

Highway Patrol. They were able to confirm that the incident began when an inmate began showing signs of an overdose. They learned that more than 20 staff members had potentially been exposed and were sent to a hospital for treatment. They reported that some received the drug naloxone, which is used to reverse an overdose.

After investigating, the reporters at the Chillicothe Gazette were able to confirm that it was fentanyl-laced heroin that sent workers to the hospital. Reporters talked with one corrections officer who told them: We were trying to keep up with everything. It was a form of controlled chaos.

The journalists at the Gazette did what good reporters do in a rapidly unfolding incident like this one: They talked to witnesses. They reached out to the institutions involved. They established a hotline. They tracked down a pair of 911 calls, tracing the first call to 8:45 a.m. on Wednesday.

They didn't stop there. They published multiple followup stories. They looked into the prison's history. They found that the institution had a history of high drug use. They tracked down the most recent prison report. They found that Ross Correctional led the State in positive random drug tests in 2015.

Like so much good reporting, these stories were a team effort among journalists at the Gazette. I happened to be at the Gazette that morning around the time the story broke. I talked to Mike Throne, the editor. Mike understands, as all of his reporters do and as the community does, that people don't see the Chillicothe Gazette—people don't see these hard-working reporters, who are not paid a lot of money—not paid anything close to what they earn, frankly—they don't see them as enemies of the people; they see them as serving their community. These reporters do their job. They were informing us, the citizens of their State and this country. They were serving their communities in Chillicothe, Bournville, Circleville, Waverly—all over Southern Ohio. They deserve our respect.

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 President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.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

#### EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar Nos. 1069, 1070, 1071, 1072, and all nominations placed on the Secretary's desk in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy; that the nominations be confirmed; that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no

intervening action or debate; that no further motions be in order; that any statements related to the nominations be printed in the RECORD; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate resume legislative session.

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

The nominations considered and confirmed are as follows:

#### IN THE AIR FORCE

The following named officer for appointment as Chief of Air Force Reserve and appointment to the grade of lieutenant general in the Reserve of the Air Force while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., sections 601 and 8038:

#### To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Richard W. Scobee

#### IN THE ARMY

The following named Army National Guard of the United States 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. Anthony H. Adrian

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 lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Thomas S. James, Jr.

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 lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. James M. Richardson

#### NOMINATIONS PLACED ON THE SECRETARY'S DESK

#### IN THE AIR FORCE

PN2152 AIR FORCE nominations (47) beginning—LA RITA S. ABEL, and ending JARED K. YOUNG, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 18, 2018.

PN2154 AIR FORCE nominations (22) beginning DAVID A. BARGATZE, and ending FRANK YOON, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 18, 2018.

PN2400 AIR FORCE nominations (2) beginning TODD A. BIALOWAS, and ending ROSEMARY A. CITIZEN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2401 AIR FORCE nomination of Jonathan W. Beich, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2402 AIR FORCE nominations (6) beginning ROLAND W. NASH, and ending KELLY E. MILLER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

#### IN THE ARMY

PN2295 ARMY nomination of Donald C. Carmichael, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 18, 2018.

PN2358 ARMY nomination of Adam R. Liberman, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 31, 2018.

PN2359 ARMY nominations (18) beginning JEFFREY A. BRUCE, and ending PATRICK A. YOUNG, which nominations were received

by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 31, 2018.

PN2360 ARMY nominations (6) beginning TYLER Q. HEMMERICH, and ending FREDERIC M. PALLEZ, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 31, 2018.

PN2361 ARMY nomination of David M. Barnes, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 31, 2018.

PN2362 ARMY nominations (136) beginning BROOKE R. ADAMS, and ending LAURA D. YOUNG, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 31, 2018.

PN2363 ARMY nominations (185) beginning JOSEPH B. AHLBORN, and ending LASHELLE M. ZELLNER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 31, 2018.

PN2364 ARMY nominations (40) beginning RUSSELL A. BURNHAM, and ending ERIC M. WAGNER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 31, 2018.

PN2365 ARMY nominations (23) beginning JERAMIE ABEL, and ending WHITNEY A. WALDSMITH, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 31, 2018.

