rights for LGBTQ businessowners and professionals, and I wish this important orga-

nization success for many years to come.

(At the request of Mr. REID, the following statement was ordered to be printed in the RECORD.)

# VOTE EXPLANATION

• Mr. KAINE. Mr. President, for purposes of today's votes, I want to announce that, had I voted on Tuesday, September 6, 2016, I would have voted no on both cloture motions, the motion to invoke cloture on the conference report to accompany H.R. 2577, MilConVA appropriations, and the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to Calendar No. 524, H.R. 5293, DOD appropriations.

This is consistent with how I voted previously on June 28, July 7, and July 14, 2016.

# 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. 16-29, concerning the Department of the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Qatar for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$124.02 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

J.W. RIXEY, Vice Admiral, USN, Director.

#### Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 16–29

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: Government of

Qatar. (ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment\* \$0.02 million.

# Other \$124.00 million.

Total \$124.02 million.

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Eight (8) M2HB .50 Caliber Machine Guns. Non-MDE: Also included are Mk-V Fast Patrol Boats, Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) Systems, MLG 27mm Gun Systems, 27mm ammunition, 27mm target practice ammunition, .50 Caliber ammunition, support equipment, publications, technical documentation, personnel training, U.S. Government and contractor engineering, incountry support, technical and logistics support services.

(iv) Military Department: Navy.

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: None.

(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.

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: August 19, 2016.

\*As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Qatar—Mk–V Fast Patrol Boat

The Government of Qatar has requested: Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Eight (8) M2HB .50 Caliber Machine Guns

Non-MDE: Also included are Mk-V Fast Patrol Boats, Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) Systems, MLG 27mm Gun Systems, 27mm ammunition, 27mm target practice ammunition, .50 Caliber ammunition, support equipment, publications, technical documentation, personnel training, U.S. Government and contractor engineering, incountry support, technical and logistics support services.

The total estimated value of MDE is \$0.02 million. The total estimated value is \$124.02 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a friendly country. Qatar is an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Persian Gulf region. This proposed sale will provide Qatar with military capabilities to protect its critical sea-based infrastructure and maritime security. Qatar will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment into its armed forces.

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

The principal contractor will be United States Marine Incorporated (USMI) in Gulfport, Mississippi. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require multiple trips by U.S. Government and contractor representatives to participate in program and technical reviews, system integration, as well as training and maintenance support in country for a period of five (5) years.

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

#### TRANSMITTAL NO. 16-29

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

#### Annex Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The Mk–V fast patrol boat is approximately twenty-eight meters (28) long with an approximate beam of six (6) meters powered by MTU diesel engines with a waterjet drive. It has a top speed of forty-five (45) knots.

The MK-V is outfitted with a stern launchable inflatable boat. The MK-V is outfitted with unclassified commercial off-the-shelf navigation to include magnetic compass, fluxgate compass, gyro compass, Global Positioning System (GPS), electronic chart plotter, anemometer, navigation radar, navigation lights, navigation horn siren, and other electrical and non-electronic navigation aids. The MK-V utilizes commercial communications to include high frequency (HF), and very high frequency (VHF) communication radio systems, intercom system, boat horn and blue strobe Jaw enforcement lights. The overall classification level of the vessel is UNCLASSIFIED.

2. A determination has been made that the Government of Qatar can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This sale is necessary in furtherance of U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.

3. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the Government of Qatar.

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. 15-55, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Afghanistan for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$60 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

#### Sincerely,

#### J.W. RIXEY, Vice Admiral, USN, Director. Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 15–55

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: Government of Afghanistan.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment\* \$ 30.0 million.

Other \$30.0 million.

Total \$60.0 million.

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Four thousand, eight hundred and ninetyone (4,891) M16A4 5.56mm Rifles.

Four hundred and eighty-five (485) M240B 7.62mm Machine Guns.

Eight hundred  $\left(800\right)$  M2 .50 caliber Machine Guns.

Non-MDE: Also included with this request are M249 Light Automatic Machine Guns; M110 7.62mm Sniper Rifles; MK-19 40mm Grenade Launchers; MK-93 40mm Machine Gun Mounts; M3 Tripod Machine Gun Mounts; Spare Barrels; spare and repair parts; lot validation; publications and technical documentation; personnel training and training equipment; Quality Assurance Team; U.S. Government and contractor technical and lo gistics support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Army (UBY).

(v) Prior Related Cases. if any: FMS case B6-B-FAK-\$138.8M—Nov 2007, FMS case E3-B-UAF-\$39.0M—Aug 2008, FMS case E6-B-UBN-\$55.0M—Jul 2009, FMS case AF-B- UBI-\$3.3M-Jan 2010, FMS case G5-B-UAG-\$39.0M-Mar 2010, FMS case G5-B-UEQ-\$11.0M—Nov 2010. FMS G5-B-UEKcase \$152.5M—Nov 2010, FMS case G6-B-UBD-\$20.2M—Apr 2011, FMS case G6-B-UBI-\$512.6M—May 2011, FMS case H5-B-UCN-\$20.8M—Dec 2012, FMS case H5-B-UES-\$1.8M—Aug 2013, FMS case J3-B-UCJ-\$50.9M-Mar 2015, FMS case J3-B-UDE-\$2.7M—Apr 2015, FMS case J3-B-UEW-\$5.66M—Sep 2015,FMS case J8-B-UAI-\$21M—May 2015,FMS case J8-B-UAN-\$7.6M-Jul 2015, FMS case V3-B-UAP-\$9M-Apr 2016.

(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: None.

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: August 17, 2016.

\*As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

#### Afghanistan—Individual and Crew Served Weapons

The Government of Afghanistan has requested a possible sale of:

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Four thousand, eight hundred and ninety-one (4,891) M16A4 5.56mm Rifles.

Four hundred and eighty-five (485) M240B 7.62mm Machine Guns.

Eight hundred (800) M2 .50 caliber Machine Guns.

Non-MDE: Also included with this request are M249 Light Automatic Machine Guns; M110 7.62mm Sniper Rifles; MK-19 40mm Grenade Launchers; MK-93 40mm Machine Gun Mounts; M3 Tripod Machine Gun Mounts; Spare Barrels; spare and repair parts; lot validation; publications and technical documentation; personnel training and training equipment; Quality Assurance Team; U.S. Government and contractor technical and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated cost is \$60 million.

The proposed sale will enhance the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by helping to improve the security of a strategic partner by providing weapons needed to maintain security and stability, as well as to conduct offensive operations against an ongoing insurgency. A stable and secure Afghanistan is vital to regional stability. This proposed sale will also demonstrate the U.S. commitment to Afghanistan's security.

Afghanistan has an urgent requirement to increase its stocks of crew-served weapons for ongoing counter-insurgency operations and enduring threats to its national sovereignty. These articles were determined to be necessary and are based on Afghanistan's force structure and operational requirements.

The Afghan National Army (ANA) will use these weapons and equipment in both offensive and defensive operations against insurgents and terrorists within their borders. Without these defense articles, the ANA will not have the military capabilities that are necessary to maintain security and stability. The ANA is thoroughly trained and prepared to use the proposed defense articles. Afghanistan will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment into its armed forces.

While equipment for the ANA is typically purchased with Title 10 Afghanistan Security Forces Fund (ASFF) appropriations and implemented by DSCA through pseudo-FMS cases, Afghanistan will use U.S. government grants to fund and support this proposed purchase.

The principal contractor for the M240B will be FN America, Columbia, SC. The principal

contractors for the M16A4, M2, and other weapons have not been identified pending open competition and contract award. Some items may be drawn from Army stocks to meet desired delivery dates. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this sale will require the assignment of approximately eight (8) additional U.S. Government and approximately six (6) contractor representatives to Afghanistan for approximately 5-6 weeks in support of the fielding, maintenance and personnel training.

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

> 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. 16-30, concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Lead-Nation sale to the NATO Support and Procurement Agency (NSPA) for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$231 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

J.W. RIXEY. Vice Admiral, USN, Director.

Enclosures. TRANSMITTAL NO. 16-30

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: NATO Support and Procurement Agency (NSPA) as Lead Nation for potential subsequent retransfer to Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Greece, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, and Spain in accordance with Section 3(d)(4)(C)(ii)

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment\* \$151 million. Other \$80 million

Total \$231 million

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Five hundred (500) Joint Direct Attack Munition (JDAM) Guidance Kits, KMU-556 F/B. Forty (40) JDAM Guidance Kits, KMU-557

F/B. One thousand five hundred (1,500) JDAM Guidance Kits, KMU-572 F/B.

One thousand (1,000) MAU 210 E/B Computer Control Groups for 1,000-lb. Enhanced Paveway IIs.

Three hundred (300) MAU 210 E/B Computer Control Groups for GBU-49s.

One thousand twenty-five (1,025) MAU 169 L/B Computer Control Groups for GBU-128

One thousand and three hundred fifty (1,350) Joint Programmable Fuzes, FMU-152

A/B. Sixty (60) Bomb Fin Assembly and Airfoil Group 650-MXU K/B for GBU-12s.

One thousand twenty-five (1,025) Bomb Fin Assembly and Airfoil Group, MXU-650 K/B AFG for GBU–12s.

Non-MDE: This request also includes the following Non-MDE: Detector Sensing Unit (DSU)-38A/B Laser sensors, DSU-330/B proximity sensors, Wireless Paveway Avionics Kit (WIPAK) interfaces for Enhanced Paveway TI bombs, FMU-139C/B electronic bomb fuzes, repair and return services, transportation, engineering services, and other support services.

(iv) Military Department: Air Force (YAA). (v) Prior Related Cases. if any: None. (vi) Sales Commission. Fee. etc., Paid, Of-

fered, 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.

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: August 9, 2016.

\*As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

NATO Support and Procurement Agency-Precision Guided Munitions

NATO Support and Procurement Agency as Lead Nation has requested a possible sale of precision guided munitions for subsequent retransfer to Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Greece, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, and Spain. Included are: five hundred (500) Joint Direct Attack Munition (JDAM) Guidance Kits, KMU-556 F/B; forty (40) JDAM Guidance Kits, KMU-557 F/B; one thousand five hundred (1,500) JDAM Guidance Kits, KMU-572 F/B; one thousand (1,000) MAU 210 E/B Computer Control Groups for 1,000-lb. Enhanced Paveway IIs; three hundred (300) MAU 210 E/B Computer Control Groups for GBU-49s; one thousand twentyfive (1,025) MAU 169 L/B Computer Control Groups for GBU-12s; one thousand three hundred fifty (1,350) Joint Programmable Fuzes, FMU-152 A/B; sixty (60) Bomb Fin Assembly and Airfoil Group 650-MXU K/B for GBU-12s; one thousand twenty-five (1,025) Bomb Fin Assembly and Airfoil Group, MXU-650 K/B AFG for GBU-12s. It also includes Detector Sensing Unit (DSU)-38A/B Laser sensors; DSU-33D/B proximity sensors; Wireless Paveway Avionics Kit (WIPAK) interfaces for Enhanced Paveway II bombs; FMU-139C/ B electronic bomb fuzes; repair and return services; transportation; engineering services; and other support services. The estimated value is \$231 million.

The proposed sale improves NATO members' capability to meet current and future ground threats with precision. They will use the enhanced capacity as a deterrent to regional threats, and to increase interoperability within contingency operations. Many of the purchasing nations already have precision-guided munitions in their inventories and will have no difficulty absorbing these additional munitions.

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

The prime contractors for production are the Boeing Corporation of St Louis, Missouri, and Raytheon Missile Systems of Tucson, Arizona. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government or contractor representatives to NATO.

There is no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale. TRANSMITTAL NO. 16-30

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

# Annex Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

The Joint Direct Attack Munition (JDAM) is a guidance kit that converts existing unguided free-fall bombs into precision-guided "smart" munitions. By adding a new tail section containing Inertial Navigation System (INS)/Global Positioning System (GPS) guidance to existing inventories of BLU-109, BLU-111, and BLU-117, or MK-84 and MK-82 bombs, the cost effective JDAM provides highly accurate weapon delivery in

any "flyable" weather. The INS, using updates from the GPS, helps guide the bomb to the target via the use of movable tail fins. The bomb is fitted with the MXU-650 airfoil and the MAU-169 L/B Computer Control Group (CCG) or the MAU-210 E/B to guide to its laser-designated target. The JDAM All Up Round (AUR) and all of its components are UNCLASSIFIED; technical data for JDAM are classified up to SECRET. Weapon accuracy is dependent on target coordinates and present position as entered into the guidance control unit. After weapon release, movable tail fins guide the weapon to the target coordinates.

2. The KMU-556 F/B. KMU-557 F/B and the KMU-572 F/B are the tail kits for the GBU-31. They contain a GPS Receiver Card with Selective Availability Anti-Spoofing Module (SAASM). Information revealing SAASM implementation details such as number or length of keying variables, circuit diagrams, specific quantitative measures, functions, and capabilities is classified SECRET.

3. The DSU-38A/B Laser Sensor uses both GPS-aided inertial navigations and/or Laser guidance to execute threat targets. The Laser sensor enhances standard JDAM's reactive target capability by allowing rapid prosecution of fixed targets with large initial target location errors (TLE). The DSU-38A/B Laser sensor also provides the additional capability to engage mobile targets moving up to 70 mph. The DSU-38 Laser sensor is a strap down (non-gimbaled) sensor that attaches to the Mk-82 or BLU-111 bomb body in the forward fuze well. The addition of the DSU-38 Laser sensor combined with additional cabling and mounting hardware turns a standard GBU-38 JDAM into a GBU-54 Laser JDAM. Information revealing target designation tactics and associated aircraft maneuvers, the probability of destroying specific/peculiar targets, vulnerabilities regarding countermeasures and the electromagnetic environment is classified SECRET. Information revealing the probability of destroying common/unspecified targets, the number of simultaneous lasers the laser seeker head can discriminate, and data on the radar/infrared frequency is classified CONFIDENTIAL.

4. The FMU-152 fuze is a Multi-Delay, Multi-Arm and Proximity Sensor compatible with General Purpose Blast, Fragmentation and Hardened-Target Penetrator Warheads. It is cockpit selectable in-flight (prior to release) when used with JDAMS weapons. It can interface with the following weapons: GBU-10, GBU-12, GBU-15, GBU-16, GBU-24, GBU-27, GBU-28, GBU-31, GBU-32, GBU-38, and AGM-130.

5. If a technologically advanced adversary obtained knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures which might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities

6. A determination has been made that NSPA and the participating countries can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.

7. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to NATO, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Greece, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, and Spain.

#### 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. 16–32, concerning the Department of the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance for the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$1.15 billion. After this letter is deliverelease to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

Enclosures.

# J. W. RIXEY, Vice Admiral, USN, Director.

#### TRANSMITTAL NO. 16-32

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 Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment\* \$0.15 billion.

Other \$1.00 billion.

Total \$1.15 billion.

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

One hundred fifty-three (153) MI Al/A2 Abrams Tank structures for conversion to one hundred thirty-three (133) MI A2S Saudi Abrams configured Main Battle Tanks and twenty (20) battle damage replacements for the existing fleet.

One hundred fifty-three (153) M2 .50 Caliber Machine Guns.

Two hundred sixty-six (266) 7.62mm M240 Machine Guns.

One hundred fifty-three (153) M250 Smoke Grenade Launchers.

Twenty (20) M88 A1/A2 Heavy Equipment Recovery Combat Utility Lift Evacuation System (HERCULES) Armored Recovery Vehicle (ARV) Structures for conversion to twentv (20) M88 A1/A2 HERCULES ARVs.

One hundred sixty-nine (169) AN/VAS-5 Driver Vision Enhancer—Abrams (DVE-A).

One hundred thirty-three (133) AN/PVS-7B Night Vision Devices.

Four thousand two hundred fifty-six (4,256) Rounds M865 Training Ammunition.

Two thousand three hundred ninety-four (2,394) Rounds M831A1 Training Ammunition.

Non-MDE: This request also includes the following Non-MDE: M1 Al/A2 Tank and M88A1/A2 ARV overhaul, conversion and refurbishment services; Special Tools and Test Equipment: Basic Issue Items: Program Management Support; Verification Testing; System Technical Support; Advanced Gunnery Training System (AGTS); Deployable Advanced Gunnery Training System (DAGTS); Transportation; Binoculars; Camouflage Netting; spare and repair parts; communications equipment; personnel training and training equipment; tool and test equipment; repair and return; publications and technical documentation; Quality Assurance Team (QAT); U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Army (SR-B-VTF).

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

(v) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold: See Annex attached. (vii) Prior Related Case. if any:

SR-B-VKZ, Implemented 27 Nov 06, TCV: 3,220,367,024

SR-B-VTC, Implemented 08 Dec 14, TCV: 1,887,611,823

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: August 8, 2016.

\*As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Kingdom of Saudi Arabia—M1A2S Saudi Abrams Main Battle Tanks and M88A1/A2: Heavy Equipment Recovery Combat Utility Lift Evacuation System (HERCULES) Armored Recovery Vehicles (ARV)

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia has requested a possible sale of up to one hundred fifty-three (153) M1A1/A2 Tank structures for conversion to one hundred thirty-three (133) M1A2S Saudi Abrams configured Main Battle Tanks and twenty (20) battle damage replacements for their existing fleet; one hundred fifty-three (153) M2 .50 Caliber Machine Guns; two hundred sixty-six (266) 7.62mm M240 Machine Guns; one hundred thirtythree (153) M250 Smoke Grenade Launchers; twenty (20) M88A1/A2 Heavy Equipment Recovery Combat Utility Lift Evacuation System (HERCULES) Armored Recovery Vehicle (ARV) Structures for conversion to twenty (20) M88A1/A2 HERCULES ARVs; one hundred sixty-nine (169) AN/VAS-5 Driver Vision Enhancer-Abrams (DVE-A); one hundred thirty-three (133) AN/PVS-7B Night Vision Devices; four thousand two hundred fifty-six (4,256) Rounds M865 Training Ammunition; and two thousand three hundred ninety-four (2,394) Rounds M831A1 Training Ammunition. Also included are M1A1/A2 Tank and M88A1/ A2 ARV overhaul, conversion and refurbishment service; Special Tools and Test Equipment: Basic Issue Items: Program Management Support; Verification Testing; System Support: Advanced Gunnery Technical Training System (AGTS); Deployable Advanced Gunnery Training System (DAGTS); Transportation, Binoculars, Camouflage Netting: spare and repair parts: communications equipment; personnel training and training equipment; tool and test equipment; repair and return; publications and technical documentation; Quality Assurance Team (QAT); U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The total estimated value is \$1.15 billion.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a strategic regional partner which has been and continues to be a leading contributor of political stability and economic progress in the Middle East. This sale will increase the Royal Saudi Land Force's (RSLF) interoperability with U.S. forces and conveys U.S. commitment to Saudi Arabia's security and armed forces modernization.

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

The proposed sale will improve Saudi Arabia's capability to meet current and future threats and provide greater security for its critical infrastructure. The addition of these tanks and recovery vehicles to the RSLF's inventory will enhance Saudi Arabia's ability to support its soldiers in the field and to defend the Kingdom's borders. Saudi Arabia will have no difficulty absorbing these vehicles into its armed forces.

The principal contractor will be General Dynamics Land Systems (GDLS), Sterling Heights, Michigan. There are no known offset agreements in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government or contractor representatives to Saudi Arabia. Support teams will travel to the country on a temporary basis.

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

#### TRANSMITTAL NO. 16-32

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

Annex Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology.

1. This sale will involve the release of sensitive technology to Saudi Arabia. The M1A2S Main Battle Tank (MBT) is an analog/digital hybrid system comprising the best features of the M1A1 and M1A2 SEP v2 tanks, while limiting component obsolescence challenges. This configuration is unique to Saudi Arabia. It is armed with the M256 120mm smooth bore gun and has an improved fire control system with range of effective fire in excess of 4 km. Secondary armament of the M1A2S consists of a coaxial 7.62mm machine gun, another 7.62mm machine gun mounted over the gunner's hatch. and a 12.7mm machine gun mounted over commander's hatch. The vehicle is operated by a crew of four, including a tank commander, gunner, loader, and a driver. The M88A1/A2 Heavy Equipment Recovery Combat Utility Lift Evacuation System (HER-CULES) Armored Recovery Vehicle (ARV) is a full-tracked armored vehicle used to perform battlefield recovery missions including towing, hoisting, and winching. It is fully capable of recovery support for Abrams series tanks and future heavy combat vehicles.

a. M1A2S Thermal Imaging System (TIS). The TIS is a second generation Forward Looking Infrared Radar (FLIR) system and constitutes a target acquisition system which, when operated with other tank systems, gives the tank crew a substantial advantage over the potential threat. The TIS provides the M1A2S crew with the ability to effectively aim and fire the tank main armament system under a broad range of adverse battlefield conditions. The hardware itself is UNCLASSIFIED. The engineering design and manufacturing data associated with the detector and infrared (IR) optics and coatings are considered sensitive. The technical data package is UNCLASSIFIED with the exception of the specifications for the target acquisition range which are CONFIDENTIAL.

b. Special Armor. The major components of special armor are fabricated in sealed modules and in serialized removable sub-assemblies. Special armor vulnerability data for both chemical and kinetic energy rounds are classified SECRET. Engineering design and manufacturing data related to special armor are also classified SECRET.

c. M256 120mm Gun and Ammunition System. It is composed of a 120mm smoothbore gun, "long rod" Armor Piercing Fin Stabilized Discarding Sabot (APFSDS) kinetic warheads; and combustible cartridge case ammunition. The suite is UNCLASSIFIED.

d. Advanced Gas Turbine (AGT) 1500 Gas Turbine Propulsion System. The use of a gas turbine propulsion system in the MIA2S is a unique application of armored vehicle power pack technology. The hardware is composed of the AGT-1500 engine and transmission, and is UNCLASSIFIED. Manufacturing processes associated with the production of turbine blades, recuperator, bearings and shafts, and hydrostatic pump and motor, are proprietary and therefore are commercially competition sensitive.

e. Compartmentation. A major survivability feature of the Abrams Tank is the compartmentation of fuel and ammunition. Compartmentation is the positive separation of the crew and critical components from combustible materials. In the event that the fuel or ammunition is ignited or deteriorated by an incoming threat round, the crew is fully protected. As demonstrated during the Abram Live Fire tests, compartmentation significantly enhances crew survivability and substantially reduces the likelihood of the tank being immobilized by an ammunition explosion and fire. Sensitive information includes the performance of the ammunition compartments as well as the compartment design parameters.

The Driver's Vision Enhancer-Abrams (DVE-A), AN/AS-5. The AN/AS-5 is an uncooled thermal imaging system developed for use while driving Combat Vehicles (CVs) and Tactical Wheeled Vehicles (TWVs). It allows for tactical vehicle movement in support of operational missions in all environmental conditions (day/night and all weather) and provides enhanced driving capability during limited visibility conditions (darkness, smoke, dust, fog, etc.). The DVE program provides night vision targeting capabilities for armored vehicles and long-range night vision reconnaissance capability to the warfighter. The highest level of classification is CONFIDENTIAL for hardware and software.

g. AN/PVS-7B Night Vision Devices (NVD). These devices are man-portable NVDs which incorporate image intensification technology. This technology is contained in a sealed intensifier tube that is serialized and removable. Engineering and manufacturing data related to the image intensification tube sub-components are classified CON-FIDENTIAL. All data related to vulnerabilities and weaknesses are classified SECRET.

2. Software, hardware, and other classified or sensitive data are reviewed prior to release to protect system vulnerabilities, design data, and performance parameters. Some end-item hardware, software, and other data identified above are classified at the CONFIDENTIAL and SECRET level. Potential compromise of these systems is controlled through the management of the basic software programs of highly sensitive systems and software-controlled weapons systems on a case-by-case bases.

3. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures or equivalent systems which might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

4. A determination has been made that Saudi Arabia can provide the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.

5. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

#### 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. 16-50, concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Argentina for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$300 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

# Sincerely,

J. W. RIXEY, Vice Admiral, USN, Director. Enclosures.

# TRANSMITTAL NO. 16–50

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: Government of

(1) Prospective Argentina.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment\* \$196 million.

Other \$104 million.

Total \$300 million.

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Twenty-four (24) T-6C+ Texan trainer aircraft.

Non-Major Defense Equipment (MDE): This request includes the following Non-MDE: Spare engines, initial spare parts, support equipment, communications equipment, studies and surveys, contract logistics support and technical services, aircraft technical publications, aircraft ferry and support, life support equipment, initial maintenance training, initial pilot training, followon training, alternate mission equipment, Air Force Materiel Command services and travel, unclassified minor modifications and engineering change proposals, ground-based training system, operational flight trainer (OFT) and OFT spare parts.

(iv) Military Department: Air Force (AR–D–SAI).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: None.

(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.

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: July 29, 2016.

\*As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

#### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Argentina-T-6C+ Texan aircraft

The Government of Argentina has requested a possible sale of twenty-four (24) T-Texan trainer aircraft, spare engines, 6C+initial spare parts, support equipment, communications equipment, studies and surveys, contract logistics support and technical services, aircraft technical publications, aircraft ferry and support, life support equipment. initial maintenance training, initial pilot training, follow-on training, alternate mission equipment, Air Force Materiel Command services and travel, unclassified minor modifications and engineering change proposals, ground-based training system, operational flight trainer (OFT) and OFT spare parts. The estimated value is \$300 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a major non-NATO ally. This potential sale will provide additional opportunities for bilateral engagements and further strengthen the bilateral relationship between the United States and Argentina.

The Argentine military has embarked on an ambitious path toward modernizing its military materiel. The proposed sale will revitalize Argentina's capability to train its pilots and fulfill border control missions, especially along its porous northern border.

The Argentine Air Force (AAF) will use the enhanced capability to redevelop a professional pilot corps and as a deterrent to illicit activity. The AAF is very experienced working with the Pratt & Whitney FT6 family of engines which they currently have on their T-34, King Air, and Cessna Caravan aircraft. Given the logistical commonalities with the aircraft already in its fleet, the AAF will be able to support and field the new T-60+s.

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

The prime contractor will be Beechcraft Defense Company, LLC, of Wichita, Kansas. The purchaser requested offsets. At this time, agreements are undetermined and will be cefined in negotiations between the purchaser and contractor.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government or contractor representatives to Argentina. The AAF plan is to initially train a cadre of mechanics in in the United States, then a larger group in country via military training teams.

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

#### TRANSMITTAL NO. 16-50

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Latter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(bXI) of the Arms Export Control Act

#### Annex Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The T-6C+ is a single engine turboprop trainer aircraft modified with an embedded virtual weapons training, simulation, and no-drop scoring capability, and is UNCLAS-SIFIED. The simulation and scoring capability is primarily designed to teach air-toground operations. The T-6C+ also includes the capability to carry mounted external fuel tanks and employ lightweight training weapons.

2. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the Government of Argentina.

# DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY,

Arlington, VA.

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

DEAR MR. CHARMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 16–27, concerning the Department of the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the United Arab Emirates for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$785 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale. Sincerely.

JENNIFER ZAKRISKI

(For J.W. Rixey, Vice Admiral, USN, Director).

#### Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 16-27

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: United Arab Emirates.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment\* \$740 million.

Other \$45 million.

Total \$785 million.

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Seven thousand seven hundred (7,700) GBU-10 guidance kits.

Seven thousand seven hundred (7,700) Mk-84/BLU-117 bombs.

Five thousand nine hundred forty (5,940) GBU-12 guidance kits.

Five thousand nine hundred forty (5,940) Mk-82/BLU-111 bombs.

Five hundred (500) GBU-31V1 guidance kits.

Five hundred (500) Mk-84/BLU-117 bombs. Five hundred (500) GBU-31V3 guidance kits

Five hundred (500) BLU-109 bombs.

Fourteen thousand six hundred forty (14,640) FMU-152 fuzes.

Non-MDE: Also included is munitions support. The estimated value of this possible sale is \$785 million,

(iv) Military Department: USAF (AAD, A02).

 (v) Prior Related Cases, if any: SAA-\$113,853,132-AUG 00, YAB-\$156,304,329-AUG 02, YAC-\$874,241,603-MAR 08, AAC-\$13,467,991-JUN 11, AAD-\$11,827,867-JAN 15, AAE-\$130,000,000-OCT 15, AAF-\$310,000,000-JAN 16

(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.

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: July 15, 2016.

\* As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

#### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

United Arab Emirates—Munitions, Sustainment, and Support

The Government of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) requests approval to procure seven thousand seven hundred (7,700) GBU-10 guidance kits with seven thousand seven hundred (7,700) Mk-84/BLU-117 bombs, five thousand nine hundred forty (5,940) GBU-12 guidance kits with five thousand nine hundred forty (5,940) Mk-82/BLU-111 bombs, five hundred (500) GBU-3IVI guidance kits with five hundred (500) Mk-84/BLU-117 bombs, five hundred (500) GBU-31V3 guidance kits with five hundred (500) BLU-109 bombs, and fourteen thousand six hundred forty (14,640) FMU-152 fuzes. This sale also includes nonMDE munitions items. The total estimated value of MDE is \$740 million. The overall total estimated value is \$785 million.

This proposed sale contributes to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping the UAE remain an active member of the OPERATION INHER-ENT RESOLVE (OIR) coalition working to defeat the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL). These munitions will sustain the UAE's efforts and support a key partner that remains an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

The proposed sale provides the UAE additional precision guided munitions to meet current and future threats. The UAE continues to provide host-nation support of vital U.S. forces stationed at Al Dhafra Air Base and plays a vital role in supporting U.S. regional interests. The UAE was a valued partner and active participant in OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM (OIF), OPERATION EN-DURING FREEDOM (OEF), OPERATION UNIFIED PROTECTOR (OUP), and now is a valued partner in OIR coalition operations.

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

The UAE will have no difficulties absorbing these munitions into its inventory.

The munitions will be sourced through procurement and the contractor determined during contract negotiations. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

There are no additional U.S. Government or contractor representatives anticipated to be stationed in the UAE as a result of this potential sale. There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

> 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. 16-47, concerning the Department of the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Japan for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$821 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

#### Sincerely,

JENNIFER ZAKRISKI, (For J. W. Rixey, Vice Admiral, USN, Director).

Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 16-47

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: Government of Japan.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment\* \$685 million.

Other \$136 million.

Total \$821 million.

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

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Up to two hundred forty-six (246) Standard Missiles (SM-2), Block IIIB Vertical Launching Tactical All-Up Rounds, RIM-66M-09.

Non-MDE: This request also includes the following Non-MDE: MK 13 MOD 0 Vertical Launching System Canisters, operator manuals, U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical and logistics support services.

(iv) Military Department: Navy (ATA and ASZ).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: JA-P -ARH-MAR 11, \$32,149,836; JA-P-AQO-FEB 08. \$36,133,478; JA-P-AQE-AUG 06. \$25,932,921; JA-P-AQF-AUG 06, \$32,030,680; JA-P-ANW-SEP05, \$46,147,937;JA-P-ANX-\$30,207,196; SEP05 JA-P-APS-SEP 05 \$24,923,134; JA-P-APT-NOV 04, \$25,041,269; JA-P-APU 09NOV 04, \$18,297,591; JA-P-APV-NOV 04, \$13,328,470; JA-P-APG-JUL 03, \$26,545,311; JA-P-APP-JUL 03, \$15,581,478.

(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 Annex attached.

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: July 15, 2016.

\*As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act,

#### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Japan—SM-2 Block IIIB Standard Missiles

The Government of Japan has requested a possible sale of up to two hundred forty-six (246) Standard Missile (SM-2), Block IIIB Vertical Launching Tactical All-Up Rounds, RIM-66M-09. This request also includes MK 13 MOD 0 Vertical Launching System Canisters, operator manuals and technical documentation, U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical and logistics support services. The total estimated value of Major Defense Equipment (MDE) is \$685 million. The total overall estimated value is \$821 million.

Japan is one of the major political and economic powers in East Asia and the Western Pacific, a key democratic partner of the United States in ensuring regional peace and stability, a close coalition ally in regional contingency operations, and a close cooperative and international exchange agreement partner. It is vital to U.S. national interests that Japan develops and maintains a strong and ready self-defense capability. This transaction is consistent with U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives and the 1960 Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security.

These SM-2 Block IIIB missiles will be used for anti-air warfare at sea. Japan currently fields four Kongo-class and two Atago-class destrovers, all of which are equipped with the Aegis Combat system and SM-2 Block IIIA/IIIB missiles. Japan is also building two new Aegis-equipped destroyers based on a modified Atago-class hull. The SM-2 Block IIIB missiles proposed in this sale will be used on these two future destroyers as well as supplementing Japan's missile inventory. Combined with the Aegis combat system, the SM-2 Block IIIB provides significantly enhanced area defense capabilities over critical East Asian and Western Pacific air-and sea-lines of communication. Japan has two Intermediate-Level Maintenance Facilities capable of maintaining the SM-2 Block IIIB and will have no difficulty absorbing these new missiles into its armed forces.

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

The principal contractors will be Raytheon Missile Systems Company, Tucson, Arizona; Raytheon Company, Camden, Arkansas; and BAE of Minneapolis and Aberdeen, South Dakota. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this sale will not require the assignment of any U.S. or contractor representatives to Japan.

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

#### REMEMBERING ROBERT MORGAN

Mr. BURR. Mr. President, former U.S. Senator Robert Morgan of North Carolina passed away on July 16, 2016, after a lifetime of public service. Senator Morgan served as a State senator, State attorney general, U.S. Senator, and director of the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation. He was a man of integrity who was well respected by our citizens. Senator Morgan was devoted to doing all he could to make his community, his State, and his Nation a better place for everyone. He will certainly be missed by his family and all who knew him.

At the request of Caroll Legget, the former chief of staff to former U.S. Senator Robert Morgan, I ask unanimous consent that an obituary from the News & Observer published from July 18 to July 20, 2016, and the entirety of two editorials from the July 18, 2016, edition of the New York Times and from the July 20, 2016, edition of the Washington Post be printed in the RECORD.

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

[From the News&Observer, July 18 to July 20, 2016.]

Robert Burren Morgan, former Attorney General of North Carolina, United States Senator and a prominent figure in North Carolina politics for a half century, died Saturday, July 16, at his home in Buies Creek, North Carolina. Morgan, 90, was born on October 5, 1925, near Lillington in Harnett County. He was the son of James Harvey Morgan and Alice Butts Morgan.

Morgan attended Lillington public schools and earned a degree from East Carolina University. He graduated from the Wake Forest University School of Law. While still a student at Wake Forest, he filed as a candidate for the office of Clerk of Court of Harnett County and was elected, serving from 1950– 1954. This launched Morgan's political career. He was a Democrat and a populist and throughout his life he championed the causes of working people and gave voice to their concerns and aspirations.

Morgan established a successful law practice in Lillington and became known as a skilled trial attorney specializing in personal injury, criminal defense, real property law and anti-trust. In 1955, he was elected to the North Carolina Senate and rose to its highest office, President Pro, Tempore. He served until 1968 when he was elected Attorney General of North Carolina. Four years later he was reelected.

As Attorney General, Morgan established one of the nation's first consumer protection offices and was a tenacious advocate for North Carolina residents before the State Utilities Commission that sets rates paid for electric power. He was responsible for the passage of the "Little FTC Act" that made unfair and deceptive trade practices unlawful in North Carolina. He reorganized the Attorney General's office and hired outstanding young law graduates and practicing attorneys, two of whom later became Chief Justice of the North Carolina Supreme Court. He also hired the first African-American lawyer to serve in the Attorney General's office.

Morgan believed strongly that law enforcement officers should receive professional training and persuaded the North Carolina General Assembly to establish a law enforcement training academy and to adopt standards for officers. He revamped the State Bureau of Investigation, which was then in the Justice Department, and after his service in the United States Senate served as Director of the SBI for several years. His landmark achievements as Attorney General of North Carolina and the leadership he provided for the National Association of Attorneys General was recognized by his peers who presented him the Wyman Memorial Award, naming him the Outstanding Attorney General in the United States.

Morgan ran for and was elected to the United States Senate seat previously held by Senator Sam J. Ervin. Morgan was a close friend of former Senator and Vice President Hubert Humphrey who came to North Carolina and keynoted his campaign kickoff event in Buies Creek.

He was a master of the legislative process, and the experience he obtained in the North Carolina State Senate served him well in the United States Senate. He held prestigious committee assignments that included Banking, Armed Services, Public Works and Select Intelligence. His expertise in the area of anti-trust was immediately recognized by his colleagues, and he was tapped by the leadership to lead the floor debate along with former Massachusetts Senator Ted Kennedy that resulted in the passage of landmark federal anti-trust legislation that had languished in the US Senate for years.

While a member of the U.S. Senate, Morgan was appointed by Senate Majority Leader Robert Byrd to the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, chaired by the Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court. He served faithfully and with distinction and subsequently was appointed to the National Portrait Gallery Commission. He remained a Regent Emeritus of the Smithsonian and continued to be active therein until his health began to fail.

Morgan was a fierce advocate for his alma mater, East Carolina University, and served as chairman of its board of trustees. He led the battle for university status for East Carolina and the effort to establish its medical school. East Carolina recognized his outstanding leadership and devotion by conferring upon him an honorary degree; presenting him with the Jarvis Medal, the University's highest service award; naming him Outstanding Alumnus; and presenting him with its Alumni Service Award.

Morgan returned to the practice of law in 1991, opening a law office in Raleigh and Lillington with his two daughters. There he lovingly shared with them, not only his knowledge, but also his commitment to the justice that the law should provide. Trying cases with his daughters was one of the most meaningful gifts that he gave them. He continued to practice law into his 80s.

From 2000 to 2003, Morgan served as founding president of the North Carolina Center for Voter Education, a Raleigh-based nonprofit and nonpartisan organization that seeks to increase civic engagement in North Carolina. He persuaded his friend Senator John McCain of Arizona and later candidate for President, to come to Raleigh and make the organization's kickoff speech. Morgan had a life-long interest in issues related to persons with disabilities and also was an advocate for environmental causes.

He had a distinguished military career. He enlisted in the United States Navy and graduated from Midshipman's School shortly before the end of WWII, serving from 1944-1946. He was recalled during the Korean Conflict serving from 1952-1955. He remained in the Navy Reserve through 1971, advancing to the rank of Lieutenant Commander. He served in the United States Air Force Reserve from 1971-1973, retiring as Lieutenant Colonel.

Robert Morgan was a lifelong Baptist and served on the Board of Deacons of Memorial Baptist Church in Buies Creek and as Chair of the North Carolina Baptist Retirement Homes Foundation.

Robert Morgan is survived by his wife, the former Katie Earle Owen of Roseboro and three children: Margaret Holmes and husband Edward of Chapel Hill and grandchildren Grace and Robert; Mary Morgan of Raleigh and granddaughter Elizabeth Morgan Reeves; and Rupert Tart and wife Valerie of Angier and granddaughters Emma Jayne Crews, and Heather Tart Schaffer and her husband Davey. Surviving nieces and nephews are Mary Lou Matthews and husband Billy Ray, Nancy Morgan Brady, and Larry Morgan and wife, Nancy. He had two sisters and a brother who predeceased him: Lucille Morgan Byrd, Esther Morgan, and Melvin Morgan. He was also predeceased by his daughter, Alice Jean Morgan.

# [From the New York Times, July 18, 2016.] ROBERT B. MORGAN, SENATOR UNDONE BY HIS PANAMA CANAL VOTES, DIES AT 90

Robert B. Morgan, a former United States senator from North Carolina whose votes for treaties to turn the Panama Canal over to Panama in 1978 cost him his seat after only one term, died on Saturday at his home in Buies Creek, N.C. He was 90.

His death was confirmed by Carroll Leggett, his former chief of staff.

Mr. Morgan was a moderate Democrat whose Senate voting record was ranked higher by the American Conservative Union than by the liberal Americans for Democratic Ac-

tion. But his votes on the Panama Canal were his undoing. As he sought re-election in 1980, his Republican challenger, John P. East, attacked him on the issue throughout the campaign, largely through television commercials.

Mr. East's campaign was run by allies of Senator Jesse Helms, the state's senior Republican and an intense foe of giving up the canal, and the attacks were sometimes personal. In one ad, Mr. Helms questioned Mr. Morgan's Christian faith.

Mr. East's victory, by only 10,401 votes out of more than 900,000 cast, was one of at least five Senate elections that turned on the issue of the Panama Canal and helped give President Ronald Reagan the first Republican majority in the Senate since 1955 as he entered office, having turned back Jimmy Carter's bid for re-election. The Republican votes in the Senate were a critical element in Mr. Reagan's legislative successes.

While many senators required wooing by President Carter before they would back the treaties, Mr. Morgan did not. He had been to the Canal Zone in 1976 and believed a change in control was essential lest the canal be possibly sabotaged or attacked. When Mr. Carter called him in August 1977 to ask him not to oppose the treaties until they could be explained to the public, Mr. Morgan surprised the president by telling him that he was already in favor of them.

One treaty gave the canal to Panama through a series of steps concluding in 1999. The other asserted that the canal would remain neutral in perpetuity and authorized the United States to intervene if that neutrality was threatened—a provision to calm fears of a takeover by China or some other hostile power.

By the time they came to votes in March and April 1978, Mr. Morgan had no doubt that the treaties would be unpopular in his state. He said he had received 60,000 pieces of mail about the canal, only 3,000 backing the treaties. But he did not expect the issue to defeat him.

The treaties passed, 68 to 32, only one vote more than the two-thirds required for the Senate to approve treaties.

In an interview for this obituary in 2010, Mr. Morgan said he was sure his decision to back the treaties was the correct one. "I think if I had not done it, there wouldn't be a Panama Canal," he said. Robert Burren Morgan was born on Oct. 5,

Robert Burren Morgan was born on Oct. 5, 1925, in Lillington, N.C., where he lived all his life. He was drafted into the wartime Navy in 1944 during his sophomore year at East Carolina Teachers College in Greenville, N.C., now East Carolina University. He was recalled to duty in the Korean War and saw combat as an officer on the aircraft carrier Valley Forge.

On leaving the Navy, he practiced law and served in the State Senate for 14 years before being elected state attorney general, a post he held from 1969 to 1974.

As attorney general, he took a strong role in furthering consumer protections, creating a law enforcement training academy and expanding the State Bureau of Investigations. After he left the United States Senate, he headed the investigations bureau from 1985 to 1992.

He also led the North Carolina Center for Voter Education, which campaigned for public financing in the election of appellate judges. When the proposal became law in 2002, Mr. Morgan said that "judges will no longer be forced to raise money like politicians" and praised the legislature for acting "to make sure that money and politics have no place in a court of law."

Before the Panama Canal issue, the most controversial aspect of Mr. Morgan's career was his role as campaign manager for I. Beverly Lake, who ran for governor of North Carolina in 1960 as the most segregationist candidate in a field of candidates who all opposed school integration—as anyone who wanted to be elected did then, when very few blacks voted.

"At that time," Mr. Morgan said in 2010, "nobody was integrating."

He said he had taken the position of campaign manager because Mr. Lake, a professor, had been a beloved mentor in law school.

Mr. Morgan is survived by his wife, the former Katie Earle Owen, whom he married in 1960; two daughters, Margaret Morgan Holmes and Mary Morgan; a foster son, Rupert C. Tart Jr.; and five grandchildren.

Some of the personal attacks of the 1980 campaign rankled him, especially the role of Mr. Helms, whom Mr. Morgan had not campaigned against in 1978 during Mr. Helms's own reelection run. Mr. Helms said in a television commercial that the election of Mr. East, a Methodist, was necessary so that the state would be represented by "a real Christian."

In the spring of 1978, Mr. Morgan, an active Baptist, had urged his coreligionists to remain true to their commitment to separation of church and state and not to invoke religion "on matters on which reasonable men may differ."

[From the Washington Post, July 20, 2016.] ROBERT MORGAN, SENATOR WHO CAST CRU-CIAL VOTES FOR PANAMA CANAL TREATIES, DIES AT 90

Robert B. Morgan, a North Carolina Democrat who was a freshman U.S. senator when he cast crucial votes in favor of treaties that transferred control of the Panama Canal to the Panamanian government, a decision that brought a swift end to his Senate career but which he stood by all his life, died July 16 at his home in Buies Creek, N.C. He was 90.

The cause was complications from Alzheimer's disease, said his former Senate chief of staff, Carroll Leggett.

Mr. Morgan practiced law and ascended the ranks of North Carolina politics before his election to the U.S. Senate in 1974. He served in the North Carolina state Senate, including a stint as president pro tempore, from 1955 to 1969 and later was state attorney general, developing a reputation as a hardcharcing activist for consumer rights.

In the U.S. Senate, he assumed the seat vacated by retiring Sen. Sam J. Ervin Jr. (D), who was rocketed to national attention as chairman of the Senate committee that investigated the Watergate scandal during the Nixon administration.

Mr. Morgan accumulated a voting record that "defies ideological labels," according to the Almanac of American Politics. He was liberal on some issues but conservative on others, and he gained his greatest prominence on the matter of the Panama Canal.

The canal and surrounding area, a critical waterway that connects the Pacific and Atlantic oceans, had been controlled by the United States since 1903, an arrangement that by the 1970s had caused increasing friction with the Panamanians

President Jimmy Carter, elected in 1976, became persuaded that authority over the canal should reside with the Panamanian government. Opponents of his position regarded any treaty to that effect as a "giveaway."

Mr. Morgan was initially among those opponents. He changed his position after visiting Panama as a member of the Senate Intelligence Committee and meeting with the CIA contingent there and with Panamanian leaders.

"Our relationship with Panama on the future of the canal is a festering sore and affects our relations not only with Latin America but with the rest of the world," the News and Observer of Raleigh, N.C., quoted Mr. Morgan as saying in a 1977 speech. "Our global position as world leader and a moral standard bearer is seriously weakened by maintaining this vestige of colonialism."

Two treaties were hammered out, one establishing the right of the U.S. military to defend the canal's neutrality and the other giving control of the canal to Panama by 1999.

Together, Mr. Morgan argued in comments reported by the Charlotte Observer, the treaties would "allow us to maintain our vital interests in that country while allowing the Panamanians the dignity and benefit of living on their own land a fact which we would surely insist upon in our part of the United States. It is just plain right to do so."

The treaties were signed in 1977 but faced withering opposition led in part by North Carolina's senior senator, Jesse Helms (R). In 1978, the Senate ratified the treaties by a margin of 68 to 32—just one vote more than the minimum required.

In 1980, Mr. Morgan was challenged by a relatively unknown law professor, Republican John P. East, who attracted the support of Helms's political machine. In his campaign, East told voters that Mr. Morgan had "voted to give your Panama Canal away."

In one of many television ads targeting the Democrat, Helms asserted that "what we need is a real American in the Senate. A real Christian in the U.S. Senate."

"Nothing was said about me not being a real American or a real Christian," Mr. Morgan told People magazine after his defeat, "but it was certainly obvious what Helms meant."

Mr. Morgan lost the race by roughly 10,000 votes.

Robert Burren Morgan, a son of farmers, was born Oct. 5, 1925, in Lillington, N.C.

He served in the Navy before receiving a bachelor's degree from what is now East Carolina University in Greenville, N.C., in 1947 and a law degree from Wake Forest University in North Carolina in 1950.

He returned to the Navy to serve in the Korean War and remained in the Navy Reserve until 1971, attaining the rank of lieutenant commander. He later served in the Air Force Reserve, retiring as a lieutenant colonel.

In 1960, Mr. Morgan managed the unsuccessful gubernatorial campaign of I. Beverly Lake, a staunch segregationist, who lost his bid for the Democratic nomination to Terry Sanford, a more progressive politician who was elected governor that year. Lake had been Mr. Morgan's professor at Wake Forest.

After his Senate tenure, Mr. Morgan ran the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation and the North Carolina Center for Voter Education, an organization that worked on campaign finance issues.

Mr. Morgan's daughter Alice Jean Morgan died in 1967. Survivors include his wife of 55 years, the former Katie Earle Owen of Buies Creek; two daughters, Mary Morgan of Raleigh, N.C., and Margaret Morgan Holmes of Chapel Hill, N.C.; a foster son, Rupert Tart of Angier, N.C.; and five grandchildren.

"I made a lot of decisions, and some cost me politically, cost me dearly," Mr. Morgan told the Fayetteville (N.C.) Observer in 2012, looking back in particular on his votes on the Panama Canal treaties. "But they were decisions I made with a clear conscience."

### CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL CITATIONS

Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD speeches that I had previously given in Montana for four Congressional Medal citations.

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

CONGRESSIONAL MEDALS CITATION, ALEN C. STORM, JULY 15, 2016, KALISPELL, MT

Today I wish to honor Alen C. Storm, a resident of Kalispell, Montana, and decorated veteran of the Iraq war.

Alen, on behalf of myself, my fellow Montanans, and the United States of America, I would like to extend our deepest thanks for your service.

Alen was born on January 8, 1987, in Walla Walla, Washington, to Robert Storm and Valadia (Val-ah-dee-ah) Hunt.

He grew up as the youngest of seven children in Hermiston, Oregon, with three older brothers and three older sisters.

His father was a logger, truck driver, and Army vet, just like Alen's grandfather before him.

Alen also looked up to his oldest brother, Michael, who was about 20 years Alen's senior. Michael was the first of the siblings to carry on the Storm's legacy of service. As a 25-year army veteran, Michael served in Iraq, Afghanistan and Desert Storm.

But the family's desire to protect and defend didn't end there. Alen has yet another brother, Trenton, who actually served in Iraq at the same time that Alen did, as well as a sister, Kathy, who is a 22-year Navy veteran.

So this was the legacy Alen faced when he began weighing his options after graduation. He had been a track star in high school and was considering college, but his desire to protect and serve proved strong. He eventually decided to follow in his family's footsteps, enlisting in the Army just four months out from graduation, on September 21, 2005.

So he packed his bags and headed straight to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, for 18 weeks of basic training. He immediately distinguished himself as a superior trainee, clocking one of the fastest times the base had ever seen in the standard two-mile run during PT.

As a result of his stellar performance, he was recommended for airborne school at Fort Benning in Georgia. Here he would train to be a paratrooper, jumping out of planes and into enemy territory.

But as fate would have it, Alen ended up at Fort Carson, Colorado, where he specialized in Field Artillery, a position affectionately referred to by his comrades as "the eyes of death." This is because Field Artillery is one of the most dangerous and technical duty stations around, deploying ahead of ground forces to scope out enemy territory and relay their locales.

Alen honed these skills for the next eight months—that is until he found out he was being deployed to Iraq.

Alen set off from Fort Carson on October 13, 2006. He eventually touched down in Southern Baghdad, where he would be stationed for the next 14 months.

Alen spent the first two and half months of his deployment working out of the base, helping monitor mortar fire from headquarters. It wasn't until Christmas Day that his group endured its first casualty. Alen was tapped to replace the fallen soldier in the field, becoming the newest member of Baker Company.

He was forced to learn quickly on the line, experiencing his first firefight on day one in the field. He was shot at and hunted down more times than he could count. But it was one fateful day that earned him his Purple Heart. It had been about seven months since Alen arrived in Iraq, his squad was patrolling when their Humvee drove over an IED. The vehicle, along with the soldiers inside it, was thrown 10 feet in the air and shrapnel was everywhere.

Alen's friend Tom, who was sitting directly behind him, tragically didn't make it. Alen sustained significant shrapnel-related wounds and a severe concussion. He spent the next 48 hours in a coma back at the base, but amazingly, was back in the field about a week later.

Finally, after 14 months on the front lines, Alen finally arrived back in the states on December 23, 2007.

He spent the next eight months back in Colorado, training to become a Biomedical Equipment Technician at Fort Carson. He then moved down to Shepperd Air Force Base in Texas, where he continued his training and helped whip new enlistees into shape.

After three years, Alen was medically discharged, but continued to work around the base. Two years ago, his sister—the Navy veteran who lives in Missoula—convinced him to move up to Kalispell, where he'd be closer to his son Justice. Here he met the love of his life, Katie, who he married just a few weeks ago today. They are expecting their first daughter, Ember Marie, in early September.

I now have the profound honor of presenting Alen C. Storm with the Purple Heart Medal, Army Commendation Medal with 2 Bronze Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Achievement Medal, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Global War on Terror Service, and Iraq Campaign Medal with 2 Bronze Service Stars.

Alen, these medals serve as a small token of our country's appreciation for your incredible service and profound sacrifice.

You are truly an American hero. Thank you so much for your service.

#### CONGRESSIONAL MEDALS CITATION, RONALD "RON" SIMS, 8/17/16, BILLINGS, MT

Today I wish to honor Ronald Sims, a lifelong Montanan—born-and-raised—and a decorated veteran of Vietnam.

Ron, on behalf of myself, my fellow Montanans, and my fellow Americans, I would like to extend our deepest gratitude for your service to this nation.

Ron was born on July 8, 1950, in Lewistown, Montana. He grew up just 50 miles east in the town of Winnett, where his father Claude worked as a pumper in the oil patch and his mother Helen was a hot-lunch cook.

In addition to Ron, there was his older sister, Lynne, and his two younger brothers, Mike and Max.

After graduating from high school, Ron spent the summer of 1968 working with his father in the oil patch.

However, his plans quickly changed after receiving a letter from the Army a few short months later.

In January of 1969, Ron began basic and advanced infantry training at Fort Lewis, Washington. And on June 22, he set off for Vietnam as a member of the 1st Infantry Division.

Ron quickly moved up the ranks, becoming a fully-fledged sniper by September. Later that month, Ron and his comrades were ambushed while waiting for a convoy to pass.

Ron engaged three enemy combatants and successfully subdued them, but not before one mustered the strength to fire an M1 grenade launcher at Ron and his truck.

The grenade first hit the truck and then Ron's leg, earning him a Purple Heart.

Ron also earned a Bronze Star with Valor after capturing an enemy solider he found lying in wait near his unit's base. Amazingly, the only long-term injuries Ron sustained during all his time overseas occurred when a landmine detonated under his tank, blowing him through the hatch and peppering his face with shrapnel laced with Agent Orange.

After nine months of service in the 1st Infantry Division, Ron reenlisted as a member of the 101st Airborne Division.

He initially worked on mechanics, learning to service and fix Cobra assault helicopters.

But his superiors quickly recognized a need for his unique combat abilities, and within a month Ron had become a Permanent Sergeant of the Guard, in charge of twelve men along the bunker line.

He continued in this position for another five months before finally returning to the states on October 13, 1970.

