

PN1601 AIR FORCE nominations (51) beginning ALISON LEE BEACH, and ending COURTNEY LYNN ZUERCHER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of February 8, 2018.

PN1788 AIR FORCE nominations (65) beginning MICHAEL J. ABBOTT, and ending DAVID RUSSELL WRIGHT, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 9, 2018.

#### IN THE ARMY

PN1753 ARMY nomination of Tia W. Caphart, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 19, 2018.

PN1754 ARMY nomination of Napoleon A. Campos, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 19, 2018.

PN1755 ARMY nomination of Kevin R. Embry, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 19, 2018.

PN1756 ARMY nomination of Andrew J. Furjanic, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 19, 2018.

PN1757 ARMY nomination of Daniel L. Lee, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 19, 2018.

PN1758 ARMY nomination of John M. Williams, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 19, 2018.

PN1789 ARMY nomination of Roberto Soriano Olivias, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 9, 2018.

PN1790 ARMY nomination of Jason Palatas, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 9, 2018.

PN1791 ARMY nominations (2) beginning JOSE R. REVELES, JR., and ending KENNETH J. STRAUSS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 9, 2018.

PN1792 ARMY nomination of D012279, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 9, 2018.

PN1793 ARMY nomination of Russell B. Gilliland, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 9, 2018.

PN1794 ARMY nomination of Erik M. Bauer, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 9, 2018.

PN1795 ARMY nomination of Lawrence W. Henry, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 9, 2018.

PN1796 ARMY nomination of Kenneth A. Willeford, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 9, 2018.

PN1797 ARMY nomination of D012941, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 9, 2018.

PN1798 ARMY nomination of Roxanne T. Sickles, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 9, 2018.

PN1814 ARMY nomination of James F. Huggins, II, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 10, 2018.

PN1817 ARMY nomination of Denny L. Rozenberg, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 10, 2018.

#### IN THE FOREIGN SERVICE

PN1436—2 FOREIGN SERVICE nomination of Robert F. Grech, which was received by

the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 8, 2018.

PN1634 FOREIGN SERVICE nominations (2) beginning Karen S. Sliter, and ending Elia P. Vanechanos, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of February 13, 2018.

PN1742 FOREIGN SERVICE nomination of Tuyvan Nguyen, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 12, 2018.

PN1744—1 FOREIGN SERVICE nominations (106) beginning Benjamin Thomas Ardell, and ending Alexander Zvinakis, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 12, 2018.

PN1745 FOREIGN SERVICE nomination of Abigail Marie Nguema, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 12, 2018.

#### IN THE MARINE CORPS

PN1590 MARINE CORPS nomination of Douglas R. Burian, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of February 5, 2018.

PN1799 MARINE CORPS nomination of Chad R. Fitzgerald, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 9, 2018.

#### IN THE NAVY

PN1276 NAVY nomination of Edward M. Crossman, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of November 27, 2017.

PN1741 NAVY nominations (11) beginning NANA K. APPIAWIAH, and ending AUSTIN R. YOUNGER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 12, 2018.

### LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate will now resume legislative session.

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

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

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

### TRIBUTE TO HOLLY CHRISTENSEN AND BREE HITCHCOCK

Mr. SULLIVAN. Mr. President, it is Thursday. As you know, I like to come to the floor, and a lot of the time, my colleague from Louisiana is actually in the Chair, so he gets to hear a lot about the great State of Alaska. I like to come to the floor to talk about someone in my State who has done an amazing job either for their community or the State or even the country. We call this person our Alaskan of the Week. I know, for the pages, it is their favorite time in the Senate because they get to learn all about what is going on in Alaska. A lot of people watching or watching on TV have found a lot of interest in this because, like every Senator here, I certainly think I come from the best State in the country. It is beautiful right now. I really want to invite everybody who is

in the Gallery or watching on TV to come up to Alaska and visit. It will be the trip of a lifetime. I promise.

Yet what makes my State truly great is the people, not just the majestic mountains and the beauty and the wildlife but the people—strong, kind, caring people who band together—let's face it—in a State with some extreme environment. Oftentimes, they band together in creative ways.

I would like to introduce today our Alaskans of the Week—Holly Christensen, from Palmer, AK, and Bree Hitchcock, who lives in Anchorage, AK. Both of these incredible women have spent countless hours helping thousands of children in Alaska and, really, across America—children who need help and care and love. They have been helping children who are suffering from cancer. This is a really incredible story. It is one of these stories that, I think, most people love to hear about because it starts with just an idea—a little movement, a spark—that turns into something big unexpectedly. It is a pebble in a pond that creates ripples that turn into waves.

This incredible story starts when Holly, an oncology nurse with three young children of her own, received news that Lilly, who was a child of one of her former classmates, was diagnosed with cancer. Lilly is young girl, and she is going through treatment—chemo. Holly knew this would be a difficult time for Lilly or for any kid who was working through the difficulties associated with cancer. Of course, a lot of times with chemo that means losing your hair. It is especially difficult for a young girl.

Holly had an idea. Why not crochet a wig for Lilly with soft yarn that made her look like a princess? So she did that. She found some soft yarn. She crocheted a whimsical wig with long, branded strands of yellow yarn, decorated with blue and red flowers, modeled after the hair of the Disney character Rapunzel. She gave this to Lilly, and this wig brightened this little girl's day during a very difficult, dark time. She was able to twirl around in a dress with her Rapunzel braid. She was able, in many ways, to be a kid again and get out of the darkness and difficulty and pain of the cancer treatments.

Then something really remarkable happened. Lilly and her parents were so happy with the wig that Holly got some friends together, and they began to make a few more wigs and then a few more—a dozen or so—for more children in Alaska who were suffering from cancer. They were wigs that were all modeled after Disney characters.

That is where Bree comes in. She is from Anchorage. She heard about Holly's project through Facebook, and she began to volunteer. Soon, they were making and distributing hundreds of wigs out of Holly's one-car garage in Palmer, AK. Eventually, they started a nonprofit organization called the