Upon his return, Ron volunteered for Drill Instructor training in Fodor, California.

He spent the next two and half years teaching new recruits basic rifle and quick kill marksmanship.

Ron was honorably discharged from the army on December 12, 1972.

He eventually joined the Local 1334 Labors Union in Missoula, and later, the Local 98 and 1686 Bricklayers Unions in Billings, where he served as President for two years.

He also reconnected with his high school sweetheart, Janette.

They raised a son, Robert, who now has two kids of his own—Emily and Zachary with his loving wife Tori.

I now have the profound honor of presenting Ron with his own set of military honors. For his courage and acts of valor in line of duty, Ronald Sims received the Marksman Badge & Auto Rifle Bar & Grenade Bar, Expert Badge & Rifle Bar, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Ribbon with 1960 Device, Combat Infantryman 1st Award, Vietnam Service Medal & Bronze Star Attachment (quadruple), National Defense Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal & Large Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster, Air Medal, Purple Heart Medal, and Bronze Star Medal.

Ron, these medals serve as a small token of our country's appreciation for your incredible service and profound sacrifice.

You are a true American hero. Thank you so much for your service.

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CONGRESSIONAL MEDALS CITATION, GORVAN LE DUC, 8/17/16, BILLINGS, MT

Today I wish to honor Gorvan Le Duc, a longtime resident of Laurel, Montana, and decorated veteran of World War II.

While Mr. Le Duc is no longer with us, his legacy lives on. I am proud to present his medals here today to his son, Gorvan, and his wife, Dorothy.

On behalf of myself, my fellow Montanans, and my fellow Americans, I would like to extend our deepest gratitude for your husband and father's service to this nation.

Gorvan was born on November 25, 1920 in Ontario, Canada. He lived in Port Severn with his mother Albertine and his father William, who built boats.

As a result, Gorvan grew up with a love of sailing and a deep admiration for the sea.

In fact, at age 16, Gorvan began sailing full time. He spent the next three years sailing the Great Lakes, before deciding to enlist in the Merchant Marines.

This was June of 1939—the beginning of World War II—and Gorvan's ship was tasked with delivering food and supplies from the states to U.S. troops in Britain.

Each trek across the Atlantic could take anywhere from 17–23 days, and during the voyage Gorvan did everything from navigating to cleaning the pipes.

Over the next four years Gorvan served this country dutifully amidst death and

strife, but he always kept his sense of humor.

That came in handy on September 25, 1943, when Gorvan's ship, the SS Maiden Creek, was torpedoed by an enemy combatant.

The blast blew Gorvan almost 200 feet in the air, off the deck, and into the Atlantic Ocean.

He sustained 77 fractures throughout his legs and feet, a broken back and a severe concussion.

This left him floating helplessly on the open sea. Eventually, a nearby British ship attempted a moving rescue, but Gorvan was too injured to grab onto the buoy.

So after three failed attempts, a British sailor jumped into the ocean, swam out to Gorvan and dragged him back in.

When the ship's medic informed him that he had just passed out his last blanket and that the crew was fresh out of rum, Gorvan looked up at the medic and said "No blanket? No rum? I guess I won't reup then."

Gorvan was eventually transported to an army hospital back in New York, where he settled down and started raising a family.

But, in 1951, Gorvan went on a hunting trip to Laurel, Montana. He called his wife then and there, and told her to pack up the kids because he wasn't coming back to New York.

So the family moved out to Laurel, and that's where they stayed.

Gorvan was a proud father of four.

His son, who is here with us today, was inspired to go into the service like his father and is himself a veteran of Vietnam.

Gorvan and his wife Dorothy were also married for almost 35 years before he passed away in February of last year.

He is remembered as a master of all trades—a legendary shot, a prolific gardener, an expert Cribbage player and even a pilot.

I now have the profound honor of presenting Gorvan and Dorothy with his medals. For his bravery in line of duty, Gorvan LeDuc received the Combat Bar with Bronze Service Star, Victory Medal, Mariners Medal, Merchant Marine Emblem, Honorable Service Button, and Mediterranean-Middle East War Zone Medal.

These medals serve as a small token of our country's appreciation for Gorvan's incredible service and profound sacrifice.

He is a true hero and we are eternally grateful for his service.

#### CONGRESSIONAL MEDALS CITATION, THOMAS HUFF, 8/17/16, BILLINGS, MT

Today I wish to honor Thomas Huff, a born-and-bred Montanan and decorated veteran of World War II.

Tom, on behalf of myself, my fellow Montanans, and my fellow Americans, I would like to extend our deepest gratitude for your service to this nation.

Tom was born on July 20, 1922, in Moore, Montana, to George and Bertha Huff.

He grew up in Moore with his three sisters—Geneva, June, and Olive—and his brother, George. He was just a few months shy of 21 when he was drafted in February of 1943.

And less than five months later, he was deployed to the Pacific as a Combat Infantryman in the Army's 27th Division.

His tour lasted two years, four months, and three days, and spanned three different islands.

The first of which was Eniwetok—of the Marshall Islands—which his battalion succeeded in capturing in February of 1944.

The next was Saipan—of the North Mariana Islands—where Tom fought amidst the rugged jungle landscape.

This combat zone was so intense that the soldiers dubbed it "Purple Heart Ridge," but Tom fought his way through, ultimately helping the U.S. achieve an important strategic victory in the Pacific.

Finally, in March of 1945, Tom arrived in Okinawa as a hardened soldier and expert marksman.

Here, Tom aided in the capture of pivotal Japanese territory, before contracting a mosquito-borne illness.

Tom was transferred to Fort Lewis, Washington, in September of 1945, spending a total of seven months in the hospital.

Tom was honorably discharged from the Army on February 18, 1946.

He eventually settled in Lewistown, Montana, where he joined the police force and spent the last seven years of his 22-year career as Chief of Police.

After retiring from the force at the age of 55, Tom went on to become a jeweler—in both Lewistown and then Billings—for the next 14 years.

He married his wife, Georgia, just a few years ago at the age of 90. And he is the proud father of five children and a multitude of grandchildren.

I now have the profound honor of presenting Tom with his own set of military honors.

For his bravery in line of duty, Thomas Huff received the Marksman Badge with Carbine Bar, Expert Badge with Rifle Badge, Honorable Service Lapel Button WWII, Combat Infantryman Badge 1st Award, World War II Victory Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal with Arrowhead, Good Conduct Medal, and Bronze Star Medal.

Tom, these medals serve as a small token of our country's appreciation for your incredible service and profound sacrifice.

You are a true American hero. Thank you so much for your service.

# TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL E. KUNZ

Mr. CASEY. Mr. President, I wish to honor Mr. Michael E. Kunz for his 54 years of extraordinary service as Clerk of Court for the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. In 1962, Mr. Kunz was appointed as a deputy clerk following his graduation from Father Judge High School in Philadelphia and went on to receive both his bachelor of science degree and his master of business administration degree from St. Joseph's University. Throughout his career, Mr. Kunz showed an unparalleled enthusiasm for innovation and a profound dedication to ensuring the accessibility of our justice system for all Americans. I would like to take this time to reflect on his service and on the example he set for those who seek to serve their country.

As one of the longest serving Federal court clerks in history, Mr. Kunz represents the growth of the court administrative infrastructure and the importance of the clerk's office in the operations of the court. Mr. Kunz spent much of his career overseeing the expansion of the Eastern District's facilities in Allentown, Easton, Philadelphia, and Reading to accommodate a larger Federal caseload and increased numbers of article III judges, magistrate judges, and court employees. He introduced innovations that allowed the court to do its work more efficiently and transparently than ever before. He helped to pioneer 17 out of the 26 nationally supported automation

systems in the Federal judiciary, as well as advances in electronic case filing, docketing of cases, and fiscal management. Mr. Kunz supervised the introduction of the electronic courtroom; at present, 22 courtrooms in the Eastern District have full electronic capabilities. To ensure accuracy of court records, he implemented digital audio recording systems in all courtrooms in the Eastern District. Such systems allow litigants and members of the public who may not be able to order an expensive transcript or travel to a courthouse to access judicial information in an affordable, timely manner.

Mr. Kunz demonstrated his commitment to improving the courts and preserving their memories by serving on a number national committees and advisory boards. In 1989, Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist appointed him to the Advisory Committee to the Board of the Federal Judicial Center concerning the development of programs relating to the history of the judicial branch. Mr. Kunz served on committees overseeing court statistics, the development of automatic case management systems, changes to the decentralization of the budget and to the Judicial Salary Plan, and is a founding member of the Historical Society for the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. In 1994, he received the Director's Award from the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, just one of many commendations he received throughout his career.

For over 50 years Mr. Kunz has stood for equality and efficiency in the justice system and embodied the selfless character of a true public servant. On behalf of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, I want to thank Mr. Michael E. Kunz for his decades of service and wish him the best for his retirement in the years ahead.

# TRIBUTE TO JANICE MITCHELL

Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, I wish to recognize the service of my staff member Janice Rankin Mitchell of Madison, MS, on the occasion of her retirement following a long and distinguished career with the U.S. Senate as a constituent service representative.

Janice joined the staff of U.S. Senator John C. Stennis on January 15, 1978. She joined my staff in January 1985 following Senator Stennis's retirement.

Janice's tenure as a Senate employee has been historic. Janice Mitchell is one of the longest serving staff members in Senate history and the only African-American woman to have worked for two Senators from Mississippi.

Janice has been a steady and effective presence in my Jackson, MS, field office, where she has directly served Mississippians in need of help with Medicare, Medicaid, and the Social Security Administration.

Janice is compassionate, caring, and proficient. She has exceeded her duty to help Mississippians navigate Federal programs and receive the benefits to which they are entitled. During her tenure in the Senate, Janice has managed nearly 5,000 constituent cases, more than 3,000 of which have been resolved favorably.

One constituent, Mr. Buddy Cooper of Florence, MS, wrote to me about Janice's work on his behalf. He described her as "the person who reached out her hand and led us from darkness to light . . . who went from being a friend to part of the family."

Beyond her service to the Senate, Janice's involvement in her community and church reflect her commitment to serve others. Janice is a faithful and devoted member of Cade Chapel Missionary Baptist Church. She has served in many ministries there, including the choir and the Sunday school, where she is currently in charge of all classes for teenagers.

Janice and her husband of 37 years, Johnny Mitchell, have two children, Jonathan and Jasmine, and a granddaughter, Ja'Lena, by Jonathan, and his wife, Santina. Janice's parents, the late Reverend and Mrs. Nelvis Rankin, Sr., would be proud of their "baby daughter."

Retirement will be the end of Janice's 38-year career with the Senate but will mark the beginning of many new opportunities for her and her family. Janice looks forward to travelling and spending time with her family in her favorite role as "Granny."

From myself and all of those who have worked with Janice, we say thank you for your years of service to Mississippi and the United States.

# ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

# TRIBUTE TO MAJOR GENERAL AUGUSTUS L. COLLINS

• Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, it is an honor to pay tribute today to MG Augustus L. Collins, the adjutant general of the Mississippi Army and Air National Guard. General Collins is retiring after a remarkable legacy of nearly 40 years of military service.

Mississippi Governor Phil Bryant appointed General Collins as adjutant general in 2012, and the readiness of Mississippi's 12,275 citizen soldiers and airmen has thrived under General Collins's strong leadership. The excellent organizational and command skills exercised by General Collins have ensured that Mississippi's National Guard forces are equipped and trained to accomplish any mission, whether responding to natural disasters at home or deployed to combat zones overseas.

General Collins enlisted in the Mississippi Army National Guard in March 1977. Following his enlistment, he completed State officer candidate school and was commissioned in July of 1980. As a commissioned officer, General Collins advanced quickly up the ranks and continuously trusted with new levels of responsibility. General Collins's leadership skills led to assignments in command and staff positions at every level, including company, battalion, regiment, brigade, and the adjutant general's primary staff in both a traditional and Active Guard Reserve status.

General Collins's record of military service also includes being called to Active Duty in Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm and commanding the 155th Armored Brigade Combat Team during combat operations in Operation Iraqi Freedom from 2004 to 2006.

The commitment, courage and sacrifice demonstrated by General Collins is reflected in the many awards and decorations earned over his distinguished career. These honors include, but are not limited to, the Legion of Merit, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Armed Forces Reserve Medal, and the Mississippi Magnolia Cross.

General Collins is a true patriot and one of the most respected leaders in Mississippi. His care and commitment for our citizen soldiers and their families is unwavering. On a personal level, I am grateful for the opportunity to work closely with General Collins. His strength of character, gracious presence, and warm personality always make him a pleasure to be around.

It is an honor to commend General Collins and to express appreciation to him for a job well done. The State of Mississippi and United States of America are better because of you.

# TRIBUTE TO MEN AND WOMEN IN RADIO

• Mr. ISAKSON. Mr. President, today I wish to commend the men and women who work in radio broadcasting and to thank the National Broadcasting Professionals Coalition of Radio and Music for ensuring all those working in this profession are properly recognized for their contributions to society. The legislature in my home State of Georgia passed a resolution during the 2016 legislative session recognizing an entire week of April as "Men and Women in Radio Broadcasting Week" in our State, proposed by Atlanta radio host Dee Hill.

Today I particularly recognize the "Fabulous Five" women who were recently honored for their contributions at the Women in Radio reception in Atlanta, GA, hosted by Dee Hill Presentations and Annabella's Foundation, Inc. I congratulate these women-Carol Blackmon, Regina Allen Slaughter, Michele Williams, Svlvia James, and Mvrna Taylor-Ransom—who have marked outstanding professional achievements in their industry.

These women and all those who work in radio broadcasting are the producers of radio shows, station managers, disc jockeys, radio hosts, and traffic reporters. They are the pioneers of internet radio, blog talk radio, and podcasts. They are in front of the microphone and working behind the scenes to produce radio shows and keep radio stations on the air. We thank them all for their fine work to keep our Nation informed, to encourage debate, and to entertain  $us. \bullet$ 

# RECOGNIZING THE SALT LAKE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

• Mr. LEE. Mr. President, my home State of Utah has long been one of the best kept secrets in America. But this is beginning to change. Utah is increasingly recognized as one of the best places in the world to live, study, work, raise a family, start a business, and build communities. In fact, many call Utah the next Silicon Valley, as the Beehive State is fast becoming one of the most popular destinations in America for venture-capital funding and pioneering businesses.

Central to the success of our State's business community is the Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce, Utah's largest business association, with members in each of the State's 29 counties, representing more than 8,000 businesses and nearly half the State's workforce.

For generations, the Salt Lake Chamber has played a pivotal role in building a strong and dynamic economy across Utah, by supporting its members, forging collaborative and productive partnerships, and investing in local communities in every corner of the State.

On June 8, 2016, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce recognized the Salt Lake Chamber's record of success by awarding it a five-star accreditation—a highly esteemed designation carried by only 204 of the approximately 7,000 chambers of commerce across the country. Receiving a five-star accreditation proves what many Utahns already knew to be true: the Salt Lake Chamber embodies the enterprising and cooperative spirit of our State and our people.

On behalf of the people of Utah, I congratulate the Salt Lake Chamber and the thousands of Utah businesses and workers they support—for this well-deserved and impressive distinction, and I thank the chamber's staff, board, and volunteers for the outstanding work that the five-star accreditation represents.•

# TRIBUTE TO DR. ROBERT WITT

• Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. President, it is with great pleasure and the highest regards that I speak on the accomplishments of my valued constituent and friend, Dr. Robert Witt. On August 31, 2016, Dr. Witt retired after 4 years as chancellor of the University of Alabama System and 13 total years of service with the system.

Dr. Witt served as the 26th president of the University of Alabama from 2003–2012, which were some of the most

successful years in the history of the university. Indeed, I believe it will be difficult for any other president of the university to match his success. When Dr. Witt first arrived in Tuscaloosa, he pursued a strategy called for increasing enrollment, stimulating growth in research, supporting economic expansion in Alabama, raising faculty salaries, boosting financial aid, and expanding university facilities. And he accomplished it all.

Dr. Witt's record of groundbreaking enrollment is unparalleled. In 2003, there were less than 20,000 students on campus. His plan called for increasing student enrollment to 28,000 by 2013. This goal was achieved much sconer, as the university enrolled 28,807 students in 2009. Throughout Dr. Witt's tenure, the University of Alabama experienced explosive growth with phenomenal increases in enrollment of both instate and out-of-State students.

The university had a record-breaking year in 2012, when 33,602 students registered for classes. Each subsequent year brought another record student enrollment, and today the student population exceeds 37,000. The Washington Post recently named the university as the fastest growing flagship university in the Nation after finding it has experienced a stunning 92 percent rate of growth. The Post's analysis acknowledged that the growth at the University of Alabama has surpassed that of all the other growing Southeastern Conference universities.

Even with this unprecedented and dramatic growth, academic quality and scholarship opportunities increased. This increase in student population was accompanied by new construction and renovations to campus buildings, such as new residence halls and dining facilities. Dr. Witt's vision positioned the University of Alabama as one of the fastest growing public research institutions in the Nation.

Dr. Witt brilliantly created the university's honors college in 2003. It has grown today to more than 6,500 students. The honors college is rooted in four pillars of the educational experience: innovative scholarship, advanced research, civic engagement, and cultural interaction. It has been instrumental in attracting the very top tier of academic talent from all over the Nation and the world to the school.

The growth of the student population was complemented by the athletic success. After several trying years on the football field, Dr. Witt and his administration selected Nick Saban as the head football coach in 2007. Nine years and four national championships later, Coach Saban proved to be the best of his profession. Dr. Witt has stated that hiring Coach Saban was the best financial investment that the university has ever made. Sports success increased enthusiasm among the alumni, students, and prospective students. Dr. Witt used this excitement to further his goals. The university's capital improvement campaign goal was exceeded by several

millions of dollars. Bryant-Denny Stadium was also expanded from 84,000 to 101,821 seats.

His capital campaigns were highly successful. High-quality construction increased the size, beauty, and utility of the campus. In 2003 when Dr. Witt began his career in Tuscaloosa, student enrollment was 20,333. The incoming freshman class that year was 3,075. Total enrollment has since grown to 37,100, and in 2015, the incoming freshmen class had 7,211 students, all the while raising academic scores.

During his tenure, Dr. Witt also contributed to the prestige of the University of Alabama School of Law. The law school has been consistently ranked in the top tier of law schools and is currently ranked 28th of all law schools, State and private, in the Nation by US News.

Dr. Witt's success has continued over these last 4 years in his time as chancellor of the University of Alabama System. As chancellor, he oversaw three university campuses, with a budget exceeding \$5 billion. In this position, Dr. Witt endeavored to strengthen the system's support for economic development. During this time, total enrollment and total faculty continued to grow.

Dr. Witt is chairman of the council of presidents of Alabama's public colleges and universities. His other leadership activities include the Governor's College & Career Ready Task Force; the American Cast Iron Pipe Company Board of Directors; the Alexis deTocqueville Executive Committee; and the Advisory Board, Elizabeth Project Care Board. He is past chairman of the Chamber of Commerce of West Alabama, a past member of the Tuscaloosa County IDA Board, and the Black Warrior Council Boy Scouts of America. In 2011, he was inducted into to the Alabama Academy of Honor, which is comprised of 100 living Alabamians elected on the basis of service to the State.

On June 15, 2016, he was honored with a bronze statue on the Tuscaloosa campus's Presidential Village. Additionally, the dorms on the north side of campus and the activity center will be named in his honor. Upon his retirement, Dr. Witt plans to take a yearlong sabbatical before returning to the university to teach at his honors college.

In light of these and all of his many accomplishments, I want to congratulate Dr. Witt on his outstanding career and to wish him the very best in his next endeavor. Dr. Witt's record of positive leadership at the University of Alabama must be recognized as perhaps the most successful in Alabama's history. Words fail to fully capture the enormity of his achievement. A fine, respected, and solid State university has been transformed. On behalf of the people of Alabama, let me express my appreciation.•

# RECOGNIZING THE DELTA WORK READY ACADEMY

• Mr. VITTER. Mr. President, the Mississippi River Delta region is one of the poorest areas in the country, with vast economic development, education, and workforce training needs. Many people are struggling to maximize their professional potential and earning power due to a lack of resources and job opportunities. However, one community leader has dedicated himself to helping younger generations of Americans achieve success through a new. innovative education program designed to help them become productive members of the workforce. I would like to recognize Reverend James Smith and the Delta Work Ready Academy for their exemplary efforts to enrich communities through workforce training.

As a former truancy officer for Richland Parish schools, Reverend James Smith of Rayville, LA, was inspired to create Delta Work Ready Academy to help young Louisianians who need a second chance reach new levels of economic prosperity and professional excellence. Students participating in the program are often the ones who are barely passing or have dropped out of high school, and who are most in need of help. Through his experience, Reverend Smith has seen firsthand how teaching these young adults skills they need to succeed can break the cycle of poverty that has plagued many rural communities for decades.

The Delta Work Ready Academy allows students age 14 to 21 to gain useful and in-demand skills, such as carpentry and electrical training, in addition to "soft skills" like workplace behavior, punctuality, and teamwork. Students are paid minimum wage for the time it takes to complete the program and finish with an industry-based certification that will allow them to move into a high-paying job. Since the founding of the program, many companies have partnered with the Delta Work Ready Academy to bring young and energetic students into the workforce. I am confident that programs like Delta Work Ready Academy will help bridge the gap between Louisiana's rapid economic expansion and its struggle to provide the necessary number of skilled workers.

I appreciate and applaud the hard work and achievements of Reverand Smith and the Delta Work Ready Academy, and I would like to thank all of the folks who sacrifice their time to impact the lives of young Louisianians. I look forward to its continued growth and 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.)

# MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 6, 2015, the Secretary of the Senate, on July 19, 2016, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MESSER) has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 764. An act to reauthorize and amend the National Sea Grant College Program Act, and for other purposes.

S. 2893. An act to reauthorize the sound recording and film preservation programs of the Library of Congress, and for other purposes.

S. 3055. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide a dental insurance plan to veterans and survivors and dependents of veterans.

S. 3207. An act to authorize the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped to provide playback equipment in all formats.

H.R. 2607. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7802 37th Avenue in Jackson Heights, New York, as the "Jeanne and Jules Manford Post Office Building". H.R. 3700. An act to provide housing oppor-

H.R. 3700. An act to provide housing opportunities in the United States through modernization of various housing programs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3931. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 620 Central Avenue Suite IA in Hot Springs National Park, Arkansas, as the "Chief Petty Officer Adam Brown United States Post Office".

H.R. 3953. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4122 Madison Street, Elfers, Florida, as the "Private First Class Felton Roger Fussell Memorial Post Office".

H.R. 4010. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 522 North Central Avenue in Phoenix, Arizona, as the "Ed Pastor Post Office".

H.R. 4425. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 110 East Powerhouse Road in Collegeville, Minnesota, as the "Eugene J. McCarthy Post Office".

H.R. 4747. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6691 Church Street in Riverdale, Georgia, as the "Major Gregory E. Barney Post Office Building".

H.R. 4761. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 61 South Baldwin Avenue in Sierra Madre, California, as the "Louis Van Iersel Post Office".

H.R. 4777. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1301 Alabama Avenue in Selma, Alabama as the "Amelia Boynton Robinson Post Office Building".

H.R. 4877. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3130 Grants Lake Boulevard in Sugar Land, Texas, as the "LCpl Garrett W. Gamble, USMC Post Office Building".

H.R. 4904. An act to require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to

issue a directive on the management of software licenses, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4925. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 229 West Main Cross Street, in Findlay, Ohio, as the "Michael Garver Oxley Memorial Post Office Building". H.R. 4975. An act to designate the facility

H.R. 4975. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5720 South 142nd Street in Omaha, Nebraska, as the "Petty Officer 1st Class Caleb A. Nelson Post Office Building".

H.R. 4987. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3957 2nd Avenue in Laurel Hill, Florida, as the "Sergeant First Class William 'Kelly' Lacey Post Office". H.R. 5028. An act to designate the facility

H.R. 5028. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10721 E Jefferson Ave in Detroit, Michigan, as the "Mary E. McCoy Post Office Building".

H.R. 5722. An act to establish the John F. Kennedy Centennial Commission.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 6, 2015, the enrolled bills were signed on July 19, 2016, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the Acting President pro tempore (Mr. CRAPO).

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 6, 2015, the Secretary of the Senate, on July 25, 2016, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution:

S. Con. Res. 50. Concurrent resolution providing for an adjournment of the House of Representatives.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 409(b) of the Puerto Rico Oversight, Management and Economic Stability Act (PROMESA), the Minority Leader appoints the following Members to the Congressional Task Force on Economic Growth in Puerto Rico: Representative NYDIA VELÁZQUEZ of New York and Representative PEDRO PIERLUIST, Resident Commissioner of Puerto Rico.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 409(b) of the Puerto Rico Oversight, Management and Economic Stability Act, and the order of the House of January 6, 2015, the Speaker appoints the following Members to the Congressional Task Force on Economic Growth in Puerto Rico: Mr. DUFFY of Wisconsin and Mr. MAC-ARTHUR of New Jersey.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 409(d) of the Puerto Rico Oversight, Management and Economic Stability Act, and the order of the House of January 6, 2015, the Speaker designates the following member of the Congressional Task Force on Economic Growth in Puerto Rico as its Chair: Mr. HATCH of Utah.

# MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:02 p.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. 5538. An act making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environ-

ment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, and for other purposes.

# MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 5538. An act making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, and for other purposes.

# MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

H.R. 3231. To amend title 5, United States Code, to protect unpaid interns in the Federal Government from workplace harassment and discrimination, and for other purposes.

# ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on July 19, 2016, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 764. An act to reauthorize and amend the National Sea Grant College Program Act, and for other purposes.

S. 2893. An act to reauthorize the sound recording and film preservation programs of the Library of Congress, and for other purposes.

S. 3055. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide a dental insurance plan to veterans and survivors and dependents of veterans.

S. 3207. An act to authorize the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped to provide playback equipment in all formats.

# 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-6196. A communication from the United States Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a draft Statement of Administrative Action and a copy of the final legal text of the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) Agreement; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6197. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notification of the President's intent to exempt all military personnel accounts from sequestration for fiscal year 2017, if a sequestration is necessary; to the Committees on Appropriations; Armed Services; and the Budget.

EC-6198. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Mid-Session Review of the Budget of the U.S. Government for Fiscal Year 2017"; to the Committees on Appropriations; and the Budget.

EC-6199. A communication from the Director for Legislative Affairs, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties semiannual report for the first and second quarters of fiscal year 2016; to the Committees on the Judiciary; Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; and Select Committee on Intelligence. EC-6200. A communication from the Assist-

ant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Examining Oversight of the Privacy & Security of Health Data Collected by Entities Not Regulated by HIPAA"; to the Committees on Finance; Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; and Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6201. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Review Group, Commodity Credit Corporation, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rural Housing Service, Rural Business-Cooperative Service, Rural Utilities Service, and Farm Service Agency" (RIN0560-AH02) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6202. Å communication from the Management Analyst, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reauthorization of the United States Grain Standards Act" (RIN0580-AB24) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 3, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6203. 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 989" (Docket No. AMS-FV-14-0069) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6204. 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 "Olives Grown in California; Suspension and Revision of Incoming Size-Grade Requirements" (Docket No. AMS-SC-16-0031) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6205. 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 "Grapes Grown in a Designated Area of Southeastern California; Order Amending Marketing Order 925" (Docket No. AMS-FV-14-0049) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6206. A communication from the Director of the Issuances Staff, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Electronic Export Application and Certification Charge; Flexibility in the Requirements for Export Inspection Marks, Devices, and Certificates; Egg Products Export Certification" (RIN0583-AD41) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 13, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6207. A communication from the Director of the Issuances Staff, Food Safety and

Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Eligibility of Namibia To Export Meat Products to the United States" (RIN0583-AD51) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 26, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6208. A communication from the Director of the Issuances Staff, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Requirements for the Disposition of Non-Ambulatory Disabled Veal Calves" (RIN0583-AD54) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6209. Å communication from the Associate Director for Operations, National Institute of Food and Agriculture, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Agriculture and Food Research Initiative Competitive Federal Grants Program—General Administration Provisions" (RIN0524-AA67) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6210. A communication from the Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Organization and Functions; Releasing Information; Privacy Act Regulations; Enforcement of Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Handicap in Programs or Activities Conducted by the Farm Credit Administration" (RIN3052-AD17) received in the Office of the President pro tempore of the Senate; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6211. A communication from the Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Margin and Capital Requirements for Covered Swap Entities" (RIN3052-AC69) received in the Office of the President pro tempore of the Senate; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6212. A communication from the Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation Governance; Standards of Conduct; Risk Management; and Disclosure and Reporting" (RIN3052-AC89) received in the Office of the President pro tempore of the Senate; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6213. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cloquintocet-mexyl; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9947-78) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6214. 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 Tolerance" (FRL No. 9948-73) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6215. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2-Propenoic acid, butyl ester, polymer with ethenyl acetate and sodium ethenesulfonate; Tolerance Exemption" (FRL No. 9948-64) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6216. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cyprodinil; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9948-28) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6217. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Isaria fumosorosea strain FE 9901; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9945-41) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6218. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Aminocyclopyrachlor; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9944-48) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6219. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Halauxifen-methyl; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9946-30) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6220. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "n-Butyl 3-hydroxybutyrate and Isopropyl 3-hydroxybutyrate; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9949-49) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6221. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Flumioxazin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9949-21) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry. EC-6222. A communication from the Direc-

EC-6222. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Flumioxazin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9949-21-OCSPP) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6223. A communication from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to annual permit fees and the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the report; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6224. 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 "Tuberculosis in Cattle and Bison; State and Zone Designations; California" (Docket No. APHIS-2016-0052) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6225. A communication from the Chief of the Planning and Regulatory Affairs Branch, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program: Eliminating Applications Through Community Eligibility as Required by the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010" (RIN0584-AE16) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6226. Å communication from the Chief of the Planning and Regulatory Affairs Branch, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program: Nutrition Standards for All Foods Sold in School as Required by the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010" (RIN0584-AE09) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6227. A communication from the Chief of the Planning and Regulatory Affairs Branch, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Administrative Reviews in the School Nutrition Programs" (RIN0584-AE30) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6228. A communication from the Chief of the Planning and Regulatory Affairs Branch, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Local School Wellness Policy Implementation Under the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010" (RIN0584-AE25) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6229. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Margin and Capital Requirements for Covered Swap Entities" (RIN3064-AE21) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6230. 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 "National Poultry Improvement Plan and Auxiliary Provisions" ((RIN0579-AE16) (Docket No. APHIS-2014-0101)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 12, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6231. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Counternarcotics and Global Threats), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Department of Defense counternarcotics support activities (OSS-2016-0919); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6232. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, the quarterly exception Selected Acquisition Reports (SARs) as of June 30, 2016 (OSS-2016-1056); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6233. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Public Affairs Liaison with Industry" (RIN0790-AI94) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6234. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of General John M. Paxton, Jr., United States Marine Corps, and his advancement to the grade of general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6235. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General John A. Toolan, Jr., United States Marine Corps, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6236. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Perry L. Wiggins, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6237. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General John F. Mulholland, Jr., United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6238. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Update to the Report on Efficient Utilization of Department of Defense Real Property"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6239. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fiscal Year 2016 Operational Energy Budget Certification Report"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6240. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, the Defense Environmental Programs Annual Report for fiscal year 2015; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6241. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), 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-6242. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of twelve (12) officers 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-6243. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Detection and Avoidance of Counterfeit Electronic Parts-Further Implementation" ((RIN0750-AI58) (DFARS Case 2014-D005)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6244. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: New Qualifying Countries-Japan and Slovenia" ((RIN0750-AI97) (DFARS Case 2016-D023)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6245. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of a national emergency declared in Executive Order 13222 with respect to the lapse of the Export Administration Act of 1979; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6246. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13441 with respect to Lebanon; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6247. 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 significant transnational criminal organizations that was established in Executive Order 13581 on July 24, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6248. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Division of Trading and Markets, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulation SBSR—Reporting and Dissemination of Security-Based Swap Information" (RIN3235-AL71) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6249. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Defense Production Act Annual Fund Report for Fiscal Year 2015"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6250. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Updated Statements of Legal Authority for the Export Administration Regulations" (RIN0694-AG99) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 13, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6251. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to the Export Administration Regulations to Add Targets for the Production of Tritium and Related Development and Production Technology to the List of 0Y521 Series" (RIN0694-AG90) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 3, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6252. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration,

Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Commerce Control List: Addition of Items Determined to No Longer Warrant Control Under United States Munitions List Category XIV (Toxicological Agents) or Category XVIII (Directed Energy Weapons)" (RIN0694-AF52) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6253. A communication from the Chair of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Annual Report to Congress on the Presidential \$1 Dollar Coin Program"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6254. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process that was declared in Executive Order 12947 of January 23, 1995; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6255. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Libya that was originally declared in Executive Order 13566 of February 25, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6256. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13224 of September 23, 2001, with respect to persons who commit, threaten to commit, or support terrorism; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6257. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the continuation of the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13396 on February 7, 2006, with respect to Cote d'Ivoire; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6258. A communication from the Deputy Secretary, Office of the General Counsel, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to the Commission's Rules of Practice" (RIN3235-AL87) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6259. A communication from the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2015 Annual Report on Preservation and Promotion of Minority-Owned National Banks and Federal Savings Associations; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6260. A communication from the Program Specialist of the Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rules of Practice and Procedure; Rules of Practice and Procedure in Adjudicatory Proceedings; Civil Money Penalty Inflation Adjustments" (RIN1557-AE04) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6261. A communication from the Regulatory Specialist of the Legislative and Regulatory Activities Division, Office of the

Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appraisals for Higher-Priced Mortgage Loans Exemption Threshold" (RIN7100-AD99) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6262. 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; Maine: Bald Island, Hancock County" ((44 CFR Part 64) (Docket No. FEMA-2016-0002)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6263. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations; Onondaga County, New York" (Docket No. FEMA-2016-0002) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6264. A communication from the Regulatory Liaison, Office of Natural Resources Revenue, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Consolidated Federal Oil & Gas and Federal & Indian Coal Valuation Reform" (RIN1012-AA13) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 13, 2016; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6265. A communication from the Regulatory Liaison, Office of Natural Resources Revenue, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to Civil Penalty Regulations" (RIN1012-AA05) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2016; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6266. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "DOE Procedures to Enhance Emergency Preparedness for Natural Disasters"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6267. A communication from the Deputy Chief of the National Forest System, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the final map and boundary for the Skagit Wild and Scenic River, added to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6268. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program: Final Coverage Determination; Test Procedures for Miscellaneous Refrigeration Products" ((RIN1904-AD44; RIN1904-AC66; and RIN1904-AC51) (Docket No. EERE-2013-BT-TP-0029 and Docket No. EERE-2011-BT-DET-0072)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2016; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6269. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program: Enforcement of Regional Standards for Central Air Conditioners'' ((RIN1904-AC68) (Docket No. EERE-2011-BT-CE-0077)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2016; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6270. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Ceiling Fans" ((RIN1904-AD10) (Docket No. EERE-2013-BT-TP-0050)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6271. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civil Monetary Penalty Inflation Adjustments" (Docket No. RM16-16-000) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2016; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6272. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Requirements for Frequency and Voltage Ride Through Capability of Small Generating Facilities" (Docket No. RM16-8-000) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 3, 2016; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6273. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revised Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards" (Docket No. RM15-14-002) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2016; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6274. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report on Uncosted Balances for Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2014"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6275. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Acquisition Regulation: Technical and Administrative Changes to Department of Energy Acquisition Regulation" (RIN1991-AC00) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6276. 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; Measurement and Reporting of Condensable Particulate Matter Emissions" (FRL No. 9949-94-Region 3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6277. 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; Florida; Regional Haze Progress Report" (FRL No. 9950-01-Region 4) received during adjournment of the

Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6278. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Promulgation of State Implementation Plan Revisions; Infrastructure Requirements for the 2008 Lead, 2008 Ozone, 2010 NO2, 2010 SO2, and 2012 PM2.5 National Abient Air Quality Standards; Utah" (FRL No. 9949–99– Region 8) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6279. 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 Aerospace Manufacturing and Rework Facilities Risk and Technology Review; Clarification" (FRL No. 9950-10-OAR) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6280. 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; VT; Prevention of Significant Deterioration, Nonattainment and Minor Source Review" (FRL No. 9950-03-Region 1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6281. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous and Solid Waste Management System: Disposal of Coal Combustion Residues from Electric Utilities; Compliance Timeframes Extension for Certain Inactive Surface Impoundments; Response to Partial Vacatur" (FRL No. 9949-44-OLEM) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6282. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to Regional Consistency Regulations" (FRL No. 9949-79-OAR) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6283. 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 California Air Plan Revisions, Modoc County Air Pollution Control District, Permit Programs" (FRL No. 9948-26-Region 9) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6284. 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 California Air Plan Revisions, Placer County Air Pollution Control District and Ventura County Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 9948-10-Region 9) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6285. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division,

Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to California State Implementation Plan; Bay Area Air Quality Management District; Stationary Source Permits" (FRL No. 9947-70-Region 9) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Of-

fice of the President of the Senate on July

29, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. EC-6286. 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: Revision to the Regulatory Definition of Volatile Organic Compounds—Exclusion of 1,1,2,2-Tetrafluoro-1-(2,2,2-trifluoroethoxy) ethane (HFE-347pcf2)" (FRL No. 9949-77-OAR) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public

Works. EC-6287. 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; Maryland; Reasonable Further Progress Plan, Contingency Measures, Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets for the Baltimore 1997 8-Hour Ozone Serious Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9949– 70-Region 3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6288. 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; Maryland; Control of Volatile Organic Compounds Emissions from Fiberglass Boat Manufacturing Materials" (FRL No. 9949-72-Region 3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6289. 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; Maine: Prevention of Significant Deterioration; PM2.5" (FRL No. 9949-58-Region 1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6290. 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 Missouri's Air Quality Implementation Plans; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan Revision and 2013 Five-Year Progress Report" (FRL No. 9949-68-Region 7) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6291. 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. 9948-81) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 13, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6292. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of the Attainment Date for the Oakridge, Oregon 24-hour PM2.5 Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9949-18-Region 10) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 13, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6293. 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 State Implementation Plan revisions to Permits, Rules and Approval Orders; Utah" (FRL No. 9948-89-Region 8) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 13, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6294. 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; Louisiana; Permitting of Greenhouse Gases" (FRL No. 9949-09-Region 6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 13, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6295. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Finding of Failure to Submit a State Implementation Plan; Maryland; Interstate Transport Requirements for the 2008 8-Hour National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Ozone" (FRL No. 9949-34-Region 3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6296. 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 California Air Plan Revisions, El Dorado County Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 9948-08-Region 9) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6297. 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 of the 1-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard in the San Joaquin Valley Nonattainment Area in California" (FRL No. 9949-07-Region 9) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

EC-6298. 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; State of Kansas; 2015 Kansas State Implementation Plan for the 2008 Lead Standard" (FRL No. 9949-13-Region 7) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6299. 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; RI; Correction, Administrative and Miscellaneous Revisions" (FRL No. 9949-32-Region 1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6300. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory

Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Availability of Certain North American Electric Reliability Corporation Databases to the Commission" (Docket No. RM15-25-000) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2016; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6301. 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; Oregon; Medford Area Carbon Monoxide Second 10-Year Maintenance Plan" (FRL No. 9949-00-Region 10) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6302. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Limited Approval, Limited Disapproval of California Air Plan Revisions, Eastern Kern Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 9947-69-Region 9) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6303. 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; RI; Regional Haze Five Year Progress Report" (FRL No. 9949-17-Region 1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6304. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Deadline for Action on the Section 126 Petition From Connecticut" (FRL No. 9949-42-OAR) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6305. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clean Data Determination for 1997 PM2.5 Standards; California—South Coast; Applicability of Clean Air Act Requirements" (FRL No. 9949-47-Region 9) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6306. 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 for the Portland Cement Manufacturing Industry" ((RIN2060-AS98) (FRL No. 9949-46-OAR)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6307. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Chemical Reporting: Community Right-to-Know; Revisions to Hazard Categories and Minor Corrections; Correction" ((RIN2050-AG85) (FRL No. 9949-05-OLEM)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. EC-6308. 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 California Air Plan Revisions, Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District, Riverside County Air Pollution Control District, and San Bernardino County Air Pollution Control District" (FRL No. 9949-24-Region 9) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6309. 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; Louisiana; Revisions to the New Source Review State Implementation Plan; Air Permit Procedure Revisions" (FRL No. 9950-18-Region 6) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 2, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6310. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Arkansas: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision" (FRL No. 9950-13-Region 6) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 2, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6311. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Finding that Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Aircraft Cause or Contribute to Air Pollution that May Reasonably Be Anticipated to Endanger Public Health and Welfare" ((RIN2060-AS31) (FRL No. 9950-15-OAR)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 2, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6312. 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; Prevention of Significant Deterioration and Approval of Infrastructure State Implementation Plans for Specific National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9950-29-Region 3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 2, 2016; to the on Environment and Public Committee Works.

EC-6313. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Allocations of Cross-State Air Pollution Rule Allowances from New Unit Set-Asides for the 2016 Compliance Year" (FRL No. 9949-93-OAR) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 2, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6314. 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; DC; Infrastructure Requirements for the 2012 PM2.5 NAAQS" (FRL No. 9950-73-Region 3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. EC-6315. 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; South Carolina; Prong 4-2008 Ozone, 2010 NO2, SO2, and 2012 PM2.5" (FRL No. 9950-82-Region 4) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6316. 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; Control of Volatile Organic Compound Emissions from Fiberglass Boat Manufacturing Materials" (FRL No. 9950-69-Region 3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6317. 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; Virginia: Case-by-Case Reasonably Available Control Technology for the 2008 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS)(FRL No. 9950-71-Region 3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2016; to the Committee on Enviconment and Public Works.

EC-6318. 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; State of Iowa; Infrastructure State Implementation Plan (SIP) Requirements for the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter (PM2.5) National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS), and the Adoption of the 1997 PM2.5 Standard" (FRL No. 9950-65-Region 7) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2016; to the Public Committee on Environment and Works

EC-6319. 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; Alabama: Volatile Organic Compounds" (FRL No. 9949-65-Region 4) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6320. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in Procurement Under EPA Financial Assistance Agreements" ((RIN2090-AA40) (FRL No. 9946-27-OA)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6321. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emission Guidelines and Compliance Times for Municipal Solid Waste Landfills" ((RIN2060-AS23) (FRL No. 9949-55-OAR)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6322. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division,

Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standards of Performance for Municipal Solid Waste Landfills" ((RIN2060-AM08) (FRL No. 9949-51-Region OAR)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6323. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 9948-11-Region 9) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6324. 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; California; San Joaquin Valley; Revisions to Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets for Ozone and Particulate Matter" (FRL No. 9949-84-Region 9) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6325. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Amendments to Performance Specification 18 and Procedure 6" (FRL No. 9950-26-OAR) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6326. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan; San Joaquin Valley; Demonstration of Creditable Emission Reductions from Economic Incentive Programs" (FRL No. 9950-19-Region 9) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6327. 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 Iowa's Air Quality Implementation Plans; Regional Haze State Implementation Plan Revision and 2013 Five-Year Progress Report" (FRL No. 9949-82-Region 7) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6328. 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; Louisiana; Interstate Transport of Air Pollution for the 2008 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9950-49-Region 6) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6329. 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

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Quality Implementation Plans; Texas; Interstate Transport of Air Pollution for the 2008 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9950-50-Region 6) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6330. 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; NH; Control of Volatile Organic Compound Emissions from Minor Core Activities" (FRL No. 9950-60-Region 1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6331. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Wisconsin; Approval/Disapproval of Interstate Transport Requirements for the 2008 Ozone NAAQS" (FRL No. 9950-54-Region 5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6332. 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; Indiana; Abengoa Bioenergy of Indiana, Commissioner's Order" (FRL No. 9950-52-Region 5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6333. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technical Correction to Equation 2 in Appendix N" ((RIN2060-AS89) (FRL No. 9950-48-OAR)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6334. 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; Idaho: Stationary Source Permitting Revisions" (FRL No. 9950-58-Region 10) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6335. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards: State Implementation Plan Requirements" ((RIN2060-AQ48) (FRL No. 9946-36-OAR)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6336. A communication from the Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2014 Report to Congress on the Recovery of Threatened and Endangered Species" and the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the report; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6337. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants: Final Listing Determination on the Proposal To List the Nassau Grouper as Threatened Under the Endangered Species Act" (RIN0648-XA984) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6338. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Listing Three Angelshark Species as Endangered Under the Endangered Species Act" (RIN0648-XD940) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 15, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6339. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the South San Francisco Bay Shoreline project in Santa Clara County, California; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6340. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Swope Park Industrial Area, Blue River, Missouri project; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6341. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan: Picayune Strand Restoration project; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6342. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance for Closure of Activities Related to Recommendation 2.1, Flooding Hazard Reevaluation" (NRC-2016-0084) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6343. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance on Making Changes to Emergency Plans for Nuclear Power Reactors" (Regulatory Guide 1.219, Revision 1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6344. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of General Counsel, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update to Transcript Correction Procedures" ((RIN3150-AJ76) (NRC-2016-0117)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6345. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Enforcement, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "NRC Enforcement Policy" received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6346. 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 "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Master Materials Licenses" (NUREG-1556, Volume 10, Revision 1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6347. 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 "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses: Guidance for Agreement State Licenses About NRC Form 241 'Report of Proposed Activities in Non-Agreement States, Areas of Exclusive Federal Jurisdiction, or Offshore Waters' and Guidance for NRC Licensees Proposing to Work in Agreement State Jurisdiction (Reciprocity)" (NUREG-1556, Volume 19, Revision 1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6348. 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 "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Portable Gauge Licenses" (NUREG-1556, Volume 1, Revision 2) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6349. 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 "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses: Guidance About Changes of Control and About Bankruptcy Involving Byproduct, Source, or Special Nuclear Materials Licenses" (NUREG-1556, Volume 15, Revision 1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6350. 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 "Consolidated Guidance About Materials Licenses: Program-Specific Guidance About Fixed Gauge Licenses" (NUREG-1556, Volume 4, Revision 1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6351. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal-State Unemployment Compensation Program; Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 Provision on Establishing Appropriate Occupations for Drug Testing of Unemployment Compensation Applicants" (RIN1205-AB63) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6352. A communication from the Chairman of the United States International Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Year in Trade 2015"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6353. 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 "Requirement to Notify the IRS of Intent to Operate as a Section 501(c) (4) Organization" (Rev. Proc. 2016-41) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6354. 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 "Requirement to Notify the IRS to Operate as a Section 501(c) (4) Organization; Final and Temporary Regulations" ((RIN1545-BN26) (TD 9775)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6355. 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 "Method of Accounting for Gains and Losses on Shares in Money Market Funds; Broker Returns with Respect to Sales of Shares in Money Market Funds" ((RIN1545-BM04) (TD 9774)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6356. 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 "Examination of Returns and Claims for Refund, Credit or Abatement; Determination of a Tax Liability" (Rev. Proc. 2016-40) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6357. 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 "Participation of a Person Described in Section 6103(n) in a Summons Interview Under Section 7602(a) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code" ((RIN1545-BM24) (TD 9778)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6358. 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 "2016 Marginal Production Rates" (Notice 2016-45) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6359. 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 "2016 Section 43 Inflation Adjustment" (Notice 2016-44) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6360. 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 "Applicable Federal Rates - August 2016" (Rev. Rul. 2016-18) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6361. 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 "Tax Treatment of Payments Made on Behalf of or Reimbursements Received by Residents Affected by the Southern California Gas Company Natural Gas Leak' (Announcement 2016–25) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6362. 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 "Arbitrage Guidance for Tax-Exempt Bonds" ((RIN1545-BG41 and RIN1545-BH38) (TD 9777)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6363. 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 "Property Transferred in Connection with the Performance of Services" ((RIN1545-BM63) (TD9779)) received during adjournment of the Senate on August 2, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6364. 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 108(a) Concerning the Exclusion of Section 61(a) (12) Discharge of Indebtedness Income of a Grantor Trust or a Disregarded Entity" ((RIN1545-BJ14) (TD9771)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 2, 2016: to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6365. 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 "Recapitalization Into 'Control' and Unwind - Section 355(a)" (Rev. Proc. 2016-40) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 2, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6366. 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 "Income Inclusion When Lessee Treated as Having Acquired Investment Credit Property" ((RIN1545-BM74) (TD9776)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 2, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6367. 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 "2015 Section 45K(d) (2) (C) Reference Price" (Notice 2016-43) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6368. 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 Under Secretary (Domestic Finance), Department of the Treasury, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6369. 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 (Financial Stability), Department of the Treasury, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6370. 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 Member, IRS Oversight Board, Department of the Treasury, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6371. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Import Restrictions Imposed on Archaeological and Ethnological Material of Syria" (RIN1515-AE14) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 12, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6372. A communication from the Acting Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's 2016 Annual Report of the Supplemental Security Income Program; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6373. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notification of the designation of David S. Johanson as Vice Chair of the United States International Trade Commission for the term expiring June 16, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6374. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fraud and Abuse Laws Regarding Gainsharing or Similar Arrangements between Physicians and Hospital"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6375. 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 years 2013 and 2014; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6376. 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 the Administration, Cost and Impact of the Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) Program for Medicare Beneficiaries for Fiscal Year (FY) 2014"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6377. 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; FY 2017 Hospice Wage Index and Payment Rate Update and Hospice Quality Reporting Requirements" ((RIN0938-AS79) (CMS-1652-F)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6378. 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; Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment System. . and Low-Volume Hospitals" (IRIN0938-AS77; RIN0938-AS88; and RIN0938-AS41) (CMS-1655-F; CMS-1644-F; and CMS-1632-F2)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6379. 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; Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Prospective Payment System for Federal Fiscal Year 2017" ((RIN0938-AS78) (CMS-1647-F)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6380. 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; FY 2017 Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Prospective Payment System-Rate Update" ((RIN0938-AS76) (CMS-1650-N)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6381. 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; Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities for FY 2017, SNF Value-Based Purchasing Program, SNF Quality Reporting Program, and SNF Payment Models Research" ((RIN0938-AS75) (CMS-1645-F)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 5, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6382. 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; FY 2017 Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Prospective Payment System-Rate Update" ((RIN0938-AS76) (CMS-1650-N)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6383. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country (OSS-2016-0976); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6384. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country (OSS-2016-1036); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6385. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on India's status as an adherent to the Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR) (OSS-2016-1043); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6386. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the designation of a group as a Foreign Terrorist Organization by the Secretary of State (OSS-2016-0869); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6387. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible effects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel (OSS-2016-0929); to the Committee on Foreien Relations.

EC-6388. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of

Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country regarding any possible effects such a sale might have relating to Israel's Qualitative Military Edge over military threats to Israel (OSS-2016-0930); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6389. A communication from the President of the United States to the President Pro Tempore of the United States Senate, transmitting, consistent with the War Powers Act, a report relative to the deployment of U.S. forces to support the security of U.S. personnel and our Embassy in South Sudan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6390. A communication from the President of the United States to the President Pro Tempore of the United States Senate, transmitting, consistent with the War Powers Act, a report relative to the deployment of U.S. forces to support the security of U.S. personnel and our Embassy in South Sudan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6391. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-006); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6392. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 15-142); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6393. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-053); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6394. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-031); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6395. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2015 annual report on voting practices in the United Nations and the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the report; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6396. 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 2016-0087-2016-0100); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6397. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Small Rural Hospital Improvement Grant Program Report to Congress for Fiscal Year 2014"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6398. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fiscal Year 2015 Report on the Preventive Medicine and Public Health Training Grant and Integrative Medicine Programs"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6399. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fiscal Year 2015 Annual Progress Report to Con-

gress on the C.W. Bill Young Cell Transplantation Program and the National Cord Blood Inventory Program"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6400. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Garrett Lee Smith Memorial Act (GLSMA) Youth Suicide Prevention Program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6401. 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 the Nurse Education, Practice, Quality, and Retention Program" for fiscal year 2015; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6402. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Nurse Corps Loan Repayment and Scholarship Programs Report to Congress for Fiscal Year 2015"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6403. A communication from the Deputy Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services. Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Priority-Technical Assistance on State Data Collection Program—Targeted and Intensive Technical Assistance to States on the Analvsis and Use of Formative and Summative Assessment Date To Support Implementation of States' Identified Measurable Result(s)" ((CFDA No. 84.373A.) (Docket No. ED-2016-OSERS-0024)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6404. A communication from the Director of Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to Registration of Food Facilities" ((RIN0910-AG69) (Docket No. FDA-2002-N-0323)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6405. A communication from the Director of Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Removal of Review and Reclassification Procedures for Biological Products Licensed Prior to July 1, 1972; Technical Amendment" (Docket No. FDA-2015-N-2103) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6406. A communication from the Director of Regulations Policy and 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; Vitamin D2 and Vitamin D3" (Docket No. FDA-2013-N-0888) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6407. A communication from the Director of Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Administrative Actions for Noncompliance; Lesser Administrative Actions; Confirmation of Effective Date" (Docket No. FDA-2015-N-5052) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6408. A communication from the Director of Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emergency Permit Control Regulations; Technical Amendments" (Docket No. FDA-2015-N-2819) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 22, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6409. A communication from the Director of Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Change of Address; Technical Amendment" (Docket No. FDA-2016-N-0011) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6410. A communication from the Director of Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "New Animal Drug Applications; Contents of Notice of Opportunity for a Hearing; Correction" (Docket No. FDA-2016-N-1943) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 12, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6411. A communication from the Director of Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Refuse To Accept Procedures for Premarket Tobacco Product Submissions" (Docket No. FDA-2016-N-1555) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 12, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6412. A communication from the Director of Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Preparations, Limits of Potency, and Dating Period Limitations for Biological Products; Confirmation of Effective Date" (Docket No. FDA-2016-N-1170) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 12, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6413. A communication from the Director of Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulatory Hearing Before the Food and Drug Administration; General Provisions; Technical Amendment" (Docket No. FDA-2016-N-0011) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 12, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6414. A communication from the Director of Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Food Labeling; Calorie Labeling of Articles of Food in Vending Machines; Extension of Compliance Date" ((RIN0910-AG56) (Docket No. FDA-2011-F-0171)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 12, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6415. 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 Aging, Department of Health and Human Services, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6416. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final priority and requirements-Technical Assistance on State Data Collection Program-Targeted and Intensive Technical Assistance to States on the Analysis and Use of Formative and Summative Assessment Data to Support Implementation of States' Identified Measurable Result(s)" ((CFDA No. 84.373A.) (Docket No. ED-2016-OSERS-0024)) received in the Office of the President pro tempore of the Senate; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6417. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final priority requirements, and definition—Disability Innovation Fund—Transition Work-Based Learning Model Demonstrations" ((CFDA No. 84.421B.) (Docket No. ED-2016-OSERS-0022)) received in the Office of the President pro tempore of the Senate; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6418. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final priority— Training of Interpreters for Individuals Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing and Individuals Who Are Deaf-Blind Program" ((CFDA No. 84 .160D.) (Docket No. ED-2016-OSERS-0018)) received in the Office of the President pro tempore of the Senate; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6419. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of General Counsel, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Program Fraud Civil Remedies: Civil Monetary Penalty Inflation Adjustment" (RIN3206-AN39) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 25, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6420. A communication from the Acting Director, Pay and Leave, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disabled Veteran Leave and Other Miscellaneous Changes" (RIN3206-AN31) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6421. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The District of Columbia Housing Production Trust Fund: Revenues and Expenditures and 5-City Comparison"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6422. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pur-

suant to law, a report entitled "Subcontracting Requirements for Government-Assisted Projects: A Review of DSLBD's Compliance Monitoring Function"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6423. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The District May Have Forfeited Nearly \$500,000 Through Changes to the Contract for the H.D. Cooke Elementary School Modernization Completed in 2010"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6424. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Sufficiency Certification for the Washington Convention and Sports Authority (Trading as Events DC) Projected Revenues and Excess Reserve to Meet Projected Operating and Debt Service Expenditures and Reserve Requirements for Fiscal Year 2017"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6425. A communication from the Chief Executive Officer, Corporation for National and Community Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Corporation's fiscal year 2015 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act); to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

ÉC-6426. A communication from the Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Fiscal Year 2015 Annual Report on the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act); to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6427. A communication from the Director, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Executive Branch; Amendments to the Seeking Other Employment Rules" (RIN3209-AA04) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6428. A communication from the Special Counsel, Office of the Special Counsel, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Annual Report to Congress for Fiscal Year 2015" and the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6429. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office's annual report on Federal agencies' use of the Physicians' Comparability Allowance (PCA) program; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6430. A communication from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Housing and Urban Development Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2015, through March 31, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6431. A communication from the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Housing and Urban Development Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2015, through March 31, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6432. A communication from the Chief Financial Officer and the Chief Operating Officer of the National Tropical Botanical Garden, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to an audit of the Garden for the period from January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6433. A communication from the Secretary of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Hart-Scott-Rodino Annual Report: Fiscal Year 2015"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6434. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Policy, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civil Monetary Penalties Inflation Adjustment" (OAG 148) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6435. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Coming Into Focus: The Future of Juvenile Justice Reform, 2014 Annual Report"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6436. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to settlements and consent degrees and orders; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6437. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Department's activities during calendar year 2015 relative to the Equal Credit Opportunity Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6438. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting proposed legislation; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6439. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Department's activities during calendar year 2015 relative to the Equal Credit Opportunity Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6440. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to settlements and consent degrees and orders; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6441. A communication from the Project Manager, Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Expansion of Provisional Unlawful Presence Waivers of Inadmissibility" (RIN1615-AC03) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6442. A communication from the Project Manager, Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Expansion of Provisional Unlawful Presence Waivers of Inadmissibility" (RIN1615-AC03) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6443. A communication from the Project Manager, Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Expansion of Provisional Unlawful Presence Waivers of Inadmissibility" (RIN1615-AC03) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6444. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and

Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Importer Permit Requirements for Tobacco Products and Processed Tobacco, and Other Requirements for Tobacco Products, Processed Tobacco and Cigarette Papers and Tubes" (RIN1513-AB37) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2016; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6445. A joint communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy, Department of Labor and the Acting Chief of the Regulatory Coordination Division, Office of Policy and Strategy, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled Department of Homeland Security and Department of Labor Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Catch-Up Adjustments for the H-2B Temporary Non-agricultural Worker Program" (RIN1235-AA15 and RIN1615-AC10) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6446. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Capital Access, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Affiliation for Business Loan Programs and Surety Bond Guarantee Program" (RIN3245-AG73) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2016; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-6447. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA) Quarterly Report to Congress; Third Quarter of Fiscal Year 2016"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6448. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA) Quarterly Report to Congress; Third Quarter of Fiscal Year 2016"; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6449. A communication from the Office Program Manager, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Veterans Employment Pay for Success Grant Program" (RIN2900-AP72) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 12, 2016; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6450. A communication from the Office Program Manager, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prescriptions in Alaska and U.S. Territories and Possessions" (RIN2900-AP42) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2016; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6451. A communication from the Office Program Manager, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hospital Care and Medical Services for Camp Lejeune Veterans" (RIN2900-AP59) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 18, 2016; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6452. A communication from the Paralegal, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bus Testing: Establishment of Performance Standards, a Bus Model Scoring System, a Pass/Fail Standard and other Program Updates" (RIN2132-AB11) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6453. A communication from the Paralegal, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Transit Asset Management; National Transit Database" (RIN2132-AB07) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6454. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Inspection of Towing Vessels" ((RIN1625-AB06) (Docket No. USCG-2006-24412)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6455. A communication from the Assistant Chief Counsel for Hazmat Division, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials: Revision of Maximum and Minimum Civil Penalties" (RIN2137-AF23) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6456. A communication from the Assistant Chief Counsel for Hazmat Division, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials: Incorporation by Reference Edition Update for the American Society of Mechanical Engineers Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code and Transportation Systems for Liquids and Slurries: Pressure Piping Code" (RIN2137-AF15) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6457. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone, Delaware River, Schuylkill River; Philadelphia, PA" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0363)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6458. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zones; 2016 Republican National Convention, and Associated Voluntary First Amendment Safety Zones, Lake Erie and Cuyahoga River, Cleveland, OH" ((RIN1625-AA87 and RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0557)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6459. 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 mile 307.8-308.8 Huntington, WV" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0279)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6460. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Fox River, DePere to Oshkosh, WI" ((RIN1625-AA09) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0256)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6461. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Norwalk River, Norwalk, CT" ((RIN1625-AA09) (Docket No. USCG-2014-1057)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6462. 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; Chesapeake Bay, Cape Charles, VA" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0416)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6463. A communication from the Legal Intern, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Lake Erie Open Water Classic; Lake Erie, Cleveland, OH" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0624)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6464. 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; 2016 Wings Over Vermont Air Show, Lake Champlain, Burlington, VT" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2015-11127)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6465. 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; Detroit River Days Air Show, Detroit River, Detroit, MI" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0460)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6466. 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 Zones; Marine Events held in the Sector Long Island Sound Captain of the Port Zone" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0534)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6467. 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; Confluence of James River and Appomattox River, Hopewell, VA'' ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0331)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6468. 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; Bay Village Independence Day Celebration; Lake Erie, Bay Village, OH" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0550)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6469. 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; Pleasure Bridge, Bridgeport, CT" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2015-1123)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6470. 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; Allegheny River mile 0-0.5, Monongahela River mile 0-0.5, Ohio River mile 0-0.5, Pittsburgh, PA ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0538)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6471. 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 mile 607.5 to 608.6, Indiana" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0502)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6472. 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 mile 317-318, Ashland, KY" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0616)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6473. 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 Mile 42.5 to 43.0, Chester, West Virginia" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0335)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6474. 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; Shallowbag Bay, Manteo, NC" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0131)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6475. 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; Pamlico Sound, Ocracoke,

NC" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0289)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6476. 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 Zones; Marine Events held in the Sector Long Island Sound Captain of the Port Zone" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0473)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6477. 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; James River, Hampton, VA" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0084)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6478. 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; Hudson River, South Nyack and Tarrytown, NY" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0462)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6479. 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; Pleasure Beach Bridge, Bridgeport, CT" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-1088)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6480. 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; Drag Boat Championship, Intracoastal Waterway, Bucksport, SC" ((RIN1625-AA08) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0011)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6481. 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 Regulations; Marine Events held in the Sector Long Island Sound Captain of the Port Zone" ((RIN1625-AA08) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0559)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6482. A communication from the Chairman of the Office of Proceedings, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulations Governing Fees for Services Performed in Connection with Licensing and Related Services-2016 Update" (Docket No. EP 542) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6483. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department

of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civil Monetary Penalty Inflation Adjustment—Alcoholic Beverage Labeling Act" (RIN1513-AC28) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6484. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of the Tip of the Mitt Viticultural Area" (RIN1513-AC22) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6485. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civil Penalties" (RIN2135-40) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6486. A communication from the Regulatory Ombudsman, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendments to Implement Certain Provisions of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act or 'FAST Act'" (RIN2126-AB89) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6487. A communication from the Regulatory Ombudsman, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Parts and Accessories Necessary for Safe Operation; Inspection, Repair, and Maintenance; General Amendments" (RIN2126-AB81) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6488. A communication from the Regulatory Ombudsman, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment of 2015" (RIN2126-AB93) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6489. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; North Atlantic Swordfish Fishery" (RIN0648-XE567) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 4, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6490. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Annual Specifications and Management Measures for the 2016 Tribal and Non-Tribal Fisheries for Pacific Whiting" (RIN0648-BF74) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 3, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6491. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Provisions; Implementation of the Shark Conservation Act of 2010" (RIN0648-BF54) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 3, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6492. 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 "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Fisheries" (RIN0648-BG16) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 3, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6493. 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 "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Amendment 17 to the Atlantic Surfclam and Ocean Quahog Fishery Management Plan" (RIN0648-BF04) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 3, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6494. 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 "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Implementation of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas Electronic Bluefin Tuna Catch Documentation System" (RIN0648-BF17) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6495. 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 "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fisheries; Specifications and Management Measures" (RIN0648-BF53) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6496. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Fixed-Gear Commercial Halibut and Sablefish Fisheries; Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Crab Rationalization Program; Cost Recovery Authorized Payment Methods" (RIN0648-BF35) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 19, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6497. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Western Alaska Community Development Quota Program" (RIN0648-BF05) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6498. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Crab Rationalization Program" (RIN0648-BF46) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6499. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Amendments to the Reef Fish, Spiny Lobster, Queen Conch, and Corals and Reef Associated Plants and Invertebrates Fishery Management Plans of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands" (RIN0648-BF18) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6500. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Fisheries; Western and Central Pacific Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species; Purse Seine Observer Requirements, and Fishing Restrictions and Limits in Purse Seine and Longline Fisheries for 2016-2017" (RIN0648-BF76) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6501. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries off West Coast States; West Coast Salmon Fisheries; 2016 Management Measures; Correction" (RIN0648-BF56) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6502. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Fisheries; Eastern Pacific Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species; Amend Regulations Implementing Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission Resolution C-02-03" (RIN0648-BF71) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6503. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Bycatch Management in the Bering Sea Pollock Fishery" (RIN0648-BF25) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6504. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Small-Mesh Multispecies Specifications" (RIN0648-XE425) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6505. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries Off West Coast States; the Highly Migratory Species Fishery; Closure" (RIN0648-XE621) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6506. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Taking and Importing Marine Mammals; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Seismic Surveys in Cook Inlet, Alaska" (RIN0648-BE53) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6507. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fishery; 2016 Longfin Squid Trimester II Quota Harvested" (RIN0648-XE697) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6508. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pollock in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands" (RIN0648-XE518) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6509. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries off West Coast States; Modifications of the West Coast Commercial Salmon Fisheries; Inseason Actions #1 Through #5" (RIN0648-XE520) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 14, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6510. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico; 2016 Recreational Accountability Measures and Closure for Gulf of Mexico Gray Triggerfish" (RIN0648-XE701) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6511. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder Fishery; Quota Transfer" (RIN0648-XE679) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6512. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Commercial Blacknose Sharks and Non-Blacknose Small Coastal Sharks in the Atlantic Region South of 34 degrees North Latitude; Closure'' (RIN0648-XE634) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6513. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Sea Scallop Fishery; 2016 Closure of the Northern Gulf of Maine Scallop Management Area" (RIN0648-XE620) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6514. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone off Alaska; Deep-Water Species Fishery and Shallow-Water Species Fishery by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XE644) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 20, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6515. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "NASA Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Clarification of Award Fee Evaluations and Payments" (RIN2700-AE31) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 10, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6516. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of Human Exploration and Operations, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Space Flight" (RIN2700-AD98) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 13, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6517. A communication from the Trial Attorney, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled Inflation Adjustment of the Ordinary Maximum and Aggravated Maximum Civil Monetary Penalties for a Violation of the Hazardous Material Transportation Laws or Regulations, Orders, Special Permits, and Under Those Laws" Approvals Issued (RIN2130-AC61) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6518. A communication from the Trial Attorney, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act Improvements Act for a Violation of a Federal Railroad Safety Law or Federal Railroad Administration Safety Regulation or Order" (RIN2130-AC59) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6519. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Improving Outage Reporting for Submarine Cables and Enhanced Submarine Cable Outage Data" ((FCC 16-81) (GN Docket No. 15-206)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6520. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Part 11 of the Commission's Rules Regarding the Emergency Alert System" ((FCC 16-80) (PSHSB Docket No. 15-94)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6521. A communication from the Acting Division Chief, Office of Engineering and Technology, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Promoting Expanded Opportunities for Radio Experimentation and Market Trials under Part 5 of the Commission's Rules and Streamlining Other Related Rules; 2006 Biennial Review of Telecommunications Regulations-Part 2 Administered by the Office of Engineering and Technology (OET)" ((ET Doc. No. 10-236 and ET Doc. No. 06-155) (FCC 16-86)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6522. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technology Transitions, Policies and Rules Governing Retirement Of Copper Loops by Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers." ((RIN3060-AK32) (FCC 16-90)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 15, 2015; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6523. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Improving Outage Reporting for Submarine Cables and Enhanced Submarine Cable Outage Data" ((FCC 16-81) (GN Docket No. 15-206)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6524. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of Managing Director/ Financial Operations, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of the Schedule of Application Fees Set Forth In Sections 1.1102 through 1.1109 of the Commission's Rules" (FCC 16-87) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6525. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Technology Transitions, Policies and Rules Governing Retirement Of Copper Loops by Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers." ((RIN3060-AK32) (FCC 16-90)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 15, 2015; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6526. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of Managing Director/ Financial Operations, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of the Schedule of Application Fees Set Forth In Sections 1.1102 through 1.1109 of the Commission's Rules" (FCC 16-87) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6527. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Connect America Fund; ETC Annual Reports and Certifications; Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime" ((RIN3060-AF35) (FCC 16-33)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6528. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Connect America Fund; ETC Annual Reports and Certifications; Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime" ((RIN3060-AF85) (FCC 16-33)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6529. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Part 11 of the Commission's Rules Regarding the Emergency Alert System" ((FCC 16-80) (PSHSB Docket No. 15-94)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 15, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6530. 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 C Airspace; Billings Logan International Airport, MT" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2016-0149)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6531. 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 C Airspace; Capital Region International Airport, MI" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2015-4452)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6532. 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 Airspace; Destin, FL; Duke Field, Eglin AFB, FL; Revocation of Class D Airspace; Eglin AF Aux No 3 Duke Field, FL; and Amendment of Class D and E Airspace; Eglin Air Force Base, FL; Eglin Hurlburt Field, FL; and Crestview, FL" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2015-7203)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9. 2016: to the Committee on Commerce. Science, and Transportation.

EC-6533. 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 Airspace; Destin, FL; Duke Field, Eglin AFB, FL; Revocation of Class D Airspace; Eglin AF Aux No 3 Duke Field, FL; and Amendment of Class D and E Airspace; Eglin Air Force Base, FL; Eglin Hurlburt Field, FL; and Crestview, FL'' ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2015-7203)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6534. 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; Beach, ND" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2015-5801)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6535. 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; Lisbon, ND" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2015-5800)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6536. 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; Shelton, WA" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2015-3994))) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6537. 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; Charlottesville, VA" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2015-8304)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6538. 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; Orlando, FL; Jackson, TN; and Amendment of Class E Airspace; Gainesville, FL" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2016-0071)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6539. 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; Little Rock, AR" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2015-3085)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6540. 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 the following

Indiana Towns; Goshen, IN; Greencastle, IN; Huntingburg, IN; North Vernon, IN; Rensselaer, IN; Tell City, IN; and Washington, IN'' ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2016-4291)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6541. 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 the following Louisiana Towns; De Quincy, LA; Minden, LA; Slidell, LA; and Revocation of Class E Airspace; Homer, LA'' ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2016-4429)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6542. 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; Ogden-Hinckley, UT" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2016-0021)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6543. 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 the following Kansas Towns: Belleville, KS; Johnson, KS; Marysville, KS; Pittsburg, KS; and Washington, KS" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2016-4234)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6544. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changing the Collective Risk Limits for Launches and Reentries and Clarifying the Risk Limit Used to Establish Hazard Areas for Ships and Aircraft" ((RIN2120-AK06) (Docket No. FAA-2014-0418)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6545. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Changes to the Application Requirements for Authorization to Operate in Reduced Vertical Separation Minimum Airspace" ((RIN2120-AK54) (Docket No. FAA-2015-1746)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6546. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of the Requirement for Helicopters to Use the New York North Shore Helicopter Route" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2010-0302)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. EC-6547. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Repair Stations" ((RIN2120-AK86) (Docket No. FAA-2016-8744)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6548. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fuel Tank Fire Protection" ((RIN2120-AK30) (Docket No. FAA-2014-0500)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6549. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the Civil Penalty Inflation Adjustment Tables" ((RIN2120-AK90) (Docket No. FAA-2016-7004)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6550. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of VOR Federal Airway V-552; Mississippi" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2016-5573)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6551. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Part 95 Instrument Flight Rules; Miscellaneous Amendments; Amendment No. 527" (RIN2120-AA63) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6552. 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, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (101); Amdt. No. 3696" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6553. 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, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (93); Amdt. No. 3698" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6554. 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, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (37); Amdt. No. 3697'' (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6555. 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, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (35); Amdt. No. 3695" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6556. 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, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (119); Amdt. No. 3700" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6557. 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, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (41); Amdt. No. 3699" (RIN2120-AA65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6558. 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, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (93); Amdt. No. 3701" (RIN2120-AA65) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6559. 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, and Takeoff Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments (111); Amdt. No. 3702" (RIN2120-AA65) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6560. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Administration, Department of Aviation Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; CFM International S.A. Turbofan Engines Modified by Supplemental Certificate SE00034EN'' (RIN2120-Type AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2012-1289)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6561. 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 Restricted Areas R-6602A, R-6602B, and R-6602C; Fort Pickett, VA" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2016-7005)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Of-

fice of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6562. 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; M7 Aerospace LLC Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-5431)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6563. 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 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-3983)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6564. 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 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-7533)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6565. 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 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-3993)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6566. 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 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-4813)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6567. 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 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-3635)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6568. 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 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-6900)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6569. 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 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-6899)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6570. 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 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-3988)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6571. 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 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-7263)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6572. 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 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-3632)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6573. 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 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-3983)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6574. 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 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-0459)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6575. 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 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-2964)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6576. 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 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-4202)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6577. 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 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-8134)) received

during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6578. 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 Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-6033)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6579. 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 Helicopters (Type Certificate Previously Held by Eurocopter France)" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2014-0105)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6580. 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 Helicopters" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-8032)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6581. 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; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-8435)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6582. 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; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-5463)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6583. 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; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-7266)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6584. 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; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-7265)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6585. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthi-

ness Directives; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-8129)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6586. 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; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-5590)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6587. 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; Bombardier, Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-7422)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6588. 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; Pratt and Whitney Canada Corp. Turboprop Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-0486)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6589. 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-2016-3700)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 9, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6590. 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-2011-0027)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6591. 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-2015-4210)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6592. 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-2015-8130)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. EC-6593. 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-2015-2958)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6594. 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-2015-3987)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6595. 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-2015-4812)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6596. 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-2015-6541)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6597. 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-2015-5808)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6598. 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-2015-3628)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6599. 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-2015-8131)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6600. 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; Various Aircraft Equipped with BR-Powertrain GmbH and Company KG 912 A Series Engine" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-4878)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6601. 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; Textron Aviation Inc. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-5579)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6602. 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; Beechcraft Corporation (Type Certificate Previously Held by Hawker Beechcraft Corporation; Raytheon Aircraft Company; Beech Aircraft Corporation) Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-0460)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6603. 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; Fokker Services B.V. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-8137)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6604. 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; Fokker Services B.V. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-8138)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6605. 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; Fokker Services B.V. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-8467)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6606. 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; Fokker Services B.V. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-5810)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6607. 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; Fokker Services B.V. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-0464)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6608. 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; Fokker Services B.V. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-8466)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6609. 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; PILATUS AIRCRAFT LTD. Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-5284)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6610. 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; BRP-Powertrain GmbH and Co KG Reciprocating Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-2042)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6611. 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; General Electric Company Turbofan Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-7491)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6612. 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; Turbomeca S.A. Turboshaft Engines" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2010-0219)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6613. 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; Dassault Aviation Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-3987)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6614. 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; Saab AB, Saab Aeronautics (Formerly Known as Saab, AB, Saab Aerosystems)" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-7524)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6615. 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; Saab AB, Saab Aeronautics (Type Certificate Previously Held by Saab, AB, Saab Aerosystems) Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-8432)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce. Science, and Transportation.

EC-6616. 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; GROB Aircraft AG Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-7057)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6617. 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; BLANIK LIMITED Gliders" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-4233)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6618. 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; Pacific Aerospace Limited Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-5578)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 21, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6619. 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; B/E Aerospace Protective Breathing Equipment Part Number 119003-11" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2015-2134)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6620. 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; EVEKTOR, spol. S.r.o. Gliders" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-4232)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce. Science. and Transportation.

EC-6621. 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; EVEKTOR, spol. S.r.o. Gliders" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2016-4230)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6622. 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-2015-6542)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6623. A communication from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a violation of the Antideficiency Act; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-6624. A communication from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Vice Admiral Sean A. Pybus, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of vice admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6625. A communication from the Special Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Margin and Capital Requirements for Covered Swap Entities" (RIN7100-AD74) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 19, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6626. A communication from the Special Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Margin and Capital Requirements for Covered Swap Entities" (RIN7100-AD74) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 19, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6627. A communication from the Special Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Margin and Capital Requirements for Covered Swap Entities" (RIN7100-AD74) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 19, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6628. A communication from the Administrator, Rural Housing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civil Monetary Penalties" ((7 CFR Part 3560) (RIN0575-AC93)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 18, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

estry. EC-6629. A communication from the Administrator of the Cotton and Tobacco Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cotton Board Rules and Regulations: Adjusting Supplemental Assessment on Imports (2016 Amendments)" (Docket No. AMS-CN-16-0012) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6630. 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 "Pecans Grown in the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Arizona, California, Florida, Georgia, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Mississippi, North Carolina, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Carolina, and Texas; Order Regulating Handling" (Docket No. AMS-FV-15-0023) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6631. A communication from the Acting Deputy Director of Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rural Broadband Access Loans and Loan Guarantees" (RIN0572-AC06) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 16, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6632. A communication from the Administrator of the National Organic Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Organic Program (NOP): Sunset 2016 Amendments to the National List" (Docket No. AMS-NOP-15-0052) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 16, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6633. 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 "Minimum Quality and Handling Standards for Domestic and Imported Peanuts Marketed in the United States; Change to the Quality and Handling Requirements" (Docket No. AMS-FV-15-0066) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 16, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EČ-6634. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Regulations, Office of the Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disposition of HUD - Acquired Single Family Property Disposition Regulations" (RIN2502-AJ32) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 18, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6635. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the progress made in licensing and constructing the Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6636. 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; Indiana; Shipbuilding Antifoulant Coatings" (FRL No. 9950-84-Region 5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 16, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6637. 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; Kenosha County 2008 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area Reasonable Further Progress Plan" (FRL No. 9950-86-Region 5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 16, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6638. 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; Virginia; Minor New Source Review - Nonroad Engines" (FRL No. 9950-94-Region 3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 16, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6639. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Test Methods, Performance Specifications, and Testing Regulations for Air Emission Sources" (FRL No. 9950-57-OAR) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 16, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6640. 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; Virginia; Minor New Source Review Requirements" (FRL No. 9950-91-Region 3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 16, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6641. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prohibition on Importation of Jadeite or Rubies Mined or Extracted from Burma, and Articles of Jewelry Containing Jadeite or Rubies Mined or Extracted from Burma" (RIN1515-AE15) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 18, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6642. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Investigation of Claims of Evasion of Antidumping and Countervailing Duties" (RIN1515-AE10) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 18, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6643. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 15-110); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6644. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-036); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6645. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a comprehensive report on policy towards the Democratic People's Republic of Korea; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6646. 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 2016-0101 - 2016-0104); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6647. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to the International Traffic in Arms Regulations: Procedures for Obtaining State Department Authorization to Export Items Subject to the Export Administration Regulations; Revision to the Destination Control Statement; and Other Changes'' (RIN1400-AC88) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 18, 2016; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6648. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act; Joint Rule for Unified and Combined State Plans, Performance Accountability, and the One-Stop System Joint Provisions" (RIN1205-AB74) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 19, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6649. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act" (RIN1205-AB73) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 19, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6650. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Delays in Approvals of Applications Related to Citizen Petitions and Petitions for Stay of Agency Action for Fiscal Year 2015"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6651. A communication from the Executive Director, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's fiscal year 2016 FAIR Act inventory; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6652. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, Regulatory Affairs Law Division, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Petitions for Rulemaking, Amendment, or Repeal" (RIN1601-AA56) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6653. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Commercial Aggregated Large Coastal Shark and Hammerhead Shark Management Group Retention Limit Adjustment" (RIN0648-XE586) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 19, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6654. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; 2015-2016 Biennial Specifications and Management Measures; Inseason Adjustments" (RIN0648-BG08) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6655. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; 2016 Commercial Accountability Measure and Closure for Gulf of Mexico Greater Amberjack" (RIN0648-XE716) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate

on August 19, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6656. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Sea Scallop Fishery; Closure of the Mid-Atlantic Access Area to General Category Individual Fishing Quota Scallop Vessels" (RIN0648-XE709) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-667. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Georges Bank Cod Trimester Total Allowable Catch Area Closure for the Common Pool Fishery" (RIN0648-XE720) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 17, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6658. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Kamchatka Flounder in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XE647) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 19, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6659. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Exchange of Flatfish in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XE694) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 19, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6660. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Georges Bank Cod Trimester Total Allowable Catch Area Closure for the Common Pool Fishery" (RIN0648-XE720) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 19, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6661. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Other Hook-and-Line Fishery by Catcher Vessels in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XE667) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 19, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6662. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Yellowfin Sole for Vessels Participating in the BSAI Trawl Limited Access Fishery in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XE669) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 19, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6663. 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; Allegheny River mile 0.0-1.5; Pittsburgh, PA" ((RIN1625-AA08) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0541)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 18, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6664. 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 Regulations; Tall Ships Duluth 2016 Parade of Sail, Lake Superior, Duluth, MN" ((RIN1625-AA08) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0797)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 18, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6665. 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; Pittsburgh Steelers Fireworks; Allegheny River mile 0.0-0.25, Ohio River mile 0.0-0.1, Monongahela River mile 0.0-0.1, Pittsburgh, PA" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0739)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 18, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6666. 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; Apra Outer Harbor, Naval Base Guam" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0644)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 18, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6667. 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; Tall Ships Duluth 2016 - Giant Duck, Lake Superior, Duluth, MN" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-6017)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 18, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6668. 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 Zones; Marine Events held in the Sector Long Island Sound Captain of the Port Zone" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0670)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 18, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6669. 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; Annual Roy Webster Cross-Channel Swim, Columbia River, Hood River, OR" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2016-0370)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 18, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6670. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Labeling Rule" (RIN3084-AB03) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 18, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6671. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disclosure Requirements and Prohibitions Concerning Franchising" (16 CFR Part 436) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 18, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6672. A communication from the Secretary of the Commission, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Adjustment of Civil Monetary Penalty Amounts" (16 CFR Part 1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 18, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6673. A communication from the Regulatory Ombudsman, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Unified Registration System; Correction" (RIN2126-AB85) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 19, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6674. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC)—Reader Requirements" ((RIN1625-AB21) (Docket No. USCG-2007-28915)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 18, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6675. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel, Office of Government Contracting, Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Mentor Protege Programs" (RIN3245-AG24) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 16, 2016; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

EC-6676. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "OMB Sequestration Update Report to the President and Congress for Fiscal Year 2017"; to the Special Committee on Aging; Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry; Appropriations; Armed Services; Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs; the Budget; Commerce, Science, and Transportation; Energy and Natural Resources; Environment and Public Works; Select Committee on Ethics; Finance; Foreign Relations; Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; Indian Affairs; Select Committee on Intelligence; the Judiciary; Rules and Administration; Small Business and Entrepreneurship; and Veterans' Affairs

EC-6677. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Natamycin; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9949-03) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6678. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Citrus tristeza virus expressing spinach defensin proteins 2, 7, and 8; Temporary Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9947-19) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 26, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6679. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Acrylic polymers; Tolerance Exemption" (FRL No. 9949-81) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 26, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6680. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Dairy Promotion and Research Program; Amendments to the Order" (Docket No. AMS-DA-14-0074) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 24, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6681. A communication from the Acting Associate Administrator of the Livestock, Poultry, and Seed Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Removal of Program to Assess Organic Certifying Agencies in 7 CFR Part 37" (Docket No. AMS-LPS-15-0054) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 24, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture. Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6682. 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 "Almonds Grown in California; Change in Quality Control Requirements" (Docket No. AMS-SC-16-0047;SC16-981-3IR) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 24, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6683. A communication from the Administrator of the Livestock, Poultry, and Seed Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Livestock Mandatory Reporting: Reauthorization of Livestock Mandatory Reporting and Revision of Swine and Lamb Re-Requirements" porting ((RIN0581-AD45) (Docket No. AMS-LPS-15-0070)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 24, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-6684. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Request for Audit Services in France, Germany, the Netherlands, or the United Kingdom" ((RIN0750-AJ04) (DFARS Case 2016-D027)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 24, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6685. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Instructions for the Wide Area WorkFlow Reparable Receiving Report" ((RIN0750-AI83) (DFARS Case 2016-D004)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 24, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6686. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Costs Related to Counterfeit Electronic Parts" ((RIN0750-AI86) (DFARS Case 2016-D010)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 24, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-6687. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Addition of Certain Persons to the Entity List" (RIN0694-AH06) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 24, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6688. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary General License: Extension of Validity" (RIN0694-AG82) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 24, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6689. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Investment Management, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Form ADV and Investment Advisers Act Rules" (RIN3235-AL75) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 26, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6690. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the Export Administration Regulations (EAR): Harmonization of the Destination Control Statements" (RIN0694-AG47) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 26, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-6691. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program: Notice of Partial Grant and Partial Denial of Petitions To Amend the Error Correction Rule" (RIN1904-AD63) received in the Office of the President pro tempore of the Senate; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-6692. 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; Indiana; RACM Determination for Indiana Portion of the Cincinnati-Hamilton Annual PM2.5 Nonattainment Area" (FRL No. 9951-29-Region 5) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6693. 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; Regional Haze Progress Report" (FRL No. 9951-25-Region 4) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6694. 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; State of Wyoming; Emission Inventory for 2008 Ozone NAAQS and Revisions to Incorporation by Reference" (FRL No. 9951-34-Region 8) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6695. 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; Virginia; State Operation Permit Conditions for the Control of Emissions of Volatile Organic Compounds from the Reynolds Consumer Products LLC - Bellwood Printing Plant" (FRL No. 9951-41-Region 3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6696. 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; California; San Joaquin Valley; Moderate Area Plan for the 2006 PM2.5 NAAQS" (FRL No. 9951-42-Region 9) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6697. 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 State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; Virgin Islands; Sewage Sludge Incinerators" (FRL No. 9951-24-Region 2) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6698. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension of Deadline for Action on the July 2016 Section 126 Petition from Delaware" (FRL No. 9951–18–OAR) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6699. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Partial Approval and Partial Disapproval of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New York; Interstate Transport Infrastructure SIP Requirements for the 2008 Ozone NAAQS" (FRL No. 9951-49-Region 2) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6700. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule en-

titled "Air Plan Approval; Alabama; Cross-State Air Pollution Rule" (FRL No. 9951-52-Region 4) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 26, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6701. 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; Connecticut; Open Burning and Portable Fuel Containers" (FRL No. 9943-06-Region 1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 26, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6702. 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; Source Specific Revision for Louisville Gas and Electric" (FRL No. 9951-59-Region 4) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 26, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6703. 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; NH; Approval of Single Source Orders" (FRL No. 9951-46-Region 1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 26, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6704. 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; Reno, Nevada; Second 10-Year Carbon Monoxide Maintenance Plan" (FRL No. 9951-48-Region 9) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 26, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6705. 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; Maryland; Control of Emissions from Various Processes and Fuel-Burning Equipment from Kraft Pulp Mills" (FRL No. 9951-22-Region 3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 26, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6706. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Maryland; Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions" (FRL No. 9951-51-Region 3) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 26, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6707. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Low Pressure Coolant Injection (LPCI) Coupling Inspection and Flaw Evaluation Guidelines" (BWRVIP-42, Revision 1) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 24, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-6708. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Administrative Exemption on Value Increased for Certain Articles" (RIN1515-AE09) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 24, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6709. 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 "Preparer Tax Identification Number (PTIN) User Fee Update" ((RIN1545-BN02) (TD 9781)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 25, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6710. 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 "Use of Contingency to Satisfy CRAT Exhaustion Test" (Rev. Proc. 2016-42) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 25, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6711. 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 "Interim Guidance Under Section 7705 for Certified Professional Employer Organizations" (Notice 2016-49) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 25, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6712. 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 "Updates on Jurisdictions Treated as if They Have an IGA Effect" (Announcement 2016-27) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 25, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6713. 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 "Election into the Partnership Audit Regime Under the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015" ((RIN1545-BN34) (TD 9780)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 25, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6714. 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 "Voss v. Commissioner, 796 F.3d 1051 (9th Cir. 2015), rev'g Sophy v. Commissioner, 138 T.C. 204 (2012)" (AOD 131448-15) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 25, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6715. 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 "Tax on Certain Foreign Procurement" ((RIN1545-BK06) (TD 9782)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 25, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6716. 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 "Applicable Federal Rates—September 2016" (Rev. Rul. 2016-20) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate

on August 25, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6717. 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 "National Average Monthly Premium for a Bronze-Level Health Plan Under Section 5000A" (Rev. Proc. 2016-43) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 25, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6718. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for the Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal-State Unemployment Compensation Program; Implementing the Total Unemployment Rate as an Extended Benefits Indicator and Amending for Technical Corrections; Final Rule" (RIN1205-AB62) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 24, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-6719. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country (OSS-2016-1100); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6720. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an addendum to a certification, of the proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country (OSS-2016-1099); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-6721. A communication from the 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 August 24, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6722. 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 "Substances Generally Recognized as Safe" ((RIN0910-AH15) (Docket No. FDA-1997-N-0020)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 22, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-6723. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-90; Introduction" (FAC 2005-90) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6724. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Federal Acquisition Circular 2005-90; Small Entity Compliance Guide" (FAC 2005-90) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2016; to the Com-

mittee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6725. A communication from the Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Fair Play and Safe Workspaces" ((RIN9000-AM81) (FAC 2005-90)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 23, 2016; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6726. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-465, "Public Charter School Fiscal Transparency Amendment Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6727. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-466, "Renewable Portfolio Standard Expansion Amendment Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6728. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-467, "Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Amendment Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6729. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-468, "Theodore 'Ted' Williams Alley Designation Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6730. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-484, "Financial Exploitation of Vulnerable Adults and the Elderly Amendment Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6731. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-485, "Building Service Employees Minimum Work Week Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6732. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-486, "Procurement Integrity, Transparency, and Accountability Amendment Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6733. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-487, "Incarceration to Incorporation Entrepreneurship Program Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6734. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-488, "Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Support Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6735. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 21-489, "Public Space Naming Amendment Act of 2016"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-6736. A communication from the Secretary, Judicial Conference of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report of the Proceedings of the Judicial Conference of the United States" for the March 2016 session; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6737. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator of the Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Agency, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schedules of Controlled Substances: Placement of Thiafentanil into Schedule II" (Docket No. DEA-375) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 26, 2016; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6738. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of the Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010, Section 105, Relay Services for Deaf-Blind Individuals" ((CG Doc. No. 10-210) (FCC 16-101)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 24, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-6739. A communication from the Deputy Division Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Improvements to Benchmarks and Related Requirements Governing Hearing Aid-Compatible Mobile Handsets" ((FCC 16-103) (WT Docket No. 15-285)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 24, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-198. A resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island urging the United States Congress, pursuant to Article V of the United States Constitution, to call a convention of the states for purpose of proposing amendments to the United States Constitution relative to campaign finance; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION 7670

Whereas, The 1st President of the United States George Washington stated, "The basis or our political systems is the right of the people to make and to alter their Constitutions of Government": and

Whereas, It was the stated intention of the framers of the Constitution of the United States of America that the Congress of the United States of America should be "dependent on the people alone." (James Madison Federalist 52); and

Whereas, That dependency has evolved from a dependency on the people alone to a dependency on those who spend excessively in elections, through campaigns or thirdparty groups: and

Whereas, The United States Supreme Court ruling in Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission, 558 U.S. 310 (2010) removed restrictions on amounts of independent political spending; and

Whereas, The removal or those restrictions has resulted in the unjust influence of powerful economic forces, which have supplanted the will of the people by undermining our ability to choose our political leadership, write our own laws, and determine the fate of our state; and

Whereas, Article V of the United States Constitution requires the United States Congress to call a convention for proposing amendments upon application of two-thirds of the legislatures of the several states for the purpose of proposing amendments to the United States Constitution; Now, therefore be it

Resolved, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations hereby sees the need for a convention to propose amendments in order to address concerns such as those raised by the decision of the United States Supreme Court in Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission and related cases and events including those occurring long before or afterward or for a substantially similar purpose, and desires that said convention should be so limited; and be it further

Resolved, That this House hereby respectfully requests that the delegates to said convention be comprised equally of individuals currently elected to state and local office, or be selected by election, in each Congressional district for the purpose of serving as delegates, though all individuals elected or appointed to federal office, now or in the past, be prohibited from serving as delegates to the Convention, and furthermore requests the ability to restrict or expand the power of its delegates within the limits expressed above: and be it further

Resolved, That this House hereby intends that this be a continuing application considered together with applications calling for a convention passed in the 2013-2014 Vermont legislature as R454, the 2013-2014 California legislature as Resolution Chapter 77, the 2013-2014 Illinois legislature as Senate Joint Resolution No. 42, the 2014-2015 New Jersey legislature Senate concurrent Resolution No. 132, and all other passed, pending, and future applications, the aforementioned concerns of Rhode Island notwithstanding until such time as two-thirds of the several states have applied for a Convention and said Convention is convened by Congress; and be it further

Resolved, That the citizenry of the State of Rhode Island, speaking through this House of Representatives, and pursuant to Article V of the United States Constitution, hereby petitions the United States Congress to call a Convention for the purpose of proposing Amendments to the Constitution of the United States of America as soon as twothirds of the several states have applied for a Convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to the President of the United States; the Vice President of the United States in his capacity as President of the United States Senate and addressed to him at the office he maintains in the United States House of Representatives, the Minority Leader of the United States House of Representatives, the President Pro Tempore of the United States Senate, and the Rhode Island Congressional Delegation.

POM-199. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the State of Rhode Island urging the United States Congress, pursuant to Article V of the United States Constitution, to call a convention of the states for purpose of proposing amendments to the United States Constitution relative to campaign finance; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### Senate Resolution 2589

Whereas, The 1st President of the United States George Washington stated. "The basis of our political systems is the right of the people to make and to alter their Constitutions of Government": and

Whereas, It was the stated intention of the framers of the Constitution of the United

States of America that the Congress of the United States of America should be "dependent on the people alone." (James Madison. Federalist 52): and

Whereas, That dependency has evolved from a dependency on the people alone to a dependency on those who spend excessively in elections, through campaigns or thirdparty groups; and

Whereas, The United States Supreme Court ruling in Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission. 558 U.S. 310 (2010) removed restrictions on amounts of independent political spending; and

Whereas, The removal of those restrictions has resulted in the unjust influence of powerful economic forces, which have supplanted the will of the people by undermining our ability to choose our political leadership, write our own laws, and determine the fate of our state; and

Whereas, Article V of the United States Constitution requires the United States Congress to call a convention for proposing amendments upon application of two-thirds of the legislatures of the several states for the purpose of proposing amendments to the United States Constitution: Now, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations hereby sees the need for a convention to propose amendments in order to address concerns such as those raised by the decision of the United States Supreme Court in Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission and related cases and events including those occurring long before or afterward or for a substantially similar purpose, and desires that said convention should be so limited: and be it further

Resolved, That this Senate hereby respectfully requests that the delegates to said convention be comprised equally of individuals currently elected to state and local office, or be selected by election, in each Congressional district for the purpose of serving as delegates, though all individuals elected or appointed to federal office, now or in the past, be prohibited from serving as delegates to the Convention, and furthermore requests the ability to restrict or expand the power of its delegates within the limits expressed above; and be it further

Resolved, That this Senate hereby intends that this be a continuing application considered together with applications calling for a convention passed in the 2013-2014 Vermont legislature is Resolution Chapter 77, the 2013-2014 Illinois legislature as Senate Joint Resolution No. 42, the 2014-2015 New Jersey legislature Senate concurrent Resolution No. 132, and all other passed, pending, and future applications, the aforementioned concerns of Rhode Island notwithstanding until such time as two-thirds of the several states have applied for a Convention and said Convention is convened by Congress; and be it further

Resolved, That the citizenry of the State of Rhode Island, speaking through this Senate, and pursuant to Article V of the United States Constitution, hereby petitions the United States Congress to call a Convention for the purpose of proposing Amendments to the Constitution of the United States of America as soon as two-thirds of the several states have applied for a Convention; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to the President of the United States; the Vice President of the United States in his capacity as President of the United States Senate and addressed to him at the office he maintains in the United States Capitol; the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Minority Leader of the United States House of Representatives, the President Pro Tempore of the United States Senate, and the Rhode Island Congressional Delegation.

POM-200. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Delaware rescinding all previous applications by the Legislature to the United States Congress to call a constitutional convention; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 60

Whereas, the General Assembly of the State of Delaware has, at various times, previously made applications to the Congress of the United States of America to call a convention to propose amendments concerning specific subjects to the United States Constitution, pursuant to Article V; and

Whereas, over the course of time, the will of the people of the State of Delaware may have changed with regard to the General Assembly's previous calls for a convention to amend the United States Constitution: and

Whereas, the General Assembly of the State of Delaware does not want its previous applications for a constitutional convention, most of which were made over 3 decades ago, to be aggregated with calls for a convention from other states: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the 148th General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the Senate concurring therein, That the General Assembly rescinds all prior applications to the Congress of the United States of America to call a convention pursuant to Article V of the United States Constitution, including all of the following:

1. House Joint Resolution No. 7 (1907).

2. Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6 of the 109th General Assembly (1943).

3. House Concurrent Resolution No. 2 of the 126th General Assembly (1971).

4. House Concurrent Resolution No. 36 of the 128th General Assembly (1976).

5. House Joint Resolution No. 43 of the 128th General Assembly (1976).

6. House Concurrent Resolution No. 9 of the 129th General Assembly (1977).

7. Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 79 of the 129th General Assembly (1978).

8. House Concurrent Resolution No. 56 of the 137th General Assembly (1994); and be it further

*Resolved*, That copies of this resolution be sent to the President and the Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker and the Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, members of the Delaware congressional delegation, and the Administrator of the United States General Services Administration.

POM-201. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of West Virginia urging the Congress of the United States, pursuant to Article V of the United States Constitution, to call a convention of the states for the sole and exclusive purpose of proposing an amendment to the United States Constitution that would provide for a balanced budget; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 36

Whereas, Article V of the Constitution of the United States provides authority for a Convention to be called by the Congress of the United States for the purpose of proposing amendments to the Constitution upon application of two thirds of the Legislatures of the several states ("amendments convention"); and

Whereas, This application is to be considered as covering the same subject matter as the presently outstanding balanced budget applications from other states, including, but not limited to, previously adopted applications from Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, New Hampshire, New Mexico, Nevada, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Texas and Utah, and this application shall be aggregated with same for the purpose of attaining the two thirds of states necessary to require the calling of a convention, but shall not be aggregated with any applications on any other subject; and

Whereas, This application constitutes a continuing application in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States until the Legislatures of at least two thirds of the several states have made applications on the same subject and supersedes all previous applications by this Legislature on the same subject: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia: That as provided in Article V of the Constitution of the United States the Legislature of the State of West Virginia herewith respectfully applies for an Amendments Convention to Propose a Constitutional Amendment limited to proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States requiring that in the absence of a national emergency the total of all federal appropriations made by the Congress for any fiscal year may not exceed the total of all estimated federal revenues for that fiscal year together with any related and appropriate fiscal restraints; and be it further

Resolved, That the amendments convention contemplated by this application shall be entirely focused upon and exclusively limited to the subject matter of proposing for ratification an amendment to the Constitution providing that in the absence of a national emergency the total of all federal appropriations made by the Congress for any fiscal year may not exceed the total of all estimated federal revenues for that fiscal year together with any related and appropriate fiscal restraints; and be it further

Resolved, That this application constitutes a continuing application in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States until at least two thirds of the Legislatures of the several states have made application for an equivalently limited amendments convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates forward certified copies of this resolution to the President and Secretary of the United States Senate, to the Speaker and Secretary of the United States House of Representatives, the members of the West Virginia Congressional Delegation, and to the presiding officers of each house of the several State Legislatures, requesting their cooperation in applying for the amendments convention limited to the subject matter contemplated by this application.

POM-202. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of West Virginia urging the Congress of the United States, pursuant to Article V of the United States Constitution, to call a convention of the states for the sole and exclusive purpose of proposing an amendment to the United States Constitution that would provide for a balanced budget; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 36

Whereas, Article V of the Constitution of the United States provides authority for a Convention to be called by the Congress of the United States for the purpose of proposing amendments to the Constitution upon application of two thirds of the Legislatures of the several states ("amendments convention"); and

Whereas, This application is to be considered as covering the same subject matter as the presently outstanding balanced budget applications from other states, including, but not limited to, previously adopted applications from Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, New Hampshire, New Mexico, Nevada, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Texas and Utah, and this application shall be aggregated with same for the purpose of attaining the two thirds of states necessary to require the calling of a convention, but shall not be aggregated with any applications on any other

subject; and Whereas, This application constitutes a continuing application in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States until the Legislatures of at least two thirds of the several states have made applications on the same subject and supersedes all previous applications by this Legislature on the same subject: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia: That as provided in Article V of the Constitution of the United States, the Legislature of the State of West Virginia herewith respectfully applies for an Amendments Convention to Propose a Constitutional Amendment limited to proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States requiring that in the absence of a national emergency the total of all federal appropriations made by the Congress for any fiscal year may not exceed the total of all estimated federal revenues for that fiscal year together with any related and appropriate fiscal restraints: and be it further

*Resolved*, That the amendments convention contemplated by this application shall be entirely focused upon and exclusively limited to the subject matter of proposing for ratification an amendment to the Constitution providing that in the absence of a national emergency the total of all federal appropriations made by the Congress for any fiscal year may not exceed the total of all estimated federal revenues for that fiscal year together with any related and appropriate fiscal restraints; and be it further

fiscal restraints; and be it further *Resolved*. That this application constitutes a continuing application in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States until at least two thirds of the Legislatures of the several states have made application for an equivalently limited amendments convention; and be it further

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates forward certified copies of this resolution to the President and Secretary of the United States Senate, to the Speaker and Secretary of the United States House of Representatives, the members of the West Virginia Congressional Delegation, and to the presiding officers of each house of the several State Legislatures, requesting their cooperation in applying for the amendments convention limited to the subject matter contemplated by this application.

POM-203. A petition from a citizen of the State of Texas relative to criminal investigations; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

POM-204. A petition from a citizen of the State of Texas relative to constitutional conventions; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of July 14, 2016, the following reports of committees were submitted on August 30, 2016: By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:

Report to accompany S. 461, A bill to provide for alternative financing arrangements for the provision of certain services and the construction and maintenance of infrastructure at land border ports of entry, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114–303).

Report to accompany S. 2509, A bill to improve the Government-wide management of Federal property (Rept. No. 114-304).

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

S. 2964. A bill to eliminate or modify certain mandates of the Government Accountability Office (Rept. No. 114-305).

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

S. 2967. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Office of Management and Budget to execute a national biodefense strategy, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114–306).

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

S. 2971. A bill to authorize the National Urban Search and Rescue Response System (Rept. No. 114–307).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:

S. 718. A bill to modify the boundary of Petersburg National Battlefield in the Commonwealth of Virginia, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114–308).

S. 1577. A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of East Rosebud Creek in Carbon County, Montana, as components of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System (Rept. No. 114-309).

S. 1623. A bill to establish the Maritime Washington National Heritage Area in the State of Washington, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-310).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:

S. 2360. A bill to improve the administration of certain programs in the insular areas, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-311)

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

H.R. 1289. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire approximately 44 acres of land in Martinez, California, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114–312).

H.R. 2288. A bill to remove the use restrictions on certain land transferred to Rockingham County, Virginia, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-313).

H.R. 2615. A bill to establish the Virgin Islands of the United States Centennial Commission (Rept. No. 114-314).

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

S. 2319. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:

S. 1167. A bill to modify the boundaries of the Pole Creek Wilderness, the Owyhee River Wilderness, and the North Fork Owyhee Wilderness and to authorize the continued use of motorized vehicles for livestock monitoring, herding, and grazing in certain wilderness areas in the State of Idaho (Rept. No. 114–315).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 1662. A bill to include Livingston County, the city of Jonesboro in Union County, and the city of Freeport in Stephenson County, Illinois, to the Lincoln National Heritage Area, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114– 316).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:

S. 1690. A bill to establish the Mountains to Sound Greenway National Heritage Area in the State of Washington (Rept. No. 114–317).

S. 1696. A bill to redesignate the Ocmulgee National Monument in the State of Georgia, to revise the boundary of that monument, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114–318).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 1777. A bill to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to maintain or replace certain facilities and structures for commercial recreation services at Smith Gulch in Idaho, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114–319).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 1930. A bill to adjust the boundary of the Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park to include the Wallis House and Harriston Hill, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-320).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:

S. 1943. A bill to modify the boundary of the Shiloh National Military Park located in the State of Tennessee and Mississippi, to establish Parker's Crossroads Battlefield as an affiliated area of the National Park System, and for other purposes (Bept. No. 114-321).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 2018. A bill to convey, without consideration, the reversionary interests of the United States in and to certain non-Federal land in Glennallen, Alaska (Rept. No. 114-322).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:

S. 2087. A bill to modify the boundary of the Fort Scott National Historic Site in the State of Kansas, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-323).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 2177. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the Medgar Evers House, located in Jackson, Mississippi, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-324).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:

S. 2223. A bill to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Bureau of Land Management land from the Secretary of the Interior to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for inclusion in the Black Hills National Cemetery, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-325).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 2412. A bill to establish the Tule Lake National Historic Site in the State of California, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-326). By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:

S. 2524. A bill to insure adequate use and access to the existing Bolts Ditch headgate and ditch segment within the Holy Cross Wilderness in Eagle County, Colorado, and for other purposes (Bent. No. 114-327).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 2608. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to place signage on Federal land along the trail known as the "American Discovery Trail", and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114– 328).

S. 2620. A bill to facilitate the addition of park administration at the Coltsville National Historical Park, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-329). By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment:

S. 2805. A bill to modify the boundary of Voyageurs National Park in the State of Minnesota, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-330).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 2839. A bill to amend the Gullah/Geechee Cultural Heritage Act to extend the authorization for the Gullah/Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Commission (Rept. No. 114– 331).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and an amendment to the title:

S. 2954. A bill to establish the Ste. Genevieve National Historic Site in the State of Missouri, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-332).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 3020. A bill to update the map of, and modify the acreage available for inclusion in, the Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument (Rept. No. 114-333).

S. 3027. A bill to clarify the boundary of Acadia National Park, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-334).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

H.R. 959. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the Medgar Evers House, located in Jackson, Mississippi, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114–335). By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:

Report to accompany H.R. 1475, a bill to authorize a Wall of Remembrance as part of the Korean War Veterans Memorial and to allow certain private contributions to fund that Wall of Remembrance (Rept. No. 114– 336).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

H.R. 2880. A bill to redesignate the Martin Luther King, Junior, National Historic Site in the State of Georgia, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-337).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:

Report to accompany H.R. 3004, a bill to amend the Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Act to extend the authorization for the Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Commission (Rept. No. 114-338).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

H.R. 3620. A bill to amend the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Improvement Act to provide access to certain vehicles serving residents of municipalities adjacent to the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-339).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, with amendments:

H.R. 4119. A bill to authorize the exchange of certain land located in Gulf Islands National Seashore, Jackson County, Mississippi, between the National Park Service and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-340).

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

H.R. 4539. A bill to establish the 400 Years of African-American History Commission, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-341).

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

S. 1818. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to reform the rule making process of agencies (Rept. No. 114-342).

S. 1820. A bill to require agencies to publish an advance notice of proposed rule making for major rules (Rept. No. 114-343).

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

S. 2970. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to expand law enforcement availability pay to employees of the Air and Marine Operations of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (Rept. No. 114-344).

#### 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. CRUZ:

S. 3284. A bill to oppose loans at international financial institutions for the Government of Nicaragua unless the Government of Nicaragua is taking effective steps to hold free, fair, and transparent elections, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. KIRK, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. BAR-RASSO, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. SCOTT, Mr. BURR, Mr. JOHNSON, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. COTTON, Mr. PERDUE, Ms. COL-LINS, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. RISCH, Mr. HELLER, Mr. GARDNER, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. DAINES):

S. 3285. A bill to prohibit the President from using funds appropriated under section 1304 of title 31, United States Code, to make payments to Iran, to impose sanctions with respect to Iranian persons that hold or detain United States citizens, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. RUBIO:

S. 3286. A bill to prohibit the issuing of licenses for the export or reexport of aircraft and related parts and services to Iran; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. KIRK (for himself and Mr. DUR-BIN):

S. 3287. A bill to establish the Bronzeville-Black Metropolis National Heritage Area in the State of Illinois, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. BOOZMAN):

S. 3288. A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to exempt certain recipients of Department of Agriculture conservation assistance from certain reporting requirements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. MENENDEZ):

S. 3289. A bill to prohibit scheduled passenger air transportation between the United States and Cuba until a study has been completed regarding security measures and equipment at Cuba's airports and certain agreements have been established with the Government of Cuba, to amend title 49, United States Code, to clarify the role of the Secretary of Homeland Security regarding security standards at foreign airports, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

# ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

#### S. 17

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 17, a bill to repeal the provision of law that provides automatic pay adjustments for Members of Congress.

#### S. 31

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 31, a bill to amend part D of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to negotiate covered part D drug prices on behalf of Medicare beneficiaries.

#### S. 134

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 134, a bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to exclude industrial hemp from the definition of marihuana, and for other purposes.

#### S. 198

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 198, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the rules relating to inverted corporations.

#### S. 271

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 271, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit certain retired members of the uniformed services who have a service-connected disability to receive both disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability and either retired pay by reason of their years of military service or Combat-Related Special Compensation, and for other purposes.

#### S. 377

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 377, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to increase access to ambulance services under the Medicare program and to reform payments for such services under such program, and for other purposes.

#### S. 488

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 488, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to allow physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and clinical nurse specialists to supervise cardiac, intensive cardiac, and pulmonary rehabilitation programs.

#### S. 591

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 591, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the new markets tax credit, and for other purposes.

#### S. 1082

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1082, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the removal or demotion of employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs based on performance or misconduct, and for other purposes.

#### S. 1205

At the request of Mrs. CAPITO, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1205, a bill to designate the same individual serving as the Chief Nurse Officer of the Public Health Service as the National Nurse for Public Health.

#### S. 1345

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1345, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to diabetes self-management training by authorizing certified diabetes educators to provide diabetes selfmanagement training services, including as part of telehealth services, under part B of the Medicare program.

#### S. 1688

At the request of Mr. CARPER, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. SCHATZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1688, a bill to provide for the admission of the State of New Columbia into the Union.

#### S. 1865

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1865, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to eating disorders, and for other purposes.

#### S. 1982

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. MURPHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1982, a bill to authorize a Wall of Remembrance as part of the Korean War Veterans Memorial and to allow certain private contributions to fund the Wall of Remembrance.

#### S. 2031

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from California

(Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2031, a bill to reduce temporarily the royalty required to be paid for sodium produced on Federal lands, and for other purposes.

#### S. 2217

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the names of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. INHOFE) and the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. JOHNSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 2217, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve and clarify certain disclosure requirements for restaurants and similar retail food establishments, and to amend the authority to bring proceedings under section 403A.

#### S. 2373

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the names of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. COTTON) and the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2373, 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. 2427

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2427, a bill to prohibit discrimination against individuals with disabilities who need long-term services and supports, and for other purposes.

#### S. 2484

At the request of Mr. SCHATZ, the names of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) and the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET) were added as cosponsors of S. 2484, a bill to amend titles XVIII and XI of the Social Security Act to promote cost savings and quality care under the Medicare program through the use of telehealth and remote patient monitoring services, and for other purposes.

#### S. 2531

At the request of Mr. KIRK, the name of the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. MCCONNELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2531, a bill to authorize State and local governments to divest from entities that engage in commerce-related or investment-related boycott, divestment, or sanctions activities targeting Israel, and for other purposes.

#### S. 2595

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2595, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the railroad track maintenance credit.

#### S. 2645

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. KIRK), the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO), the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND), the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS), the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN), the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANT- WELL), the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ), the Senator from Virginia (Mr. KAINE) and the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) were added as cosponsors of S. 2645, a bill to impose sanctions with respect to foreign persons responsible for gross violations of internationally recognized human rights against lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender individuals, and for other purposes.

#### S. 2659

At the request of Mr. BURR, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE) and the Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN) were added as cosponsors of S. 2659, a bill to reaffirm that the Environmental Protection Agency cannot regulate vehicles used solely for competition, and for other purposes.

#### S. 2702

At the request of Mr. BURR, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2702, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals with disabilities to save additional amounts in their ABLE accounts above the current annual maximum contribution if they work and earn income.

#### S. 2711

At the request of Mr. MCCAIN, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. LANKFORD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2711, a bill to expand opportunity for Native American children through additional options in education, and for other purposes.

#### S. 2763

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2763, a bill to provide the victims of Holocaust-era persecution and their heirs a fair opportunity to recover works of art confiscated or misappropriated by the Nazis.

#### S. 2782

At the request of Mr. BLUNT, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2782, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the participation of pediatric subspecialists in the National Health Service Corps program, and for other purposes.

#### S. 2912

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. DONNELLY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2912, a bill to authorize the use of unapproved medical products by patients diagnosed with a terminal illness in accordance with State law, and for other purposes.

#### S. 2921

At the request of Mr. ISAKSON, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2921, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the accountability of employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs, to improve health care and benefits for veterans, and for other purposes.

#### S. 2927

At the request of Mr. LANKFORD, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. CASSIDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2927, a bill to prevent governmental discrimination against providers of health services who decline involvement in abortion, and for other purposes.

#### S. 2932

At the request of Mr. CASSIDY, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2932, a bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act with respect to the provision of emergency medical services.

#### S. 2944

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. AYOTTE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2944, a bill to require adequate reporting on the Public Safety Officers' Benefit program, and for other purposes.

#### S. 2951

At the request of Ms. MURKOWSKI, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2951, a bill to amend the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 to impose penalties and provide for the recovery of removal costs and damages in connection with certain discharges of oil from foreign offshore units, and for other purposes.

#### S. 2962

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the names of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) and the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) were added as cosponsors of S. 2962, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform the low-income housing credit, and for other purposes.

#### S. 3031

At the request of Mr. MURPHY, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3031, a bill to require certain standards and enforcement provisions to prevent child abuse and neglect in residential programs, and for other purposes.

#### S. 3106

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3106, a bill to provide a coordinated regional response to effectively manage the endemic violence and humanitarian crisis in El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras.

#### S. 3124

At the request of Mrs. ERNST, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. VITTER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3124, a bill to require U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement to take into custody certain aliens who have been charged in the United States with a crime that resulted in the death or serious bodily injury of another person, and for other purposes.

#### S. 3130

At the request of Mr. MARKEY, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3130, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for a permanent Independence at Home medical practice program under the Medicare program.

#### S. 3155

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) and the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 3155, a bill to amend chapter 97 of title 28, United States Code, to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section 1605(a)(3) of such title.

S. 3169

At the request of Mr. ALEXANDER, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. CASSIDY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3169, a bill to support basic energy research and eliminate the wind production tax credit.

## S. 3184

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the names of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. PERDUE), the Senator from Nebraska (Mrs. FISCHER), the Senator from West Virginia (Mrs. CAPITO) and the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. CAS-SIDY) were added as cosponsors of S. 3184, a bill to protect law enforcement officers, and for other purposes.

S. 3198

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3198, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of adult day health care services for veterans.

## S. 3237

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the names of the Senator from New Hampshire (Ms. AYOTTE) and the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) were added as cosponsors of S. 3237, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform the low-income housing credit, and for other purposes.

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the names of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) and the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) were added as cosponsors of S. 3244, a bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to clarify the treatment of pediatric dental coverage in the individual and group markets outside of Exchanges established under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, and for other purposes.

#### S. 3252

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3252, a bill to require States to automatically register eligible voters to vote in elections for Federal office, and for other purposes.

#### S. 3256

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3256, a bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to provide assistance for developing countries to promote quality basic education and to establish the goal of all children in school and learning as an objective of the United States foreign assistance policy, and for other purposes.

#### S. 3281

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3281, a bill to extend the Iran Sanctions Act of 1996.

#### S.J. RES. 35

At the request of Mr. FLAKE, the names of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE), the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. ROUNDS), the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) and the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. CASSIDY) were added as cosponsors of S.J. Res. 35, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the final rule of the Department of Labor relating to "Interpretation of the 'Advice' Exemption in Section 203(c) of the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act".

#### S. RES. 426

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 426, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the United States should support and protect the right of women working in developing countries to safe workplaces, free from gender-based violence, reprisals, and intimidation.

#### AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 4978. Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 5293, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

## TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

**SA 4978.** Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 5293, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. Upon a determination by the Secretary of Defense that such action is necessary in the national interest, the Secretary may transfer working capital funds of the Department of Defense, and amounts appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act, to and among appropriate accounts of the Department of Defense in order to provide funds for the following:

(1) Operations to counter or control the Zika Virus.

(2) Research, development, test, and evaluation of medical items related to the Zika Virus.

## FOREIGN TRAVEL FINANCIAL REPORTS

In accordance with the appropriate provisions of law, the Secretary of the Senate herewith submits the following reports for standing committees of the Senate, certain joint committees of the Congress, delegations and groups, and select and special committees of the Senate, relating to expenses incurred in the performance of authorized foreign travel:

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95–384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS FOR TRAVEL FROM APR. 1 TO JUNE 30, 2016

		Per	diem	Transp	ortation	Miscell	aneous	Tota	al
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Adam Yezerski:									
Greece	Euro		399.21						399.21
Macedonia	Dinar		508.00						508.00
Serbia	Dinar		178.00						178.00
United States	Dollar				4,451.06				4,451.06
Jason Wheelock:									
El Salvador	Dollar		438.00						438.00
Colombia	Peso		695.00		272.00				967.00
United States	Dollar				2,297.16				2,297.16
Paul Grove:									
Iraq	Dinar		152.00		3,975.00				4,127.00
Jordan	Dinar		355.41		121.83				477.24
Turkey	Lira		569.33		563.80				1,133.13
United States	Dollar				6,780.36				6,780.36

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Total:		 25,722.73		25,926.68		26,283.37		77,932

\* Delegation expenses include payments and reimbursements to the Department of State under authority of Sec. 502(b) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended by Section 22 of P.L. 95-384, and S. Res. 179 agreed to May 25, 1977.

SENATOR THAD COCHRAN, Chairman, Committee on Appropriations, July 27, 2016.

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		Per	liem	Transpo	ortation	Miscell	aneous	Tota	al
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Senator Claire McCaskill:									
Austria Jordan Israel Ireland Jason Rauch:	Euro Dinar New Shekel Euro	······	465.61 151.80 485.00 112.00			······			465.61 151.80 485.00 112.00
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Senator Joe Donnelly: Israel United Arab Emirates	Dirhom		473.66 168.69 460.99 316.43 148.29						473.66 168.69 460.99 316.43 148.29
Rachel Lipsey: Israel United Arab Emirates	New Shekel Dirham		473.66 168.69						473.66 168.69

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		Per	diem	Transp	ortation	Misce	llaneous	To	tal
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Bahrain			460.99						460.9
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arolyn Chuhta: United States	Dollar						4,099.96		4,099.9
Israel United Arab Emirates	New Shekel		621.00 338.64						621.0 338.6
Delegation Expenses:							4,518.97		
Israel United Arab Emirates	Dirham						441.23		4,518.9 441.2
Bahrain Iraq					1,800.00		269.01		269.0 1,800.0
Spain nator Lindsey Graham:	Euro				97.37		72.77		170.1
Israel			496.64						496.6
Saudi Arabia Turkey	Liŕa								449.8 452.3
Egypt Spain			430.20 340.85						430.2 340.8
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Saudi Arabia	Riyal		438.45						438.4
Turkey Egypt			452.32 410.20						452.3 410.2
Spain	Euro		324.85						324.8
Israel	New Shekel		496.64						496.6
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Israel Saudi Arabia			496.64 458.45						496.6 458.4
Turkey	Lira		469.32 410.20						469.3
Egypt Spain			334.85						410.2 334.8
nator Thom Tillis: Israel			605.28						605.2
Saudi Arabia	Riyal		567.89						567.8
Egypt Turkey	Lira		690.76 421.64						690.7 421.6
Spain bert Wikie:	Euro		465.29						465.2
Israel			447.72						447.7
Saudi Arabia Egypt			533.20						410.3 533.2
Turkey Spain	Lira		264.08 310.69						264.0 310.6
Delegation Expenses:			510.05						
Israel Saudi Arabia	New Shekel Riyal						3,366.65 2,263.50		3,366.6 2,263.5
Egypt Turkey	Pound						4,265.60 1,582.50		4,265.6 1,582.5
Spain	Euro						1,781.39		1,781.3
nator Mike Lee: China	Renminbi		1,046.76						1,046.7
yson Bell: China			942.16						942.1
Delegation Expenses:			342.10						
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United States Singapore			1,245.57		7,519.96				7,519.9 1,245.5
Japan			327.80						327.8
ivid Eric Sayers: United States	Dollar				17,616.33				17.616.3
Singapore Japan			1,460.36 368.01						1,460.3 368.0
stin Walker:			300.01						
United States Singapore			1,323.95						17,616.3 1,323.9
Japan			309.02						309.0
nator Lindsey Graham: United States	Dollar				17,185.76				17,185.7
Singapore Japan	Dollar		1,822.59 458.56						1,822.5 458.5
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Delegation Expenses: Singapore	Dollar						931.00		931.0
Japan	Yen				1,776.43				1,776.4
China nator Dan Sullivan:							519.64		519.6
United States Republic of Korea			830.87		231.54				231.5 830.8
Myanmar	Kyat		424.98						424.9
Singapore Japan			413.06 349.00						413.0 349.0
son Suslavich:			5-5.00						
United States Republic of Korea	Won		733.76		240.66				240.6 733.7
Myanmar	Kyat		396.20 476.05						396.2
Singapore			476.05 349.00						476.0 349.0
Japan nator Joni Ernst:									

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		Per	diem	Transp	ortation	Miscell	aneous	Tota	al
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Myanmar Singapore	Kyat Dollar Yen		545.83 732.12 235.32						545.83 732.12 235.32
United States			933.22		7,490.00				7,490.00 933.22
Řepublic óf Korea Myanmar Adam Barker:	Won Kyat				2,271.41		733.33		2,271.41 733.33
United States Senegal Mali	Dollar Franc Franc		484.68 141.80	·····	24,390.70	·····		·····	24,390.70 484.68 141.80
* Delegation Expenses: Senegal Senator Lindsey Graham:	Franc						117.37		117.37
United States Germany			157.00		13,933.86				13,933.86 157.00
Total			42,863.34		161,139.05		26,299.48		230,301.87

\*Delegation expenses include payments and reimbursements to the Department of State under authority of Sec. 502(b) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended by Section 22 of P.L. 95-384, and S. Res. 179 agreed to May 25, 1977. SENATOR JOHN MCCAIN,

Chairman, Committee on Armed Services, July 27, 2016.

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		Pero	liem	Transpo	rtation	Miscell	aneous	Tota	al
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Kaitlin Vogt: South Africa	Rand		1,866.00		879.00				2,745.00
Total			1,866.00		879.00				2,745.00
						01 .		SENATOR MICHAI	EL ENZI,

Chairman, Committee on the Budget, July 26, 2016.

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		Per	diem	Transp	ortation	Miscell	aneous	Tota	al
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Senator Deb Fisher: Japan * Delegation Expenses	Yen		1,270.00				1,467.20		1,270.00 1,467.20
Senator Deb Fisher: South Korea * Delegation Expenses	Won		1,077.50				693.49		1,077.50 1,467.20
Australia	Dollar		1,579.00				912.24		1,579.00 912.24
Japan	Yen		1,336.00				1,467.18		1,336.00 1,467.18
South Korea	Won		1,077.50				693.48		1,077.50 693.48
Australia	Dollar		603.00				912.22		603.00 912.22
Japan * Delegation Expenses Joseph Hack:	Yen		1,336.00				1,467.18		1,336.00 1,467.18
South Korea	Won Dollar		1,077.50				693.48		1,077.50 693.48 603.00
* Delegation Expenses			9,959.50				912.22		912.22

\* Delegation expenses include payments and reimbursements to the Department of State under authority of Sec. 502(b) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended by Section 22 of P.L. 95–384, and S. Res. 179 agreed to May 25, 1977. SENATOR JOHN THUNE,

Chairman, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, August 1, 2016.

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		Per	diem	Transp	ortation	Miscel	laneous	Tota	al
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Senator Debbie Stabenow: Austria	Schilling		421.68						421.68

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		Per	diem	Transp	ortation	Miscell	aneous	Tota	al
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Jordan Israel Ireland Emily Carwell:	Dinar Shekel Euro		241.41 457.19 140.34						241.41 457.19 140.34
Austria Jordan Israel Ireland	Schilling Dinar Shekel Euro		421.68 279.41 488.90 197.63	······	······	······	······	······	421.68 279.41 488.90 197.63
* Delegation Expenses: Austria	Schilling Dinar Shekel Euro	······	······	······	·····	······	27.24 160.82 874.04 523.66	······	27.24 160.82 874.04 523.66
Jason Thielman: China	Yuan Yuan		779.43				659.57		779.43 659.57
Total			3,427.67				2,245.33		5,673.00

\*Delegation expenses include payments and reimbursements to the Department of State under authority of Sec. 502(b) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended by Section 22 of P.L. 95-384, and S. Res. 179 agreed to May 25, 1977

SENATOR LISA MURKOWSKI, Chairman, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, July 8, 2016.

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		Per	diem	Transp	ortation	Miscell	aneous	Tota	al
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Senator John Barrasso:									
Japan	Yen		1,270.00						1,270.00
Korea	Won		1,077.50						1,077.50
Australia	Dollar		603.00						603.00
Alexander Herrgott:	Y.		1 000 00						1 000 00
Japan	Yen		1,336.00						1,336.00
Korea	Won		1,077.50						1,077.50
Australia	Dollar		603.00						603.00
Dustin Vaughan:	Von		1 226 00						1,336.00
Japan Korea	1011		1,330.00			•••••	•••••		1,077.50
korea Australia	Won Dollar		603.00			•••••	•••••	•••••	603.00
* Delegation Expenses:	Dollal		003.00						003.00
Japan	Von						4 401 57		4 401 57
Korea	Won						2.080.42		2,080.42
Australia	Dollar						2,736.67		2,736.67
Totals			8,983.50				9,218.66		18,202.16

\* Delegation expenses include payments and reimbursements to the Department of State under authority of Sec. 502(b) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended by Section 22 of P.L. 95-384, and S. Res. 179 agreed to May 25, 1977

SENATOR JAMES INHOFE, Chairman, Committee on Environment & Public Works, July 26, 2016.

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		Per	liem	Transp	ortation	Miscell	aneous	Tota	al
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Senator John Barrasso: Singapore Japan United States	Dollar Yen Dollar		1,151.38 427.82		14,264.96				1,151.38 427.82 14,264.96
* Delegation Expenses: Singapore	Dollar Yen Dollar						116.37 177.64 57.73		116.37 177.64 57.73
India	Rupees British Pounds Dollar		1,099.72 935.16		10,958.13				1,099.72 935.16 10,958.13
India	Rupees British Pounds Dollar		1,077.39 921.35		10,958.13				1,077.39 921.35 10,958.13
India United Kingdom United Kingdom * Delexation Expenses:	Rupees British Pounds Dollar		1,026.18 816.16				14,284.23		1,026.18 816.16 14,284.23
India United Kingdom Senator Christopher Coons:	Rupees British Pounds		1.349.19				2,027.17 1,665.54		2,027.17 1.665.54 1.349.19
South Africa	Rand Dollar Rand		1,349.19		15,816.66				1,349.19
United States	Dollar Rand				12,163.43		454.80		12,163.43 454.80
Senator Cory Gardner: Korea	Won		776.00						776.00

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		Per	diem	Transp	ortation	Miscel	laneous	To	ıtal
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency	Foreign currency	U.S. doll equivale or U.S. currenc
Burma			526.00						526
Singapore Japan	Yen		681.00 279.00						681 279
United States rtis Swager:	Dollar				20,740.62				20,740
Korea <sup>-</sup>			885.00						885
Burma Singapore			635.00 861.00						635 861
Burma	Kyat		635.00						635
United States elegation Expenses:	Dóllar				17,802.76				17,802
Korea	Won						945.50		945
BurmaSingapore	Kyat						1,116.00 640.40		1,116 640
Japan	Yen						177.64		177
Taiwan nator Christopher Murphy:	Dollar						57.73		57
Slovakia	Euros		768.00						768
United States					11,187.06				11,187
sica Elledge: Slovakia	Euros		865.00						865
United States					11,913.16				11,913
elegation Expenses:	Dollar						2,196.00		2,196
Ünited States ator David Perdue:							2,150.00		2,150
Israel	Shekel		616.75						616
Saudi Arabia Turkey			398.43 277.89						398 277
Egypt	Pound		627.25						627
Spain Iin Poling:	Euro		381.56						381
Israel	Shekel		634.26						634
Saudi Arabia	Riyal		399.08 277.47						399
Turkey Egypt	Pound		546.96						277 546
Spain			385.48						385
elegation Expenses: Israel	Shekel						1.122.06		1,122
Saudi Arabia	Riyal						754.50		754
Turkey							446.48 1,421.86		446 1,421
Egypt Spain							593.79		593
ator Marco Rubio:									
Honduras United States	Lempira Dollar		339.39		1,548.36				339 1,548
ana Bovo:					1,540.50				1,540
Honduras	Lempira		371.00		1,540,00				371
United States legation Expenses:	Dollar				1,548.36				1,548
Honduras	Lempira						1,959.00		1,959
stopher E. Barr:			1 054 00						1.054
Jordan United States	Dinar Dollar		1,654.92		1,628.86				1,654 1,628
rlotte Oldham Moore:					-,				,
Jordan United States			1,654.92		1.628.86				1,654 1,628
elegation Expenses:					1,020.00				1,020
Jordan	Dinar						421.80		42
ph Curtsinger: Jordan			362.00						362
Iraq	Dinar		63.00						63
Israel United States			1,534.00		2,062.19				1,534 2,062
ie Oliver:					2,002.15				2,00
Jordan	Dinar		314.41						314
Iraq Israel			106.00 1,370.00						10 1,37
United States					2,062.19				2,06
elegation Expenses:	Dinar						290.98		29
Jordan Iraq					6,800.00		230.38		6,80
Israel							1,028.33		1,02
Curtsinger: Korea	Won		1,449.69						1,44
United States	Dollar		1,445.05		1,267.56				1,26
tie Oliver:	Won		1,292.36						1 20/
Korea United States					1.262.56				1,292 1,262
egation Expenses:					_,				,
Koreah Downs:	Won						1,022.63		1,02
Jordan	Dinar		503.50						50
Greece	Euros		422.79						42
Cyprus United States		·····	258.62		5,510.26				25 5,51
b McCarry:					.,				
Jordan			594.82 422.79						59 42
Cyprus	Euro		258.62						25
United States	Dollar				5,510.26				5,51
h Ramig: Jordan	Dinar		544.64						54
Greece	Euro		307.16						30
Cyprus	Euro		319.29						31
United States I Womack:	Dollar				5,452.93				5,45
Jordan	Dinar		660.82						66
Greece	Euro		401.53		18,305.76				40
United States legation Expenses:	Dollar			•••••	10,303./0				18,30
Jordan							254.51		254
Lebanon oke Eisele:	Lebanese Pound						1,015.36		1,015
Taiwan	Dollar		1,009.86						1,009
	Dollar				11,524.96				11,52

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		Per	diem	Transp	oortation	Miscellaneous		Total	
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Delegation Expenses: Taiwan	Dollar						561.05		561.05
mie Fly: Qatar			357.37						357.37
Iraq	Dinar		19.00						19.00
Turkey United States	Lira Dollar		552.74		17,981.37				552.74 17,981.37
Delegation Expenses:									
Qatar Iraq	Dinar				600.00				50.22 600.00
Turkey nristopher Ford:	Lira						19.45		19.45
Colombia			1,366.69						1,366.69
United States Delegation Expenses:	Dollar			•••••	2,019.76				2,019.76
Čolombia	Peso						1,340.00		1,340.00
arolyn Leddy: China			954.94						954.94
Taiwan United States	Dollar		416.99		4,232.46				416.99 4,232.46
or Khrestin:					4,232.40				
China Taiwan	Renminbi Dollar		938.46 405.00						938.46 405.00
United States			400.00		3,663.06				3,663.06
olfe Michael Schiffer: China			996.38						996.38
Taiwan	Dollar		352.68		5,198.36				352.68 5,198.36
United States argaret Taylor:					3,130.30				,
China Taiwan			1,045.02 442.43						1,045.02 442.43
United States			442.4J		5,198.36				5,198.36
Delegation Expenses: China							655.52		655.52
Taiwan							526.80		526.80
aleb McCarry: Cuba	Peso		888.00						888.00
United States					962.72				962.72
Delegation Expenses: Cuba	Peso						100.00		100.00
amian Murphy: Germany	Euro		679.22						679.22
United Kingdom	British Pound		983.11						983.11
United States well Schwartz:	Dollar			•••••	2,717.76				2,717.76
Germany	Euro		699.22						699.22
United Kingdom United States			1,005.11 699.22		2,717.76				1,005.11 3,416.98
avid Andrew Olson:									,
Liberia Cote D'Ivoire	Dollar Central African Franc		610.00 650.95						610.00 650.95
United States	Dollar				7,934.16				7,934.16
organ Vina: Liberia	Dollar		761.00						761.00
Cote D'Ivoire United States	Central African Franc		550.58		7,934.16				550.58 7,934.16
Delegation Expenses:					7,334.10				
Liberia Cote D'Ivoire	Dollar Central African Franc						50.38 652.00		50.38 652.00
arah Osborn:							002.00		
South Africa United States			729.45		5,000.56				729.45 5,000.96
Delegation Expenses:									,
South Africaichael Phelan:	Rand			•••••	239.11				239.11
South Sudan United States	South Sudan Pound		345.00		6.477.88				345.00 6,477.88
Delegation Expenses:				•••••	0,477.00				
South Sudan Dife Michael Schiffer:	South Sudan Pound				5,000.56				5,000.56
Laos			585.00						585.00
Singapore United States			1,418.00		5,886.00				1,418.00 5,886.00
Delegation Expenses:									
Laos andon Yoder:	Кір			•••••			2,803.00		2,803.00
Mexico	Peso				1 270 10				1,192.90
United States Delegation Expenses:					1,378.10				1,378.10
	Peso						681.00		681.00
					-		-		-

\* Delegation expenses include payments and reimbursements to the Department of State under authority of Sec. 502(b) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended by Section 22 of P.L. 95-384, and S. Res. 179 agreed to May 25, 1977.

SENATOR BOB CORKER, Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations, July 27, 2016.

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		Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Brooke Ericson: United States Jordan Turkey Jose Bautista: United States	Dollar Dinar Lira Dollar		510.82 612.00		2,261.26		······		2,261.26 510.82 612.00 2.916.06

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		Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Jordan	Dinar		585.82						585.82
Turkey Elizabeth McWhorter:	Lira		558.18						558.18
United States	Dollar				12,047.52				12,047.52
Saudi Arbia	Riyal		918.66						918.66
United Arab Emirates Harlan Geer:	Dirham		1,023.95						1,023.95
United States	Dollar				12.047.52				12.047.52
Saudi Arabia	Riyal		918.66						918.66
United Arab Emirates	Dirham		1,231.43						1,231.43
Senator Thomas R. Carper:									
United States	Dollar		120.00		94.00				94.00
China	Renminbi		132.00						132.00
Total			6,491.52		29,366.36				35,857.88

SENATOR RON JOHNSON, Chairman, Committee on Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs,

August 5, 2016.

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		Per	diem	Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Senator John Cornyn:									
Egypt	Pound		2,042.00						2,042.00
Bahrain	Dinar		892.62						892.62
Tunisia	Dinar		598.88						598.88
United Kingdom	Pound		812.00						812.00
David Hanke:									
Egypt	Pound		647.11						647.11
Bahrain	Dinar		733.01						733.01
Tunisia	Dinar		495.94						495.94
United Kingdom	Pound		734.60						734.60
* Delegation Expenses:									
Egypt	Pound						1,120.41		1,120.41
Bahrain	Dinar						454.36		454.36
Tunisia	Dinar						435.46		435.46
United Kingdom	Pound						1,013.70		1,013.70
Total			6,956.16				3,023.93		9,980.09

\*Delegation expenses include payments and reimbursements to the Department of State under authority of Sec. 502(b) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended by Section 22 of P.L. 95-384, and S. Res. 179 agreed to May 25, 1977.

SENATOR CHUCK GRASSLEY. Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary

July 27, 2016.

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		Per	diem	Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
Name and country	Name of currency	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency						
Senator Mike Enzi:									
Morocco	Dirham		358.58						358.58
South Africa	Rand		1,299.73						1,299.73
Botswana			270.39						270.39
Cape Verde	CVE		151.24						151.24
Tara Shaw:									
Morocco	Dirham		340.69						340.69
South Africa	Rand		1,310.68						1,310.68
Botswana	Pula		266.52						266.52
Cape Verde			151.24						151.24
David Cleary:									
Morocco	Dirham		358.51						358.51
South Africa			1,323.62						1,323.62
Botswana			288.84						288.84
Cape Verde			151.24						151.24
* Delegation Expenses:									
Могоссо	Dirham						1,460.71		1,460.71
South Africa					3,545.79		4,333.62		7,879.41
Botswana							448.88		448.88
Cape Verde							282.21		282.21
Laura Pence:									
South Africa	Rand		591.49						591.49
Total			6,862.77		3,545.79		6,525.42		16,933.98

\*Delegation expenses include payments and reimbursements to the Department of State under the authority of Sec. 502(b) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended by Sec. 22 of P.L. 95-384, and S. Res. 179, agree to May 25, 1977

SENATOR LAMAR ALEXANDER, Chairman, Committee on, Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions,

Aug. 4, 2016.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95–384–22 U.S.C. 1754(b), SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE FOR TRAVEL FROM APR. 1 TO JUNE 30, 2016

		Per	diem	Transp	ortation	Miscellaneous		Tot	al
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SENATOR RICHARD BURR, Chairman, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, Aug. 3, 2016.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95–384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), COMMISSION ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE FOR TRAVEL FROM APR. 1 TO JUNE 30, 2016

		Per diem		Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
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\* Delegation expenses include payments and reimbursements to the Department of State under authority of Sec. 502(b) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended by Section 22 of P.L. 95-384, and S. Res. 179 agreed to May 25, 1977.

SENATOR ROGER WICKER,

Chairman, Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe, July 18, 2016.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95–384—22 U.S.C. 1754(b), MAJORITY LEADER FOR TRAVEL FROM APR. 1 TO JUNE 30, 2016

		Per	diem	Transportation		Miscellaneous		Total	
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United States	Dollar				13,847.14				13,847.14
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Jordan	Dinar		359.74						359.74
Saudi Arabia	Riyal		973.00						973.00
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Israel	New Shekel				1,040.27				1,040.27
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Total			1,967.07		25,977.31				27,944.38
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#### APPOINTMENTS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair announces, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 110–315, the reappointment of the following individuals to be members of the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity: Anne D. Neal of the District of Columbia and Richard F. O'Donnell of Colorado.

#### MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—H.R. 3231

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I understand that H.R. 3231 is at the desk and I ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows: A bill (H.R. 3231) to amend title 5, United States Code, to protect unpaid interns in the Federal Government from workplace harassment and discrimination, and for other purposes.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I now ask for its second reading and object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection having been heard, the bill will be read for the second time on the next legislative day.

#### ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2016

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 10 a.m., Wednesday, September 7; that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; further, that following leader remarks, the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to S. 2848; finally, that the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. to allow for the weekly conference meetings.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### ORDER FOR ADJOURNMENT

Mr. McCONNELL. 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 following the remarks of Senators RUBIO, BROWN, McCAIN, FLAKE, and SULLIVAN.

Mrs. BOXER. Reserving the right to object, I ask Senator RUBIO if I may have 1 minute to respond to your WRDA comments before he begins.

Is that all right with the Senator?

Mr. RUBIO. That is all right. No objection.

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

Mrs. BOXER. Thank you.

#### WRDA

Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, I just want to say to the majority leader that I am pleased he put forward the WRDA bill. I think it is so important to Democrats and Republicans.

I thank the Senator from Florida for yielding for just a few seconds because I am going to read the title of the bill. It will take me less than a minute, and you can see how important it is. We are talking about making navigation better. We are talking about flood control. We are talking about coastal storm damage reduction: environmental restoration; relief for Flint, MI; improved notification when high levels of lead are found in drinking water anywhere in the country; restoring critical ecosystems: investing in innovative water technologies such as desalination and water recycling. We are talking about drought assistance. We are talking about improving ports, repairing dams, and allowing States to issue permits for coal ash. This is a critical bill. It is super-bipartisan.

I wish to say that working with Senator INHOFE continues to be a joy for me when it comes to infrastructure. On the environment, we are sort of from different planets, but when it comes to infrastructure, we are as one.

I thank the majority leader for putting this bill out there. I ask Members on both sides to help us get to this bill.

I again thank the Senator from Florida. I yield the floor.

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, might I take just 1 minute as well?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

Ms. STABENOW. I thank the leader as well and thank colleagues, Senator INHOFE and Senator BOXER, for working in good faith, as they usually do, in coming up with a bill that addresses multiple issues that are very important to Members—certainly us in Michigan but others as well. I thank the leader for bringing it forward.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Florida.

Mr. RUBIO. Mr. President, before I begin my remarks on the vote on Zika, I do want to join the chorus of those voices thanking the majority leader for bringing the water bill, which also has important priorities for the State of Florida, in particular the Central Everglades planning process, which will allow us to begin the process of moving forward on a series of programs that are important not just for restoring the natural flow of the Everglades but for helping coastal areas of Florida that were impacted over the last few months with algae blooms as a result of water runoff from Lake Okeechobee.

There is a lot more to be done. This project alone will not solve this problem, but it is the single biggest project out there that we are closest to achieving and that can move us toward that goal. If the Senate can move forward, I. too, will ask my colleagues over the next few days to allow this issue to move forward. Let's get this passed. There are many good priorities here for many States in this country, but for Florida in particular. The Central Everglades Planning Project has taken so long to get to this point, and I thank Senator INHOFE for working with me on it to ensure that it is part of this package.

I am hopeful we can continue to move forward and get this done. It is important for Florida, particularly for our coastal areas, and for those who care deeply about the great natural treasures of this country—the Florida Everglades. Mr. RUBIO. Mr. President, on a separate topic, I rise today to discuss the spread of the Zika virus. As many of my colleagues know, I have been calling for funding to confront this crisis to be included in the continuing resolution Congress is hopefully going to pass in the coming weeks.

First, in light of tonight's vote, I want to take a step back and look at how we have gotten to this point. I want us to think about how long we have known about this crisis. I want us to think about how many warning signs had to be ignored for us to still be having this debate. And I want all the American people who are concerned about and impacted by the virus to know the truth about our deliberations up to this point.

The truth is that every Senator has known about the Zika virus since at least January. We all knew then that it was a threat. The World Health Organization warned in January that Zika would spread throughout most of the Americas by the end of this year. In February, as the number of travel-related cases in the United States grew, President Obama made an emergency spending request of \$1.9 billion. I supported that request. The vast majority of Congress, for political reasons, did not. So the virus continued to spread.

Since then, I have come to the floor of the Senate to urge my colleagues to take action on Zika on at least eight separate occasions. I have written letters, I have written laws, and I have supported every single Zika proposal that has come before the Senate regardless of which party wrote it. Tonight will mark the 12th time—the 12th time—I have voted to move forward on funding to take on Zika.

But tonight, for the third time, the minority party—the Democrats in the Senate—have blocked more funding to fight this virus. And I want to be frank. At times, my own party has not taken the issue seriously enough either. In the eight times I have come to the floor to deliver speeches about this issue, I have called out both parties, and I have repeatedly warned it was only a matter of time before we had a mosquito transition in the mainland of the United States. Tragically, that time has now come and, with it, an increase in infections.

In July, when we last voted on this issue, there were approximately 1,300 cases of Zika in the continental United States and 2,900 cases in U.S. territories. Since that time in July, these numbers have more than doubled to over 2,700 cases of Zika in the continental United States and over 14,000 cases in U.S. territories, particularly Puerto Rico. That includes 625 pregnant women whose babies are now at risk of complications, including very serious ones like microcephaly.

These are not statistics. These are real people. As the infection rate continues to snowball, our health officials and experts desperately need additional resources to combat this crisis. I continue to support supplemental legislation to fund the fight against Zika, but we simply cannot afford to wait any longer. That is why I have requested that any legislation to fund the Federal Government beyond the 30th of September include additional resources to combat and, hopefully through a vaccine, eradicate the Zika virus.

For Congress, this is our moment of truth on this incredibly dangerous issue. We are going to continue to see more explosive growth in infections if people keep conspiring, for political reasons in an election year, to do nothing. My colleagues on both sides of the aisle and in both Chambers—in the House and the Senate—now face a choice: Are the political points you hope to gain from posturing on this funding really more valuable than saving lives, protecting pregnant women, and preventing unborn children from being afflicted by this disease?

And ask yourself this: How will history remember this moment 20 years from now if, God forbid, there are hundreds or even thousands of children who are born with microcephaly while we stood here playing politics and did nothing? This has the potential to tarnish the legacy of our generation of national leaders and, far worse, to cause grave health challenges for an untold number of Americans.

My colleagues, for the life of me, I cannot understand why any Senator with any chance to do something about this would stand in the way any longer. My message to both parties and both Chambers for this month is simple and straightforward: Zika is not a game. And if you think it is, then you should take your game somewhere else. This issue is about human beings, not political chess pieces, and we have a duty to solve it. It will not stop until Congress does what is necessary to respond to this public health crisis. Enough waiting. Enough games. Congress needs to act, and it needs to act now.

With that, Mr. President, I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Ohio.

# REMEMBERING DR. DONALD HENDERSON AND THE ERADICATION OF SMALLPOX

Mr. BROWN. Mr. President, while my colleagues and I were back home in Ohio, Michigan, Arizona or Florida over the last number of weeks, this country lost one of the heroes in the fight to eradicate smallpox: Lakewood, OH, native and Oberlin College graduate Dr. Donald Henderson. Dr. Henderson passed away at age 87 on August 19. He left behind perhaps the most important public health legacy of anyone in the 20th century.

Along with Dr. William Foege, who is still alive and still very active, Dr. Henderson helped lead the war on humankind's most feared diseases and

achieved one of the greatest public health victories ever—very arguably maybe the most important public health victory—the eradication of smallpox.

Most Americans are too young to remember the fear that smallpox struck in the hearts of people around the globe. Because of the work of literally 150,000 workers—paid workers and volunteers, thousands and thousands, tens of thousands of public health workers fewer and fewer of us bear the scars on our upper arms that serve as a reminder of the danger this disease once posed.

In the 20th Century, it is estimated that more than 300 million people died of smallpox. Think of that. More than 300 million people died of smallpox—at least. Some estimates are as high as 500 million. The numbers aren't particularly precise, putting it mildly, because of where the deaths occurred and how they occurred and what people were dying of in addition to smallpox. Because of the serious investment our country and the world made in stamping out this disease, we no longer live in fear.

I think there are some lessons here. I just listened to the Senator from Florida talk about the fact his party seems to want to load up the Zika virus funding with all kinds of political statements or wants to take the money from some other public health fund and move it into the Zika virus, which is different from what we did as a nation to combat smallpox. What we did as a nation to combat smallpox had nothing to do with political parties; it was all about making sure that we came together as a nation and around the world.

It was an expensive and serious investment. It was a massive international effort. It mobilized epidemiologists—well-paid epidemiologists and laboratories and low-paid health care workers in India and South Asia and parts of Africa across the globe. Dr. Foege wrote an amazing account of this campaign in his 2011 book called "House on Fire."

The smallpox vaccine had existed since the late 18th century. Dr. Edward Jenner developed the first successful vaccine in fighting cowpox. We all learned that in high school. But having the science wasn't enough to actually get people vaccinated to allay people's fears of what a vaccination could mean. Injecting a virus into somebody's arm obviously was a bit counterintuitive: That is going to make me well rather than sick? But to deal with the outbreaks would take action and coordination on a scale never before seen.

The title of the book "House on Fire" refers to the way a young Indian doctor described the approach to the vaccination campaign: You pour water on the house that is burning. When an outbreak happened, that village and the ones immediately surrounding it needed to be vaccinated. That fire line—or ring of vaccination is what doctors will sometimes call that around the virus would stop an epidemic. Mass vaccinations were highly expensive, and reaching into every village and doing what needed to be done was hard. It was hard to transport vaccines, keeping them active, if you will, and just the scale of the whole world at least the whole developing world meant they needed to do something different. That is the reason for the ring of vaccines or the fire line.

Nonetheless, it still required significant investments from governments around the globe. Senators and Congressmen in those days hadn't taken pledges that they would never raise taxes or never close a tax loophole. We came up with the money because we knew public health counted for more than almost anything else. We needed funding for surveillance, for global partnerships, and for developing newer and more effective techniques.

It took a huge amount of manpower and health care workers, local workers in India and Africa going from village to village identifying and stamping out outbreaks. The investment paid off. The last smallpox case appeared in the United States-keep in mind, 300 million people at least died between 1900 and the late 1970s-300 million people. The last case in the United States appeared in 1949. A little more than 30 years later, after a 10-year campaign with Dr. Foege and Dr. Henderson and thousands and thousands of unnamed workers around the world, the last known case was found in Somalia in 1977.

Smallpox is the only infectious disease for humans—the only infectious disease—to be declared eradicated by the World Health Assembly. We still have polio, we still have diphtheria, and we still have cholera. We have made huge progress in polio, thanks in part to the Rotary Club, thanks in part to international efforts by governments, by communities, by doctors, by researchers, by nurses, by health workers, and by so many other people. But smallpox is the only one that has totally been eradicated.

That is how we should do partnerships. We know in health care that upfront public investment is the most effect way to take on the biggest, most important projects. Private charity works, surely. Look what Rotary did on polio. But you have to have the public dollars, the public investment. People in this body think government doesn't do anything right or government can't be trusted to do anything, to accomplish anything or there is no role of government. Well, think about the 300 million people dying from smallpox and now that is eradicated in every place in the world because governments worked together with local communities, with local researchers, with local doctors, and with all of that.

These investments aren't just about helping individual people who are sick or at risk. Whether in our back yard or a world away, when you save one life, you help so many others. Dr. Henderson understood that, and so did many thousands of others whose names we don't celebrate but who risked their lives to end the scourge of smallpox.

Today's world is more connected than ever. Think of the challenge we face with the spread of the Zika virus. Think how pathetic this Congress's response is to the Zika virus. We can't even fund the Zika virus out of this body because people want to make it about Planned Parenthood or about taking money from the Ebola virus effort instead of straightforward funding for the Zika virus. We did it with smallpox, where 300 million people died, and yet we can't stand up to get funding for the Zika virus.

We are going to have to work together and commit to public investment to make this a better country and a better world for our children, just like Dr. Henderson and Dr. Foege. And Dr. Henderson, whom we honor today—an Ohio native and Oberlin College graduate—ran the campaign that ended the scourge of smallpox, which was a huge victory for humankind.

I yield to Senator McCAIN.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Arizona.

Mr. McCAIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to address the Senate in a colloquy with my colleague from Arizona.

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

## OBAMACARE AND MILITARY FUNDING

Mr. McCAIN. Mr. President, I am proud to join my colleague from Arizona on several issues that are very important to our constituents. And I believe by working together we have been able to make some significant progress in a number of areas, but we also are facing an enormous challenge.

Our State of Arizona has the unique category of having a county without a single health care provider—not one. Our largest county, Maricopa County, is now down to one from six. So if there is ever an object lesson in the failure of ObamaCare, it is right there in our home State of Arizona, where we have a very large aging population, we have a very large young population, and we are asking young people to pay for the health care of seniors when the fact is, it was a flawed idea from the beginning.

The fact is, I stood on this floor until Christmas Eve morning fighting against ObamaCare, when it was rammed through on a strictly partisan basis: 60 votes they had, 60 votes they used. For the first time in history, we had a major entitlement reform that was done on a totally partisan basis, and we said at the time it would fail. It is unravelling as we speak.

I would ask my colleague from Arizona, what is entertaining is now our friends from the other sides of the aisle

and in the administration are saying: Well, we would like to sit down with the Republicans and fix it, and we could make some much needed changes. The same people who didn't even allow us a single amendment on one of the most massive entitlement reforms in history, and now our citizenry—our citizenry—are paying the price, as are citizens all over the country.

As I mentioned, we now have one county in Arizona—Pinal County which has the unique distinction of being the only county in America without a single provider. Maricopa County, where the majority of our constituents live—guess what—one provider, increases of 65 percent, 100 percent, 200 percent. It is amazing. It is amazing. By the way, Maricopa County—where there is one health insurance option in the ObamaCare exchanges—about 128,000 people.

And don't ever forget the immortal words of the President of the United States: If you like your health care policy, you can keep your policy, period. Wasn't that clever the way he said "period" at the end of that? Because he was sure that if you liked your health care policy, you could keep your health care policy. And he also said, by the way: If you like your physician, you can keep your physician. How has that turned out? How has that worked?

I thank my colleague from Arizona for his work on the NDAA. We have protected the A-10, we have protected our bases, we have protected the Goldwater ranges. There has been no stronger proponent for those wonderful Apache helicopters that are made in Mesa, AZ, and the Raytheon missiles that are down in Tucson, AZ.

I ask my colleague this: What do you think this impact is in our State—in our beautiful State—of 10,000 people being without a health care option and 180,000 who are going to now be presented with one? Is that what this administration called choice?

Mr. FLAKE. Mr. President, I thank my colleague for having this colloquy.

First, on the NDAA, I thank him for the work he has done this year and every year to make sure we get the NDAA passed. It is one of the single pieces of authorizing legislation we routinely pass and the President signs. It is important to our military to have that guidance—to know not just that we will appropriate the money, but we authorize the money and tell them how it needs to be spent. That provides a much better opportunity for oversight.

I thank my colleague for the reforms he got in this year with regard to procurement and to root out waste, as he always does, in the military. So I appreciate that. It is important to Arizona.

As he mentioned, we have five major Active-Duty military installations in the State: Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Luke Air Force Base, Army Fort Huachuca, Army Yuma Proving Ground, and Marine Corps Air Station Yuma. There also are several National Guard and Air National Guard facilities around the State. So the NDAA is extremely important to them. Arizona is fortunate to have the chairman of the Armed Services Committee representing the State and understanding the importance of these installations and our national defense.

With regard to ObamaCare, Senator MCCAIN and I both traveled around a lot of Arizona during this break. One thing I know he has heard and I have heard from constituents around the State but in particular in Pinal County-as he mentioned. Pinal County is just south of Maricopa County and just out of the metropolitan area, some of it within the metropolitan area. These individuals now have no option. There are 13 counties in Arizona-13 of 15that have 1 option. Those in Maricopa County last year had eight options. Now it is down to one. So 128,000 individuals, as mentioned, have no competition. Premiums continue to go up. That insurer can do whatever they want to do, and we are hearing it wherever we go. After spending a day in Pinal County traveling around, hearing from the Chamber of Commerce, from Rotary Clubs, from Republican organizations. from townhalls-vou name itpeople are concerned. There is no option. Yet despite there being no option and no exchange, the penalties still exist.

Imagine, you have no exchange to purchase. If you buy on another exchange, there is no Federal subsidy attached to it. So it is completely unaffordable for many of our constituents. Yet, if they can't buy the insurance and don't buy the insurance, penalties still come. The penalties still come.

I am pleased my colleague is introducing legislation. I am glad to join him on this to make sure that in counties where there is no competition, those penalties simply shouldn't apply. That is the first thing we ought to do.

I have legislation as well that will say the hardship exemptions that currently exist ought to be expanded, particularly for those who have no option at all. It is not getting better. It is getting worse. So we have to sit down and say let's do some of these reforms now because people are hurting.

I thank my colleague.

Mr. McCAIN. Could I just say to my colleague, I think he put it very well. First of all, we are going to have people who have no option but under the present law are going to be paying a fine. How does that work? Then, of course, those with only one option are seeing projected premium increases that are as high, in one case, as 65 percent. Then, of course, we also have a situation where, if you only have one option and the premium increases, then obviously they have no choice. The deductibles are now, in some cases, in the thousands of dollarsdeductibles.

So why do you want to buy an insurance policy that you are going to pay a couple thousand bucks before you are part of the plan that gives you the health care you need?

The fact is, and I would ask my colleague, ObamaCare is unravelling. It has now proven to be a colossal failure because it was based on the false premise that young people would willingly pay huge amounts of money to care for the health of older, sicker people. Of course, our great Congressional Budget Office had predicted there would be 21 million people who would have taken advantage of it, and I believe the actual number is 11 million. So this is a failure.

In the short term, Senator FLAKE and I want to make sure no one would ever pay a fine when there is not any option available or only one option available.

Then, I say to my colleagues, we had better start in either the later session of this Congress or the beginning of next year and repeal and replace ObamaCare. It needs to be replaced. If we don't replace it, then we are going to see these horror stories like in Pinal County, AZ, all over America. That is unfair to average American citizens who right now have seen—thanks to the massive regulations issued by the Obama administration—very little improvement in their incomes and their lives. In fact, the actual number of the middle class has been shrinking.

So I thank my colleague for all his hard work on behalf of the men and women who are serving in the military and at our wonderful bases throughout Arizona and also for his leadership in this whole effort of trying to make sure all Americans have affordable and available health care.

By the way, the answer is not the European-type health care system.

Mr. FLAKE. I thank my colleague. I would just add by saying I wish that officials from the administration could travel around with Senator McCAIN and myself as we travel around Arizona and go to Pinal County where people have no option—not even one. No option. No marketplace. Yet they are still being told you are going to pay a fine if you don't purchase insurance. Subsidies don't apply to you because there is no exchange here, but you are still going to get fined.

Try to tell somebody that, and tell them in this system that the administration is making no effort to reform this. They are still defending it, saying it will get better somehow or maybe someone will come just before the deadline and enter the marketplace. I think it is pretty clear they are not. And in those counties that have one insurer, they are looking and saying: Well, hey, where will we be next year? Will we be Pinal County with no options at all?

I wish the administration would travel around with us to Arizona and see what people are suffering with, see what they are trying to get, and it is not just a problem of getting coverage.

It is one thing to have coverage, but when you get to the hospital and find out that you have to get care and your deductibles are through the roof, your copays are through the roof—putting aside the premiums you are paying. This competition that is supposedly there isn't in Arizona. Premiums have skyrocketed as have copays and deductibles.

I thank my colleague for what he is doing. I look forward to working with him on this legislation to give people who have no options or only one choice an option where they pay no penalties. At least let's start there.

With that, I yield the floor.

Mr. McCAIN. I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Alaska.

Mr. SULLIVAN. Mr. President, I begin by commending my colleagues from Arizona. I couldn't agree more with them and what they were just talking about with regard to ObamaCare.

Similar to Arizona, Alaska is going through the same thing. We are now down to one health insurance provider in the entire State. It started with five, and we are now down to one for the entire State of Alaska. Similar to Arizona, our premiums and deductibles are going through the roof. I certainly want to work with my colleagues from Arizona on ways to address States and counties in Arizona or places like Alaska, where we have seen essentially no competition. So we certainly want to focus on that as well.

I also commend the Senator from Arizona, the chairman of the Armed Services Committee, on what he has done for our military and how he has been a leader, really, in the country on national security and foreign policy issues. His leadership, particularly as the chairman of the Armed Services Committee, is absolutely critical for the national security and foreign policy of the entire country.

We are coming back from our work session. Most of us were home for the last 6 weeks. I had an amazing trip back home in Alaska and heard the concerns, hopes, dreams of my constituents across the State. I also saw a lot of pride. One reason I saw a lot of pride is that we have pride in our military forces that serve in the great State of Alaska, thousands and thousands of Active-Duty and Reserve Forces, more veterans per capita than in any other State in the country. I had the opportunity to visit with a lot of our veterans, a lot of our military Active-Duty and Reserve Forces. I also had the opportunity to bring a number of our U.S. military and civilian leaders up to Alaska to show them our troops, show them the great training. This was the Commandant of the Marine Corps, the Commandant of the Coast Guard, the Secretary of the Army, the head of Missile Defense, the new combatant commander in charge of NORTHCOM. So we had a number of military officers visiting Alaska, and

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they got to see a lot of our troops, not only Alaska but Iowa National Guard, Hawaii troops, all training in the great State of Alaska.

You know that our troops are doing amazing work, not just the training in different bases throughout the country but keeping us safe throughout the world and risking their lives in combat throughout the world. I certainly don't have to mention to this body the number of troops we have deployed all over the world keeping us safe—in combat and risking their lives.

I mentioned the pride that Americans have in their military because it is really important to understand what just happened on the Senate floor about 20 minutes ago. What just happened? Sometimes it is hard to figure out the process. What did we just vote on? Let me put it bluntly. The minority leader of the Senate once again encouraged the Members of the other side of the aisle, of his party, to filibuster the funding for our troops. That just happened. The press will not report on it, but it is pretty remarkable given what we have going on in the world and one of the most sacred responsibilities of what we should be doing in this body. We just saw another filibuster of spending for the men and women who serve in the U.S. military. What a disappointment it is and what a disconnect between what is going on in the rest of America and here in DC.

I want to remind my colleagues of this. If you went back home, regardless of where you live, regardless of what party you are in, and you asked your constituents: Should we be funding our military right now, should we be funding the men and women who are overseas risking their lives, keeping this Nation safe, the answer, probably, of virtually every American in the United States of America would be yes.

I want to remind my colleagues that what just happened on the Senate floor—another filibuster of spending for our troops—wasn't the first time. Indeed, this is the bill that the minority leader of the Senate decided he wants to filibuster more than any other bill that we have brought up in the last year and a half.

This evening's vote was the sixth time that the minority leader of the Senate has led a filibuster against funding for our troops. He wasn't satisfied to do it one time or two times or three times or four times or five times—six times.

You and I and many other Members of the Senate were on the floor in July making the case that we shouldn't be doing this. We—I mean the Senate should be focused on funding our troops. By the way, they read about this. For those who think the members of the military don't understand what is going on—that one party consistently denies them funding, that nobody understands that—that is not true. The troops know what is going on.

We were down here, like many other Members of the Senate, encouraging our colleagues to support the troops, to stop the filibuster. This is what our troops want. This is what the American people want, and this is what the Senate of the United States of America should be doing—supporting our troops, not denying them funding.

I know my colleagues and I will continue to fight for this funding and fight these misguided attempts by the minority leader to undercut our troops, undercut our military, and undercut the funding that they desperately need and that should be a primary responsibility of this body.

I yield the floor.

#### ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate stands adjourned until 10 a.m. tomorrow.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 7:14 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, September 7, 2016, at 10 a.m.

#### NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

#### THE JUDICIARY

ABID RIAZ QURESHI, OF MARYLAND, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUM-BIA, VICE ROSEMARY M. COLLYER, RETIRED. IN THE AIR FORCE

#### IN THE AIR FORC

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDI-CATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

#### To be brigadier general

COL. CHARLES L. PLUMMER

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDI-CATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

#### To be lieutenant general

LT. GEN. SAMUEL A. GREAVES

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDI-CATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

#### To be general

LT. GEN. JAMES M. HOLMES

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDI-CATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be lieutenant general

#### MAJ. GEN. MARK D. KELLY

#### IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RE-SERVE OF THE ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 1200 AND 12211:

#### To be brigadier general

COL. JOSEPH F. JABBARD

THE FOLLOWING OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

#### To be brigadier general

COL. LAUREL J. HUMMEL

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

#### To be general

#### LT. GEN. GUSTAVE F. PERNA

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT AS THE VICE CHIEF OF THE NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU AND FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 10505 AND 601:

#### To be lieutenant general

LT. GEN. DANIEL R. HOKANSON

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

#### To be brigadier general

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#### IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

#### To be vice admiral

REAR ADM. WILLIAM K. LESCHER

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

#### To be vice admiral

VICE ADM. JAMES G. FOGGO III

#### IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDI-CATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

#### To be general

LT. GEN. JOHN W. RAYMOND THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531:

#### To be major

REBECCA L. POWERS

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531:

#### To be major

WILLIAM L. WHITE

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

#### To be colonel

ANTHONY B. MULHARE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531:

#### To be major

ROBERT M. CLONTZ II REBECCA K. KEMMET

#### IN THE ARMY

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

#### To be colonel

FREDDY L. ADAMS II PAUL E. ALESSIO RONNIE D. ANDERSON, JR. JOEL D. BABBITT DARIEN L. BAISLEY JEFFREY E. BAKER SEAN G. BARRETT STEPHANIE A. BARTON

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To be lieutenant colonel

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LEX A. MITCHELL

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY NURSE CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND

To be colonel

CHRISTOPHER D. BAYSA DENISE M. BEAUMONT SIMONA A. BLACK JAMES D. BURK EUGENE J. CHRISTEN III JENNIFER L. COYNER AARON R. ELLIOTT JULIE J. FREEMAN ROBERT L. KENT, JR. CHRISTOPHER G. LINDNER TAMMY K. MAYER JASON A. NELSON JANA L. NOHRENBERG UN Y. RAINEY EDITHA D. RUIZ CYNTHIA D. SANCHEZ JAY C. SCHUSTER CHRISTOPHER D. BAYSA JAY C. SCHUSTER MIKO Y. WATKINS BRIAN K. WEISGRAM JENNIFER L. WILEY SARAH A. WILLIAMS BROWN THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY MEDICAL SERVICE CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SEC-TIONS 624 AND 3064: To be colonel

ADRIENNE B. ARI DAVID M. BOWEN DEIDRA E. BRIGGS ANTHONY MARC BUSTAMANTE MARK C. CARDER MARVIN A. EMERSON ARTHUR FINCH III JONATHAN L. GOODE TARA L. HALL CLAUDIA L. HENEMYRE HARRIS

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To be colonel

NORMAN W. GILL III DONALD L. GOSS CHAD A. KOENIG VANESSA M. MEYER JESSE K. ORTEL MICHAEL A. ROBERTSON

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

To be colonel

DERRON A. ALVES NICOLE A. CHEVALIER JENNIFRE M. KISHIMORI THOMAS KOHLER KEVIN W. NEMELKA LARRY J. SHELITON, JR. CHAD A. WEDDELL THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT

TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY NURSE CORPS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND 3064:

## To be major

CHANTIL A. ALEXANDER 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 major

CLIFFORD D. JOHNSTON

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

#### To be lieutenant colonel

YEVGENY S. VINDMAN

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

 $To \ be \ colonel$ 

#### DAVID G. OTT

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 major

## REINALDO GONZALEZ II

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 lieutenant colonel

## GEOFFREY J. COLE

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 colonel

JEFFREY D. MCCOY

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

#### To be major

JOSEPH T. ALWAN AARON H. AMANO MARIAMAWET D. AMBACHEW LLOYD A. ANCMAN CAMERON D. ANDREW REVENDA B. BEBAWI GURVINDER S. BHATTI RANDOLPH E. BIRSCH OZREN T. BUNTAK RICHARD S. CARLILE CARLESHA J. CHAMBERS CONGRESSIONAL RECORD — SENATE

ALICIA Y. K. CHOI JUSTIN T. CHUNG PAMELA S. COTTON PAULI J. CRITES ARI C. CYLUS KEVIN D. DALLING LOC V. DANG KATHERINE M. DARLINGLUND STEVEN P. DELGADO JON J. DYER JACOB J. C. ENGLAND EMANUEL N. ENIME REBECCA L. FRONHEISER JOSHUA D. GALLEY JOHN H. GITTINS JENA D. GODVIN KURT B. GOODELL CHARLES V. GRIFE III MATTHEW V. HILLIS JUN S. HONG JEFFREY B. INGALLS JUN S. HONG JEFFREY B. INGALLS DAVID S. JACOBSON JAY D. JENSEN CHANGHEE JIN AKEELE A. JOHNSON CAMERON R. JOHNSON CAMERON R. JOHNSON CHRISTOPHER J. LUEVANO CHRISTOPHER J. CHRI ROBELT E. MASTERSON MIRELA MEMIC BRENT A. NICHOL JENETTE B. OBRYHIM TRAVIS L. OCHSNER DONALD C. OGEUEHI RANDAL A. PARIS AARON S. PFAFF GARTH T. PORTER ABBY L. RAYMOND DAVID G. RICE JESSICA A. ROEBER ALEX J. ROTH MICHAEL J. SEMIDEY KRISTIANNE N. SINCLAIR JOSHUA T. SPARKS JONATHAN Y. STATESON JOSEPH R. SUTTON FAIZA TALYBOVA WILLIAM H. TEMPLE JESSE C. THOMPSON WILLIAM H. TORNES JACOB N. WEIGLE JONN L. WIETHOLDER NICHOLAD D. WILSON

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

To be major

DUSTIN M. ALBERT WILBUR L. ALLEN GADIEL R. ALVARADO SYLVIA M. ALVARADO SYLVIA M. ALVARADO SYLVIA M. ALVARADO SYLVIA M. ALVARADO JACQUELINE A. ANDERSON ADRIAN K. ARNETT SIFUENTES W. AROYO HARRIS M. BALOCH JAKE B. BARNARD DEREK P. BAUDOIN JEANNIE L. BAY BETSEY K. BEAN KNOX J. BEASLEY ERIK B. BECKER ROBERTO A. BELLI NICK F. BENNETT BRIAN C. BENSON CHRISTOPHER R. BICKETT JASON R. BINGHAM ERIC S. BISHOP TERIN H. BLANCHARD ANDREW D. BLOOM LINDSEY B. BORGIA MARC A. BOUCHARD ANDREW D. BLOOM JENSTEPHER R. BROOKS CAMERON A. BROWN JENNIFER A. BROWN JONI L. BUCHHEIT BLAKE R. BUSEY CASSANDRA L. CARDARELLI DEAN P. CARDI ANDRIA C.ARDA JONALD M. CHAFFEE III DAVID CHANG ALICE Y. P. CHEN PATRICK M. CHESLEY JAY J. CHOI MARGARET E. CLARK ANDREW W. CLEVELAND ELAINE M. CEVELAND ELAINE M. CEVEL

STACYANN S. COMER NATHANIAL K. COPELAND JUSTIN E. COSTELLO DANIEL J. COUGHLIN JAMES E. COYLE COREY M. CRONRATH SCOTT A. CYGAN ERIKA M. CYR CHRISTOPHER M. DALY JOSEPH H. DANNENBAIM I STACYANN S. COMER JOSEPH H. DANNENBAUM IV DANIEL C. DEROSA RAFFAELLA DEROSA SANDEEP T. DHANJAL JAMIE L. DIAZ JUAN C. DIAZ JASON A. DICKENS CARMINA A. DOMINGO CHASE M. DONALDSON MICHAEL A. DONOHUE DENNIS C. DRINKWATER NOEL A. DUNN KATELYN E. EARLS KATELYN E. EARLS HANNIBAL S. ECCLES JACK B. ELLIS JONATHAN R. EPPERSON JUSTIN J. ERNAT JAMES J. ERNST DOUGLAS M. FARMER ANDREW T. FELDMAN STACEY L. FENNELL FMIL IO FENTAMES EMILIO FENTANES AARON D. FIELDEN ABRAHAM C. FISH ROSS D. FLAKE PETER M. FORMBY JONATHAN P. FRANKLIN LORI M. FREETAGE DANIELLA D. FREMSTAD DICHOLAS L. FRIEDMAN ERIK R. FROST MEGHAN GALER KEYNA A. GALVIN EMILIO FENTANES KEYNA A. GALVIN OLUWASEYI A. GBADEALABI AMAYA GEORGE TANYATORN GHANJANASAK CATHERINE A. GILL CATHERINE A. GILL SHAUN D. GILL STACEY A. GOOD SARAH M. GORDON MARISA L. GOSSWEILER JOYCELYNN R. GRAY DEANNE E. GRAYSON ROBERT F. GREENWOOD DEVON W. CDEED ROBERT F. GREEN DEVON W. GREER WILLIAM P. GRIMES CALVIN GRUBES JEFFREY B. HAINSWORTH INGRID J. HARRIS NICOLE M. HARRISO NICOLE M. HARRISO NICOLE M. HARRISO TAARA S. HASSAN BRADLEY S. HAVINS SHANE A. HAWKSWORTH SARAH M. HEATON SARAH M. HEATON RUSS P. HENRIET SOPHIA M. HERMANN BRADEN J. HESTERMANN STEPHANIE L. HIGHTOWER BRANDON R. HILL ALEXYS J. HILL ADAM C. HINES RAHE N. HIRALDODELGADO JUSTIN M. HIRE MATTHEW B. HOCH MARK S. H. HSIAO JOSEPH C. F. HUANG MARK S. H. HSIAO JOSEPH C. F. HUANG NIKHIL A. HUPRIKAR CHRISTINA M. HYLDEN GRACE I. IDEMUDIA OKEZIE C. IGBOELI HEATHER O. IROBUNDA CHRISTOPHER J. IWANOFF JEPENV M. JACODS JEREMY M. JACOBS ERIK S. JOHNSON JESSICA L. JOHNSON JOHN D. JOHNSON JESSICA L. JOHNSON JOHN D. JOHNSON MICHAEL A. L. JOHNSON MICHAEL A. L. JOHNSON MICHAEL A. L. JOHNSON MICHAEL A. L. JOHNSON WILLIS A. KANN AMAR S. KAPUR JONATHAN J. K. KEUNG PATRICK W. KICKER ANDREW KIM DANIEL J. T. KIM EUGENE I. KIM BRADLEY J. KINDER JACQUELINE N. KIRCHER MATTHEW P. KLICK LUKE D. F. KRAUTTER MIKHAIL J. KUPRIAN NICHOLAS R. LANGAN AARON M. LAWRENCE CLIPTON P. LAYMAN ALBERT J. LEE JANGWON LEE JIN K. LEE JAZMIN L. LESNICK CLAYTON J. LEWIS TERRENCE D. LEWIS ANDRE C. L. LIEM RANDI J. LINDSTROM DEMIS N. LIPE GEOFFREY A. LOH EVELYN M. LOMASNEY

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MATTHEW J. WEEKS BENJAMIN O. WEGER GEORGE A. WENNERBERG, JR. KATIE L. WESTERFIELD JONATHAN WEYAND MATTHEW R. WILLIAMS REGINA E. WILLIAMS ASHLEY D. WILLOUGHBY KELVIN S. WILSON KELVIN S. WILSON CHRISTINE A. WINTER BRANDON T. WOODS MARC F. WUERDEMAN BRADY L. YATES AMY A. M. YAU BRIAN YOON ANDREY YUSUPOV SHOSHANA ZHENG KIMBERLY C. ZIBERT JENNIFER E. ZUCCARELLI THE FOLLOWING NAMED THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AS CHAPLAINS UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 624 AND To be lieutenant colonel BUSTER D. AKERS, JR. ALWYNMICHAEL S. ALBANO THOMAS E. ALLEN GEOFFREY N. BAILEY DOUGLAS H. BALL II PAUL T. BERGHAUS RICKEY W. BRUNSON DARREN J. CHESTER ROBERT J. CROWLEY BRIAN D. CURRY CHRISTOPHER E. DICKEY DOUGLAS T. DOWNS DOUGLAS T. DOWNS THOMAS J. FAICHNEY EDWARD H. FRANKLIN EDWARD H. PRANKLIN MATTHEW L. GIBSON KENNETH M. GODWIN, JR. JOHN M. GRAUER DARRICK M. GUTTING MATTHEW A. HALL SUK KIM MATTHEW S. KREIDER ANDREW F. LAWRENCE JOHN P. MANUEL JAMES R. MCCAY, JR. MICHAEL F. MCDONALD KEVIN J. NIEHOFF GLENN A. PALMER TIMOTHY R. REYNOLDS CHRISTOPHER D. RICE ROGER B. RODRIQUEZ CHRISTOPHER D. RICE ROGER B. RODRIQUEZ DAMON D. SAXTON STEVE SHIN STANLEY V. SMITH KEVIN E. WAINWRIGHT KYLE L. WELCH MICHAEL T. ZELL

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

To be colonel

RICHARD L. WEAVER IN THE NAVY

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

To be commander

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

To be commander

THOMAS M. HEARTY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION

To be lieutenant commander

JULIO A. ALARCON ANGELA M. BALOGH PATRICK M. BELL PETER R. BLEDAY BENJAMIN A. BROOKS TRAVIS S. BROWN MARK S. BUONOMO IAN B. GYNUM ALAN B. COPH DYC IAN G. BYNUM ALAN P. CABILING ANTON L. CALHOUN JOSHUA M. CASTANEDA NICHOLAS J. CICHUCKI KURTIS R. DANIELS FRANK E. FERRELL TRISTAN M. GLODECK JUAN J. HUIZAB JUAN J. HUIZAR BRIAN C. JUSKIEWICZ SARAH K. LYNCH SARAH K. LYNCH MICHAEL Q, MATT SOHN D. MCGOUGH FRANK K. MCQUIDDY NATHAN W. MITICH NEAL N. NELSON JAKUB NOWAKOWSKI KEVIN P. OMALLEY MICHAEL J. PRICE

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THE FOLLOWING-NAMED CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE FOR PROMOTION WITHIN THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CLASS OF CAREER MINISTER, EFFECTIVE FEB-RUARY 21, 2016:

DEBORAH KAY JONES, OF NEW MEXICO THE FOLLOWING-NAMED MEMBERS OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TO BE A CON-SULAR OFFICER AND A SECRETARY IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: JOHN ROBERT ADAMS, OF VIRGINIA SHEFALI AGRAWAL, OF CALIFORNIA ILONA ALEKSANDROVA, OF NEW YORK SHEEBA SAN ANTONIO, OF VIRGINIA MICHAEL THOMAS BARNES, OF VIRGINIA CASSANDRA LOUISE BARRETT, OF TEXAS BERGEN NICHOLE BASSETT, OF VIRGINIA RYNE JAY BELL, OF VIRGINIA SCOTT BELL, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ANDREW JAMES BERSNON, OF VIRGINIA SOPHIA AZEB BERHE, OF WEST VIRGINIA SOPHIA AZEB BERHE, OF WEST VIRGINIA SOPHIA AZEB BERHE, OF VERSINGTON DAVID BASHIRIAN BISHOP, OF PENNSYLVANIA ARYNE L BLODWORTH, OF COLORADO STEPHANEM MENSES, OF TURGINIA JOHN ANTHOWY BRUNETTI, OF VIRGINIA JEFFFEY CANNON, OF VIRGINIA JOHN ANTHONY BRUNETTI, OF VIRGINIA JEFFFEY CANNON, OF VIRGINIA MATTHEW CARROLL, OF ARIZONA JOHN ANTHONY BRUNETTI, OF VIRGINIA JEFFFEY CANNON, OF VIRGINIA MATTHEW CARROLL, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALLYSIS RANATA CARTER, OF MASYLAND QUAISHIONA CARTER, OF VIRGINIA DAVID R. DONASSO, OF VIRGINIA MATTHEW CARROLL, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ALEXIS RANATA CARTER, OF MASYLAND QUAISHIONA CARTER, OF MASYLAND QUAISHIONA CARTER, OF MASYLAND QUAISHIONA CARTER, OF VIRGINIA DAVIDA CARTER OLSON, OF VIRGINIA DAVID RANTHOVY DENDETTI, OF VIRGINIA DAVID RANTHONY DENDETTI, OF MASYLAND QUAISHIONA CARTER, OF MASYLAND QUAISHIONA CARTER, OF MASYLAND QUAISHIONA CARTER, OF MASYLAND QUAISHIONA CARTER, OF MASYLAND DUUGLAS CHINYUL CHOI, OF TEXAS DILLON MICHAEL CLANCY, OF FLORIDA ANTHEL A. CORNEJO SUAREZ, OF VIRGINIA DANIELA X. CORNEJO SUAREZ, OF VIRGINIA DANIELA X. CORNEJO SUAREZ, OF VIRGINIA DANIELA X. CORNEJO SUAREZ, OF VIRGINIA DANAH LLAN A DA LA CUZ, OF NEW YORK

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## THE HONORABLE MARK TAKAI

# HON. JUDY CHU

OF CALIFORNIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. JUDY CHU of California. Mr. Speaker, as Chair of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus, I rise today to honor our colleague and friend, the Honorable Kyle Mark Takai of Hawaii, who passed away on July 20, 2016 at the age of 49 after a hard fought battle with pancreatic cancer.

Mark was a true patriot, public servant, and friend who truly had the "aloha spirit." From a young age, Mark's parents instilled in him a love of service and giving back to his community. This strong commitment to improving the lives of the people of Hawaii and all Americans was integrally woven into the fabric of his distinguished military and public service career.

A graduate of the University of Hawaii, Mark was elected to the Hawaii State House of Representatives in 1994 at the age of 27 to represent his home district of Pearl City, Hawaii. He served for two decades before being elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 2014. Throughout his tenure in the Hawaii State legislature, he was a strong champion for the military and our veterans, a cause he continued to champion in the U.S. Congress as a member of the House Armed Services Committee. As a proud member of the Hawaii Army National Guard who was deployed to the Middle East in 2009 as part of Operation Iragi Freedom, Mark understood firsthand the sacrifice that our military men and women make every day to protect our freedoms and never stopped fighting for them.

As a member of the Congressional Asian Pacific American Caucus (CAPAC) in Congress, his vision and contributions helped to improve the lives of Asian Americans. Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders all across this country. This included notable efforts to reunite Filipino World War II veterans with their loved ones, secure treatment for atomic veterans suffering from service-related radiation exposure, and to commemorate the patriotism of Japanese Americans during World War II.

Mark was also a strong proponent for cancer research. In fact, I will never forget the tears in his eyes when he first learned about Vice President JOE BIDEN's Cancer Moonshot initiative and the warm embrace they shared at the House Democratic Retreat. It gave Mark and millions of Americans hope that we will finally find a cure for cancer. In his memory, we will continue hoping and fighting until this becomes a reality.

We in CAPAC value the privilege we had to work with Mark in Congress, and will never forget his warmth, kindness, and strong dedication to bettering our community and our country. On behalf of the 50 Members of CAPAC, I thank Mark for his lifetime of leadership and service. I also thank his wife, Sami, their children, Matthew and Kaila, and his parents, Erik and Naomi, for sharing Mark with us and the people of Hawaii.

The Asian American and Pacific Islander community has lost one of its great leaders, but his legacy will continue to live on through the lives he touched and the individuals he will continue to inspire for generations to come.

HONORING WILLIAM M. HALKE OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HON. SCOTT PERRY

## OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, today I honor my constituent, Major William M. Halke, on his retirement upon more than 40 years of military and civilian service with the United States Armv.

Major Halke was a Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) scholarship recipient and attended the University of Maine. He completed his M.S. degree in Logistics Systems Management from the University of Southern California's Viterbi School of Engineering via the GI Bill. He served more than 9 years in active military service, deployed to South Korea and Fort Lewis, Washington. Major Halke now retires after many years of civilian service with the United States Army Test and Evaluation Command.

Major Halke's tireless dedication, professionalism and sacrifice touched the lives of countless people and challenged all with whom he served to be the best. His legacy of service to our Nation is admirable and sets the standard for all to follow.

On behalf of Pennsylvania's Fourth Congressional District, with great pride I commend and congratulate Major William M. Halke upon his retirement after 40 years of selfless service to the United States of America.

UNITED STATES FINANCIAL SYSTEM PROTECTION ACT OF 2016

#### SPEECH OF

## HON. KEITH ELLISON

OF MINNESOTA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 14, 2016

Mr. ELLISON. Mr. Speaker, I strongly oppose the Financial Services Protection Act of 2016 (H.R. 4992). Unfortunately, I could not be in DC to vote against the bill as I was home in Minneapolis for the funeral of Philando Castile.

This bill undercuts the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA), also known as the Iran nuclear deal, by disrupting permissible financial transactions between Iran and the rest of the international community that occur completely outside the U.S. financial system. The Financial Services Protection Act of 2016 accomplishes this by reapplying secondary sanctions barring Iranian access to U.S. dollars in all situations, even in exchanges that do not involve a U.S. bank or pass through the U.S. financial system. This provision effectively subjects non-U.S. banks to the restrictions imposed on U.S. banks regarding dollar-denominated transactions with Iran.

This particular sanction barring all Iranian access to the U.S. dollar was lifted on the JCPOA's Implementation Day in return for Iran taking significant steps to meet its nuclear-related commitments, as verified by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA). If this sanction were to be re-imposed, it would make Iran's reintegration into the global financial system incredibly difficult and likely negate much of the relief promised by the JCPOA.

In the Financial Services Protection Act of 2016 becomes law, our partners and Iran would both have reason to question our commitment to the nuclear deal, and Iran would likely seriously question the continued benefits of compliance with the nuclear deal. Therefore, the provisions contained within this bill could open a path for Iran to restart its nuclear program. This would put the nuclear deal at risk, undermine our national security interests, and significantly damage U.S. credibility and leadership abroad.

The JCPOA is a historic diplomatic achievement. It has not only constrained Iran's nuclear program and led to the dismantlement of key components of the program, but also subjected the program to unprecedented verification and monitoring requirements.

Simply put, the JCPOA ensures that Iran's nuclear program is and continues to be peaceful. As long as Iran continues to meet its commitments, we too must keep our commitments. Thus I oppose this bill.

> IN RECOGNITION OF MR. SEBASTIAN SILVEIRA

## HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank Mr. Sebastian Silveira for his service to my office and California's Central Valley.

Mr. Silveira was born on September 23, 1990 in Hanford, California to David and Mary Lou Silveira. After attending St. Rose McCarthy Catholic School in Hanford, California, Mr. Silveira went on to receive his Bachelor's Degree in Agriculture Business with a minor in Water Law and Policy from California Polytechnic State University in San Luis Obispo, California.

As a young adult, Mr. Silveira first showed an interest in public service as an intern for Congressman DEVIN NUNES where he worked diligently and earned the respect of many of his peers. After working for Congressman NUNES, Mr. Silveira was hired in January of 2014 as a Field Representative in my Hanford,

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California Congressional Office. His hard work was apparent early on and he was soon promoted to Senior Field Representative, a position in which he has excelled. Mr. Silveira's strong work ethic has grown during his tenure, which is evident by his commitment to constituent events and his passion for water policy. As one of the most important issues in the Twenty-First Congressional District, Mr.

sor on water related issues. Outside of work, Mr. Silveria is a pillar in our local community. He volunteers his time at the local food bank and helps to serve meals to those in need at a local soup kitchen once a week. Mr. Silveira is an active member in both the Kings County Young Republicans and the Kings County Republican Party Central Committee. In addition, Mr. Silveira enjoys spending time and helping his family on their vineyard, which has contributed immensely to his knowledge and interest in wine making.

Silveira has worked to become a trusted advi-

Mr. Silveira's time with my office came to a close on July 29, 2016 when he left to attend the McGeorge School of Law in Sacramento, California. Knowing Mr. Silveira, his character, and his work ethic, I have no doubt that he will achieve many great things in his future.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in commending Sebastian Silveira for his public service to the people of the Central Valley and wishing him well as he embarks on the next chapter of his life.

## TRIBUTE TO ALAN SCHENCK

# HON. DAVID YOUNG

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Alan Schenck of Clarinda, Iowa for being inducted into the 2016 Iowa Senior Olympics Hall of Fame Class.

As a Clarinda native, Alan has always excelled in athletic competition. He got his start in 1973 at the University of Iowa where he was part of not only the swimming and diving team for three years, but also the lowa Hawkeyes football team for two years. During his time at the University of Iowa his love for athletics and competition grew and his enthusiasm continues still, today. Alan has taken his passion for athletics and successfully made himself one of the most accomplished athletes to ever take part in the Iowa Senior Olympics. All across the Midwest Alan has won numerous medals in swimming, diving and track & field. He has participated in the games for 14 years and accumulated an impressive medal count, reaching almost 200 overall medals.

Alan's impressive resume doesn't stop with his lifelong athletic achievements. He served his country during the Vietnam War as a member of the Air Force and now continues his involvement in a number of veteran organizations. He is a member of the American Legion, the Sons of American Legions and the Sons of the Confederate Veterans Organization. Earlier this year, Alan was also appointed to serve on my Service Academy and Review Board to help select four young people from Iowa's Third Congressional District to attend each of the four United States Service Academies. Mr. Speaker, I applaud and congratulate Alan for his induction into the 2016 Iowa Senior Olympics Hall of Fame Class. I am proud to represent Alan in the United States Congress. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Alan Schenck and wishing him nothing but continued success.

HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF JOHN "PETE" KIRBY

## HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I would like to acknowledge my constituent, Chief John "Pete" Kirby, from Centreville, Virginia. Chief Kirby will be hanging up his gear for the final time after 40 years of combined service with the Vienna and Centreville Volunteer Fire Departments.

From a young age, Pete was infatuated with the heroic service demonstrated by his local volunteer fire department. Following the footsteps of his uncle and idol, Austin Kirby, Pete began his public service 40 years ago when he joined the Vienna Volunteer Fire Department at age 16.

Over the years, his hard work and positive outlook led him on a path to becoming Chief of the Centreville Volunteer Fire Department (CVFD). His time with the CVFD has been marked by efficiently leading his firefighters, as well as guiding the department's operations in emergency situations. In 2015, Pete was elected to serve as the Third Vice President of the Virginia State Firefighter's Association. Chief Kirby leaves office with a legacy of hands-on leadership and deep community ties.

Known to help those in need, even when off duty, Pete will be missed by all those who knew him. Even though he is leaving his role as the Chief of the Centreville Volunteer Fire Department, I am certain he will continue his role as a local Good Samaritan.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing Chief Kirby's public work. His desire to serve those in need is commendable, and I implore each of us to imitate his dedication to duty. I wish Chief John "Pete" Kirby the best in his future endeavors.

IN RECOGNITION OF STAND OUT'S DEDICATION TOWARDS MILI-TARY DIVERSITY

## HON. DORIS O. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Volunteers of America (VOA) Veterans Services, California Department of Veterans Affairs (CalVet), Los Rios College District, Mather VA Hospital, Women's Veterans Alliance, and Spiritual Warriors as they come together at the Stand Out celebration, recognizing the diversity of those who have served in the military. Additionally, this year marks the five year anniversary of the Don't Ask Don't Tell Repeal Act. I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring these fine organizations participating in this celebration.

The Stand Out event reaches out to Northern California's military members and veterans who are underserved in a variety of areas including healthcare, housing, and employment. This year's event honors all women and LGBT veterans in the hopes that they will obtain the resources, education, and access to services that have been challenging to pursue, but nonetheless rightfully deserved. California has the largest population of homeless women and LGBT veterans in the nation. Since the transition from military to the civilian sector is challenging and often met with barriers, especially for women and the LGBT community, organizations participating in the Stand Out event are working together to ensure that these communities have the information and support to receive their rightful benefits.

In participating in the Stand Out celebration, it is important to recognize that all of this progress has not come easily, especially with the fear and hatred that exists for these populations. We thank those who are dedicated to helping these underserved communities of women and LGBT veterans despite the many challenges they have faced along the way.

Mr. Speaker, as the members of the Stand Out event celebrate military diversity and the five year anniversary of the Don't Ask Don't Tell Repeal Act, I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring them for their commitment to women and LGBT veterans.

CELEBRATING 125 YEARS OF YORK LODGE NO. 213, BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS

## HON. SCOTT PERRY

OF PENNSYLVANIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, today I honor the 125th Anniversary of York Lodge No. 213, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Since its founding on July 10, 1891, the Lodge has made immeasurable contributions to the welfare of our community through countless civic and charitable endeavors.

Whether providing college scholarships to local students, back-to-school programs for the children of homeless Veterans and students living in impoverished areas, drug awareness efforts and many other activities, Elks Lodge No. 213 has served/continues to serve the people of York and the surrounding region. York Lodge No. 213 steadfastly embodies its mission to inculcate the principles of charity, justice, brotherly love and fidelity.

On behalf of Pennsylvania's Fourth Congressional District, I'm proud to have this organization in our District and congratulate its Members on the 125th Anniversary of the York Lodge No. 213, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

## HONORING TYLER WILLIAMS

## HON. JASON SMITH

OF MISSOURI IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Tyler Williams of Hillsboro, Missouri. Tyler is a member of Troop 547 in the

# E1172

Greater St. Louis Area Boy Scout Council who is being honored in ceremonies today for earning his Eagle Scout Rank on July 21, 2016.

For his Eagle Scout Project, Tyler built a "Welcome to Hillsboro" sign for the city. He came up with the idea, helped design the sign, gathered the supplies, raised funds to build it and supervised the construction. He worked a total of 350.2 man hours on the project.

Tyler's scouting career began in Pack 547 where he earned the highest Cub Scout Award, the Arrow of Light. In Boy Scouts, he attended National Youth Leader training and became a member of the Order of the Arrow, the Honor Society of Scouting. He earned 29 merit badges, camped for 110 nights and spent a total of 189.6 hours in community service. His leadership in his troop is unmatched. Tyler is a senior at Hillsboro High School who plans to pursue a career in the computer field.

For living by the Scout Oath and Law and being a fine example of how Scouting helps develop America's future leaders, I am proud to recognize Tyler Williams today before the United States House of Representatives.

## HONORING MR. THOMAS LEWIS

## HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Thomas Lewis, who is being honored today by the Napa County Office of Education as a 2017 Napa County Teacher of the Year.

Though he's a native of Atlanta, Georgia, Mr. Lewis has spent most of his life in California after his family moved west when he was young. He earned his bachelor's degree in Mathematics from the University of California, Davis before going on to complete his teaching credential at the University of California, Berkeley where he was named Student Teacher of the Year in 1989.

Mr. Lewis then moved to Napa County and began teaching math at the middle and high school levels. He currently serves as an Academic Specialist at Harvest Middle School, and is known for making math fun and accessible to all of his students. Using both his vast classroom experience and his personal knowledge of math, Mr. Lewis creates an engaging and productive classroom where students truly want to learn.

Outside the classroom, Mr. Lewis has served as chair of the Math Department, a member of National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, and the Mathletes Coach, helping students engage with math in a fun manner. To address further needs in his community, Mr. Lewis started SurferMath, a company which provides math tutoring and other educational services.

Mr. Speaker, Thomas Lewis dedicates his time and knowledge to inspiring students to not only learn math, but also to enjoy learning. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor him here today.

## RECOGNIZING CHARLEY ROBERT TAYLOR

## HON. MARC A. VEASEY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. VEASEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the decorated football career of Texas native. Charley Robert Taylor.

Charley Taylor was born in Grand Prairie, Texas, where he first found his passion for sports. Taylor began his athletic career by playing football during his eighth grade year while attending the then segregated Dalworth High School, where he excelled in track, baseball, and football.

During his time at Dalworth, Taylor realized that football came naturally. Taylor was named to the Texas All-State team during his senior year of high school and earned the opportunity to continue his passion for football at the collegiate level.

Since universities in Texas were not desegregated at the time, Taylor had to take his talent elsewhere. Upon graduation from Dalworth High School, Taylor attended Arizona State University where he excelled in football. At Arizona State, Taylor was a two-time All-American receiver and running back and was also named to the All-Western Athletic Conference team. During the 1962 season Taylor led the Devils in scoring.

Taylor was drafted in the first round of the 1964 NFL draft as the third overall pick to the Washington Redskins. During his first year as a Redskins player, Taylor was named NFC Rookie of the Year and was the first Redskin's rookie to be selected for the Pro Bowl.

In 1966, Taylor switched from running back to wide receiver and in both the 1966 and 1967 seasons, he led the NFL in receiving. On December 21, 1975, Taylor became the NFL's all-time receptions leader with his 634th catch.

Following the 1977 season, Taylor retired as the NFL's all-time leading receiver. He earned first or second-team NFL honors six times and was selected to play in eight Pro Bowls.

After retirement, Mr. Taylor continued his football career off the field. He was hired as an NFL scout for the Redskins and then in 1981, he was hired as the Redskin's receiver's coach. He served in that role for thirteen years.

Mr. Taylor has been inducted into both the Arizona State Sports Hall of Fame and the Pro Football Hall of fame

In honor of the retirement of Mr. Taylor's jersey at Grand Prairie High School and his role as a pillar of the Texas athletic community, this statement is submitted.

HONORING LISA M. CHAVEZ OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HON. SCOTT PERRY

OF PENNSYLVANIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, today I honor our constituent, Staff Sergeant Lisa M. Chavez, for more than 22 years of both active and reserve component service with the United States Army.

Staff Sergeant Chavez served myriad duty assignments domestically and overseas. She

earned numerous awards and recognitions for her duty, to include the Meritorious Service Medal.

Staff Sergeant Chavez's tireless dedication, professionalism and sacrifice touched the lives of countless people and challenged all with whom she served to be the best. Her legacy of service to our Nation is commendable and set the standard.

On behalf of Pennsylvania's Fourth Congressional District, with great pride I commend, congratulate and thank Staff Sergeant Lisa M. Chavez for her 22 years of selfless service to the United States of America.

## REMEMBRANCE OF FATHER HENRY RODRIGUEZ

## HON. JUAN VARGAS

OF CALIFORNIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. VARGAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Father Henry Rodriguez, a true leader and servant of the community of San Diego. Father Rodriguez passed away on Thursday, August 4, 2016 in his beloved city of San Diego.

Father Rodriguez was born in 1955 in National City, California. Father Henry was ordained for the diocese on July 12, 1986. He was the long-time Pastor at St. Jude Shrine of the West in San Diego's Southcrest neighborhood from 1989–2006. Recently, he served as a Father of St. John the Evangelist Parish, even as his health declined. Towards the end of his life, Father Rodriguez dedicated his time to providing hospice to those in need.

Father Řodriguez was well known throughout the community for his contribution to special events and celebrations, as well as community groups and organizations, frequently seen alongside Bishop Robert McElroy. Father Rodriguez served as chaplain to the San Diego Police Department, San Diego Hospice, and at Scripps Mercy Hospital. He believed in community policing and working with police officials to strengthen the community. As a chaplain for the SDPD, he helped comfort the family of Officer Jonathan De Guzman, who was killed in the line of duty. Father Rodriguez would later pass away the same day as Officer De Guzman's funeral Mass.

Father Rodriguez was warm and welcoming. He was a father, preacher and friend to many. He was considerate, genuine and devoted to making this world a better, more just place. His leadership will leave a lasting legacy. He will be missed by his family—his mother, Jennie Rodriguez, his siblings, Jennie Rodriguez, Gloria Taylor, Linda Rodriguez and Jess Rodriguez, his 10 nieces and nephews, and his San Diego community.

LIFE CHANGERS FOUNDATION— OILERS PEE WEE FOOTBALL LEAGUE

# HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, this time next month will be the first game of the season for the "Life Changers Foundation" (LCF) Oilers of the North Harris County, Texas Pee Wee Football League. The LCF Oilers' head coach, Darrell Eldridge promotes discipline and commitment from his team. He continually works with his team to encourage good sportsmanship and fair play, instilling in these young boys and girls the value of athletics and achievement. The LCF Oilers dedication to advocating for individual excellence in sports, fine arts and other community-initiated programs helps challenge the community's future generations to learn the value of productivity and teamwork.

A mother of a pee wee Oiler from my district in Texas wrote to me and said, "it seems our children aren't a priority until they are a problem.". I strongly support community involvement in positive youth programs like the LCF. Oilers contribute to these kids' lives more than a few trophies. The goal of the LCF Oilers is to physically and mentally promote the betterment of these kids through physical competition—and it does exactly that.

The coaches, referees, and parents who offer these pee wee Oilers such an excellent opportunity in their young lives are to be commended for their dedication and support of the youth of our community.

HONORING CORAL SPRINGS CADET SQUADRON OF THE CIVIL AIR PATROL

# HON. THEODORE E. DEUTCH

## OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. DEUTCH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of the Coral Springs Cadet Squadron of the noble Civil Air Patrol, who was recently honored by the Coral Springs City Commission in commemoration of their 30th anniversary of invaluable service to the Coral Springs community.

For decades, the Civil Air Patrol has performed the overwhelming majority of domestic search and rescue missions as an auxiliary of the United States Air Force. The nonprofit organization is accredited for saving over seventy lives per year. These unpaid professionals claim a proud legacy of selfless sacrifice and service to their country and community that spans over decades. The debt we owe to these brave individuals is immeasurable, and we must always remember their service.

The Coral Springs Cadet Squadron has been serving the South Florida communities of Coral Springs, Parkland, Coconut Creek, Tamarac, and Margate for 30 years. Their ready willingness to present colors and render honors at ceremonies makes them an irreplaceable asset to these cities. Furthermore, their cadet programs inspire youth to become leaders and exemplary citizens.

I am proud to honor the Coral Springs Cadet Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. I join the Coral Springs Commission in congratulating them on three decades of exemplary service and leadership. IN HONOR OF THE HONORABLE JOSEPH A. PALAIA

# HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to commemorate the life of former New Jersey State Senator Joseph Palaia, who passed away on August 20, 2016 after a life filled with numerous professional and personal accomplishments.

Senator Palaia was a dedicated public servant. An Ocean Township resident, Senator Palaia began his political career as a township councilman and mayor, first elected to the council in 1967. After 12 years of service to the Ocean Township community, Senator Palaia moved on to serve as a Freeholder in Monmouth County. In 1982 and 1989 he was elected to the New Jersey State Assembly and Senate, respectively, representing residents of Monmouth County on the state level. An advocate for gun control and improved health and educational services for children with disabilities, Senator Palaia was a prominent member of the legislative body until his retirement in 2008.

A graduate of Rider University (then Rider College), Senator Palaia worked as a teacher and principal of the Wanamassa Elementary School in Ocean Township for 33 years prior to his government service. His passion for education and his commitment to the community and public service have been widely recognized through elections to the Rider College Hall of Fame, the Neptune High School Hall of Fame and the dedication of an Ocean Township park in his name.

Senator Palaia is remembered by his loving family, including his daughter, daughter-in-law, grandsons, sister and many other relatives and friends.

Mr. Speaker, I sincerely hope that my colleagues will join me in honoring Senator Palaia for his leadership and dedication to his community and state.

#### ASHLYN DARNELL

## HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to acknowledge Ashlyn Darnell for completing Basic Combat Training for the United States Army. Ashlyn is a Goreville, Illinois native who just turned 18 early in August, and she will be returning to Goreville to finish her senior year of high school before reporting for Advanced Individual Training.

Ashlyn was able to attend basic training thanks to the Split Training Option program, which allows high school students to complete basic training during the summer between their junior and senior years. After completing her Advanced Individual Training, Ashlyn plans to attend Southern Illinois University Edwardsville and will enter the ROTC program as she pursues a degree in nursing. Once she graduates, Ashlyn plans to enlist in active duty for the U.S. Army.

Ashlyn's sense of duty and service guided her to pursue a future in the U.S. Army. Despite her successful career as a two-sport high school athlete and the opportunity to play basketball for a university program, Ashlyn still seeks a career as a member of the U.S. military. She cites her desire to work for the freedoms of our country as a core factor in her decision. Ashlyn is so driven to join the military despite her youth that she even had her parents sign the consent forms that allowed her to enlist in the reserves.

I offer my congratulations to Ashlyn Darnell for her completion of.Basic Combat Training, and I wish her the best of luck as she pursues a career of service with the U.S. Army.

## HONORING SUSIE WILSON OF PENNSYLVANIA

## HON. SCOTT PERRY

OF PENNSYLVANIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, today I honor my constituent, Susie Wilson, on her retirement upon more than 10 years of service with the Pennsylvania Medical Society (PAMED).

During her tenure at PAMED, Ms. Wilson served as executive director to several specialty and county medical societies, including the Pennsylvania Society of Anesthesiologists. Ms. Wilson also has served with the American College of Veterinary Radiology, Pennsylvania Ambulatory Surgery Association, Pennsylvania Neurosurgical Society and other medical groups.

Prior to her tenure at PAMED, Ms. Wilson served with the Pennsylvania State Foster Parent Association and assisted students with learning disorders and emotional disabilities. After her retirement from PAMED, she'll resume her work with children.

Ms. Wilson's tireless dedication and professionalism touched the lives of countless people. She's left a true legacy of selfless service.

On behalf of Pennsylvania's Fourth Congressional District, with great pride I commend, congratulate and thank Susie Wilson upon her retirement after more than 10 years of service to Pennsylvania and her community.

TRIBUTE TO COLONEL DAVID WIL-LIAM REANEY UPON HIS RE-TIREMENT

## HON. BRADLEY BYRNE

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. BYRNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Colonel David "Dave" William Reaney upon his retirement as Executive Director of Feeding the Gulf Coast.

Dave was born in Iowa and grew up in California before enlisting in the Army as an intelligence analyst in 1969. After serving in Germany, he commissioned through the Officer Candidate program at Fort Benning in 1974.

He spent the next 26 years as a Military Intelligence Officer at 12 different locations throughout the United States, Europe, and Asia. He served as Chief of the Electronic Intelligence Watch, U.S. European Command in Stuttgart, Germany supporting operations following the bombing of the Beirut Marine Barracks, as well as the 1986 U.S. attack on Libya. After being promoted to Colonel in 1996, he was assigned to the National Security Agency as Deputy Chief of the Office of Global Response.

After 30 years of active service, Col. Reaney retired in February 2000. Just a few months later, in April, he was appointed Executive Director of Feeding the Gulf Coast. Formerly known as the Bay Area Food Bank, Feeding the Gulf Coast is responsible for serving a 24-county area including south Alabama, south Mississippi, and the Florida panhandle. The organization operates multiple nutrition programs and distributed over 20 million pounds of food in 2015.

Under his leadership, Feeding the Gulf Coast reached new heights and achieved major milestones. The organization moved into a new facility, increased distribution from 4 to over 21 million pounds of food annually, acquired nine refrigerated delivery vehicles, developed afterschool snack and summer lunch programs for children at over 215 locations, and constructed a new branch warehouse in Milton, Florida. Col. Reaney also oversaw the organization's disaster response to Hurricane Ivan, Hurricane Katrina, and the Gulf Coast oil spill.

Col. Reaney has a long list of personal achievements throughout his years of military and humanitarian service. He is a 1999 inductee into the Officer Candidate School Hall of Fame at Fort Benning, Georgia and a 2001 inductee into the University of South Alabama ROTC Department Hall of Fame. His fifteen military service awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit and the Defense Meritorious Service Medal. He has also served on the board of the Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce, as well as past president of both the Alabama Food Bank Association and the Florida Association of Food Banks. Additionally, he played a critical part in the establishment of Alabama Lieutenant Governor Kay Ivey's "End Child Hunger" task force.

So on behalf of Alabama's First Congressional District, I wish Colonel Dave Reaney and his wife, Monika, all the best upon his retirement. And, on behalf of a grateful nation, I share our appreciation and gratitude for his years of service and sacrifice.

THE PASSING OF LUKE TATSU JOHNSON

## HON. ALAN S. LOWENTHAL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. LOWENTHAL. Mr. Speaker, the unique middle name Tatsu proved to be a fitting moniker for Luke Tatsu Johnson. The tatsu, or dragon, is a centuries old mythical creature of great wonder, bravery, and strength. Throughout his extraordinary life, Luke consistently demonstrated his own special type of courage, power, and excellence. As a loving son and older brother, loyal friend, accomplished student and athlete, all-around young man of solid character, and ultimately, brave cancer patient, Luke filled his life with meaning and grace.

Luke was always an active kid—he loved being outdoors doing just about anything with family and friends. Over time, the video game consoles gathered dust while Luke played organized baseball, flag football, soccer, and golf, participated in Junior Lifeguards and the Stud Ironman, engaged in backyard competitions with his brother Spencer, went skiing, boogie boarding, and bike riding, and enjoyed the big, small town atmosphere of Alamitos Heights and Long Beach. Some of Luke's passions occasionally kept him indoors—mom's cooking, sushi, and sports TV, especially if his beloved Angels or Chargers were playing.

Luke held himself to high standards and achieved success in his many endeavors. He was a straight A student since grade school, including his freshman and sophomore years in high school studies-which he completed while enduring often difficult chemotherapy regimens. During his two periods of remission, Luke worked tirelessly on his golf game. He enjoyed long hours at the driving range and on the course alongside his father and brother. In April of 2015, while still regaining strength after his initial treatment, Luke made a hole-in-one on a family outing in Northern California. In the greenside photo commemorating that moment, Luke stands ball in hand, bathed in sunlight, shining his familiar winning smile.

Luke faced his illness with the same determination and strength of character with which he pursued all of his challenges. Through months of hospital stays, difficult treatments, and intermittent setbacks, Luke continued to push ahead and never lost touch with his true nature and he remained the great kid—full of good cheer, quick to smile, concerned about others, close to his parents and Spencer—that he had always been.

Luke's story inspired a broad array of supporters—Team Luke—which included friends, teammates, and relatives as well as celebrities and PGA stars. It is in and through this team that loved him that Luke's unique spirit will continue to soar, like a tatsu, as a source of courage and grace.

TRIBUTE TO ALPHA DELTA KAPPA INTERNATIONAL HONORARY OR-GANIZATION FOR WOMEN EDU-CATORS

## HON. MO BROOKS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. BROOKS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend the Alpha Delta Kappa International Honorary Organization for Women Educators on sixty-nine years of dedicated service, and proclaim October 2016 as Alpha Delta Kappa Month. Established in

1947, Alpha Delta Kappa's goals are to institute high standards of education, recognize outstanding educators, build a fraternal fellowship among educators and promote educational and charitable projects, enriching the lives of individuals everywhere.

With a membership of more than 33,000 educators representing all fifty U.S. states, Puerto Rico, Canada, Mexico, Jamaica, and Australia, Alpha Delta Kappa is committed to educational excellence, personal and professional growth, and collectively channeling their energies toward the good of their schools, communities, the teaching profession, and the world.

Women in education constitute a great portion of America's workforce and are constantly striving to serve their communities and America in educational, cultural, and charitable programs leading to harmony, happiness, and peace among all people.

Over the last two years alone, members of Alpha Delta Kappa have altruistically given to the communities they serve by raising nearly \$12 million and volunteering more than two million service hours. Alpha Delta Kappa members biennially award more than a quarter million dollars through eleven scholarship programs and have contributed more than \$1 million to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee.

I congratulate Alpha Delta Kappa International Honorary Organization for Women Educators on their many years of unparalleled success and wish them well as they continue to educate our children.

RECOGNIZING KNOEBELS AMUSE-MENT RESORT UPON THE OCCA-SION OF THEIR 90TH ANNIVER-SARY

## HON. LOU BARLETTA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. BARLETTA. Mr. Speaker, it's my honor to recognize Knoebels Amusement Resort in Elysburg upon the occasion of their 90th anniversary. Since 1926, this multigenerational, family-owned and operated business has been America's largest free-admission park, and continues today as a world-renowned attraction that has stayed true to its family-focused roots for nearly a century.

roots for nearly a century. Originally known as "Peggy's Farm," the land that is now Knoebels was passed down from owner to owner until 1828 when Reverend Henry Hartman Knoebel purchased the property for \$931. Reverend Knoebel's grandson, Henry, who was commonly known as "Ole Hen." began selling soft drinks and ice cream to the families that would come for picnics on the property. In 1926, Ole Hen added a restaurant, carousel, games, and a pool to officially mark the beginning of Knoebels Amusement Park. Various rides and amusements were added to the park throughout the years to bring the current total to 63, including six roller coasters, two water rides, two miniature railways, a golf course, and several restaurants.

I've enjoyed family outings to the park, just like thousands of my constituents and visitors from around the world, and can attest firsthand to the welcoming atmosphere and family-friendly style that has made Knoebels one of America's best amusement parks. With a commitment to the family's overall vision, it is no wonder that Amusement Today and organizations such as American Coaster Enthusiasts and the International Association of Amusement Parks and Attractions have recognized the park with various awards throughout the years. In 2014, the Travel Channel named Knoebels as one of their Top 10 Family Friendly Amusement Parks in the United States.

Mr. Speaker, it's my honor to recognize Knoebels Amusement Resort in Elysburg upon the occasion of their 90th anniversary. "Make

new memories the old fashioned way" is their slogan that is in action every day, and I am confident that the park will be enjoyed by families visiting Pennsylvania's 11th Congressional District for years to come. I wish the Knoebels all the best as they continue to operate a resort where families can go to create lasting memories and share in the spirit upon which the property was founded.

IN RECOGNITION OF TEEN SERVE CAMP HELPING OUT IN STER-LING PARK

## HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK

OF VIRGINIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to acknowledge Teen Serve Camp, namely, the 264 teenagers who recently banded together to serve the community in Sterling's Gwen Thompson Briar Patch Park. I would like to personally commend these young volunteers who so selflessly dedicated themselves to providing service and "life-giving" to those in the Loudoun community without asking anything in return. These notable young men and women truly embody the very best of our nation's values through their service to the community and their commitment to the betterment of others' lives.

The Teen Serve Camp has increased its services exponentially since its formation in 2011, growing from just 17 teenagers into a total of nearly 1,000 middle and high schoolers. Spending their precious time over summer vacation, students serve their neighbors through various tasks to help raise awareness and funds for local and national charities. The services these campers provide to others extend far beyond the call to action.

Mr. Speaker, it brings me immense pride to recognize such a fine group, and I sincerely hope that we all can live up to their tremendous example. I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the Teen Serve Camp in Sterling. I wish them all the best and hope that they remain a positive example of service to the community.

## HONORING MS. DENISE KELLER

## HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Denise Keller, who is being honored today by the Napa County Office of Education as a 2017 Napa County Teacher of the Year.

Ms. Keller completed her Bachelor of Art in Sociology at Sonoma State University, before going on to earn her Social Studies Education Specialist Credential at San Francisco State University. She began her career working as a Special Day Class Teacher in the West Contra Costa Unified School District, and then transitioned to working as a Resource Specialist for the Elk Grove Unified School District. In 2004, Ms. Keller joined American Canyon Middle School as a Resource Specialist, and began teaching 6th Grade Social Studies in 2010. In her classroom, Ms. Keller brings history to life and encourages her students to appreciate the relevance of our past to their lives today. She employs her extensive knowledge of project-based learning to engage her students in the classroom and instill a passion for learning.

Furthermore, Ms. Keller has taken on many new challenges to support students and her colleagues at American Canyon Middle School. She serves as the yearbook advisor, encouraging students' creativity and leadership. Ms. Keller also chairs the Social Studies Department and is the 6th Grade Team Leader, coordinating and supporting the work of faculty.

Mr. Speaker, Denise Keller is a dedicated teacher who uses her time and knowledge to inspire young students to strive for excellence, and it is therefore fitting and proper that we honor her here today.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE CITY OF HANFORD, CALIFORNIA

## HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the City of Hanford, California and honor the one hundred and twenty fifth anniversary of its founding.

The city's humble beginnings began in 1877 when the Southern Pacific Railway began construction of a rail line which passed through what is now the City of Hanford. Within a short time, and with the railway's support, Hanford grew from a small settlement to a prominent trading center in the area. Hanford, California was officially incorporated in August of 1891.

Over the course of the past century, Hanford has seen many changes and has faced its fair share of challenges, including fires in 1887 and 1891 which destroyed most of the downtown area. However, because of the determination of its citizens, Hanford would go on to rebuild and thrive. Today, the city boasts over fifty thousand residents, a revitalized and prospering downtown area, and a vibrant and diverse economy.

As a resident of Hanford, I have seen firsthand the sense of community and the willingness to help each other that makes our town a wonderful place to live and raise a family. I am proud to call Hanford my home.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in recognizing the City of Hanford's one hundred and twenty fifth Anniversary and to wish the community all the best in the future.

#### TRIBUTE TO NORA EVERETT

## HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Principal Financial Group, Inc. President of Retirement and Income Solutions Nora Everett for being named a 2016 Women of Influence honoree by the award-winning central lowa publication, Business Record.

For 17 years, the Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of women who have made a significant difference in business, civic and philanthropic endeavors throughout the Greater Des Moines Area. Ms. Everett has devoted her life to confronting challenges which many others might avoid. She has spent countless hours on various boards while blazing a trail for others to follow. She was selected for the chosen field of expertise, the lasting impact on the community, involvement with civic or non-profit organization and being seen as a role model because of her lofty achievements and high ethical standards.

Nora Everett has the determination and drive to be successful in anything she does and her exemplary work with the Principal Financial Group, Inc. She is an integral component of one of Iowa's largest and most successful employers, building a long and illustrious career with The Principal Financial Group, Inc., based in Des Moines, Iowa. In all aspects of her life, Nora Everett is an example of hard work and service who makes Iowans proud.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Nora Everett in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud her for utilizing her talents to better both her community and the great state of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Nora Everett on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing Ms. Everett a Iong and successful career.

## RECOGNIZING BOYER'S FOOD MAR-KETS UPON THE OCCASION OF THEIR 67TH ANNIVERSARY

# HON. LOU BARLETTA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. BARLETTA. Mr. Speaker, it's my honor to recognize Boyer's Food Markets upon the occasion of their 67th Anniversary. Boyer's is a full service supermarket chain in Northeastern Pennsylvania that provides my constituents with an easy-in easy-out, no hassle experience. Customer service is the foundation of Boyer's success and the employees pride themselves on personal connections, copying the days when local corner stores knew each customer by name and were as much a part of the community as the people they served.

In 1949, Harold S. Boyer opened his first corner store in Orwigsburg and since then has expanded the chain to 18 stores across Northeastern Pennsylvania, including locations in Hazleton, Elysburg, Berwick, Lykens, and Mt. Carmel within my congressional district. Their famed "Red Shirt Service" takes its name from the red shirt and black pants uniforms that employees wear in order to be visible to shoppers. They pride themselves on providing unique and local service in each store while having the "friendliest, most helpful, and knowledgeable teammates." Such outstanding service speaks not only to the commitment of the employer, but also to the strength of every employee. Whether doing your weekly shopping or planning for a large event, Boyer's has continued to be the trusted store that caters to the customers they serve in each local community.

Boyer's is known for engaging with each local community to create lasting bonds. They offer non-profit organizations the opportunity to fundraise by selling hoagies, desserts, and pizzas with no upfront payment and a share of the profits once the items are sold. The Caring/Sharing Scrip Gift Card Program lets churches and schools purchase gift cards in bulk with a five percent discount that is donated back to the church or school. Bover's is also committed to helping families eat healthy without spending too much time or money in the process. Their exclusive B-Healthy Kids Program hosts events that are educational and fun with the goal of promoting a balanced diet. Never turning away an opportunity to donate to local school districts and their athletics programs has become a hallmark of Boyer's, and Southern Columbia Area School District is one of the many recipients in my district to have received such generous donations.

Mr. Speaker, it's my honor to recognize Boyer's Food Markets upon the occasion of their 67th Anniversary. I wish Boyer's employees and customers all the best as they continue to exemplify the positive relationship between a business and its community.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO MR. GOULD B. HAGLER, JR.

## HON. BARRY LOUDERMILK

## OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. LOUDERMILK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to my good friend and a man, Mr. Gould B. Hagler, Jr., who has devoted his life to serving the individuals and the communities of Georgia.

This year, Gould will retire from the Independent Insurance Agents of Georgia, where he has spent the past thirty years working to represent the many independent insurance agencies and the thousands of Georgians employed by those small businesses. Under Gould's leadership, the Independent Insurance Agents of Georgia has been recognized for countless achievements by their national association.

Gould has spent his career advocating for Georgians through his association management and legislative affairs positions with the Georgia General Assembly, the Council of State Governments and the Medical Association of Georgia.

As a native Georgian, Gould has certainly made it his life's work to better the people and communities of our great state. On behalf of the people of Georgia's 11th Congressional District and the United States House of Representatives, I commend Gould B. Hagler, Jr. for his years of outstanding service, and congratulate him as he moves on to the next chapter of his life. CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF ROB-ERT WEED PLYWOOD'S MANU-FACTURING EXCELLENCE

## HON. JACKIE WALORSKI

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mrs. WALORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the employees and owners of Robert Weed Plywood in Bristol, Indiana, as they celebrate 50 years of creating high-quality products and contributing to the growth of Northern Indiana's vital manufacturing.

Since its founding in 1966, Robert Weed Plywood has been a trailblazer in manufacturing. In 1969, they opened their 18,000– square-foot distribution center in Bristol, where they serve 18 industries across the country ranging from vehicle production to healthcare.

Robert Weed Plywood is recognized as one of the finest manufacturers in the industry. They are consistently at the forefront of fabrication and distribution. Their continued success is due to their approach to business, their skilled workforce, their dedication to technological advancement, and their adherence to the industry's highest standards.

Within the past decade, Robert Weed Plywood has expanded significantly. They established RWP West LLC in Weiser, Idaho, in 2007 and in Twin Falls, Idaho, in 2008. Such growth allows them to provide their exemplary services to the entire nation. Hoosiers can be proud that Robert Weed Plywood's roots are in the Indiana's Second District.

The company also boasts a history marked by its dedication to the community. With their strong business model, they have served as an example of the importance of supporting local businesses. They have provided thousands of good-paying jobs for Hoosiers. They exemplify the long-standing tradition of excellence in Indiana.

For the past half century, Robert Weed Plywood has demonstrated their passion for serving customers, providing exceptional products, and achieving the highest level of manufacturing excellence.

On behalf of Hoosiers across Indiana, I sincerely congratulate Robert Weed Plywood on their 50th anniversary, and I wish them continued success and growth in the years ahead.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF ANNE MOLNAR OF LORAIN, OHIO

## HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor the life of Anne Molnar, who passed from this life on Thursday, August 11, 2016 in her adopted home town of Lorain, Ohio. Anne was a dynamo and her spirit remains so.

I came to know Anne well in the Fall of 2012. An elected leader in Lorain, she proved an able guide in what was then a new part of Ohio's 9th District. Together, we shared a vision to make life better for the people of Lorain, with special attention to its senior citizens. In all the time I have known her, Anne was a good friend to me and to the people of Lorain.

Anne Bokulic was born May 30, 1926 in McKeesport, Pennsylvania. She was a graduate of the Morton School of Nursing in Pennsylvania and moved to Lorain, Ohio in 1947. She pursued her career as a staff nurse at Amherst Hospital, retiring after 44 years of service.

Having practiced public service as a nurse, after retiring Anne began her new career as an elected official. She served on Lorain City Council in her later years, four terms as Ward 6 Council Member from 1998 to 2005 and again as an at large member for three terms from 2008 through 2013. Her tenure was marked by careful attention to the needs of people at both ends of life: older adults and children. She passionately and deeply cared for both, even while ably serving all of Lorain's citizens.

In addition to her nursing and political careers. Anne was dedicated to a number of organizations meeting the needs of the community's most vulnerable people. She offered her services as a Guardian Ad Litem for children and Voices for Children, speaking up for children involved in the court system. She was a member of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program and the Lorain Citizens League. She served as a member of the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency and the People's Coalition for Better Housing. For a decade she was a member of the Lorain Mayor's Citizens Participation Committee. She served as Treasurer for several school levies. In 1992 Anne was honored to serve as a delegate to the Democratic National Convention.

Anne was a member of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church in Elyria and St. Frances Xavier Cabrini Church in Lorain. Croatian-American by heritage, Anne was proud of her ancestry and continued its traditions and language through her life. Many a fine meal was shared at her hospitable table.

Always gracious and grandmotherly, nonetheless Anne Molnar fought the good fight for her constituents. A mentor and friend to many, she was always interested in leading new people to public service and working in collaboration with colleagues. Anne Molnar leaves a long legacy of service in her community. Her spirit and perseverance brought a measure of stability and hope to the people she served and she never gave up in pursuing what she knew was right.

Anne Molnar was one of a kind. She was an endless dynamo for her family and community. She never stopped giving or advocating, even in the most nettlesome situations. Anne leaves to cherish her memory her children Michael, Joseph, Robert and Lisa, nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, her sister Mary and brother Peter, nieces, nephews and countless friends. We wish for her loved ones peace and some small measure of comfort in remembering this remarkable woman and the gift of her life.

CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF MT. SHARON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, GILCHRIST COMMU-NITY, ADAMSVILLE, TN

# HON. MARSHA BLACKBURN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mrs. BLACKBURN. Mr. Speaker, for generations, Mt. Sharon Presbyterian Church has served as a focal point for community life near Adamsville. Just like its congregation, it has grown over the years to better serve its membership.

One hundred and fifty years ago, on September 15, 1866, Reverend Robert Young and approximately 70 people came together to organize the Mt. Sharon Society, Gilchrist Community of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Originally a log structure, the Church was located southwest of Snake Creek on land of Cornelius Gilchrist. Brother T. F. Wilson, Brother Cornelius Gilchrist and Brother John L. Groves were chosen as ruling elders.

In the 1890's the log structure was replaced by one made of lumber that included a bell tower and in 1957, a new brick structure was completed. The following year, the Church added a porch, and in 1959, a steeple.

At a dedication service in September 1959, the morning bulletin read, "Let us remember that the job was completed only through time, talents and love of over 300 people and gifts from Presbyterian churches from Tennessee, Fort Wayne, Indiana, Lansing Michigan and far beyond."

Forty years later, in 1989, the Church added additional dining space which still exists today and an outdoor basketball court was completed. Three years later, the Church purchased a manse with 4.5 acres.

The Church celebrates its anniversary on the third Sunday in September.

## TRIBUTE TO DEBI DURHAM

## HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Iowa Economic Development Authority Director Debi Durham for being named a 2016 Women of Influence honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, Business Record.

For 17 years, the Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of women who have made a significant difference in business, civic and philanthropic endeavors throughout the Greater Des Moines Area. Ms. Durham has devoted her life to confronting challenges many others might avoid. She has spent countless hours on various boards while blazing a trail for others to follow. She was selected for the chosen field of expertise, the lasting impact on the community, involvement with civic or non-profit organizations and being seen as a role model because of her lofty achievements and high ethical standards.

Debi Durham has the determination and drive to be successful in anything she does, and her exemplary work with the Iowa Economic Development Authority is a testament to that. Ms. Durham works with Iowa Governor Terry Branstad to maintain the Iowa Economic Development Authority as a public-private partnership to improve Iowa's delivery of Iowa's economic services. Prior to leading Iowa's economic development initiatives, Debi Durham served as president of the Siouxland Chamber of Commerce, serving communities in northwest Iowa. In all aspects of her life, Debi Durham is an example of hard work and service who makes Iowans proud. Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Debi Durham in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud her for utilizing her talents to better both her community and the great state of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Debi Durham on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing Ms. Durham a long and successful career.

IN HONOR OF NEW MT. ZOAR BAP-TIST CHURCH'S 150TH ANNIVER-SARY

## HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to acknowledge the New Mt. Zoar Baptist Church, which is celebrating 150 years since its founding, as well as its pastor, Reverend Spencer F. Isaac, who is celebrating his 20th anniversary of leading this great congregation. I would like to personally congratulate this institution for its continued role in fostering a sense of community in Manassas, Virginia. This Church represents our nation's values through dedicated worship, as well as willingness to serve the community.

The New Mt. Zoar Baptist Church has grown exponentially since its foundation in 1866, when a former slave followed the Union Army from Louisiana to Fairfax, Virginia. The once small congregation of 33 individuals has now flourished into over 300 members whom meet and worship together regularly. Pastor Isaac has been a staple to the church since 1996, guiding all those who seek a stronger spiritual purpose in life. This is a clear. testament to the outstanding work and commitment to the community which is conducted by this admirable congregation and they are deserving of recognition.

Mr. Speaker, it brings me immense pride to recognize such a fine group, and I sincerely hope that we all can live up to their tremendous example. I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the New Mt. Zoar Baptist Church for 150 years of existence and Reverend Spencer F. Isaac in his 20th year as Pastor of the church. I wish them all the best and hope that they remain devoted to their faith and Virginia's 10th District for years to come.

RECOGNIZING MRS. NATIVA WOOD UPON HER INDUCTION AS THE PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL COURT REPORTERS ASSOCIATION

## HON. LOU BARLETTA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. BARLETTA. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Mrs. Nativa Wood upon her induction as the president of the National Court Reporters Association (NCRA). Nativa spent 35 years as a court reporter in the Dauphin County Courthouse in my district, serving as the chief court reporter for the last 11 years of

her service before retiring in 2015. Through her decades of public service and involvement with various associations and foundations, she has continually set an example of hard work and dedication for all professionals in my district and has helped to inspire the next generation of selfless public servants.

Nativa joined the Dauphin County Courthouse in 1977 after graduating from Central Penn College. She has been involved with the Pennsylvania Court Reporters Association since 1983 and was the president from 1990 to 1992. She served as the chair of the National Court Reporters Foundation (NCRF), the charitable arm of the NCRA, which works to educate legal professionals with informational programs and introduce prospective court reporters to the profession. Nativa has also served as the chair of the Council of the Academy of Professional Reporters and the Committee on Professional Ethics.

Mrs. Wood also understands that her current endeavors can help leave a lasting legacy for future generations of court reporters. She is a proud member of the NCRF's Legacy Society, which coordinates estate planning so that the NCRF can act as a beneficiary of an individual's will in order to continue giving back to the profession for decades to come. Nativa's commitment to the profession and her community will always be remembered. February 18 has been declared "Nativa Wood Day" in Dauphin County in honor of her distinguished career and exemplary professionalism.

Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to congratulate Mrs. Nativa Wood upon her induction as the president of the National Court Reporters Association. Her husband, Jerry, and son, Patrick, have played an important role in her success and continue to inspire her dedication to the profession. I wish Mrs. Wood the best in her new role and look forward to seeing her continued contributions to court reporters across my district, state, and our nation.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 70TH AN-NIVERSARY OF THE BUDDHIST CHURCH OF SACRAMENTO HONGWANJI BETSUIN'S ANNUAL BAZAAR

## HON. DORIS O. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 70th anniversary of the Buddhist Church of Sacramento Hongwanji Betsuin's Annual Bazaar. As our community gathers to showcase and celebrate Japanese food and culture, I ask all of my colleagues to join me in honoring this remarkable festival.

The Sacramento Buddhist Church is one of the oldest Jodo Shinshu Buddhist Churches in the continental United States and, as such, is one of Sacramento's richest cultural gems. In 1947, the church hosted its first bazaar in an effort to encourage strength and identity within the Japanese-American community. In its 70th year, the bazaar is now a treasured and highly-anticipated Sacramento summer festival. With attendance in the tens of thousands, the bazaar no longer attracts only the immediate community of the church's congregation, but serves to educate and engage the larger Sacramento community on Japanese culture. Close to 700 volunteers come together to facilitate the bazaar, which funds scholarships, Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops, and the Dharma School supported by the church. The Sacramento Buddhist Church's Annual Bazaar has been invaluable to Sacramento in its promotion of cross-cultural understanding and unity in Sacramento's diverse community.

Mr. Speaker, as the community of the Buddhist Church of Sacramento Hongwanji Betsuin gathers to celebrate the 70th, anniversary of their Annual Bazaar, I ask all of my colleagues to join me in honoring their commitment to preserving and sharing the rich traditions of Japanese culture with the wider community.

CELEBRATING THE 70TH BIRTHDAY OF GARY BROGAN

## HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 70th birthday of Gary Brogan. A proud veteran and devoted family man, Gary is a pillar of the Round Rock, TX community.

A son of the American heartland, Gary was born September 8, 1946 in Winfield, Kansas. It was there he learned the values of hard work and integrity that made him the man he is and that he has used in service to others.

Gary felt the call to serve and joined the U.S. Navy in 1966. He soon volunteered for combat duty and spent a year in Vietnam, earning a Vietnam Campaign Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal, and an Honorable Discharge. Like many of those brave warriors who served, Gary was never given a proper welcome upon his safe return to our shores. He was even advised not to wear his uniform in public to avoid the scorn of protestors.

Following his move to Round Rock in 2007, Gary has become a beloved citizen of my home town. He and wife Vicki have been supporters of the Heart to Heart Gala, which benefits the Sacred Heart Community Clinic as well as supporting local high school booster clubs and numerous charities in Round Rock. Both are proud and devoted members of St. Williams Catholic Church.

Gary's family and friends are making sure he gets a celebration befitting a hero. On August 6, the Legion Hall in Round Rock will be packed with well-wishers saluting a great man who has both served his nation and positively impacted his community.

Gary Brogan's commitments to freedom, community, and family reflect the best values of Central Texas. I join all lucky enough to know him in wishing him a happy birthday and best wishes for the years ahead.

## HONORING MS. DANA SIMON

# HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dana Simon, who is being honored today by the Napa County Office of Education as a 2017 Napa County Teacher of the Year.

Ms. Simon grew up in Lafayette, California and completed her Bachelor of Arts in English at the University of Southern California. After completing her English teaching credential at San Francisco State University, Ms. Simon began teaching at Pleasanton Middle School in 1996, and has worked with middle schoolers ever since. She completed her Master of Science in Education focusing on Curriculum and Instruction in 2007, and has been working with students at Robert Louis Stevenson Middle School in St. Helena, California since 2010.

Ms. Simon makes her classroom a creative and fun environment to inspire students to become engaged learners. She sets high expectations for her students and provides them with the support and encouragement they need to achieve great results. Outside the classroom, Ms. Simon is a member of the school's Technology Committee and the Advancement Via Individual Determination Site Team, ensuring all students have access to the resources they need to succeed.

Even with her busy teaching schedule, Ms. Simon has found time to engage with important civic causes. She serves as a member of the Napa Family Law Justice Center's Strategic Planning Committee, and she previously sat on the board of Congregation Beth Shalom.

Mr. Speaker, Dana Simon has dedicated two decades of her career to inspiring students in our community to learn and strive for excellence, both through her engaging work in the classroom and as a community leader. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor her here today.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

## HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, on January 20, 2009, the day President Obama took office, the national debt was \$10,626,877,048,913.08.

Today, it is \$19,481,571,141,221.67. We've added \$8,854,694,092,308.59 to our debt in 6 years. This is over \$7.5 trillion in debt our nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a balanced budget amendment.

TRIBUTE TO THE HONORABLE JOE HOCKEY, THE AUSTRALIAN AM-BASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES

## HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing the Honorable Joe Hockey, the Australian Ambassador to the United States, who has become the honorary patron of Washington DC Youth Rugby. The Embassy of Australia has been a partner with Washington DC Youth Rugby for the past six years, reaching out to underserved youth in the District of Columbia's inner city, promoting health and physical fitness, and teaching valuable life skills through the international sport of rugby.

Recognizing rugby as the fastest growing sport at the youth level, the Embassy hosted over 300 guests at a sports diplomacy reception on August 25, with proceeds benefiting Washington DC Youth Rugby. That evening, Ambassador Hockey will be highlighting the participation of the Australian Wallabies and USA Eagles in the Olympics for the first time since 1924.

Founded in 2004 with just seven players to field a team, Washington DC Youth Rugby has grown from a summer-only touch program in Northeast DC to sponsoring a tackle program for high school boys and girls at Bell Multicultural High School in Columbia Heights. While using rugby as a vehicle for social inclusion and youth development, Washington DC Youth Rugby is offering flag rugby in over 20 District elementary and middle schools in physical education classes and afterschool program.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to join me in thanking the Embassy of Australia for showcasing sports diplomacy in DC and making a difference for the youth of our city in terms of health, self-esteem, teamwork and social skills development. I would also like to thank the coaches, volunteers, donors, partner schools, students, parents and alumni of Washington DC Youth Rugby on their steady growth and accomplishments over the last 12 years.

HONORING BERKELEY MT. ZION MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

## HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Berkeley Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, located in Berkeley, California upon its 70th Anniversary as a strong religious pillar in the East Bay community.

Berkeley Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church was founded in 1946 by Reverend Neal Lee Peterson, Deacon Fred Williams, Brother Harrison Williams, and Sisters Mattie Mae Peterson, Lula Williams, Ethel Mae Posey, Nora Sargent, Morrell Posey, Maxine Lyons, and Thelma A.J. Upchurch, who met at the home of Sister Maxine Lyons to fulfill the vision of Reverend Peterson.

During its early years, Berkeley Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church met in the homes of various members, and held services at the Codornices Village Recreation Center.

In 1949, Berkeley Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church was able to purchase its property on Camelia Street and establish its first permanent position. Services were held there for 12 years. As time passed, the church outgrew the small space, and in January 1961, the church moved into its newly-completed home on Eighth Street.

In 1966, Reverend Doctor M.T. Thompson answered the Lord's call to Berkeley Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, where he led the congregation for nearly 40 years. Under his leadership, the ministries of Berkeley Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church expanded and grew.

One of the most notable newly-established ministries of Berkeley Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church was established in March 1993, under the direction of Pastor Thompson. The Helping Hands of Zion Outreach Ministries seeks to reclaim and redirect the lives of families and individuals who have fallen through the cracks in our society by providing them with food, clothing, education, and employment assistance.

Pastor Thompson retired from Berkeley Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church in November 2005, after nearly 40 years of faithful service. In November 2006, Reverend Brian D. Hunter was elected Senior Pastor of Berkeley Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, and he currently serves as pastor.

Throughout the years, Berkeley Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church has been steadfast and faithful in her efforts to fulfill the mission of the church: evangelism, discipleship, and mission.

On behalf of the residents of California's 13th Congressional District, I extend my sincerest congratulations to Berkeley Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church on the special occasion of its 70th anniversary. I wish Berkeley Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church many more years of faithful and compassionate service.

RECOGNIZING PROCTER & GAM-BLE'S MEHOOPANY PLANT UPON THE OCCASION OF ITS 50TH AN-NIVERSARY

# HON. LOU BARLETTA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. BARLETTA. Mr. Speaker, it's my honor to recognize Procter & Gamble's Mehoopany Plant, and the employees that work there, on the occasion of their 50th anniversary. P&G is a global producer of consumer goods that prides itself on passing down core values and principles to future generations. The Mehoopany plant is an essential part of Northeastern Pennsylvania, employing thousands of my constituents who take pride in being active members of our community.

Opened in 1966, P&G's Mehoopany plant has grown to be one of their largest in the Driving down Route 87 world. into Mehoopany, you can't miss the plant sitting on the Susquehanna River. Its sheer size puts their impact into perspective. In stores all across the country, you're seeing products that were made by Mehoopany employees, such as Bounty paper towels, Charmin bathroom tissues, and Pampers diapers. The plant became P&G's first energy self-sufficient facility in 2013 with the construction of two natural gas-fired cogeneration turbines which utilize gas from Marcellus Shale beneath the 1,100acre property. In 2012, 50 percent of the plant's electrical needs were met using Marcellus gas, and, for the previous 45 years, the Mehoopany plant was the largest electricity and natural gas customer for our local utility companies.

P&G's slogan, "Touching lives, improving life," is in use every day as their employees

have made community involvement an essential part of their daily operation. In 2015, for the seventh straight year, the plant broke its previous year's fundraising effort by donating over \$500,000 to several Northeastern Pennsylvania United Ways. P&G has always been committed to ensuring that its employees have the resources necessary for success, both during and after their careers. That's why it's not surprising that over a guarter of its workforce are third generation employees. For example, P&G Mehoopany Credit Union opened in 1971 to benefit its members with affordable services they pride themselves on providing, where each member is greeted by name when they enter the building. Even after their careers at P&G are over, employees find that groups such as the P&G Mehoopany Retirees Association keep them involved in the community through volunteer projects, while also providing the opportunity to fulfill lifelong dreams by organizing trips around the world with their former coworkers.

Mr. Speaker, it's my honor to recognize Procter & Gamble's Mehoopany plant and their generations of employees for five decades of successful operation in Northeastern Pennsylvania. Through a commitment to quality products, employee appreciation, and local engagement, the Mehoopany plant has become a symbol of what can be accomplished when a community-first approach is taken. On behalf of my constituents, I wish the employees of Procter & Gamble's Mehoopany plant the best as they continue to bring prosperity and employment opportunities to my district, and I look forward to the facility's success and innovation in the years to come.

RECOGNIZING THE DEDICATED SERVICE OF MAJOR CHARLES E. "DOC" MERKEL, JR., PH.D., U.S. ARMY (RET.)

## HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

# IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Major Charles E. "Doc" Merkel, Jr., Ph.D., U.S. Army (ret.) upon the occasion of his retirement from the 53d Wing, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida. Dr. Merkel has dedicated more than 45 years in support of our Nation's defense. His service began with a 20 year career in the U.S. Army, then as a member of the private sector supporting development of air armament systems, and culminating with a civil servant career with the 53d Wing. It is my privilege to pay tribute to his lifetime of honorable service to Northwest Florida and our great Nation.

His active duty military career saw a variety of assignments. As an Army aviator, Dr. Merkel flew UH–1H helicopters as a member of Casper Platoon of the 173d Airborne Brigade (Sep) in the Republic of Vietnam, where he also helped collect and distribute school supplies and clothing to a Christian and Buddhist orphanage in the village of Bong Son.

He was assigned to the United States Army Signal Center and School and then commanded the Fort Monmouth Ceremonial Unit for a year prior to being selected as a test pilot for the U.S. Army Electronics Command. During his final two years at the Signal Center

and School, Dr. Merkel served as the Commanding Officer of the 800-man Headquarters and Headquarters Company.

Upon completion of the Infantry Officer Advanced Course and Airborne School at Fort Benning, Georgia, Dr. Merkel was assigned to the 2nd "All Infantry" Brigade, 2nd Division, Camp Hovey, Republic of Korea as an S-2 intelligence officer and S-5 civil affairs officer. For his humanitarian work while in Korea, he was elected as [Honorary] Mayor in Kwang Am-Ri (Tokko-ri) and was recognized by People to People International.

When he returned to the U.S., Dr. Merkel served on the United States Army Aviation Board as a test project officer and later as division chief of the Electronics Systems Test Division. While on the board, he performed operational testing to enhance pilot and aircraft survivability.

He then served as Senior Assistant Professor of Military Science and Professor of Military Science at Valley Forge Military Academy and Junior College in Wayne, Pennsylvania, before completing his military active duty career in the Army as a United States Army Tank-Automotive Command test engineer and Assistant Program Manager.

Dr. Merkel retired from the Army as a Master Army Aviator with over 3000 hours of total flying time, and decorations that include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star with one oak leaf cluster, Purple Heart, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal with eleven oak leaf clusters, Army Commendation Medal with four oak leaf clusters, and an Army Achievement Medal.

Upon his transition to civilian life, Dr. Merkel continued his service by working as a contractor with the Advanced Medium Range Airto-Air Missile Program, during which he was recognized with the Outstanding Achievement through Value Engineering Award for 1993 for his efforts managing special test vehicles and evaluating value engineering change proposals.

Most recently, Dr. Merkel served as a historian, responsible for covering military actions and civil disasters around the world, including in support of the Global War on Terrorism and Operation Enduring Freedom. While attached to the 451st Air Expeditionary Wing in Kandahar, Afghanistan, in addition to his responsibilities as wing historian, Dr. Merkel established a campaign to provide the children in the province with school supplies. For his efforts, he was awarded the Exemplary Civilian Service Medal, a Global War on Terrorism Medal, and a special award from the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. Additionally, Dr. Merkel received the Exemplary Civilian Service Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, and the Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon while in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and attached to the 386th Air Expeditionary Wing.

His education includes a Master of Science from Troy University and Master of Arts from Temple University. He also completed the United States Army Command and General Course at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and received his Ph.D. in history from Florida State University. He is an adjunct professor of history at Troy University, Northwest Florida State College, and Central Texas College.

His additional awards and accolades include: the John L. Geoghegan Alumni Citizenship Award in 2009 from the Widener-PMC Alumni Association and the 2011 Distinguished Alumnus for Military Service by Columbus State University in Columbus, Georgia. In 2010, he was also inducted into the Henry H. "Hap" Arnold Society by the Association of Graduates at the United States Military Academy.

An active member of the Northwest Florida community, Dr. Merkel supports numerous nonprofit organizations, including the Fisher House at Eglin Air Force Base, the Emerald Coast Wildlife Refuge, and the Walton County Heritage Museum; he is the president of the West Point Society of Northwest Florida; and he is the First Congressional District Coordinator and Admissions Representative for the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York. I can personally attest to his hard work and efforts in this capacity, and I appreciate his personal initiative to follow the progress of all Northwest Florida cadet appointees to West Point and to help ensure they get all the external advocacy/encouragement they may need for successful graduation.

Mr. Speaker, without question, Major Charles E. "Doc" Merkel, Jr., Ph.D., is retiring with an honorable career on which he can proudly hang his cap. He has touched countless lives throughout his time both in and out of the military and has given selflessly back to the country he loves so dearly. It is my pleasure to join a grateful Northwest Florida community and Nation in saluting his lifetime of service. Vicki and I thank Dr. Merkel; his wife, the former Diane Davis of Annandale, Virginia; daughter, Leigh Anne; son, Charles Robert and his wife, the former Julie Jordan of Graceville. Florida, and his three-year-old son. Charles Edward and wish them all the best for continued success.

IN MEMORY OF MR. JIM MORRIS

# HON. THOMAS J. ROONEY

OF FLORIDA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. ROONEY of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Jim Morris, a beloved musician from Punta Gorda, who passed away on July 13, 2016.

Jim was a passionate singer and songwriter with a devotion to telling stories with his music. Born and raised in Georgia, he was a gifted athlete. Jim attended Augusta College, where he majored in English Literature, on a full baseball scholarship. After an injury forced Jim to give up his pursuit of a baseball career, he began what would be a fifteen year career with Hercules Chemical Company in Delaware.

Following a trip to Florida, Jim decided to leave his job as a corporate executive with Hercules Chemical and attempt to begin a career as a singer and songwriter in Punta Gorda, Florida. Jim quickly found success writing songs about his own life, including one about his outlook on life "Livin' Till the Day I Die." Friends have said that there is not a better phrase to describe the way in which Jim approached life.

Jim cared deeply about Punta Gorda and continuously worked to improve the small community. He served as an ambassador for the Charlotte County Bureau of Tourism, traveling all over the country to tell others of the wonders of the community he fell in love with.

Jim was also a dedicated philanthropist, using his music to benefit those in need. He donated thousands of dollars to his favorite charity, Shoes for Kids, and performed dozens of benefit concerts all over the country throughout his career. Following the destruction of Hurricane Charlie in 2004, Jim assisted in organizing a benefit concert, to help his friends and neighbors get back on their feet, that raised over \$30.000.

According to those who knew him best, Jim was the type of man that never met a stranger. When not writing music, he loved to fish in Charlotte Harbor and travel around the world with his wife, Sharon.

Mr. Speaker, I speak for the entire Punta Gorda community in saying that our thoughts and prayers are with Jim's family as they mourn his passing. He will be greatly missed.

HONORING THE 100 YEAR ANNI-VERSARY OF THE TOWING IN-DUSTRY

# HON. CHARLES J. "CHUCK" FLEISCHMANN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. FLEISCHMANN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the invaluable contributions of the towing and recovery industry in the United States, the Towing and Recovery Association of America, the International Towing & Recovery Hall of Fame & Museum, towing associations around the world, and the members of those towing associations, and to celebrate them.

In 1916, Ernest Holmes built the first twin boom wrecker in Chattanooga, Tennessee, for use in his own garage and later agreed to build and sell the units to others;

The first production wreckers were known as "680's" because they cost \$680;

In service to the United States, the Ernest Holmes Company supplied the W-45 military wrecker for use during World War II;

In 1959, the Ernest Holmes Company patented its first tow sling and car dolly;

In the early 1970's, Gerald Holmes built the first hydraulic towing equipment, an advancement in the industry;

In 1995, the International Towing & Recovery Hall of Fame & Museum was established in Chattanooga, Tennessee, the birthplace of the tow truck:

In 2003, the Museum, having outgrown its original home, moved to 3315 Broad Street in Chattanooga;

In 2006, the Museum officially dedicated the Wall of the Fallen, the first monument in the industry to honor towing operators killed in the line of service;

In the United States, there are more than 35,000 tow companies and hundreds of thousands of individuals employed in the towing industry, including tow truck operators, dispatchers, safety advisors, and owners;

More than 1 tow truck operator is killed every 6 days assisting motorists on the roadways of the United States;

Tow truck operators respond to nearly 15,000,000 accidents per year across the United States;

Tow truck operators are an indispensable part of keeping the United States moving by keeping the highways of the United States clear and open for travel;

Most highway crashes require assistance from tow truck operators;

The people of the United States have a duty to drive safely and be courteous toward fellow motorists on the roadways as the people of the United States work together toward the common goal of reducing fatal accidents;

The week of September 9 through September 16, 2016, would be an appropriate week to designate as "National Towing Industry Awareness Week" and recognize the 100th anniversary of the tow truck, and support the designation of "National Towing Industry Awareness Week", to be held in conjunction with the International Towing & Recovery Hall of Fame & Museum Induction Ceremony and the Wall of the Fallen Ceremony, each of which is held annually at the International Towing & Recovery Hall of Fame & Museum in Chattanooga, Tennessee, and encourage the people of the United States to observe the move over and slow down laws in the United States.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE LOS FELIZ IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIA-TION'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY

## HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Los Feliz Improvement Association (LFIA) upon its one-hundredth anniversary.

In 1916, the Vermont Canyon Improvement Club was founded by William Mead, a prominent Los Angeles businessman and one of the original landowners in the Los Feliz area of Los Angeles. His initial order of business at the first meeting was to define the club's land boundaries. In 1922, the club's name changed to the Los Feliz Improvement Association, and beautification of the Los Feliz area was named as one of the association's foremost goals.

Over the past century, LFIA advocacy has taken many forms. Between the years of 1922 and 1930, the association was instrumental in realizing many precedent setting goals, including its support for the City of Los Angeles to accept a substantial bequest from Colonel Griffith J. Griffith for the construction of the Greek Theatre and Griffith Observatory, LFIA also was instrumental in the relocation of businesses on Los Feliz Boulevard to other areas throughout the city thus turning the boulevard into a residential street. Persistent in its advocacy for new schools, the association's efforts were reflected with the opening of two new schools, Franklin Avenue Elementary School and Thomas Starr King Junior High School, both of which serve Los Feliz residents to this day. The Los Feliz Improvement Association is heavily involved in cultural preservation, and many local historic landmarks were preserved and designated thanks to the successful advocacy of the LFIA, including the restoration of the Mulholland Memorial Fountain. Hollvhock House, and the Shakespeare Bridge.

Today, the LFIA continues to support historic preservation efforts in Los Feliz by maintaining a historic photo archive and property survey of every residence in the area, including over 3,000 documented architecturally significant homes. The association is deeply committed to community beautification, and coordinates local clean-up efforts and cares for the celebrated Deodar Cedars that were originally planted in 1922 lining Los Feliz Boulevard. In addition, the LFIA steadfastly advocates for strict enforcement of zoning and community development ordinances that limit noise pollution and traffic congestion in the Los Feliz Area.

With the straightforward goal of making the Los Feliz area in the City of Los Angeles a better place to live, this remarkable organization has made extraordinary contributions to the Los Angeles community for over 100 years.

I ask all members to join me in commending the Los Feliz Improvement Association for their unparalleled dedication to service.

HONORING THE 50TH ANNIVER-SARY OF STE. GENEVIEVE

## HON. JASON SMITH

OF MISSOURI IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the 50th anniversary of Ste. Genevieve, Missouri's Jour de Fete. Held each August since 1966, this outdoor arts and crafts fair celebrates the city's rich heritage and honors its French and German roots.

The Jour de Fete is held in the National Historic Landmark District of Ste. Genevieve and features almost 200 arts and crafts booths, historic home tours, 25 local shops and art galleries, skill demonstrations, food, live music, beer and wine. Hundreds of visitors flock to the 2-day event each year.

As the first European settlement in Missouri, Ste. Genevieve has long been home to talented artisans and craftsmen. Its French Colonial atmosphere provides a perfect setting for the Jour de Fete, which was twice named a 'Midwest Travel Treasure' by AAA Magazine and selected as the People's Choice for 'Best Festival' by the readers of Rural Missouri Magazine.

For the innovative way they honor their heritage and enhance tourism through Jour de Fete, it gives me great pleasure to recognize the Jour de Fete Planning Committee and the City of Ste. Genevieve before the United States House of Representatives.

IN RECOGNITION OF MR. WILLIAM LYNCH

# HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

## OF CALIFORNIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. William Lynch for his service to the Kings County Fire Department and to congratulate him on his retirement after thirty one years of dedicated service.

Mr. Lynch was born on August 26, 1959 in Hanford, California. After attending local schools, Mr. Lynch would go on to graduate from Hanford High School and later the College of the Sequoias with an Associates of Arts Degree. His commitment to higher education did not stop there, as Mr. Lynch is currently attending Columbia Southern University.

Mr. Lynch's career in emergency services began in 1984 when he served as a Volunteer Firefighter for the Kings County Fire Department. In 1987, he was hired as a full-time Firefighter by the Hanford Fire Department where his hard work and dedication to emergency services would soon pay off. Due to his strong work ethic and strength of character, Mr. Lynch was promoted to Captain in 1995, Fire Marshal in 2004, and Deputy Chief in 2008. In 2011, Mr. Lynch's career culminated when he was named the Kings County Fire Chief.

During his tenure as Fire Chief, Mr. Lynch has oversaw a reorganization of the department management staff, successfully implemented an automatic aid agreement with the Hanford Fire Department, and renewed the mutual aid agreement with the Lemoore Fire Department. These accomplishments will allow the Kings County Fire Department to continue efficiently serving our community for years to come.

In his personal time, Mr. Lynch enjoys spending time with his wife, Kathleen, and their children and grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in recognizing Mr. William Lynch for his dedicated service to the Kings County Fire Department and to wish him well as he begins his retirement.

# HONORING STATE

REPRESENTATIVE KEVIN PARKER

# HON. CATHY McMORRIS RODGERS

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor a good friend and public servant, State Representative Kevin Parker, who is retiring as the representative for Washington

State's 6th District in the state legislature. Kevin has represented parts of Spokane, Cheney, Medical Lake and Airway Heights in my congressional district for four terms in the state legislature. Kevin also is an entrepreneur who manages 80 employees at his six coffee shops and teaches in the Whitworth University and Gonzaga University MBA programs.

During his time in the legislature, Kevin became known as a compassionate conservative who focused on solutions to help the less fortunate in his district and around the state. He said his most memorable achievements were legislation providing temporary IDs to the homeless to enable them to find work and this year's Cancer Can't bill allowing certain cancer drugs to be included in the state's charitable pharmacy program.

Kevin also was chosen by his peers to serve as Assistant Ranking Member on the House Appropriations Committee where he was intricately involved in budget negotiations. His experiences in the private sector and in the higher education classroom as an instructor helped lead to one of the most successful and widely accepted state budgets in recent legislative history.

In May, Kevin announced that he will not seek reelection to a fifth term. He has said

that "serving the citizens of Spokane and the 6th District has truly been one of the highest honors of my life. Engaging with people and finding solutions to their problems is an abundantly rewarding occupation." He emphasized, however, that "what I do as an elected official needs to take a back seat to my role as a father and husband." I certainly understand the challenges associated with raising children as a public official, and commend Kevin for balancing his public and private responsibilities extraordinarily well.

Mr. Speaker, Kevin has said that he hopes he's remembered as a hard worker whose door was always open to anyone and any ideas. That's a model all public officials should emulate. I can say without hesitation that he has served his constituents and his community diligently and effectively. Although the legislature will miss his insight and expertise on matters important to our state, I know Kevin will carry on his service to Eastern Washington in many other ways. I wish him and his wife, Kerry, and their three children the best in the next chapter in their lives.

IN	RECOGNI'	TION	OF	SETH
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# HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize the tremendous work of my constituent Mr. Seth Leventhal of Sterling, Virginia. Mr. Leventhal has served his nation proudly at the Department of the Navy for over 35 years, and for this I wish to acknowledge his service.

Following the completion of his Master's Degree in Public Administration from Syracuse University, Mr. Leventhal began his civilian service to the Department of the Navy in August 1982. For the next 22 years, Mr. Leventhal worked with the Naval Seas Systems Command (NAVSEA) before taking the position of Budget Policy Officer at the Commander, Naval Installations Command (CNIC) in 2004.

He was furthermore an educator who taught numerous classes for the Navy on financial management and policy. His expertise and willingness to mentor others without a doubt positively impacted the lives of countless coworkers. More notably still, Mr. Leventhal is a recognized expert in the financial policy arena, speaking at numerous forums and publishing a weekly naval newsletter on this issue.

Mr. Leventhal has been an integral member of the Department of the Navy throughout his career, eventually being recognized in 2007 with the Assistant Secretary of the Navy award for Individual Achievement in Human Capital for his role in establishing a commandwide leadership training program at CNIC. This is a man who deserves all our thanks and gratitude for all that he has done for this great nation.

Mr. Speaker, I now ask that my colleagues join me in thanking Mr. Seth Leventhal for the outstanding services he provided to the United States throughout his 35 year long career at the Department of the Navy. I wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

## HONORING MS. JENNIFER ELLISON

# HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Jennifer Ellison, who is being honored today by the Napa County Office of Education as a 2017 Napa County Teacher of the Year.

Ms. Ellison, a Napa native, completed both her Bachelor of Arts and teaching credential at the California State University, Chico. Ms. Ellison then moved back to Napa, where she has taught students from the 2nd grade through the 9th grade at Vacaville Christian High School, Fairfield Christian School, and Phillips Elementary School over the past twenty years.

Ms. Ellison brings an enthusiasm for teaching and a dedication to her students to her classroom. Ms. Ellison often works with dual language learners and students from low income families, but she takes the time to ensure each student has access to the resources and instruction they need to succeed. In her classroom, students have the ability to explore, learn, and grow. Ms. Ellison works hard to ensure that each student is empowered to achieve their dreams.

Outside the classroom. Ms. Ellison coaches Junior Varsity Volleyball and high school Speech and Debate. Even with her busy teaching schedule, Ms. Ellison has found time to serve as a Sunday school teacher and youth group leader.

Mr. Speaker, Jennifer Ellison has dedicated her time and talents to inspiring students in our community to learn and strive for excellence for 20 years. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor her here today.

## TRIBUTE TO CATHY LACY

## HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker. I rise today to congratulate and recognize philanthropist and community volunteer Cathy Lacy for being named a 2016 Women of Influence honoree by the award-winning central lowa publication. Business Record.

For 17 years, the Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of women who have made a significant difference in business, civic and philanthropic endeavors throughout the Greater Des Moines Area. Ms. Lacy has devoted her life to confronting challenges which many others might avoid. She has spent countless hours on various boards while blazing a trail for others to follow. She was selected for the chosen field of expertise, the lasting impact on the community, involvement with civic or non-profit organization and being seen as a role model because of her lofty achievements and high ethical standards.

Cathy Lacy has the determination and drive to be successful in anything she does, and her exemplary work with countless national, state and local projects for philanthropic causes throughout Des Moines and all of Iowa is widespread. In all aspects of her life, Cathy

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Cathy Lacy in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud her for utilizing her talents to better both her community and the great state of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Cathy Lacy on receiving this esteemed designation. thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing Ms. Lacy a long and successful career.

## IN RECOGNITION OF DENICE SEALS

## HON. DORIS O. MATSUI

## OF CALIFORNIA

#### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the retirement of Denice Seals as CEO of the West Sacramento Chamber of Commerce. As her family, friends, and colleagues gather to celebrate her long list of accomplishments, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring this unique individual who has served and contributed so much to the city of West Sacramento.

After 10 years as a member of the board of the West Sacramento Chamber of Commerce, Denice was named Board President/CEO in 2008. As Chamber of Commerce CEO, she boosted Chamber membership and helped recruit several businesses to West Sacramento, including Shimei and Nippon Shokken U.S.A. Denice also sought to fulfill social needs in the community, striving to align goals of economic development with cultivation of West Sacramento as a vibrant cultural hub. She spearheaded efforts to promote West Sacramento as one of the United States' premier Farm-to-Fork cities. Denice helped launch the superbly popular West Sacramento Farmers Markets, showcasing locally grown produce from around the Sacramento Valley. She followed up on that success by hosting monthly Dig In dinners at the farmers market where farmers, chefs, local leaders, and residents come together to share a delicious meal and conversation.

Denice has also promoted art within West Sacramento, including one of the city's newest and most unique structures, known as The Barn, which is a social space as well as work of art. The Barn helps bookend West Sacramento's River Walk Promenade, and once fully open, it will be a tremendous asset to our community. The dedication Denice has demonstrated to making West Sacramento a wonderful place to live, work, and play has been nothing short of exemplary.

As Denice likes to say about West Sacramento, "we don't do boring." Neither does she.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to pay tribute to exceptional community member Denice Seals as her community celebrates her service to the City of West Sacramento. I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring her outstanding work and wishing her the best in retirement.

Lacy is an example of hard work and service CELEBRATING THE 100TH ANNI-who makes lowans proud. VERSARY OF JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL

## HON. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate South Los Angeles' Thomas Jefferson High School on 100 years of educating and enriching the bright young minds of our community.

Jefferson High opened in 1916, making it the fourth oldest public high school in the Los Angeles Unified School District. Many of America's most brilliant and accomplished artists, athletes, and public officials have passed through its doors as students, including:

Diplomat Ralph Bunche, a winner of the Nobel Peace Prize.

Dorothy Dandridge, the first African-American to receive an Academy Award nomination for Best Actress.

Famed choreographer Alvin Ailey.

Iconic singers such as Etta James and Barry White.

Innumerable jazz musicians, including the great saxophonist Dexter Gordon.

Emmett Ashford, Major League Baseball's first African-American umpire.

Olympic gold medalists like runner Mal Whitfield and high jumper Charles Dumas.

And a distinguished member of this very chamber, the late Congressman Augustus F. Hawkins.

As is evident by the alumni just mentioned, Jefferson High School's tradition of excellence is reflected in its many distinguished graduates-men and women whose years at Jefferson influenced their special interest in contributing to the improvement of our global community. Guided by these alumni's footsteps, each new class of Jefferson students pursues greatness in the classroom, in the community, and on the field.

Jefferson High is also notable as an architectural landmark. After the Long Beach earthguake of 1933, the architect Stiles O. Clements rebuilt the campus in a beautiful Streamline Moderne style. The resulting school has become a local artistic treasure.

Mr. Speaker, I commend Thomas Jefferson High School on its 100th anniversary, and salute the generations of students, teachers, and staff who have sustained it through the decades. Jefferson High has become an esteemed South L.A. institution, and I am confident that its future graduates will only add to the school's magnificent legacy.

## HOUSE APPROVES OPIOID CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

## HON. GUS M. BILIRAKIS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Mr. Speaker, the House voted to pass our Conference Committee's work on S. 524. the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act.

I was extremely pleased to have the opportunity to be on this Committee and serve as a voice for so many grieving parents, loved

ones, and close friends who have tragically lost someone from prescription or substance abuse. The product of our work gives a voice to those that unfortunately are not here to share their own stories.

Opioid abuse and addiction is a top concern. It is especially prominent in our Veteran population.

Our Veterans often return with both physical and mental wounds. The invisible wounds they sustain serving our country are just as serious as the physical ones, and we must find the best ways to care for each and every hero.

Recent statistics show that 20–22 Veterans commit suicide each day. This is deeply troubling. We must do all we can to prevent Veteran suicide and ensure they receive the quality care they have earned and deserve.

I am grateful to my colleagues for accepting some of my priorities that I have been diligently advocating for this Congress. Specifically, my initiatives, the Creating Options for Veterans Expedited Recovery or COVER Act (H.R. 271) and the Jason Simcakoski Promoting Responsible Opioid Management and Incorporating Scientific Expertise or the PROMISE Act (H.R. 4063), were incorporated into this bill along with other measures I have authored in the House Energy and Commerce Committee.

The COVER Act is a bipartisan provision which provides a pathway forward that will eventually allow Veterans to have a range of options for mental health treatments such as outdoor sports therapy, hyperbaric oxygen therapy, accelerated resolution therapy, and service dog therapy.

The PROMISE Act will increase safety for opioid therapy and pain management by requiring the VA and DOD to update their Clinical Practice Guidelines for Management of Opioid Therapy for Chronic Pain. It also requires VA opioid prescribers to have enhanced pain management and safe opioid prescribing education and training and further requires the VA to increase information sharing with state licensing boards.

My bill encourages transparency and will further efforts to hold the VA accountable by requiring GAO to report on recommendations for improvement and assess the level of care Veterans are receiving.

Additionally, the PROMISE Act will authorize a program on integration of complementary and integrative health within the VA and encourage more outreach and awareness of the Patient Advocacy Program to educate Veterans on their care options.

Mr. Speaker, our Veterans have sacrificed so much for our country, and we have a responsibility to ensure they are receiving the quality of care they have earned and deserve. We must hold the VA accountable and encourage optimal care for all Veterans who have fought for the freedoms we enjoy on a daily basis.

Enactment of both these bills sends a clear message that enough is enough. Even one life lost is one too many. Those that have been bestowed the sacred duty of caring for our true heroes must have the training, resources and passion to do right.

This victory would not have been possible without the commitment and tireless work of so many. I sincerely thank everyone for their support and advocacy in our efforts to combat the opioid epidemic in our country. Through the collaboration with families back home, stakeholders, and many others, we were able to come together to make necessary reforms and investments to really take a stand and save lives.

First and foremost, I want to extend my appreciation to the Simcakoski family. Like so many others who have been affected by similar tragedies, hearing firsthand from families such as the Simcakoskis highlighted the need that we can and must do more for those who have proudly served to defend our great nation.

I greatly appreciate the support from my colleagues in the House and Senate, especially Senator TAMMY BALDWIN for spearheading this effort in the Senate, Representatives RON KIND and KATHLEEN RICE for taking the lead with me in the House, and those who cosponsored the PROMISE Act and COVER Act.

I want to thank the following groups for their efforts and letters of support as well including: the American Legion, AMVETS, Irag & Afghanistan Veterans of America, the Disabled Veterans of America, Vietnam Veterans of America, Blinded American Veterans Foundation, Wounded Warrior Project, Veterans of Foreign Wars, VetsFirst, the Fleet Reserve Association, the United States Conference of Mayors, American Dance Therapy Association, American Music Therapy Association, American Art Therapy Association, Brain Treatment Center, Mental Health America, Boston Scientific, U.S. Pain Foundation, Performing Arts Alliance, the Certification Board for Music Therapists, Mid-America Arts Alliance, Pasco County Alliance for Substance Abuse, the Sixth Judicial Circuit's Veterans' Treatment Court, National Alliance for Mental Illness Pasco/Pinellas, BayCare Behavioral Health. Veterans' Alternative Center. mv Veterans' Advisory Committee, the Pinellas County Veteran Service Office, the Pasco County Veteran Service Office, the Hillsborough County Veteran Service Office, and the organizations that signed onto the letter led by the Coalition to Stop Opioid Overdose.

I also want to thank Dr. Kevin Kip, who oversees the Accelerated Resolution Therapy program at the University of South Florida, Dr. Edi Dopking, Director of Quantum Leap Farms, Inc., Judge Shawn Crane of the Sixth Judicial Circuit's Veterans' Treatment Court, Sheriff Bob Gualtieri of the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office, Sheriff Chris Nocco of the Pasco County Sheriff's Office, and Doug Leonardo, Executive Director for BayCare Behavioral Health, for their input and hard work to help our heroes.

To everyone else who was involved, advocated for the COVER and PROMISE Acts, and those who spread the word on the importance of these bills through social media, thank you so very much from the bottom of my heart. Our Veterans deserve it all, and getting this done on their behalf symbolizes our commitment to uphold our promises as a grateful nation.

#### HONORING FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY

## HON. LOIS FRANKEL

OF FLORIDA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. FRANKEL of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Florida Atlantic University

for the success of their MBA in Sports Management program. The program recently ranked third out of over 600 graduate-level sports programs internationally.

FAU started offering a MBA in Sports Management in 2000, and has been ranked in the top 10 programs in the world for four years now. Alumni of the program have gone on to work for Florida teams like the Miami Dolphins, Miami Heat, and Florida Panthers, as well as professional sports teams and university athletic departments across the country.

It is my great privilege to recognize FAU for this accomplishment and for all they have done for their students, the South Florida community, and professional sports.

IN HONOR OF JEEP'S 75TH ANNI-VERSARY & CELEBRATING THE NEXT 75 YEARS OF JEEP CITY IN TOLEDO

# HON. MARCY KAPTUR

#### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today as we return from celebrating Labor Day in communities across our nation to pay special tribute to the iconic American automobile known as Jeep. Let us applaud the men and women who have dedicated the best years of their lives to building this enduring industrious vehicle over generations. Toledo invited the world to celebrate Jeep's 75th anniversary on August 13, 2016. Jeeps of every year and model, some quite rare, prototypes and one-of-akinds, rolled into Toledo to parade through the streets and show off the Jeep's history.

Jeep's story began as a durable and reliable vehicle intended for the theatre of military battle and forged in wartime for the troops fighting in World War II. The do-anything, go-anywhere Jeep long ago evolved from its trademark olive-toned, rugged utilitarian vehicle into a classic and enviable symbol of America's fortitude, determination and resolve. The Jeep has survived and thrived for the past seventyfive years, emerging in our nation's consciousness from ubiquity on the battlefield to a rugged symbol found in millions of driveways around the globe.

Though Toledo cannot lay sole claim to its actual origin, the engine powering the 645,000 wartime Jeeps was designed in Toledo and Willys Corporation trademarked the brand name. The history explains that, "After winning a government contract, Willys-Overland's Toledo factory built approximately 368,000 vehicles for the U.S. Army during World War II. They were shipped all over the world. Where the Army went, the Jeep went."

Willys-Overland went on to build the "Jeep station wagon, the first all-steel wagon ever built in America. Toledo also introduced the world to the Grand Wagoneer, the world's first luxury SUV. The next generation of the brand's flagship Wrangler" will be built in Toledo, too. "Last year, Jeep sold 1.2 million vehicles worldwide. The company's Toledo Assembly Complex built 538,993, or 45 percent of them. All the while, as Toledoans built Jeeps, Jeep helped to build the City's middle class."

Much like America itself, Jeep's core characteristics are strength, durability and reliability. This has been made possible by a dedicated hardworking workforce of the men and women of the Toledo region, Jeep's home for all of these years. Our national celebration of the Jeep is as much a celebration of Jeep's workforce as it is this enduring vehicle. The hardworking and dedicated men and women of the United Auto Workers Local 12 have carried Jeep forward over the decades. It is the blood, sweat and toil of thousands of auto workers over three quarters of a century that delivered Jeep to its 75th anniversary.

The road has not always been easy: there have been times when the workforce and Toledo were faced with real challenges to "Keep Jeep" in Toledo. The aging Willys Overland factory was replaced with a gleaming state of the art modern complex that now produces the legendary vehicles. The City of Toledo and Jeep's workforce have responded time and again to re-making Toledo's signature vehicle. Their efforts have been rewarded as the company continues its investment in its workforce and in Toledo where work is underway on a \$700 million retooling and the addition of 700 new jobs.

There are Jeep enthusiasts all across our country. They love their Jeeps and the qualities of the vehicle as much as the symbolism. Yet, as its anniversary celebration proved, Toledo loves its Jeep. Its legacy is an important part of our identity as a community.

"I build Jeeps" a United Auto Worker says with pride. The sentiment was eloquently captured in the Toledo Blade's excellent commemorative insert on the 75th anniversary of the Jeep. The story told through the commemorative insert underscores the significance of the phrase "Toledo Built Jeep" to Toledo and northern Ohio.

Mr. Speaker, "It is true that the American people know Detroit as Motor City," but I rise today to declare that my hometown, "Toledo, Ohio is Jeep Country." Congratulations to Chrysler Fiat Corporation and the United Auto Workers Local 12 on their building the signature Jeep in Toledo, Ohio. We look forward to the next 75 years in Jeep City.

TUESDAY'S IN TEXAS: MANUEL T. GONZAULLAS

# HON. TED POE

#### OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, the year was 1906 when a young, fifteen year old was staying in Texas with his family. He was a forced to watch as both of his brothers were murdered by bandits, and his parents barely escaped with their lives. It was then and there that this young man decided to use his life to fight crime. And that man is Manuel T. Gonzaullas, the "Lone Wolf."

Within the next fourteen years, he trained in law enforcement and joined the Texas Rangers. One look at him and you wouldn't think of him as an intimidating man. He only stood about five foot, nine inches. "He was soft-spoken man," one of his friends said of him. He was known as quite the dresser, always impeccably groomed and styled, loved fancy cars and guns and always carried his pocket Testament. But don't let his appearance fool you. He viewed all lawbreakers, criminals and felons with an instinctual hatred, granting those who dared to cause trouble no mercy. The legend states that Gonzaullas worked alone. He recalls "I went into a lot of fights by myself, and I came out by myself, too." The dastardly Mexican bandits began to call him "El Lobo Solo" or the "Lone Wolf." The name stuck.

In another famous lore occurring in 1930, Gonzaullas rushed into the town of Sherman, Texas when a field hand brutally raped his employer's wife. When a mass riot broke out and the courthouse was set on fire, Gonzaullas took his position in front of the county jail. Texas Ranger historian Robert Utley writes "With a pistol holstered on each hip, a Thompson submachine gun conspicuous by his hide, and a sawed off shotgun in hand, he confronted the crowds advancing on the jail." His aggressive style and larger than life attitude protected the people of Texas from the lawbreakers of society.

Not to be left out, Texas legend holds that, at the time, the oil-boom town of Kilgore was "the most lawless town in Texas." But when Gonzaullas rode into town on his black stallion, everyone knew he meant business. There were several gangs and bandits running about the town and its new booming oil economy, but within the first few weeks Gonzaullas had already shot three men and was on the road to cleaning up the town. "He'd give you a warning," one Kilgore resident said. "And if you didn't heed it, he'd shoot you." It was said that at one point he had arrested three hundred men suspected of various crimes. He paraded them down town, and had them all handcuffed. He then told them they could all go free . . . if they left town within the next four hours. They were all gone within ten minutes.

These, and many of his other bold brave deeds earned him the reputation in the Texas country side of riding into town on his black stallion Tony. Then he would singlehanded rid the town of outlaws, bandits and troublemakers. Although he was usually outnumbered by the bad guys, he fearlessly fought hard to keep the Texas land safe for law abiding citizens. In a time when the oil boom was bringing all types of people to the Texas frontier, Texas Ranger Manuel Gonzaullas—The Lone Wolf—was making sure they followed the Law, or face unpleasant consequences.

And that's just the way it is.

#### RECOGNIZING MARTY HELFERS ON HIS RETIREMENT

# HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mrs. BUSTOS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Marty Helfers as he retires from a long and fulfilling union career.

Marty Helfers began his distinguished career in the building and construction trades as a gas serviceman in 1979. Later working as a steamfitter and project manager, his leadership ability earned the respect and admiration of his colleagues. In 2007, he was selected to be the Executive Director of the West Central Illinois Building and Construction Trades Council. Representing the interests of 17,000 workers across 13 counties, he skillfully improved the relationships between labor, owners, developers, and contractors. He recognized the fact that strong and healthy labor organizations are fundamental to a thriving middle class.

In addition to his work for the Trades Council, Marty has made career opportunities in the building and construction trades more accessible for young workers as a certified instructor of apprentice plumbers, steamfitters, welders, and service technicians and also as a chair of the Peoria Construction Career Expo. He is an active member of Steamfitters Local 353 and sits on the Heart of Illinois United Way Board of Directors, the Tri-County Construction Labor-Management Council, the Peoria Area Management Council, the West Central Illinois Labor Council, and the Illinois Prevailing Wage Council.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate Mr. Helfers once again for his commitment to organized labor and the community alike. I wish him the best in his well-earned retirement.

IN RECOGNITION OF PASTOR DONNELL RIGGINS AND THE 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF DEL PASO UNION BAPTIST CHURCH

HON. DORIS O. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the 70th anniversary of Del Paso Union Baptist Church and Pastor Donnell Riggins. I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring their important roles in Del Paso Heights and in the larger Sacramento community.

As lead pastor of the Del Paso Union Baptist Church, Pastor Donnell Riggins has demonstrated outstanding dedication to his community. Through his work with the Shoulder to Shoulder organization, he has empowered atrisk local youth and fostered their development into excellent citizens. Following the inspirational example set by Pastor Donnell Riggins, the congregation of the Del Paso Union Baptist Church Sacramento Community makes community service a priority, regularly volunteering with the Sacramento Food Bank and St. John's Program for Real Change to provide necessary goods and services for Sacramento's less fortunate. The commitment of Pastor Donnell Riggins and the Del Paso Union Baptist to the people of Del Paso Heights has been nothing short of exemplary.

Mr. Speaker, it is a great honor to pay tribute to Pastor Donnell Riggins and the Del Paso Union Baptist Church. As the congregation of Del Paso Union Baptist Church gathers to celebrate their 70th anniversary and the service of Pastor Donnell Riggins, I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring Pastor Donnell Riggins and the Del Paso Union Baptist Church for their invaluable contributions to Del Paso Heights and the Greater Sacramento community. IN HONOR OF THE 50TH ANNIVER-SARY OF GREAT FALLS PARK

## HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I would like to honor the 50th anniversary of Great Falls Park. Established in 1966, this pristine natural reserve is situated on 800 acres along the banks of the Potomac River in northern Fairfax County. Great Falls Park has been home to many relaxing hikes, peaceful picnics, and family getaways throughout the years, and it will continue to be a destination for visitors from all over.

The hard work done by the men and women of the Great Falls Park Service has helped ensure an amazing outdoor space for many of my constituents to escape the pace of metropolitan living and reconnect with nature. The hiking paths allow countless people access to an enjoyable and healthy activity. Our coexistence with nature is a vital component to a sustainable ecosystem, and I am proud to have such a remarkable park in my District. The close collaboration of the constituents of Virginia's 10th Congressional District is crucial to preserving the diverse wildlife population located in Great Falls Park.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join in recognizing the 50th anniversary of Great Falls Park and thanking the many men and women who keep the park clean and enjoyable for the countless tourists who visit on a yearly basis. I know the park will continue to provide a natural escape to all who seek one.

# TRIBUTE TO RUTH RANDLEMAN

#### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Ruth Randleman, community leader and Mayor of Carlisle, Iowa for being named a 2016 Women of Influence honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, Business Record.

For 17 years, the Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of women who have made a significant difference in business, civic and philanthropic endeavors throughout the Greater Des Moines Area. Ms. Randleman has devoted her life to confronting challenges which many others might avoid. She has spent countless hours on various boards while blazing a trail for others to follow. She was selected for the chosen field of expertise, the lasting impact on the community, involvement with civic or non-profit organization and being seen as a role model because of her lofty achievements and high ethical standards.

Ruth Randleman has the determination and drive to be successful in anything she does and her exemplary work with her leadership for the city of Carlisle where she has been active on the City Council for 16 years. She serves on many area boards and commissions including past service as president of the Iowa League of Cities and the Warren County (Iowa) Economic Development Corporation. In all aspects of her life, Ruth Randleman is an example of hard work and service who makes lowans proud.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Ruth Randleman in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud her for utilizing her talents to better both her community and the great state of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Ruth Randleman on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing Ms. Randleman a long and successful career.

#### TRIBUTE TO HONOR THE LIFE OF BLAKE G. KRIKORIAN

#### HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

#### OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the extraordinary life of Blake G. Krikorian, a Silicon Valley icon who was taken suddenly from his family at the young age of 48, after an afternoon of surfing in the majestic Pacific Ocean south of San Francisco.

Blake and his brothers Adam and Jason grew up in the Bay area, and Blake attended UCLA where he played water polo. He was well known as the CEO of Sling Media, which he founded with his brother Jason, and he worked with many other companies. Blake's brother, Adam Krikorian, is the coach of the United States Women's Water Polo Team.

Blake Krikorian can be described in superlatives . . . savvy, ebullient, and friend to countless people. He was a mentor, a tinkerer, a supporter, an entrepreneur and an angel investor.

He's been described as a man with a near artistic capability to make unobvious connections among widely diverse things and ideas. He had a wonderful laugh, he was an amazing friend, a terrific man with child-like curiosity, brilliant, wise, creative, warm, personable, and always helpful.

Blake Krikorian adored his family and worshiped his wife Cathy and their two daughters.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the entire House of Representatives to join me in extending our most sincere condolences to the entire family of Blake Krikorian and in honoring his extraordinarily productive, generous, and all too brief life. We are a better people and a better country because he walked with us.

#### HONORING THE MARTINEZ BEAVER FESTIVAL

#### HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Martinez Beaver Festival, which for the past nine years has commemorated the broad public support and civic action that saved our local beaver population from trapping. This annual festival not only emphasizes the importance that beavers hold for our creeks and wildlife, but also is a celebration of our community and local government working together for this worthy cause. The Martinez Beaver Festival is hosted by Worth a Dam, a local nonprofit dedicated to maintaining the beaver population in Martinez. Their many contributions to our community involve education, advocacy, and local events. The organization also aims to teach other cities about the importance of coexisting with this important species. Furthermore, Worth a Dam has increased public awareness on the importance of beavers to the ecological health of urban streams by providing exploration tours, promoting ecotourism in Martinez through various events, and awarding Beaver Scholarships to other cities learning to deal with their own beaver-related issues.

During its history, Worth a Dam and the Martinez Beaver Festival have provided exhibits and presentations to wildlife groups across our state, as well as in Utah and Oregon. Thanks to Worth a Dam's website dedicated to beaver information, people across our nation have access to data and resources needed to solve wild beaver issues and to develop a stronger appreciation for the importance of beavers to their local ecosystems. Worth a Dam has recently worked internationally with beaver advocates in Canada and Scotland to educate stakeholders and their communities to help resolve various beaver-related issues.

Mr. Speaker, the Martinez Beaver Festival is of tremendous value to our community, and its success has brought awareness to our community's wildlife conservation efforts. Therefore, it is fitting and proper that we honor the Martinez Beaver Festival here today.

THE TOWN OF GRANITE FALLS NORTH CAROLINA JOINING THE NATIONAL MOMENT OF REMEM-BRANCE OF THE 15TH ANNIVER-SARY OF SEPTEMBER 11TH

#### HON. MARK MEADOWS

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to speak on behalf of the Town and Town Council of Granite Falls, North Carolina, to express their support of observance of the 15th Anniversary of September 11th.

The Town Council of the Town of Granite Falls passed a resolution that affirms that, together as a Nation, ceasing all work or other activity for a moment of remembrance beginning at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on September 11, 2016, in honor of the 15th anniversary of the terrorist attacks committed against the United States on September 11, 2001.

Nearly 3,000 innocent civilians were killed in the heinous attacks of September 11, 2001. Tens of thousands of individuals narrowly escaped the attacks at the Pentagon and World Trade Center and, as witnesses to this tragedy, are forever changed. Countless fire departments, police departments, first responders, governmental officials, workers, emergency medical personnel, and volunteers responded immediately and heroically to those horrific events.

Fifteen years later, the people of the United States and people around the world continue to mourn the tremendous loss of innocent life on that fateful day; and, thousands of men and women in the United States Armed Forces remain in harm's way defending the United States against those who seek to threaten the United States. On the 15th anniversary of this tragic day, the thoughts of the people of the United States are with all of the victims of the events of September 11, 2001, and their families. September 11 will never, and should never, be just another day in the hearts and minds of all people of the United States.

Therefore, the Town of Granite Falls would like to recognize the observance of this important anniversary and encourages the observance of the moment of remembrance marking the moment in an appropriate manner.

I would like to submit a resolution passed by the Town of Granite Falls remembering the Anniversary of September 11th.

#### RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING PATRIOT DAY, THE NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE AND REMEMBRANCE, AND THE NA-TIONAL MOMENT OF REMEMBRANCE OF THE 15TH ANNIVERSARY OF SEPTEMBER 11TH

Whereas, the Town Council of the Town of Granite Falls expresses their support of the citizens of the United States coming together as a Nation and ceasing all work or other activity for a moment of remembrance beginning at 8:46 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time on September 11, 2016, in honor of the 15th anniversary of the terrorist attacks committed against the United States on September 11, 2001; and

Whereas, at 8:46 a.m., on September 11, 2001, hijacked American Airlines Flight 11 crashed into the upper portion of the North Tower of the World Trade Center in New York City, New York; and

Whereas, 17 minutes later, at 9:03 a.m., hijacked United Airlines Flight 175 crashed into the South Tower of the World Trade Center; and

Whereas, at 9:37 a.m., the west wall of the Pentagon was hit by hijacked American Airlines Flight 77, the impact of which caused immediate and catastrophic damage to the headquarters of the Department of Defense; and

Whereas, at approximately 10:03 a.m., the passengers and crew of hijacked United Airlines Flight 93 acted heroically to retake control of the airplane and thwart the taking of additional American lives by crashing the airliner in Shanksville, Pennsylvania, and, in doing so, gave their lives to save countless others; and

Whereas, nearly 3,000 innocent civilians were killed in the heinous attacks of September 11, 2001; and

Whereas, tens of thousands of individuals narrowly escaped the attacks at the Pentagon and World Trade Center and, as witnesses to this tragedy, are forever changed; and

Whereas, countless fire departments, police departments, first responders, governmental officials, workers, emergency medical personnel, and volunteers responded immediately and heroically to those horrific events; and

Whereas, the Fire Department of New York suffered 343 fatalities on September 11, 2001, the largest loss of life of any emergency response agency in United States history; and

Whereas, the Port Authority Police Department suffered 37 fatalities in the attacks, the largest loss of life of any police force in United States history in a single day; and

Whereas, the New York Police Department suffered 23 fatalities as a result of the terrorist attacks; and

Whereas, the impact of that day on public health continues through 2016, as nearly 90,000 people are at risk of or suffering from negative health effects as a result of the events of September 11, 2001, including 14,000 workers and 2,400 community residents who are sick, and tens of thousands of others whose health is being monitored; and

Whereas, 15 years later, the people of the United States and people around the world continue to mourn the tremendous loss of innocent life on that fateful day; and

Whereas, 15 years later, thousands of men and women in the United States Armed Forces remain in harm's way defending the United States against those who seek to threaten the United States; and

Whereas, on the 15th anniversary of this tragic day, the thoughts of the people of the Town of Granite Falls are with all of the victims of the events of September 11, 2001 and their families; and

Whereas, the lives of Americans were changed forever on September 11, 2001, when events threatened the American way of life; and

Whereas, September 11 will never, and should never, be just another day in the hearts and minds of all people of the United States: Now, therefore, be it *Resolved* that the Town Council of the

Resolved that the Town Council of the Town of Granite Falls:

(1) recognizes September 11, 2016, as a day of solemn commemoration of the events of September 11, 2001, and a day to come together as a Nation; and

(2) offers its deepest and most sincere condolences to the families, friends, and loved ones of the innocent victims of the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks; and

(3) honors the heroic service, actions, and sacrifices of first responders, law enforcement personnel, State and local officials, volunteers, and countless others who aided the innocent victims of those attacks and, in doing so, bravely risked and often gave their own lives; and

(4) recognizes the valiant service, actions, and sacrifices of United States personnel, including members of the United States Armed Forces, the United States intelligence agencies, the United States diplomatic service, homeland security and law enforcement personnel, and their families, who have given so much, including their lives and well-being, to support the cause of freedom and defend the security of the United States; and

(5) reaffirms that the people of the Town of Granite Falls will never forget the challenges our country endured on and since September 11, 2001, and will work tirelessly to defeat those who attacked the United States; and be it further

Resolved that on the 15th anniversary of this tragic day in United States history the Town Council of the Town of Granite Falls requests that citizens observe a moment of remembrance on September 11, 2016, and be it further

Resolved that the Town Council of the Town of Granite Falls requests the observance of the moment of remembrance to last for 1 minute beginning at 8:46 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time by, to the maximum extent practicable ceasing all work or other activity; and marking the moment in an appropriate manner, including by ringing bells, blowing whistles, or sounding sirens.

THE CENTENNIAL OF THE CRE-ATION OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMIS-SION

#### HON. KEVIN BRADY

OF TEXAS IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday*, *September 6*, *2016* Mr. BRADY of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the centennial of the creation of the United States International Trade Commission and to congratulate the Commission and its exceptional staff on their distinguished service.

One hundred years ago, Congress directed the President to establish what was then known as the United States Tariff Commission. Congress authorized the Commission to gather expert and impartial information on the "administrative, fiscal, and industrial effects of U.S. customs laws" for the President and Congress. In 1974, Congress renamed the Commission as the U.S. International Trade Commission, through the Trade Act of 1974, and expanded its investigatory and quasi-judicial role.

Today, the nonpartisan independent Commission continues its invaluable work as mandated by Congress to administer U.S. trade remedy laws in a fair and objective manner and to provide Congress and the President with independent analysis and information concerning international trade, tariffs, and U.S. competitiveness.

We have depended on the Commission's commitment to excellence in performing these important functions and serving a vital role for Congress, the Executive Branch, and the American public. Therefore I ask my colleagues to join me in offering my sincerest thanks to the U.S. International Trade Commission and its staff for their commendable work over the last one hundred years. We look forward to continuing to rely on the professionalism, objectivity, and neutrality of this vitally important agency in providing us with independent and sound advice, which allows us to effectively carry out our Constitutional duties in establishing U.S. trade policy.

#### TRIBUTE TO BARB KNIFF-MCCULLA

#### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Barb Kniff-McCulla, owner and CEO of KLK Construction, Inc. for being named a 2016 Women of Influence honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, Business Record.

For 17 years, the Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of women who have made a significant difference in business, civic and philanthropic endeavors throughout the Greater Des Moines Area. Ms. Kniff-McCulla has devoted her life to confronting challenges which many others might avoid. She has spent countless hours on various boards while blazing a trail for others to follow. She was selected for the chosen field of expertise, the lasting impact on the community, involvement with civic or non-profit organization and being seen as a role model because of her lofty achievements and high ethical standards.

Barb Kniff-McCulla has the determination and drive to be successful in anything she does, and her exemplary work with KLK Construction, a leader in cable placement within the utility construction market which serves a seven-state region. In all aspects of her life, Barb Kniff-McCulla is an example of hard work and service who makes lowans proud. Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Barb Kniff-McCulla in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud her for utilizing her talents to better both her community and the great state of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Barb Kniff-McCulla on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing Ms. Kniff-McCulla a long and successful career.

"LIVING TO 100" ADVICE BY ARCHIE SCHIFF

### HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK

OF VIRGINIA

#### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I recently had the honor of meeting Archie Schiff, a World War II veteran, in celebration of his 105th birthday this year. Archie attributes his health and longevity to a careful diet he only strays from once a year—on his birthday. I am pleased to be able to share the following advice from Archie on how to stay healthy and active as you live past 100 years old:

BY ARCHIE SCHIFF, BORN JULY 22, 1911

This is what I do and what I recommend.

You are what you eat. You are what you think. I added that because your emotional health is also important.

If you show anxiety, depression, worry or hate someone or something, your body immediately manufactures poison into your system. The big word here is 'adjust'. You must adjust your life to whatever life throws at you.

Many persons ask me what is the secret of your long life. First, cultivate a happy disposition.

This is my diet. Eat anything that grows on a tree, a vine or a plant or anything from the earth. Nature is the healer. Everything you eat or drink has a chemical in it, except fruit, vegetables, fish or nuts. Read your labels and the ingredients. I actually saw some food items containing red number three, yellow number five, and blue number 40. Put them back on the shelf, as it is my belief that they cause cancer.

For breakfast, take your pick: a peach, plum, pear, apple or orange. I eat apples, an egg or two, however you want to cook it, 11 or 12 grapes, prunes, and a banana. Drink two or more liquids. I use a green tea bag three times a day. Coffee and hot chocolate aren't too bad, if drunk moderately. Include oatmeal once or twice daily. Also include blueberries and strawberries three times daily, and 11 or 12 grapes three times daily, and use garlic and onions in what you cook or in a salad.

For lunch broccoli, cauliflower and/or cabbage may help prevent cancer. Add to that spinach, red beets, beans, coleslaw, cucumbers, watermelon, olives, chicken salad or strips, turkey squares, onions, garlic, sweet potatoes, celery, carrots, radishes, walnuts, pecans, almonds and pineapple.

For dinner: salmon or sardines; add a little lemon juice on that. Also, you can have peanut butter on a slice of rye bread. Plus all the fruit you like. No cookies, no cakes, no pies, no ice cream. No sweets or sugary items at all, only on your birthday.

Do not consume breads or meats, including pork, sausage, bologna or other delicatessen meats. Store-bought bread made without ad-

ditives or homemade bread is allowable though.

Do some type of physical activity daily, even if it is only standing or walking.

IRAN ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 2016

# SPEECH OF

# HON. KEITH ELLISON

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Thursday, July 14, 2016

Mr. ELLISON. Mr. Speaker, I strongly oppose the Iran Accountability Act of 2016 (H.R. 5631). Unfortunately, I could not be in DC to vote against the bill as I was home in Minneapolis for the funeral of Philando Castile.

The Iran Accountability Act of 2016 undermines the ability of the United States to comply with the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA), also known as the Iran nuclear deal. The bill uses non-nuclear reasons to reimpose certain secondary economic and financial sanctions lifted on the JCPOA's implementation day and could require the President to impose new nuclear-related sanctions on Iran. Thus, if implemented, the bill would prevent the Administration from implementing a number of its commitments outlined in the JCPOA.

If the Iran Accountability Act of 2016 were to become law, both our partners and Iran would question our commitment to the nuclear deal. The provisions contained within this bill could even open a path for Iran to restart its nuclear program. This would not only put the nuclear deal at risk, but also undermine our national security interests and significantly damage U.S. credibility and leadership abroad.

The JCPOA is a historic diplomatic achievement worth protecting. So far, Iran has complied with the deal. Without resorting to violence, it has constrained Iran's nuclear program, led to the dismantlement of key components of the program, and subjected Iran's program to unprecedented verification and monitoring requirements.

Simply put, the JCPOA ensures that Iran's nuclear program is and continues to be peaceful. We must not jeopardize this achievement by backtracking on our commitments. Therefore, I oppose this bill.

HONORING THE LAKE COUNTY CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER AND THE OPENING OF THEIR HEALING GARDEN

# HON. ROBERT J. DOLD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. DOLD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Lake County Children's Advocacy Center and the groundbreaking ceremony of their new Healing Garden. Since its opening in 1987, the Lake County Children's Advocacy Center's mission has been to provide a protective environment for child victims of abuse. In addition to sensitively approaching these victims in a respectful, thoughtful manner and helping them to recover from their traumas, the Center investigates and prosecutes their abusers in partnership with the Lake County State's Attorney's Office and local Lake County police departments.

One of the most effective services the Children's Advocacy Center offers is the opportunity for the victims to interact with their veteran comfort dog, Mitchell, who gives them compassion and solace throughout their entire recovery process. The Healing Garden is another creative initiative by the Children's Advocacy Center that will aid children and their families throughout the healing process by creating a safe place to interact and reflect, as well as gain strength and hope for the future. The Garden is assured to be a cornerstone of healing at a Center that facilitates that precious help for so many of the hurting children in our community.

#### IN MEMORY OF THE LATE CONGRESSMAN MARK TAKAI

# HON. BARBARA LEE

OF CALIFORNIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank Congresswoman TULSI GABBARD and CAPAC Chairwoman JUDY CHU for their leadership in organizing today's tribute to the late Congressman Mark Takai.

I rise with my colleagues to honor the memory of a great man and a wonderful colleague.

I also want to express my deepest condolences to his wife and two children—thank you for sharing Mark with all of us.

Mark was everything a public servant should be. He was a steward of our planet, and a fierce advocate for service members, as well as the people of Hawaii.

He served his country in the Hawaii Army National Guard, where he obtained the rank of lieutenant colonel. Mark also served 20 years in the Hawaii House of Representatives before his election to the U.S. House of Representatives.

While we didn't serve together long enough, it was truly an honor to work with him. I saw how much Mark loved his community by how tirelessly he worked every day—particularly as he advocated for the Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander communities.

Thank you, Mark, for your service. You will be missed. Mahalo.

10TH ANNUAL LEIMERT PARK VILLAGE BOOK FAIR

#### HON. KAREN BASS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

### Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. BASS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate an important institution in Los Angeles, which this year celebrates its tenth anniversary: the Leimert Park Village Book Fair.

Now making its home at the Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza in the heart of my district, the fair expects to bring together thousands of book lovers, families, and fans with both wellknown and emerging authors to celebrate the written word.

I congratulate Cynthia Exum, founder and executive producer, who conceived of this

event to honor her grandmother, who she credits with nurturing her own love of reading. I also congratulate the sponsors who make this event possible, including my long-time colleague, L.A. County Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas; the City of Los Angeles and its Department of Cultural Affairs; and Capri Capital Partners of the Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza. Event board members and honorary chairpersons Dr. Bernard and Mrs. Shirley Kinsey have worked to take the book fair to new heights with their leadership and resources.

I would also like to honor all of the volunteers who spend hours preparing the panels, booths, presentations, awards, and more, and who keep everything running smoothly. Without them it would not be possible to sustain this event for ten years and beyond. I would further like to thank the authors, playwrights, screenwriters, journalists, performers and others who provide the substance of the event and make it a thrill to attend each year.

For a decade now, the Leimert Park Village Book Fair has brought attendees together from all over the city to enjoy one of the historic cultural cores of the African American community in L.A., and to find inspiration to read, write, listen, and learn. I wish them many more decades of success.

#### HONORING JOHN DAHL

# HON. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the former Mayor of Eagle Nest, New Mexico and my dear friend, John Dahl. John represented the best of our great State of New Mexico: he was a loving father, grandfather and great-grandfather, a loyal friend to many, a brilliant, hard-working and talented United States Army officer, businessman, and public servant.

John was born in Okmulgee, Oklahoma on July 30, 1933, to John and Ellen Dahl. While at Okmulgee High School, he won the Amateur Athletic Union Junior Olympic Track Title and earned a five-year athletic scholarship to the University of Oklahoma. As an undergraduate, he helped the track team become one of the elite teams in the country. In his freshman year John enrolled in the Reserve Officers Training Corps program, and in 1957 he graduated as the most distinguished military graduate out of a ROTC class of 200.

After college, John served for 22 years in the military and received over a dozen medals. In 1972, while a lieutenant colonel, the pentagon handpicked John to oversee a notorious Vietnamese prisoner of war camp located on the island of Phu Quoc. The camp held 33,000 POW's and was infamous for human rights abuses. John was tasked to end these inhumane practices and ensure the proper treatment of the POW's. His improvement of the camp's conditions and practices was instrumental in the passage of the Paris Peace Treaty and saved countless human lives. For his accomplishment he was awarded the prestigious Legion of Merits decoration.

John married his wife Kay in 1978, and after retiring from the army he moved to Eagle Nest, New Mexico. There, he built multiple local businesses and garnered a reputation as one of the best sole proprietors in the region. In 1990, the Governor of Oklahoma asked John to serve as the state's Director of Civil Emergency Management. Just as in Vietnam, John demonstrated a deep respect for human life by improving and distributing new disaster plans to all 77 Oklahoma counties. By ensuring the implementation of the disaster plan and visiting each county personally, John and his team managed to avoid tornado fatalities that year.

After returning to Eagle Nest, John lost his eyesight after years of exposure to Agent Orange while serving in Vietnam. However, his determination never faltered and he was elected twice as the town's mayor. I met John during his tenure as mayor, and I had the privilege to work with him when I was Secretary of Aging and Long Term Services. John was a determined advocate for improving health care access and quality of care in his community and across our state.

On May 14, 2016 John Dahl passed away at the age of 83. Surviving him is his wife Kay, two sons, daughter, six grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

John was a true friend and inspiring colleague who contributed to the betterment of our community, country, and world. His memory and legacy is a blessing to us all.

#### TRIBUTE TO DAWN MARTINEZ OROPEZA

#### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize al Exito Executive Director Dawn Martinez Oropeza for being named a 2016 Women of Influence honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, Business Record.

For 17 years, the Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of women who have made a significant difference in business, civic and philanthropic endeavors throughout the Greater Des Moines Area. Ms. Martinez Oropeza has devoted her life to confronting challenges which many others might avoid. She has spent countless hours on various boards while blazing a trail for others to follow. She was selected for the chosen field of expertise, the lasting impact on the community, involvement with civic or non-profit organizations and being seen as a role model because of her lofty achievements and high ethical standards.

Dawn Martinez Oropeza has the determination and drive to be successful in anything she does, and her exemplary work with her leadership for Latinas/Latinos al Exito, a non-profit organization which recruits students who need supportive relationships and programming to motivate them to succeed in high school and college. In all aspects of her life, Dawn Martinez Oropeza is an example of hard work and service who makes lowans proud.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Dawn Martinez Oropeza in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud her for utilizing her talents to better both her community and the great state of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Dawn Martinez Oropeza on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing Ms. Martinez Oropeza a long and successful career.

IN RECOGNITION OF PATRICK HENRY COLLEGE'S WORLD HUMAN RIGHTS MOOT COURT TITLE

## HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to acknowledge two students of Purcellville's Patrick Henry College for their incredible determination in winning the Nelson Mandela World Human Rights Moot Court Competition. Al-

ready owning nine of the past twelve American Moot Court Association National Championships, the students of Patrick Henry College were pitted against some of the world's best debaters this year in Geneva, Switzerland.

William Bock and Helaina Hirsch, both rising juniors at Patrick Henry College, competed against some of the best law students in the world to capture this prestigious title. Coached by Patrick Henry College Chancellor Michael Farris, William and Helaina beat a team of law students from Moi University in Kenya in the final round to be crowned world champions. To top off their incredible journey, William and Helaina were awarded the first and second place Oralist Honors at the Nelson Mandela World Human Rights Moot Court Competition.

Education is the cornerstone of American innovation and these students are championing their generation towards greater success. It is my hope that additional students will follow the standard of academic excellence set by William and Helaina. I encourage other students throughout our great Commonwealth to follow their example and strive to make a difference both at home and abroad.

Mr. Speaker, I would ask my colleagues to join me in applauding William Bock and Helaina Hirsch at Patrick Henry College for their incredible journey. I commend them on their accomplishments, and wish them all continued success in the future.

TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL K. WOO UPON THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNI-VERSARY OF THE HOLLYWOOD FARMERS' MARKET

#### HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Michael K. Woo and to recognize his co-founding of the Hollywood Farmers' Market in Los Angeles, California, which is celebrating its twenty-fifth anniversary.

Born in 1951, Michael grew up with his four siblings in Monterey Park, California. His parents, Wilbur and Beth Woo, and his grandfather, David Kitman Woo, ran a produce business in Los Angeles until the 1960's, when his father joined Cathay Bank, the first ChineseAmerican bank in the Southern California area. While in high school, Michael attended a program for gifted students at California State University, Los Angeles, and then went on to receive his BA in Politics and Urban Studies from the University of California, Santa Cruz, and his Master of City Planning degree from the University of California, Berkeley.

A leader in the Los Angeles aréa, Michael was a Los Angeles City Planning Commissioner and served on the Los Angeles City Council for eight years, becoming the first Asian American elected to the council. During his tenure on the city council, where he represented the Hollywood area, he was in the forefront of the Hollywood Redevelopment Plan, made decisions on numerous development proposals and neighborhood debates, and was a leader in the movement for a leadership change in the Los Angeles Police Department in the early 1990's.

Since his parents and grandfather ran a produce business for many years, it is not surprising that one of Mr. Woo's major accomplishments while he served on the council was the co-founding of the Hollywood Farmers' Market twenty-five years ago. Various constituencies had worked together to improve the quality of neighborhood life for Hollywood residents and business owners, and out of those efforts, then-City Councilmember Woo proposed the idea of a farmers' market. The objectives were to create a secure, weekly community event, a sales venue for small local farmers, artisans, and food purveyors, and to benefit local neighborhood businesses; and in May of 1991, the Hollywood Farmers' Market opened and was an immediate success. Now in its twenty-fifth year, the market offers not only food products, but also live music, activities for children, and renowned authors' book-signings, and is a lively, fun community meeting place. The Hollywood Farmers' Market is under the umbrella of the Sustainable Economic Enterprises of Los Angeles, better known as SEE-LA, which also produces other Certified Farmers' Markets, focusing on supplying fresh food to low-income neighborhoods.

Along with chairing the Board of SEE–LA, Mr. Woo is Dean of Environmental Design at California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.

I ask all Members to join me in recognizing Michael K. Woo, an invaluable asset to the greater Los Angeles community, and add our congratulations to the Hollywood Farmers' Market upon its twenty-fifth anniversary.

#### HONORING MS. SUZANNE MORGAN

#### HON. MIKE THOMPSON

#### OF CALIFORNIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Suzanne Morgan, who is being honored today by the Napa County Office of Education as a 2017 Napa County Teacher of the Year.

A native of Napa, California, Ms. Morgan always knew she wanted to be a teacher. She completed her Bachelor of Arts in Liberal Studies at Chico State University before beginning her career in teaching, throughout which she has always looked for opportunities to work with children living in poverty. Ms. Morgan has spent three decades teaching elementary school students, and currently teaches 4th grade at Shearer Elementary School in Napa, California. Her teaching style encourages students to build relationships and creates a sense of community in her classroom. Ms. Morgan spends time with each of her students, listening to their concerns and making sure they know that someone believes in their potential.

In addition to her work in the classroom, Ms. Morgan is the President of Days for Girls, a relief organization that supports education for girls in developing countries. She brings her passion for supporting learning abroad to her own classroom by organizing fundraisers with her students for school uniforms for students abroad.

Mr. Speaker, Ms. Morgan has dedicated three decades of her teaching career to educating and empowering young children, and her kindness and enthusiasm have had a tremendous impact in many students' lives. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor her here today.

THE INTRODUCTION OF THE DIS-PLAYING THE FLAG IN HONOR OF DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA MAY-ORS ACT

### HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, today, I introduce the Displaying the Flag in Honor of District of Columbia Mayors Act, a bill that would make a small-but significant to the nearly 700.000 residents of D.C.-change to federal law by adding the Mayor of the District of Columbia to the list of principals for whom the president can order the flags be flown at halfstaff. Current law states that the president shall make this order "upon the death of principal figures of the United States Government and the Governor of a State, territory, or possession, as a mark of respect to their memory." Surely the death of a current or former D.C. mayor should qualify as a principal. My bill would add D.C. mayors, who have many of the same responsibilities as state and territory governors, to the current list of officials.

Congress already understands that the District of Columbia deserves a place among the states for certain honors, and this minor addition is not as great as others Congress has already recognized. We have already won congressional recognition of the District of Columbia in situations where the city was overlooked while honoring the states. For example, our legislation ensured that the District of Columbia War Memorial honored only District residents who served in World War I and that D.C.'s Frederick Douglass statue sits in the Capitol alongside statues from the 50 states. I also successfully worked with the U.S. Postal Service to create a D.C. stamp, like the stamps for the 50 states, and worked with the National Park Service to add the D.C. flag alongside the state flags across from Union Station.

Legislation was also enacted to give D.C. a coin after it was omitted from legislation creating coins for the 50 states. Additionally, the flag of the District is displayed among the

flags of the fifty states in the tunnel connecting the House office buildings to the Capitol, and legislation was needed to require the armed services to display the District flag whenever the flags of the states are displayed. My bill to add the mayor to the list of principals is a continuation of my efforts to ensure that the District of Columbia receives fair treatment, even when we have no vote on the House floor and no representation in the Senate.

I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF VICENTE D. "BEN" ADA

# HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. BORDALLO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of the late Guam Senator and businessman, Vicente D. "Ben" Ada. Ben Ada was a proud son of Guam, faithful public servant and successful businessman. Ben was born on January 24, 1932 and passed away on Sunday, August 28, 2016 at the age of 84.

Ben was the son of the late Vicente Cepeda Ada and Dolores de LeonGuerrero Diaz Ada and married to the late Teresita Gutierrez Borja Ada for 57 years. He was a member of our island's greatest generation and served in the U.S. Air Force as a B52 Bomber mechanic 1957 until 1964. Ben was also a Veteran of the Korean War Era. After serving in the Air Force, Ben became the General Manager of the Pioneer Shop and was an Insurance Underwriter from 1964 until 1967. In 1966, Ben and his wife Teresita opened Ada's Insurance and also became the distributor of Daihatsu vehicles in Guam.

In 1971, Ben was elected as a senator to the Guam Legislature. He served the people for Guam faithfully for four terms in the 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th Guam Legislatures. Ben was dedicated to improving our island community for all by expanding infrastructure coverage and providing funding for resources throughout Guam's villages.

In 1972, Ben opened a family business, Pacific Funeral Home which became Ada's Funeral Home in 1992. The family business has served the people of Guam for 45 years. Ben and Ada's Funeral Home was awarded the 2011 U.S. Small Business Administration's Jeffrey Butland Family-Owned Small Business Award.

In addition to his life in business and public service, Ben also found time to volunteer in the community. He served as the Scout Master for Boy Scouts of America Troop 17 during which he composed the official Troop 17 song, "We are the Boys of 17." He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Pale San Vitores Council 05666. Ben was also a generous benefactor of many religious orders, such as the Carmelite Monastery of Guam and the St. Fideles Capuchin Friary. Ben gave his time and talents freely to many causes. He played an instrumental role in preparing for the historic visit of Pope Jon Paul the II to Guam in 1981.

I will always remember Ben for helping countless families on Guam as a public servant in the Guam Legislature and as the owner of Ada's Funeral Home. His work ethic was unparalleled and evident in the day-to-day operation of the family business. Throughout the years Ben's compassion and generosity has assisted countless families during their most difficult times. In particular, I knew Ben to be a man deeply devoted to his faith and to the care of his family. I extend my sincere condolences to the entire Ada family on their loss.

I am deeply saddened by the passing of Vicente D. "Ben" Ada, and I join the people of Guam in celebrating his life, and recognizing and remembering his dedicated service to Guam. My thoughts and prayers are with his family, loved ones and friends. I extend my condolences to his children Vincent Ada, Anita and Frank Okazaki, Bennett Ada, Pete Ada, Rick and Meren Ada, Tony and Annette Ada, Therese and Danny Ybarra, Carmen Gaskins and Lourdes Ada, his 36 grandchildren and 59 great-grandchildren. He will be missed, and his memory will live on in the hearts of the people of Guam.

HONORING NORMAN BRODY, CANTOR OF TEMPLE BETH EL

# HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. HASTINGS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Norman Brody, who is the cantor of Temple Beth EI in West Palm Beach, Florida. He has served this congregation since 1986 and is one of Palm Beach County's most famous and popular cantors. Cantor Brody was educated at the B'Nai Zion and College of Jewish Studies in Chicago, Illinois. He later attended the University of Michigan, where he received both his Bachelor's and Master's degrees.

Cantor Brody sang with the Chicago Lyric Opera and the New York Opera Company, appearing with another famous tenor, Placido Domingo. He was also the featured soloist and musical arranger for the Winged Victory Singers and, from 1965 to 1980, he appeared in top hotels and on concert stages, as well as on radio and television.

Before coming to Temple Beth El, he was the cantor at Temple Emanuel in Andover, Massachusetts, Temple Emeth in Brookline, Massachusetts and at Beth Israel Mikra Kodesh in Baltimore, Maryland. Besides having an award winning voice, Norman Brody has received the City of Peace Award and the Community Achievement Award from American ORT.

His annual concert is a highlight of every year, regularly drawing huge crowds to hear "the man with the golden voice" perform religious music, show tunes and popular standards. An accomplished pianist, he accompanies himself at Sabbath services to the delight of congregants, who have remarked that it's always a special occasion when they hear him sing.

Cantor Brody also devotes time to conducting Temple Beth El's Youth and Adult Choirs and is a dedicated and committed member of our community. He is active in many organizations, including B'Nai B'rith, the Palm Beach County Clergy Cantor's Association and Ambassadors Society of Trustees of Israel Bonds.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to honor this fine man, who is not only a tremendous treasure

for Temple Beth El, but an enormous credit to his community and our nation.

CONGRATULATING THE GREATER HELOTES LITTLE LEAGUE SOFT-BALL TEAM

# HON. JOAQUIN CASTRO

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. CASTRO of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Greater Helotes Little League softball team for their outstanding accomplishment of winning the 2016 Little League Softball World Series. With grit and skill, these fourteen young women became champions and made our city, San Antonio, proud. This is a special group—all of the teammates have been playing together since they were seven or eight years old. They understand how to help one another shine and rally for victory. Those strong bonds were instrumental in their streak of decisive wins to seize the world title: 19–4, 10–0, 4–1, 11–1, 10–0. 6–0, and 5–1.

I applaud the Greater Helotes Little League team for their exciting achievement and for the example they've set for girls who love sports everywhere. I hope the lessons of teamwork, leadership, and sportsmanship that they've learned during this experience serve them well throughout their lives.

#### TRIBUTE IN HONOR OF THE LIFE OF ROSLYN GROSSMAN MORRIS

# HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of my friend, my constituent and an extraordinary woman, Roslyn (Roz) Grossman Morris, who died in Palo Alto, California, at the age of eighty-nine. Roz was born on April 15, 1927, in Oakland, California, and was one of two children of Bertha and Harry Grossman. She and her brother grew up in Napa where she attended high school, and then attended U.C. Berkeley.

After meeting on a blind date, Roz and Merv Morris married in 1950. They welcomed three sons and a daughter into their family and Roz supported Merv as he built his successful retail business. She was active with the Peninsula Volunteers and a great supporter of the arts. She was a baseball fan, a Cal fan, and an elegant entertainer. She loved to travel, kept up with current events and attended the opera and the symphony. Most of all, she adored her family. Roz leaves her loving husband of sixty-six years, Mervin, and her four sons and daughters-in-law, as well as her fourteen beloved grandchildren, five great grandchildren and her brother, Arnold Grossman.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the entire House of Representatives to join me in extending our most sincere condolences to the entire Morris family. Roz Morris left an indelible mark on our community and she left our community and our country stronger and better. I think she was a national treasure. RECOGNIZING MAJOR GENERAL KEVIN O'CONNELL

#### HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mrs. BUSTOS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend Major General Kevin O'Connell as he retires in August after 34 years in service to the United States Army.

A native of Clinton, Maryland, Major General O'Connell first joined the ROTC as a Quartermaster Corps Officer in 1982. Since then, he has risen through the ranks, proving himself a dedicated, honorable, and capable leader. As Commanding General of the United States Army Sustainment Command (ASC), he has helped to sustain Army and Joint Forces in support of Combatant Commands across the world. As the Senior Commander of the United States Army Garrison in Rock Island, he leads not only one of our nation's greatest military installations, but also one our region's largest employers.

Major General O'Connell's commitment to the armed services is evident not only through his daily work, but also demonstrated by his numerous decorations throughout the years, including the Army Distinguished Service Medal, Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Commendation Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Achievement Medal, as well as numerous unit awards, campaign medals, and service medals. He has also been presented with the Noble Patron of Armor, Order of Saint Michael, Somervell Award, Order of Saint Martin, and the Order of Samuel Sharpe for his contributions to the Armored and Cavalry forces, Army Aviation, Logistics Corps, Quartermaster Corps, and the Ordnance Corps respectively.

I am proud to recognize Major General O'Connell not only as a hero, but as a friend. I wish him the best in his well-earned retirement, and thank him for his service.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE GREATER MCLEAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

# HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK

OF VIRGINIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to acknowledge the Greater McLean Chamber of Commerce which celebrated its 55th anniversary on August 30th. The Chamber had been incorporated in 1961 as the McLean Business & Professional Association. Besides promoting camaraderie among area business owners, principal community achievements of its first thirty years included working with the McLean Citizens Association and others to found the McLean Community Center: financing the planting of trees in the business district and along Virginia Route 123 from Arlington to Tyson's Corner; and playing a major role in the development of the first land-use plan for central McLean's business district.

Reincorporated in 1994 as a chamber of commerce, the Greater McLean Chamber has

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since that time broadened its services to its membership and its assistance to the Greater McLean community. In 1997, the Chamber worked with Fairfax County and local non-profits to found the McLean Visitor Center, which is still in operation providing information about area attractions and the work of community organizations. In 1999, it installed gateway signage around the McLean area and in the business district to promote a sense of place and community. More recently, the Chamber provided input into the development of the new Tysons comprehensive plan, while maintaining a voice for responsible development in the McLean Community Business Center via the McLean Planning Committee and the McLean Revitalization Corporation.

Over the past decade, the Chamber has been perennially ranked as a Top 20 Chamber of Commerce in metropolitan Washington by the Washington Business Journal, and is the second-largest community-based chamber in Northern Virginia. In 2011, it received the Fairfax County Office of Public Private Partnerships' Chamber of Commerce Community Connector Award, in recognition of its level of service and leadership in promoting its community.

The Chamber has successfully nurtured a community of business and civic leaders in the Greater McLean community, including the McLean, Tysons, Great Falls and Chesterbrook business areas. Through networking events, education series, conferences and community awards programs, the Chamber promotes the economic and civic wellbeing of this important part of Fairfax County, Virginia while standing for high ethical standards in the conduct of business.

Mr. Speaker, this is an organization which helps the citizens and businesses of Greater McLean to thrive. I would ask my fellow Congressmen and women to join me in congratulating the Greater McLean Chamber of Commerce and wishing it a happy 55th anniversary. I wish this institution continued success in the future.

TRIBUTE TO DIANE GLASS

# HON. DAVID YOUNG

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Diane Glass, author and founder of Pine Spirit, LLC for being named a 2016 Women of Influence honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, Business Record.

For 17 years, the Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of women who have made a significant difference in business, civic and philanthropic endeavors throughout the Greater Des Moines Area. Ms. Glass has devoted her life to doing confronting challenges which many others might avoid. She has spent countless hours on various boards while blazing a trail for others to follow. She was selected for the chosen field of expertise, the lasting impact on the community, involvement with civic or non-profit organization and being seen as a role model because of her lofty achievements and high ethical standards.

Diane Glass has the determination and drive to be successful in anything she does,

and her exemplary work with a diverse career which spans teaching, politics, corporate America, radio talk show hosting, writing and retreat facilitation. Ms. Glass' most recent publication, This Need to Dance: A Life of Rhythm and Resilience, is her courageous story in the face of her struggle with spina bifida. In all aspects of her life Diane Glass is an example of hard work and service who makes lowans proud.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Diane Glass in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud her for utilizing her talents to better both her community and the great state of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Diane Glass on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing Ms. Glass a long and successful career.

HONORING THE LIFE OF WOODY TRAUTMAN OF TOLEDO, OHIO

# HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Mr. DeForest L. "Woody" Trautman, of Toledo, Ohio. Woody passed from this life on Thursday, August 19, 2016 at the age of 96. He was an amazing sage and a very community minded man. He was a man of peace.

Woody Trautman was born to Charlotte and DeForest L. Trautman in Panama on June 14, 1920 while his father was stationed there in the U.S. Navy. Later the family moved to Drexel Hill in Pennsylvania. Woody went on to receive his undergraduate and graduate degrees in engineering from Carnegie Institute of Technology, now Carnegie Mellon University, in Pittsburgh and his PhD from Stanford University. He married his first wife Retta and together they raised 3 children until her passing in 1998.

Woody's engineering talents were sought by many both in the United States and worldwide. He taught at Carnegie, UCLA and the University of New York at Stony Brook. Through the Ford Foundation he developed graduate schools of engineering in the U.S. He worked for Hughes Aircraft. He worked at the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development in Paris, France. Later the family moved to Chile for five years while Woody helped organize a graduate school of engineering at the University of Concepcion through UNESCO. Settling in at the University of Toledo, Woody was a former president of the Technical Society of Toledo and was named Engineer of the Year in 1978.

Once retired, Woody pursued his passions with vigor. He was a grief counselor for Hospice of Northwest Ohio for many years. He was part of the Interracial Religious Coalition and helped organize workshops on world religion. Together with his wife Judy, who he married in 2003, he co-founded the MultiFaith Council of NW Ohio "to facilitate educational and fellowship activities to promote shared community service across many faith perspectives." According to the history, "When the council began, he said 'all faiths and none.'" With more than 500 members representing many faiths, the Multi-Faith Council is among the jewels in the crown that is Woody Tautman's legacy. In December 2014, Toledo's charter as a "Community of Compassion," was signed after a four year effort by Woody and Judy Trautman and part of an international movement.

He once noted, "I'm honored and humbled at this opportunity to be able to represent the effort to get together all kinds of people in the same room and to share and to find out firsthand we are all the same human race." Woody, "with his chest-length white beard, was a familiar figure in the audience of events that promoted understanding, even if organized by another group." His wife Judy explained, "It became his trademark. People would not recognize him anymore without his beard."

Judy Trautman commented that Woody "was persistent and intensely gregarious. People used to say of him that he would just keep asking until they stopped saying no. It was hard to say no to Woody." Pastor Ed Heilman of Park Congregational United Church of Christ summed up Woody best when he said, "He was looking to do good in a practical, pragmatic way. His own questioning mind and his engineering mind was, 'Something is going on in the world that needs to be fixed, let's do something about it,""

To Judy and the Trautman children Patricia, Edwin and Craig, grandchildren and greatgrandchildren, we extend our deepest sympathy to each of you on the passing of this extraordinary man. Called home, he most certainly was met with the embrace "Well done, my good and faithful servant."

CELEBRATING THE 100TH BIRTH-DAY OF GUADALUPE DUARTE GONZÁLEZ

# HON. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD. Mr. Speaker, I rise to salute Guadalupe Duarte González, a beloved Angelena who turns 100 years old on September 15th. Lupe, as she is known, has lived in the Boyle Heights neighborhood of Los Angeles since 1958. She is blessed with a sharp mind and good health, and I speak for her family and friends in expressing the hope that she will continue to grace Boyle Heights with her wisdom, energy, and cheer for many years to come.

Lupe was born Guadalupe Duarte on September 15, 1916, in the coal mining town of Morenci, Arizona. When she was five, she moved with her parents, María Esparza Duarte and Ausencio Duarte, to their hometown of Villa Hidalgo, Mexico. At age nine, she moved again, this time to Aguascalientes, Mexico, with her mother, Aunt Féliz, and younger siblings Panchito and Isabel, while her father worked in the United States. As Lupe grew up, she helped raise her siblings, and supported her family through sewing and factory work.

Lupe married Juan Salazar González when she was 21, and gave birth to Jose Luis, Rebecca, Juan Jr., and Imelda. Juan had his own business as a carpenter and cabinet maker. When he had every tool stolen from his shop in a robbery, the González family moved to the United States, the land of Lupe's birth. After Lupe and Juan both worked at various jobs for a few years, Juan finally secured a permanent position as a cabinet maker.

By 1954, their family had grown to eight, with the births of Alicia María and Ricardo. Through struggles and sacrifices, Lupe and Juan saw to it that their children could attend private Catholic school.

After her children grew up, Lupe served the Boyle Heights community as president of the Saint Isabel Church Senior Citizens Club. In 2004, she lost her beloved 95-year-old husband, Juan, after more than 66 years of marriage.

Today, Lupe is the proud mother of six, grandmother of eight, great-grandmother of eleven, and great-great-grandmother of six. When not tending to her family, she is also a voracious reader of history, art books, and novels.

Lupe's indomitable spirit, quick wit, and love of life are an inspiration to all who know her. I hope my colleagues will join me in congratulating Guadalupe Duarte González on her first 100 years of a life well lived.

#### TRIBUTE TO EDITH SCHEIDEMANTEL PICKERING

# HON. JASON SMITH

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the remarkable 100th birthday of Edith Scheidemantel Pickering.

Edith was born to Charles and Agnes Scheidemantel on August 15, 1916 in Lennox, MO. Edith attended and graduated Black Oak School in Lennox and was baptized on October 17, 1947 at the First Baptist Church in Salem. She was married to Raymond Pickering with whom she shares three beloved children, Barbara, Martha and Sam. She also has five grandchildren, Anita, David, Melissa, Dan and Mark.

Edith has achieved a great milestone in her life by celebrating her 100th birthday. She is a woman of character and is greatly beloved to all who know her. She has displayed great love for her church and her family throughout her long life. She has been an extremely beneficial member to our society and with that it is my pleasure to recognize Edith before the United States House of Representatives.

#### IN HONOR OF MR. TIM RAY

# HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Mr. Tim Ray on his graduation from the National Fire Academy's Executive Fire Officer Program and to thank him for his many years of service to the City of Kingsburg, California.

Mr. Ray was born in Madera, California and at the age of three his family relocated to Kingsburg, California where his father worked at what was then the Kingsburg Volunteer Fire Department. After his graduation from Kingsburg High School, Mr. Ray went on to receive his Bachelors of Science in Building Construction from John Brown University in Siloam Springs, Arizona.

In 1986, Mr. Ray moved back to Kingsburg and, like his father, joined the Kingsburg Fire Department as a Volunteer Firefighter. During this time, Mr. Ray also served the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF) through the Tulare County Fire Department. Mr. Ray's dedication to emergency services did not stop there as he also served as a paramedic for the Sequoia Safety Council and the Mobile Life Support Ambulance in Visalia, California.

As further testament to his work ethic and strength of character, in 2011, Mr. Ray was promoted to Fire Chief of the City of Kingsburg, making him one of only two out of the eighteen fire chiefs in the history of Kingsburg to have gone from a Volunteer Firefighter to Fire Chief. Mr. Tim Ray will have served the Kingsburg Fire Department and the community with dedication for thirty years on August 1, 2016.

Coinciding with his thirty year work anniversary, Mr. Ray also celebrated another incredible achievement of his career. On August 5, 2016, Mr. Ray graduated from the National Fire Academy's Executive Fire Officer Program, proving that the Fire Chief of a small town like Kingsburg is equal to those of the largest metropolitan areas in the United States.

Today, Mr. Ray resides in Kings County, California with his wife of twenty-seven years, Penny. Together they have two children, Kyle and Kaiti.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join with me in recognizing Mr. Tim Ray for his many accomplishments and to thank him for his thirty years of faithful service to the City of Kingsburg. The Central Valley is better off as a result of his dedication, strength of will, and commitment to emergency services.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 150TH AN-NIVERSARY OF SACRAMENTO CHILDREN'S HOME

#### HON. DORIS O. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 150th anniversary of the Sacramento Children's Home. As the staff, volunteers, and community supporters gather to celebrate this momentous occasion and the beautiful renovations on their historic home, I ask all of my colleagues to join me in recognizing this outstanding organization.

I know firsthand the incredible impact the Children's Home has on our community. I have long been a supporter of the Sacramento Children's Home and I formerly served as a member of their board. I will continue to offer my support in any way that I can because I believe in their mission to serve our community's most vulnerable families. By supporting both children and parents, to create happier, more stable families, the Sacramento Children's Home is making an invaluable investment in our community.

Founded on February 14, 1867, the Sacramento Children's Home began as an orphanage for abandoned children during the time of the Gold Rush. Since then, the Sacramento Children's Home has continued to serve the most urgent needs of children with unwavering dedication. Today, the Sacramento Children's Home provides a variety of services to children and families, including counseling, emergency childcare, and programs promoting healthy parenting. These wraparound programs and resources, many of which are provided at no cost to the family, fight and protect against child abuse and neglect in our community.

Mr. Speaker, as the Sacramento Children's Home gathers to celebrate their renovated home on their 150th anniversary, I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring 150 years of service to Sacramento's children and families.

> TRIBUTE TO STUART & ASSOCIATES

#### HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Stuart & Associates, of Council Bluffs, Iowa, for being recognized with the 2016 Council Bluffs Chamber of Commerce Entrepreneur of the Year award at this year's Chamber of Commerce centennial celebration.

Stuart & Associates, based out of Council Bluffs and Omaha, is a real estate brokerage firm that serves customers in Iowa and Nebraska. Their innovative approach to selling property is what led them to receiving this prestigious award. The team at Stuart & Associates has worked tirelessly to build a reputation of hard work, honesty, and integrity, making this award well-deserved. They have displayed a dedication to their community that is second to none, helping them become one of the top real estate firms in the Council Bluffs area.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to represent Stuart & Associates in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize them today. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them all on receiving this award and wishing each of them nothing but continued success.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE OLD STONE CHURCH FOUNDATION AND ITS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AFFILATES

#### HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to acknowledge the Old Stone Church Foundation and its United Methodist Church Affiliates which will soon be celebrating the 250th anniversary of the first Methodist land acquisition in the Western Hemisphere. Upon this land the original Old Stone Church was constructed on the 11th of May 1766 when Nicholas Minor, the founder of Leesburg, deeded half an acre of land to Methodist Robert Hamilton "for no other use but for a church or meeting house, graveyard".

By 1786, the Leesburg Methodist Society had been founded and began to host annual conferences whereby its members would meet from across the states. When the Methodists separated from the Anglican Church in 1784, they began the construction of the Old Stone Church as the first new house of worship, and the only church within Leesburg. This site then later served as the host of the very first Virginia Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, which was the precursor to the modem United Methodist Church.

Though the Old Church was demolished in 1901, the Virginia Conference of the United Methodist Church purchased the land back in 1965 and preserved it as a historic site. Since then, this land has been recognized by the Virginia Landmarks register and the national register of Historic places.

Mr. Speaker, this land and all that stands upon it marks an important part of U.S. History as the founding location of one of our nation's largest religious institutions, and is therefore of great significance not only to Methodists and the people of Leesburg, but to our entire country. I would ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the United Methodist Church Affiliates for passing this impressive milestone. I hope they continue to preserve our nation's history with the same passion for years to come.

> SEPTEMBER AS INTERGENERATION MONTH

### HON. MIKE COFFMAN

#### OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize September as Intergeneration Month. This month reminds us that bringing various generations together creates two key elements to a successful society: understanding and cooperation.

Beginning with Grandparents Day, Intergeneration month reminds us to work together across generations and recognize the unique challenges and perspectives each individual generation brings. Some of these proceedings include opportunities to give gifts, send cards, or even scrapbook. Each event aims to stimulate engaging conversations between our generations in an effort to bridge generational divides.

Interaction amongst generations makes us all better people and ultimately makes us a better society. I encourage all Americans to set aside time this month to embrace the rich diversity that Intergeneration Month can offer us. I would also like to extend my sincere congratulations to the Intergeneration Month organization for its commitment to connecting people across generations, and look forward to celebrating Intergeneration Month this September. IN HONOR OF ANDREA SKOREPA

#### HON. JUAN VARGAS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. VARGAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Andrea Skorepa for her leadership and her steadfast 45 years of service to the San Ysidro Community and the greater San Diego region.

A San Ysidro native, Andrea Skorepa has dedicated her life to improving and empowering her hometown. Since 1980, she has been the CEO and President of the Board for Casa Familiar, a non-profit organization that offers social services, affordable housing, educational programming, and cultural programming to the community of San Ysidro. Prior to this position, Ms. Skorepa worked as an educator in the San Ysidro School District, where she organized the school district's first teachers union.

Ms. Skorepa has served as part of the leadership on the City of San Diego Mayor's Latino Advisory Committee, the American Civil Liberties Union, the Chicano Executives Committee, the American Institute of Architects Regional and Urban Design Assistance Team, the San Diego Repertory Theater and numerous other groups. She is the first person from San Ysidro to receive the prestigious Ohtli prize on behalf of the Mexican government, in recognition of her efforts to improve the US-Mexico border region.

After 45 years of service, Ms. Skorepa will be retiring this fall. Her legacy is one of exceptional leadership, tremendous vision, and unwavering devotion to the San Ysidro community and the greater San Diego region.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE SOCIETY OF MOTION PICTURE & TELE-VISION ENGINEERS CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY

#### HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker. I rise today to honor the Society of Motion Picture & Television Engineers upon its 100th Anniversary. The Society of Motion Picture & Television Engineers (SMPTE) is an association of professionals who are dedicated to enhancing moving-imagery engineering and education across the technology, communications, media, and entertainment industries. Today, SMPTE proudly represents more than 6,000 members worldwide, a number that has continued to grow since C. Francis Jenkins founded the society in 1916. By developing the first film projector capable of showing a motion picture, Mr. Jenkins became one of the most outstanding innovators in the film industry, which led him to establish the Society of Motion Picture & Television Engineers.

SMPTE strives to serve its members through its Three Pillars: Membership, Standards, and Education. Through Section meetings of smaller, local groups of its members, the society provides access and networking opportunities for media executives and students working within the same communities and across 64 different countries. Through the association's collaboration with the Hollywood Professional Association, its membership is supplemented by the professional community of individuals and businesses who supply the support, infrastructure, knowledge, and tools for the creation and completion of television programs, digital media, motion pictures, commercials, and other media content.

SMPTE engineers have devised more than 800 standards, practices, and technological tools that positively affect nearly every part of motion-imaging content by improving the craft, science, and art of both sound and image, ultimately producing the highest possible quality on display screens worldwide. As a result, SMPTE is recognized internationally, serving as the Secretariat for the International Standards Organization's (TSO) Technical Committee on Cinematography, TC–36, and has been honored with both Oscar and Emmy awards and nominations.

The society is also dedicated to passing on knowledge to a new generation of professionals in the industry, and to this end, SMPTE has created webcasts, seminars, and virtual classrooms through which industry professionals give presentations and answer questions about emerging technologies. The association has also created a digital library and published a Motion Imaging Journal to inform members about new innovations and breakthroughs.

Most notably, SMPTE has brought visibility to the outstanding work of engineers who work behind the scenes and whose work too often goes unnoticed. By offering members a community of like-minded professionals, the society has established an infrastructure and support system for the dynamic industry that I am proud to represent in my Congressional District.

I hereby ask all Members of Congress to join me in congratulating the Society of Motion Picture & Television Engineers upon its Centennial Anniversary.

THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE "SHIPPING ACT OF 1916"

# HON. DUNCAN HUNTER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. HUNTER. Mr. Speaker, this week marks the 100th anniversary of the "Shipping Act of 1916" becoming law, a measure that established the entity that has evolved into what exists today as the Federal Maritime Commission.

The impetus for this legislation was a concern among policymakers about the state of the American maritime industry and more specifically, how to deal with two key challenges: the paucity of shipping capacity and potential anti-competitive business practices by steamship lines. That latter point was of particular interest to Representative Joshua W. Alexander (D-MO), who was Chairman of the Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries from 1911 to 1919. In the Sixty-Third Congress, Mr. Alexander's Committee published a Report on Steamship Agreements and Affiliations in the American Foreign and Domestic Trade that found shipping companies did indeed cooperate formally or informally, but concluded it was more beneficial to the shipping

public for these lines and their cooperative agreements to be regulated than for the government to attempt to end these business practices. In the following Congress, Mr. Alexander introduced the Shipping Act of 1916, which became law on September 7, 1916, when it was signed by President Woodrow Wilson.

Congress achieved two key goals through this act: first, it created a merchant fleet capable of meeting the defense and trade requirements of the United States; and second, it regulated the industry to ensure competitiveness and protect the interests of shippers and consumers. Both of these objectives were to be achieved through the work of the five-member United States Shipping Board created via the bill.

This legislation was passed as armies in Europe battled each other from trenches and across no-man's-land. It became the law at a time before the United States was a combatant in the First World War, and the intent of the act was not to prepare for conflict. Nevertheless, this measure had the fortunate effect of taking the first steps toward remedying the serious issue of the lack of sufficient transport ships available to our military.

Today, international trade is an integral and critical part of the American economy. More than one-third of our Nation's Gross Domestic Product is tied to global commerce, and this figure is only predicted to become more significant in the coming years. Ocean transportation of goods and commodities is the backbone of our trading system, and the Federal Maritime Commission ensures that export and import shippers enjoy access to international maritime carriage services that are fair, reliable, and efficient. Each of us, as consumers, benefits from the competitive marketplace the Commission works to maintain.

Mr. Speaker, much like our predecessors who served in this very body 100 years ago, I want to guarantee the men and women of our armed services possess the resources they require to achieve their mission. As the Chairman of the Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, it is frustrating that, while history has repeatedly demonstrated the need for the United States to maintain a vibrant merchant fleet and to have the vessels required for the transportation of troops and materials, we do not always heed the lessons of the past. While we should follow the example of what Congress did in 1916 and find ways to reinvigorate the U.S. Merchant Fleet in the international trades, it is reassuring to know that the Federal Maritime Commission monitors the global shipping market for predatory and anticompetitive practices. The work of the Commission is little known, but critical.

IN COMMEMORATING PRESIDENT JAMES MADISON'S CONN'S FERRY CROSSING

# HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the anniversary of President James Madison's river crossing at Conn's Ferry during the War of 1812. I would like to also thank the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, the Fairfax History Commission and the Fairfax County Park Authority Board on commemorating this historically significant event.

This important milestone in American history was marked by the turmoil of British troops burning down many public buildings in Washington D.C. including the White House and the Library of Congress. After American forces suffered a military loss at Bladensburg, Maryland on August 24, 1814, a number of British soldiers occupied and set fire to our nation's capital. Fortunately, President James Madison, his wife Dolley and Secretary of State James Monroe escaped through the Virginia countryside and found refuge in the small town of Brookeville, Marvland, Although the British occupation of Washington D.C. only lasted 26 hours, the destruction inflicted left a strong impression upon Americans of that time and remains a moment of great historical importance.

I believe that we must seek to preserve American history and to remember the struggles of our once young fledgling nation. By preserving the area where our President escaped from harm, we have built a strong reminder for future generations demonstrating the cost of freedom and the sacrifices that were made to strengthen America's foundation.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in commemorating the anniversary of President James Madison's river crossing at Conn's Ferry, and thanking the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, the Fairfax History Commission and the Fairfax County Park Authority Board on their work to memorialize this day.

IN HONOR OF THE 128TH ANNIVER-SARY OF THE SANCTUARY MIS-SIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

#### HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I ask for the House's attention today to recognize the 128th Anniversary of The Sanctuary Missionary Baptist Church in Montgomery, Alabama, "Historically Canaan Hill Missionary Baptist Church."

The church was founded in 1888 under the direction of Rev. R.D. Bibb. In 1988, Rev. Ossie T. Brown, Jr. became the church's leader and still is today. This year's church anniversary theme is: "To Seek and to Save: 128 Years of Living the Great Commission."

The church will celebrate its anniversary at a program on Sunday, November 20, 2016.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the 128th Anniversary of The Sanctuary Missionary Baptist Church.

#### COMMEMORATING OLYMPIC MEDALIST RYAN HELD

# HON. DARIN LaHOOD

OF ILLINOIS IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 6, 2016* Mr. LAHOOD. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize Ryan Held on his gold medal finish in the 4x100 meter Freestyle Relay at the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

As a student of Sacred Heart Griffin High School in Springfield, IL, Ryan spent his time after school in the pool where he quickly impressed his teammates and competitors alike. As a sophomore, Ryan placed second in the 50-yard Freestyle and first in the 100-yard Freestyle at the Illinois High School Association Swimming Championships in 2012. The following year, he won both of these events at the State level, and earned the title of Illinois State Swimmer of the Year in 2014. Ryan currently attends North Carolina State University where he continues his collegiate swimming career.

From a young age, Ryan has proudly represented Springfield, devoting himself to both swimming and the community. Becoming an Eagle Scout at the age of 15, Ryan committed himself to being a tone of positive change in our community. For his Eagle Scout project, Ryan built a memorial in honor of a student who had passed away. Ryan embodies what it truly means to be an Eagle Scout, displaying exceptional leadership qualities, and putting others before himself.

After improving tremendously each year in the pool, Ryan became the NCAA Champion in the 4x100-yard Freestyle Relay in 2016; however, he had a larger goal in mind—the Olympics. This year, Ryan became a member of the 4x100 meter Freestyle Relay Team that won the Gold medal at the 2016 Rio Olympic Games, swimming the third leg of the event along with teammates Caleb Dressel, Nathan Adrian, and Michael Phelps. His lifelong dedication to swimming has paid off as he is now considered one of the best swimmers in the world.

Ryan serves as a reminder to the people of our community that when we believe in ourselves and dedicate our time and effort to the goals that we set, we can achieve even the most daring outcomes. Ryan exemplifies what it means to be an Olympian and an American. Central Illinois, the State of Illinois, and our Country could not be any prouder. Again, congratulations, Ryan, on your successful career.

VOTING IS A RIGHT FOR AMERICANS, NOT A PRIVILEGE

# HON. TERRI A. SEWELL

OF ALABAMA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. SEWELL of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on Restoration Tuesday to acknowledge the recent Supreme Court decision on August 31, 2016 denying North Carolina's request to reinstate controversial voting laws which were implemented following the 2013 Shelby v. Holder case.

The rejected North Carolina voting laws included strict voter ID laws and cutbacks to early voting from 17 days to 10 days as well as elimination of the preregistration option for 16-year-olds. The Supreme Court's order upheld the North Carolina Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals decision which characterized the laws as targeting "African Americans with almost surgical precision."

It is a somber celebration in this democratic society when voter disenfranchisement is denied. This is a battle that America should not have to continue to fight. From the streets to the court rooms, the right to a voice—the right to a vote has been fought for. For this upcoming election, North Carolina will not have to be subject to new voting laws that would make voting harder, not easier for eligible voters. This is a great victory for voting rights—for democracy and for the principles this country was built on.

Many states however are not as fortunate as North Carolina. Since the 2013 Shelby v. Holder decision, over 22 states including my home state of Alabama, implemented new oppressive voting laws affecting thousands of eligible Americans across the country. In 2013, the Supreme Court charged Congress with the responsibility of creating a modern formula for states and local governments to obtain federal preclearance before implementing changes to voting laws or practices.

Last year, I introduced a bill, the Voting Rights Advancement Act of 2015, which addresses the residual problems left behind by the Shelby v. Holder ruling. It has been 3 years since this Supreme Court ruling and over a full year since I introduced the Voting Rights Advancement Act. We, the Members of Congress cannot and should not continue to overburden the courts because we refuse to act. Political gridlock has no place in the voting rights of our people, and especially in an election year.

Former President Lyndon B. Johnson reminded us all when he said "voting is the first duty of democracy." I implore my colleagues to remember why we are here. We have a great work to do. We work for the American people and we are guided by the Constitution of the United States of America. I urge my colleagues to support any and all advancements in voting rights—this is not an act of "good heart"—this is our duty.

# IN HONOR OF THE RETIREMENT OF OXFORD MAYOR LEON SMITH

# HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016 Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I

ask for the House's attention today to recognize Mayor Leon Smith, who has served as Mayor of the City of Oxford Alabama since 1984.

Leon Smith was born in Selmer, Tennessee on March 11, 1940. He was married to Delone Banks of Jasper, Alabama (deceased) and was blessed with four sons: Gary, John (deceased), Terry (deceased) and Danny (deceased). Mayor Smith was also a self-employed businessman over the past 30 years.

Mayor Smith was elected as Mayor of the City of Oxford in 1984. He is a member of the First Baptist Church of Oxford. He has served as Commissioner of Oxford Baseball for Youth, Past League President and Coach of Oxford Football for Youth, Past Exalted Ruler of Elks (four consecutive terms), a member of the Jacksonville State University Board of Directors, a Board Member of the American Association of Retirement Communities and a Member of the Masons and Shriners.

Mayor Smith has served on the Alabama League of Municipalities, the National League of Cities, the East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission, the Cerebral Palsy Board of Directors, the Jacksonville State University Citizens Advisory Committee, the Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council, the Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee and the Technical Review Committee for Anniston Army Depot.

Mayor Smith has dedicated his life to being a public servant to the people of Oxford and Alabama.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing Mayor Smith and wishing him well in his retirement.

TRIBUTE TO IZARD COUNTY AND THE CITY OF HORSESHOE BEND

# HON. ERIC A. "RICK" CRAWFORD

#### OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. CRAWFORD. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to rise today to commemorate lzard County and the City of Horseshoe Bend as a Purple Heart County and a Purple Heart City. I am honored and humbled to represent so many veterans throughout the First Congressional District of Arkansas. Izard County is home to over 1,400 veterans and Horseshoe Bend is home to nine (9) Purple Heart recipients. As a veteran of the United States Army, I have a great admiration and the utmost gratitude for all the men and women who have selflessly served our Nation.

The Purple Heart is our Nation's oldest and one of the most recognized military medals. It was originally established by General George Washington on August 7, 1782, as the "Badge of Military Merit." On February 22, 1932, the 200th anniversary of General Washington's birthday, it was renamed the Purple Heart Medal by the Army War Department. The Purple Heart may be awarded to members of the Armed Forces or to any civilian national of the United States who has been wounded, killed, or who has died or may die of wounds received while in combat against an enemy, while a member of a peacekeeping force, while a Prisoner of War, as a result of a terrorist attack, or as a result of a friendly fire incident in hostile territory. Since its inception, the Purple Heart has been awarded over an estimated 1.9 million times to those wounded or killed while serving our Nation.

On September 12, 2016, a special duel ceremony will be held to establish Izard County and the City of Horseshoe Bend as a Purple Heart Community. The contributions and sacrifices of the men and women from the State of Arkansas, Izard County, and Horseshoe Bend who served in the Armed Forces have been vital in protecting the freedoms every American enjoys today.

Mr. Speaker, please join me once again in recognition of Izard County and the City of Horseshoe Bend as a Purple Heart County and a Purple Heart City.

HONORING DALLAS POLICE CHIEF DAVID BROWN AND HIS RETIRE-MENT FROM THE DALLAS PO-LICE DEPARTMENT

# HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Dallas Police Chief David O'Neal Brown. Chief Brown has proudly served in the Dallas Police Department since 1983 and was appointed police chief in April 2010. After more than 33 years of service to the people and City of Dallas, Chief Brown has announced his plans to retire.

Under Chief Brown's leadership, the Dallas Police Department has become a shining example for our nation of what it means to be an effective, community-oriented police force. At a time when community relations between police and the communities they serve remains tense, Chief Brown demonstrated that connecting with the community and maintaining professionalism in the field can go a long way to keeping our communities safe without unnecessarily inflaming tensions.

Chief Brown's bravery and commitment to the great State of Texas was especially apparent during the tragic attack in Dallas this year, which has amounted to the deadliest incident for law enforcement in the United States since the September 11th attacks. The shooting claimed the lives of four Dallas Police officers and one DART officer, while injuring nine others. Instead of responding with violence or an impulsive reaction to the brutality that we witnessed that fateful night, Chief Brown demonstrated incredible professionalism by trying to recognize the root cause of the tension and to continue working to end the divisiveness between the citizens and law enforcement through alternative means.

The Dallas Police Department is comprised of some of the most capable and professional law enforcement officers in the country. Chief Brown's leadership within DPD has not gone unnoticed and I, along with the people of Dallas, am incredibly grateful for his service. I wish Chief Brown tremendous success in his future endeavors and extend my most sincere appreciation for his service to the City of Dallas and the State of Texas.

IN HONOR OF THE LIFE OF JAMES G. PATTERSON

#### HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I

ask for the House's attention today to recognize the life of James G. Patterson.

August 22nd marks the birthday of Mr. Patterson who served his country in Korea until the conflict ended on July 27, 1953. Mr. Patterson returned to Alabama in the late 1950s and joined the Alabama National Guard. He served at the integration of the University of Alabama in June of 1963 and during the third Civil Rights march from Selma to Montgomery in 1965. His Army and National Guard experience were important to him and he shared his admiration and respect for Korea, education, religion and civil rights with his son, James E. Patterson, an Auburn University graduate, an Associate Member of the Korean War Veterans Association and a life member of the America Foreign Service Association.

Mr. Patterson's son honored his father, who passed away in 2003, by appearing as a reporter in the 2015 film "Selma." His son had his late father's military photo in his pocket as his scenes were filmed in Atlanta the week of Father's Day in 2014. James also wrote an article in the April 2015 issue of the National Guard Magazine titled, "Proud of My Father."

On August 22, the Patterson family remembers and celebrates the life of James G. Patterson by volunteering at libraries, churches and schools.

A TRIBUTE TO MONICA FRIEDMAN

# HON. DAVID YOUNG

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company, Inc. Vice President of Human Resources Monica Friedman for being named a 2016 Women of Influence honoree by the award-winning central Iowa publication, Business Record.

For 17 years, the Business Record has undertaken an exhaustive annual review to identify a standout group of women who have made a significant difference in business, civic and philanthropic endeavors throughout the Greater Des Moines Area. Ms. Friedman has devoted her life to doing so many challenges which many others might avoid. She has spent countless hours on various boards while blazing a trail for others to follow. She was selected for the chosen field of expertise, the lasting impact on the community, involvement with civic or nonprofit organization and being seen as a role model because of her lofty achievements and high ethical standards.

Monica Friedman has the determination and drive to be successful in anything she does, and her exemplary work with Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company, Inc. is a testament to that. She is an integral component of one of America's most successful companies, building a long and illustrious career with Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company, Inc. In all aspects of her life Monica Friedman is an example of hard work and service who makes Iowans proud.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Monica Friedman in the

United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize and applaud her for utilizing her talents to better both her community and the great state of Iowa. I invite my colleagues in the House to join me in congratulating Monica Friedman on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing Ms. Friedman a long and successful career.

COMMEMORATING THE 175TH ANNI-VERSARY OF THE HISTORIC GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

# HON. DARIN LaHOOD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. LAHOOD. Mr. Speaker, today, I would like to recognize Historic Grace Lutheran Church in Springfield, IL. This month marks their 175th anniversary of spreading God's Word, serving the community, and worship.

Grace Lutheran is both spiritually and historically significant. The Church's entirely stone steeple is one of only two of its kind in the country. Further, recognized as part of the Lincoln Home National Historic Site, Grace Lutheran's founder, Reverend Francis Springer, was a neighbor of Abraham Lincoln, in Springfield.

Historic Grace Lutheran Church not only has a rich history, but it continues to serve the Greater Springfield Area with the utmost dedication. Its congregation remains committed to service through charitable endeavors including regular contributions to local food pantries. Their ongoing efforts to support the students, teachers, and staff of McClernand Elementary School and other schools in the area are commendable. Their commitment to helping the lives of the poor, uneducated, and the hungry embodies the virtues of true servants of God.

On September 18, 2016, the Historic Grace Lutheran Church will celebrate 175 years of encompassing in the spirit of charity, religion, and community. As this momentous occasion is celebrated, I extend my sincerest congratulations and gratitude to the parish of Historic Grace Lutheran Church for all that they have done and continue to do.

United States Congress and it is with great IN HONOR OF DR. MILDRED LEE pride that I recognize and applaud her for utilizing her talents to better both her community THE VA

#### HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I ask for the House's attention today to recognize Dr. Mildred Lee Kelley Dixon's years of service to the VA.

Dr. Dixon was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on September 7, 1916 to Spencer and Annie Kelley. She graduated from East Orange High School in New Jersey and later from Dental Nursing School. In 1944, she graduated from the Ohio College of Chiropody (Kent State University College of Podiatric Medicine).

She moved to Tuskegee, Alabama, and married James O. Dixon (deceased) and was blessed with two children: James and Denise.

Prior to working at the Tuskegee VA Hospital, known today as Central Alabama Health Care System, she was employed as Dean of Women at Tuskegee Institute. She also worked as a Dental Assistant for Dr. Clark, D.D.S. in Opelika and was a private practitioner and shoe sales representative at Child Life Shoes.

Dr. Dixon was the first female Podiatrist employed by the VA Hospital and the first Black Podiatrist. She received an Honorary Doctorate of Medicine, International University of Health Sciences, School of Medicine, St. Kitts and established the first Podiatric Residency Program in Alabama.

In addition to providing podiatric care to Veterans at the VA Hospital, Dr. Dixon traveled to VA Hospitals in Montgomery (1977–1984) and Tuscaloosa (1982–1984) to provide podiatric care. She was a regular contributor to the Chiropody Journal and other professional medical journals, in the U.S. and abroad.

Dr. Dixon is Past President of AARP, Chapter #3428, a volunteer with Macon County RSVP, a volunteer for the National Park Services, a member of AAUW, NAACP, APHA, National Academy Practice, and AWP, the past-President of the Association of Podiatrists in Federal Services, a Life Member of APMA and past-President of the National Podiatric Medical Association. Dr. Dixon is a member of Greenwood Missionary Baptist Church in Tuskegee, still active in the community and continues to serve as a volunteer.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing Dr. Dixon for her service to others and help me wish her a happy 100th birthday on September 7th.

# Daily Digest

# HIGHLIGHTS

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# Senate

# **Chamber** Action

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Measures Introduced: Six bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3284–3289. Page S5279

# Measures Reported:

Reported on Tuesday, August 30, during the adjournment:

Report to accompany S. 461, to provide for alternative financing arrangements for the provision of certain services and the construction and maintenance of infrastructure at land border ports of entry. (S. Rept. No. 114–303)

Report to accompany S. 2509, to improve the Government-wide management of Federal property. (S. Rept. No. 114–304)

S. 2964, to eliminate or modify certain mandates of the Government Accountability Office. (S. Rept. No. 114–305)

S. 2967, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Office of Management and Budget to execute a national biodefense strategy, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 114–306)

S. 2971, to authorize the National Urban Search and Rescue Response System, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 114–307)

S. 718, to modify the boundary of Petersburg National Battlefield in the Commonwealth of Virginia, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 114–308)

S. 1577, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of East Rosebud Creek in Carbon County, Montana, as components of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 114–309)

S. 1623, to establish the Maritime Washington National Heritage Area in the State of Washington, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 114–310)

S. 2360, to improve the administration of certain programs in the insular areas, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 114–311)

H.R. 1289, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire approximately 44 acres of land in Martinez, California. (S. Rept. No. 114–312)

H.R. 2288, to remove the use restrictions on certain land transferred to Rockingham County, Virginia. (S. Rept. No. 114–313)

H.R. 2615, to establish the Virgin Islands of the United States Centennial Commission. (S. Rept. No. 114-314)

S. 2319, to amend the Communications Act of 1934.

Reported on Tuesday, September 6:

S. 1167, to modify the boundaries of the Pole Creek Wilderness, the Owyhee River Wilderness, and the North Fork Owyhee Wilderness and to authorize the continued use of motorized vehicles for livestock monitoring, herding, and grazing in certain wilderness areas in the State of Idaho, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 114–315)

S. 1662, to include Livingston County, the city of Jonesboro in Union County, and the city of Freeport in Stephenson County, Illinois, to the Lincoln National Heritage Area. (S. Rept. No. 114–316)

S. 1690, to establish the Mountains to Sound Greenway National Heritage Area in the State of Washington, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 114–317)

S. 1696, to redesignate the Ocmulgee National Monument in the State of Georgia, to revise the boundary of that monument, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 114–318)

S. 1777, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to maintain or replace certain facilities and structures for commercial recreation services at Smith Gulch in Idaho, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114–319)

S. 1930, to adjust the boundary of the Kennesaw Mountain National Battlefield Park to include the Wallis House and Harriston Hill. (S. Rept. No. 114-320)

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S. 1943, to modify the boundary of the Shiloh National Military Park located in the State of Tennessee and Mississippi, to establish Parker's Crossroads Battlefield as an affiliated area of the National Park System, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 114–321)

S. 2018, to convey, without consideration, the reversionary interests of the United States in and to certain non-Federal land in Glennallen, Alaska. (S. Rept. No. 114–322)

S. 2087, to modify the boundary of the Fort Scott National Historic Site in the State of Kansas, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 114–323)

S. 2177, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the Medgar Evers House, located in Jackson, Mississippi. (S. Rept. No. 114–324)

 $\hat{S}$ . 2223, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Bureau of Land Management land from the Secretary of the Interior to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for inclusion in the Black Hills National Cemetery, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 114–325)

S. 2412, to establish the Tule Lake National Historic Site in the State of California. (S. Rept. No. 114–326)

S. 2524, to insure adequate use and access to the existing Bolts Ditch headgate and ditch segment within the Holy Cross Wilderness in Eagle County, Colorado, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 114–327)

S. 2608, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to place signage on Federal land along the trail known as the "American Discovery Trail". (S. Rept. No. 114–328)

S. 2620, to facilitate the addition of park administration at the Coltsville National Historical Park. (S. Rept. No. 114–329)

S. 2805, to modify the boundary of Voyageurs National Park in the State of Minnesota, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 114–330)

S. 2839, to amend the Gullah/Geechee Cultural Heritage Act to extend the authorization for the Gullah/Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Commission. (S. Rept. No. 114–331)

S. 2954, to establish the Ste. Genevieve National Historic Site in the State of Missouri, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114-332)

S. 3020, to update the map of, and modify the acreage available for inclusion in, the Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114–333)

S. 3027, to clarify the boundary of Acadia National Park, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114–334)

H.R. 959, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the

Medgar Evers House, located in Jackson, Mississippi. (S. Rept. No. 114-335)

Report to accompany H.R. 1475, to authorize a Wall of Remembrance as part of the Korean War Veterans Memorial and to allow certain private contributions to fund that Wall of Remembrance. (S. Rept. No. 114–336)

H.R. 2880, to redesignate the Martin Luther King, Junior, National Historic Site in the State of Georgia. (S. Rept. No. 114–337)

Report to accompany H.R. 3004, to amend the Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Act to extend the authorization for the Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor Commission. (S. Rept. No. 114–338)

H.R. 3620, to amend the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Improvement Act to provide access to certain vehicles serving residents of municipalities adjacent to the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area. (S. Rept. No. 114–339)

H.R. 4119, to authorize the exchange of certain land located in Gulf Islands National Seashore, Jackson County, Mississippi, between the National Park Service and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 114–340)

H.R. 4539, to establish the 400 Years of African-American History Commission. (S. Rept. No. 114-341)

S. 1818, to amend title 5, United States Code, to reform the rule making process of agencies, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114–342)

S. 1820, to require agencies to publish an advance notice of proposed rule making for major rules, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 114-343)

S. 2970, to amend title 5, United States Code, to expand law enforcement availability pay to employees of the Air and Marine Operations of U.S. Customs and Border Protection. (S. Rept. No. 114–344) Pages S5278-79

# Measures Considered:

**Department of Defense Appropriations Act:** By 55 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 136), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 5293, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017. **Pages S5239-49** 

Water Resources Development Act—Agreement: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2848, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States. Page S5240

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, September 7, 2016.

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# **Conference Reports:**

Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act: Senate resumed consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 2577, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016. Page S5229-40

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 52 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 135), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the conference report to accompany the bill. **Page S5239** 

# Appointments:

*Evidence-Based Policymaking Commission:* The Chair announced, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 114–140, the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Evidence-Based Policy-making Commission: Kathleen B. Rice of Indiana (data minimization/personal-identifiable information expert), Robert J. Shea of Virginia (data expert with experience in administering programs), and Kenneth R. Troske of Kentucky (academic researcher/data expert). Page S5227

United States Commission on International Religious Freedom: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, upon the recommendation of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105–292, as amended by Public Law 106–55, Public Law 107–228, and Public Law 112–75, appointed the following individual to the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom: Clifford D. May of Maryland, vice M. Zuhdi Jasser. Page S5227 National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity: The Chair announced, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 110–315, the re-appointment of the following individuals to be members of the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity: Anne D. Neal of the District of Columbia and Richard F. O'Donnell of Colorado. Page S5290

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Abid Riaz Qureshi, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia.

5 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

41 Army nominations in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—136) Pages S5239, S5239–40

Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 7:14 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, September 7, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5294.)

# **Committee Meetings**

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

# **Chamber** Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 5931–5941; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 841–842, 845–846, were introduced.

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# Additional Cosponsors:

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**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 5578, to establish certain rights for sexual assault survivors, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–707, Part 1); H.R. 3286, to encourage effective, voluntary private sector investments to recruit, employ, and retain men and women who have served in the United States military with annual presidential awards to private sector employers recognizing such efforts, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–708);

H.R. 3471, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the provision of automobiles and adaptive equipment by the Department of Veterans Affairs, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–709);

H.R. 3974, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to provide educational assistance to certain former members of the Armed Forces for education and training as physician assistants of the Department of Veterans Affairs, to establish pay grades and require competitive pay for physician assistants of the Department, and for other purposes, with amendments (H. Rept. 114–710);

H.R. 3881, to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to repeal provisions relating only to the Allegheny National Forest, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–711);

H.R. 4245, to exempt importation and exportation of sea urchins and sea cucumbers from licensing requirements under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, with amendments (H. Rept. 114–712, Part 1);

H.R. 5577, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct offshore oil and gas lease sales through Internet-based live lease sales, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–713);

H.R. 3839, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Bureau of Land Management land from the Secretary of the Interior to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for inclusion in the Black Hills National Cemetery, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–714, Part 1);

H.R. 1157, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to take land into trust for the benefit of the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–715);

H.R. 3342, to provide for stability of title to certain lands in the State of Louisiana, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–716);

H.R. 3843, to authorize for a 7-year period the collection of claim location and maintenance fees, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–717, Part 1);

H.R. 4576, to implement the Convention on the Conservation and Management of High Seas Fisheries Resources in the North Pacific Ocean, to implement the Convention on the Conservation and Management of High Seas Fishery Resources in the South Pacific Ocean, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–718);

H.R. 5468, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to allow for prepayment of repayment obligations under Repayment Contracts between the United States and the Weber Basin Water Conservancy District (H. Rept. 114–719);

H. Res. 169, acknowledging and honoring brave young men from Hawaii who enabled the United States to establish and maintain jurisdiction in remote equatorial islands as prolonged conflict in the Pacific lead to World War II (H. Rept. 114–720);

S. 1579, to enhance and integrate Native American tourism, empower Native American communities, increase coordination and collaboration between Federal tourism assets, and expand heritage and cultural tourism opportunities in the United States (H. Rept. 114–721, Part 1);

S. 246, to establish the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–722);

H.R. 4850, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to exempt certain micro-offerings from the registration requirements of such Act, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–723);

H. Res. 843, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5063) to limit donations made pursuant to settlement agreements to which the United States is a party, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114-724);

H. Res. 844, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2357) to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to revise Form S–3 so as to add listing and registration of a class of common equity securities on a national securities exchange as an additional basis for satisfying the requirements of General Instruction I.B.1. of such form and to remove such listing and registration as a requirement of General Instruction I.B.6. of such form, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5424) to amend the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 and to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to amend its rules to modernize certain requirements relating to investment advisers, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–725); and

H.R. 4852, to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to revise Regulation D relating to exemptions from registration requirements for certain sales of securities, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–726). Pages H5094–95

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Denham to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H5041 Member Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Whitfield, wherein he resigned as Representative for the First Congressional District of Kentucky, effective 6 p.m. on September 6, 2016.

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Recess: The House recessed at 2:17 p.m. and reconvened at 4:01 p.m. Page H5043

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Gold Star Families Voices Act: H.R. 4511, to amend the Veterans' Oral History Project Act to allow the collection of video and audio recordings of biographical histories by immediate family members of members of the Armed Forces who died as a result of their service during a period of war;

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Survivors' Bill of Rights Act of 2016: H.R. 5578, to establish certain rights for sexual assault survivors, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 399 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 479;

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Making technical amendments to update statutory references to certain provisions classified to title 2, United States Code: H.R. 2830, to make technical amendments to update statutory references to certain provisions classified to title 2, United States Code; Pages H5049-51

Making technical amendments to update statutory references to provisions classified to chapters 44, 45, 46, and 47 of title 50, United States Code: H.R. 2831, amended, to make technical amendments to update statutory references to provisions classified to chapters 44, 45, 46, and 47 of title 50, United States Code; Pages H5051-57

Making technical amendments to update statutory references to certain provisions classified to title 52, United States Code: H.R. 2832, amended, to make technical amendments to update statutory references to certain provisions classified to title 52, United States Code; Pages H5057-63

Cooperative Management of Mineral Rights Act: H.R. 3881, amended, to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to repeal provisions relating only to the Allegheny National Forest, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote 395 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 480;

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Bolts Ditch Access and Use Act: H.R. 4510, amended, to insure adequate use and access to the existing Bolts Ditch headgate and ditch segment within the Holy Cross Wilderness in Eagle County, Colorado; Page H5064

Fort Frederica National Monument Boundary Expansion Act: H.R. 3480, amended, to expand the boundary of Fort Frederica National Monument in the State of Georgia; Pages H5064-65

*Fort Ontario Study Act:* H.R. 4202, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of Fort Ontario in the State of New York; Pages H5065-67

Exempting importation and exportation of sea urchins and sea cucumbers from licensing requirements under the Endangered Species Act of 1973: H.R. 4245, amended, to exempt importation and exportation of sea urchins and sea cucumbers from licensing requirements under the Endangered Species Act of 1973; Pages H5067-68

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To exempt exportation of certain echinoderms and mollusks from licensing requirements under the Endangered Species Act of 1973.". Page H5068

Authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to establish a structure for visitor services on the Arlington Ridge tract, in the area of the U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial: H.R. 4789, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish a structure for visitor services on the Arlington Ridge tract, in the area of the U.S. Marine Corps War Memorial;

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Innovation in Offshore Leasing Act: H.R. 5577, amended, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct offshore oil and gas lease sales through Internet-based live lease sales; and Pages H5069-70

Black Hills National Cemetery Boundary Expansion Act: H.R. 3839, amended, to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain Bureau of Land Management land from the Secretary of the Interior to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for inclusion in the Black Hills National Cemetery. Pages H5073-74

Recess: The House recessed at 5:36 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. Page H5070

Whole Number of the House: The Chair announced to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from Kentucky, Mr. Whitfield, the whole number of the House is 432.

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Expressing the profound sorrow of the House of Representatives on the death of the Honorable Mark Takai: The House agreed to H. Res. 841, expressing the profound sorrow of the House of Representatives on the death of the Honorable Mark Takai, a Representative from the State of Hawaii.

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Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in memory of the late Honorable Mark Takai. Pages H5071-72 Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5071 and H5072. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and at 8:16 p.m., pursuant to House Resolution 841, the House stands adjourned as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Honorable Mark Takai.

# **Committee Meetings** ACCELERATING ACCESS TO CAPITAL ACT OF 2015; INVESTMENT ADVISERS MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2016; STOP SETTLEMENT SLUSH FUNDS ACT OF 2016

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 2357, the "Accelerating Access to Capital Act of 2015"; H.R. 5424, the "Investment Advisers Modernization Act of 2016"; and H.R. 5063, the "Stop Settlement Slush Funds Act of 2016". The committee granted, by record vote of 9-2, a structured rule for H.R. 2357. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule makes in order as original text for the purpose of amendment an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 114-62 and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in part A of the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part A of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The Committee also granted a structured rule for H.R. 5424. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted, and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order

against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule makes in order only the further amendment printed in part B of the Rules Committee report, if offered by the Member designated in the report, which shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in part B of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The Committee granted, by record vote of 9-2, a structured rule for H.R. 5063. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule makes in order as original text for the purpose of amendment the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill and provides that it shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute. The rule makes in order only those further amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Goodlatte, Chairman Price of Georgia, and Representatives Hurt, Maxine Waters of California, Johnson of Georgia, Rice of South Carolina, and Jackson Lee.

# Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

# NEW PUBLIC LAWS

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H.R. 636, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund. Signed on July 15, 2016. (Public Law 114–190) H.R. 3766, to direct the President to establish guidelines for covered United States foreign assistance programs. Signed on July 15, 2016. (Public Law 114–191)

H.R. 4372, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15 Rochester Street, Bergen, New York, as the Barry G. Miller Post Office. Signed on July 15, 2016. (Public Law 114–192)

H.R. 4960, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 525 N Broadway in Aurora, Illinois, as the "Kenneth M. Christy Post Office Building". Signed on July 15, 2016. (Public Law 114–193)

S. 2845, to extend the termination of sanctions with respect to Venezuela under the Venezuela Defense of Human Rights and Civil Society Act of 2014. Signed on July 15, 2016. (Public Law 114–194)

S. 1252, to authorize a comprehensive strategic approach for United States foreign assistance to developing countries to reduce global poverty and hunger, achieve food and nutrition security, promote inclusive, sustainable, agricultural-led economic growth, improve nutritional outcomes, especially for women and children, build resilience among vulnerable populations. Signed on July 20, 2016. (Public Law 114–195)

H.R. 4875, to establish the United States Semiquincentennial Commission. Signed on July 22, 2016. (Public Law 114–196)

H.R. 5588, to increase, effective as of December 1, 2016, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans. Signed on July 22, 2016. (Public Law 114–197)

S. 524, to authorize the Attorney General and Secretary of Health and Human Services to award grants to address the national epidemics of prescription opioid abuse and heroin use, and to provide for the establishment of an inter-agency task force to review, modify, and update best practices for pain management and prescribing pain medication. Signed on July 22, 2016. (Public Law 114–198)

S. 2840, to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to authorize COPS grantees to use grant funds for active shooter training. Signed on July 22, 2016. (Public Law 114–199)

H.R. 2607, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7802 37th Avenue in Jackson Heights, New York, as the "Jeanne and Jules Manford Post Office Building". Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–200)

H.R. 3700, to provide housing opportunities in the United States through modernization of various housing programs. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114-201)

H.R. 3931, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 620 Central Avenue Suite 1A in Hot Springs National Park, Arkansas, as the "Chief Petty Officer Adam Brown United States Post Office". Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–202)

H.R. 3953, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4122 Madison Street, Elfers, Florida, as the "Private First Class Felton Roger Fussell Memorial Post Office". Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–203)

H.R. 4010, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 522 North Central Avenue in Phoenix, Arizona, as the "Ed Pastor Post Office". Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–204)

H.R. 4425, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 110 East Powerhouse Road in Collegeville, Minnesota, as the "Eugene J. McCarthy Post Office". Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–205)

H.R. 4747, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6691 Church Street in Riverdale, Georgia, as the "Major Gregory E. Barney Post Office Building". Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–206)

H.R. 4761, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 61 South Baldwin Avenue in Sierra Madre, California, as the "Louis Van Iersel Post Office". Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–207)

H.R. 4777, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1301 Alabama Avenue in Selma, Alabama as the "Amelia Boynton Robinson Post Office Building". Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–208)

H.R. 4877, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3130 Grants Lake Boulevard in Sugar Land, Texas, as the "LCpl Garrett W. Gamble, USMC Post Office Building". Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–209)

H.R. 4904, to require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to issue a directive on the management of software licenses. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–210)

H.R. 4925, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 229 West Main Cross Street, in Findlay, Ohio, as the "Michael Garver Oxley Memorial Post Office Building". Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–211)

H.R. 4975, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5720 South 142nd Street in Omaha, Nebraska, as the "Petty Officer 1st Class Caleb A. Nelson Post Office Building". Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–212)

H.R. 4987, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3957 2nd Avenue in Laurel Hill, Florida, as the "Sergeant First Class William 'Kelly' Lacey Post Office". Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–213)

H.R. 5028, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 10721 E Jefferson Ave in Detroit, Michigan, as the "Mary E. McCoy Post Office Building". Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–214)

H.R. 5722, to establish the John F. Kennedy Centennial Commission. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–215)

S. 764, to reauthorize and amend the National Sea Grant College Program Act. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–216)

S. 2893, to reauthorize the sound recording and film preservation programs of the Library of Congress. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–217)

S. 3055, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide a dental insurance plan to veterans and survivors and dependents of veterans. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–218)

S. 3207, to authorize the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped to provide playback equipment in all formats. Signed on July 29, 2016. (Public Law 114–219)

# COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2016

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the Administration's proposal for a United Nations resolution on the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Indian Affairs: business meeting to consider S. Con. Res. 49, supporting efforts to stop the theft, illegal possession or sale, transfer, and export of tribal cultural items of Indians, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians in the United States and internationally, S. 2711, to expand opportunity for Native American children through additional options in education, and S. 2959, to amend the White Mountain Apache Tribe Water Rights Quantification Act of 2010 to clarify the use of amounts in the WMAT Settlement Fund; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine S. 2285, to provide for the recognition of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, S. 3234, to amend the Native American Business Development, Trade Promotion, and Tourism Act of 2000, the Buy Indian Act, the Indian Trader Act, and the Native American Programs Act of 1974 to provide industry and economic development opportunities to Indian communities, S. 3261, to establish a business incubators program within the Department of the Interior to promote economic development in Indian reservation communities, and H.R. 4685, to take certain Federal lands located in Tulare County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Tule River Indian Tribe, 2:30 p.m., SD–628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Walter David Counts, III, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas, Karen Gren Scholer, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Texas, and E. Scott Frost, James Wesley Hendrix, and Irma Carrillo Ramirez, each to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine Veterans Health Administration best practices, focusing on exploring the Diffusion of Excellence initiative, 2:30 p.m., SR-418.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine securing America's retirement future, focusing on the Bipartisan Policy Center's recommendations to boost savings, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

#### House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing entitled "Deferred Maintenance in the Nuclear Security Enterprise: Safety and Mission Risks", 3:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation: Scoring Assumptions and Real-World Implications", 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing entitled "Federal Power Act: Historical Perspectives", 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* Subcommittee on Monetary Policy and Trade, hearing entitled "Federal Reserve Districts: Governance, Monetary Policy, and Economic Performance", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled "The Growing Crisis in South Sudan", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Judgment Fund: Iran, Big Settlements, and the Lack of Transparency", 10:30 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources,* Full Committee, markup on H.R. 3764, the "Tribal Recognition Act of 2015"; H.R. 4564, the "Robert Emmet Park Act of 2016"; H.R. 5032, to allow certain property in the town of Louisa, Virginia, to be used for purposes related to compliance with water quality standards, and for other purposes; and H.R. 5259, the "Certainty for States and Tribes Act", 5 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Department of Defense Office of Inspector General's Military Whistleblower Reprisal Investigations", 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn. Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Space, hearing entitled "Commercial Remote Sensing: Facilitating Innovation and Leadership", 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Ensuring Opportunities: Oversight of the HUBZone Program", 11 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure,* Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation; and Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, joint hearing entitled "Federal Maritime Navigation Programs: Interagency Cooperation and Technological Change", 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs,* Full Committee, business meeting on possible motions to subpoena information from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; and hearing entitled "From Tumult to Transformation: The Commission on Care and the Future of the VA Healthcare System", 10:15 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing entitled "Unemployment Insurance: An Overview of the Challenges and Strengths of Today's System", 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "The Evolution of Quality in Medicare Part A", 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

# CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

# Week of September 7 through September 9, 2016

# Senate Chamber

On *Wednesday*, at approximately 10 a.m., Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2848, Water Resources Development Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

# Senate Committees

# (Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* September 7, to hold hearings to examine the Administration's proposal for a United Nations resolution on the Comprehensive Nuclear Test-Ban Treaty, 10 a.m., SD-419.

September 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Pakistan, focusing on challenges for United States interests, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: September 8, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, to hold hearings to examine reviewing independent agency rulemaking, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* September 7, business meeting to consider S. Con. Res. 49, supporting efforts to stop the theft, illegal possession or sale, transfer, and export of tribal cultural items of Indians, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiians in the United States and internationally, S. 2711, to expand opportunity for Native

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September 8, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 2763, to provide the victims of Holocaust-era persecution and their heirs a fair opportunity to recover works of art confiscated or misappropriated by the Nazis, S. 3155, to amend chapter 97 of title 28, United States Code, to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section 1605(a)(3) of such title, S. 3270, to prevent elder abuse and exploitation and improve the justice system's response to victims in elder abuse and exploitation cases, and the nominations of Danny C. Reeves, of Kentucky, and Charles R. Breyer, of California, both to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission, Kathleen Marie Sweet, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of New York, Lucy Haeran Koh, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and Florence Y. Pan, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, Time to be announced, S-216, Capitol.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* September 7, to hold hearings to examine Veterans Health Administration best practices, focusing on exploring the Diffusion of Excellence initiative, 2:30 p.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: September 8, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: September 7, to hold hearings to examine securing America's retirement future, focusing on the Bipartisan Policy Center's recommendations to boost savings, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

## **House Committees**

Committee on Armed Services, September 8, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing entitled "Views on H.R. 4298: Vietnam Helicopter Crew Memorial Act

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and H.R. 5458: Veteran's TRICARE Choice Act", 3:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, September 8, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Examining Legislation to Improve Public Health", 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

September 8, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, hearing entitled "Rural Call Quality and Reliability", 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

September 9, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "An Examination of Federal Mental Health Parity Laws and Regulations", 9 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, September 8, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Fueling Terror: The Dangers of Ransom Payments to Iran", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, September 8, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Reforming the National Security Council: Efficiency and Accountability", 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

September 8, Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa; and the Subcommittee on Energy of the House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, joint hearing entitled "Eastern Mediterranean Energy: Challenges and Opportunities for U.S. Regional Priorities", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

September 8, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing entitled "Asia's Growing Hunger for Energy: U.S. Policy and Supply Opportunities", 3 p.m., 2255 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* September 8, Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence, hearing entitled "State and Local Perspectives on Federal Information Sharing", 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, September 8, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 3438, the "Require Evaluation before Implementing Executive Wishlists Act of 2015", 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn. *Committee on Natural Resources,* September 8, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 3764, the "Tribal Recognition Act of 2015"; H.R. 4564, the "Robert Emmet Park Act of 2016"; H.R. 5032, to allow certain property in the town of Louisa, Virginia, to be used for purposes related to compliance with water quality standards, and for other purposes; and H.R. 5259, the "Certainty for States and Tribes Act" (continued), 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, September 8, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Examining FOIA Compliance at the Department of State", 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 9, Subcommittee on Transportation and Public Assets, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Response to the Baton Rouge Flood Disaster", 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, September 8, Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Tax and Capital Access, hearing entitled "Struggling to Grow: Assessing the Challenges for Small Businesses in Rural America", 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means,* September 8, Full Committee, markup on a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to establish a demonstration program to provide integrated care for Medicare beneficiaries with end-stage renal disease, and for other purposes; and H.R. 954, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt from the individual mandate certain individuals who had coverage under a terminated qualified health plan funded through the Consumer Operated and Oriented Plan (CO–OP) program, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

#### Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: September 8, to hold hearings to examine Federal debt, focusing on direction, drivers, and dangers, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Conference:* September 8, meeting of conferences on S. 2012, to provide for the modernization of the energy policy of the United States, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

# Résumé of Congressional Activity

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#### January 4 through July 31, 2016

### DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

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	Senate	House	Total
Days in session	103	93	
Time in session	591 hrs., 20'	461 hrs., 15'	
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	5,205	5,039	
Extensions of Remarks		1,170	
Public bills enacted into law	39	65	104
Private bills enacted into law			
Bills in conference	3	3	
Measures passed, total	304	405	709
Senate bills	60	41	
House bills	64	276	
Senate joint resolutions	1	1	
House joint resolutions	1	1	
Senate concurrent resolutions	10	5	
House concurrent resolutions	9	18	
Simple resolutions	159	63	
Measures reported, total	*196	317	513
Senate bills	138	6	
House bills	25	259	
Senate joint resolutions			
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Senate concurrent resolutions	4		
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Simple resolutions	29	46	
Special reports	9	2	
Conference reports	2	2	
Measures pending on calendar	356	89	
Measures introduced, total	1,088	1,945	3,033
Bills	848	1,618	
Joint resolutions	10	18	
Concurrent resolutions	24	43	
Simple resolutions	206	266	
Quorum calls		1	
Yea-and-nay votes	134	184	
Recorded votes		293	
Bills vetoed	1	3	
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Withdrawn	11
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10 a.m., Wednesday, September 7

### Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2848, Water Resources Development Act.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

#### Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, September 7

#### House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 506-Stop Settlement Slush Funds Act of 2016 (Subject to a Rule). Consideration of measures under suspension of the rules.

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