PN2403 ARMY nominations (11) beginning JAN K. BEHN, and ending CARLOS G. TORRESFEBUS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2404 ARMY nomination of Taylor M. Lee, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2405 ARMY nomination of Robert A. Deitz, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2406 ARMY nominations (12) beginning CHRISTOPHER E. BARTON, and ending JEFFREY D. WOOD, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2407 ARMY nomination of James M. Smith, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2408 ARMY nomination of Jeffrey S. Hartsell, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2409 ARMY nomination of Carl C. Gramstorff, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2410 ARMY nominations (99) beginning CHARLES L. ANDERSON, and ending CHANG M. R. YIM, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2411 ARMY nominations (311) beginning CHAD C. ADAMS, and ending ERIKA K. ZAVYALOV, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2412 ARMY nomination of Juan C. Rizo-Lenis, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2413 ARMY nomination of Rufus H. Shumate, III, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2414 ARMY nominations (100) beginning CAROL H. ADAMS, and ending TOMASZ ZIELINSKI, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2415 ARMY nominations (103) beginning COREBRIANS A. ABRAHAM, and ending D013412, which nominations were received by

the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2416 ARMY nominations (16) beginning KRISTIN E. AGRESTA, and ending SCOTT WILLENS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2417 ARMY nominations (26) beginning MICHAEL V. BEAN, and ending D011029, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2418 ARMY nomination of Samuel N. Blacker, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2419 ARMY nominations (3) beginning RYAN M. DERRICK, and ending ROBERT W. LOYD, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2420 ARMY nomination of Joseph L. Handke, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2421 ARMY nomination of Mallory A. Valverde, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2422 ARMY nomination of Mason W. Heimer, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2423 ARMY nomination of Roger M. Lewis, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2424 ARMY nomination of Brandy L. Gardner, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2425 ARMY nominations (10) beginning MATTHEW M. BACON, and ending WILLIAM H. WAGNER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2426 ARMY nomination of Keisha R. Douglass, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

PN2427 ARMY nomination of Julie A. Balten, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

#### IN THE MARINE CORPS

PN2429 MARINE CORPS nomination of Juliet H. Calvin, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

#### IN THE NAVY

PN2366 NAVY nomination of Katherine L. Meadows, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 31, 2018.

PN2367 NAVY nominations (44) beginning CHRISTOPHER S. ANDERSON, and ending JOSHUA M. VUKELICH, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 31, 2018.

PN2428 NAVY nomination of Alice S. Y. Shen, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of August 16, 2018.

### LEGISLATIVE SESSION

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

### MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to 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.

### REMEMBERING JESSE SCHOTT

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I would like to pay tribute to a young man who recently lost his courageous battle with cancer. Jesse Schott, a 17-year-old student at North Bullitt High School near Shepherdsville, KY, became a local hero and will be dearly missed by all those who knew and loved him.

Although first diagnosed with brain cancer at the age of 3, Jesse spent his life chasing his dreams. In fact, it was often during the darkest moments of his fight that Jesse accomplished his most impressive feats. As a first sergeant in his Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps, JROTC, Jesse commanded the color guard under the bright lights at the football stadium. Last December, after learning his cancer had spread, Jesse surprised many when he competed in a drill meet. When he was too ill to complete his Eagle Scout project to build a receptacle for old or damaged flags to be properly retired, his fellow scouts helped finish the task.

Whatever the hardship that confronted him, Jesse didn't complain. Reassured by his faith and his loving family, he persevered and kept fighting. Jesse encouraged those around him with bravery beyond his years. A fellow member of the JROTC said, "He was going through the battle of his life and he never gave up so why should I give up on anything?"

His life may have been cut short, but Jesse clearly left a lasting impact on those he met. His community honored his life and his example. The Zoneton Fire Department named him an honorary firefighter. Jesse was named the honorary mayor of Hillview. The Kentucky National Guard made him an honorary member earlier this year. Jesse's life will continue to inspire those who knew him and those who will hear his story for many years to come.

I urge my Senate colleagues to join me in extending our condolences to Jesse's family. I hope that their happy memories of Jesse will ease their grief during this difficult time.

### NOMINATION OF ELAD ROISMAN

Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Mr. President, today I wish to oppose the nomination of Elad Roisman to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, SEC.

Members of the SEC are charged with the critical tasks of protecting investors and their hard-earned savings and ensuring that capital markets are fair and transparent.

In the aftermath of the worst financial crisis since the Great Depression, these responsibilities are more important now than ever before.

That is why the Senate must confirm SEC Commissioners who have learned the lessons of the financial crisis and will prioritize investor protections and maintaining a fair marketplace for all.

Unfortunately, I am not confident that Mr. Roisman fits the bill.

As the majority chief counsel for the Senate Banking Committee, Mr. Roisman was instrumental in developing legislation that rolled back essential rules put in place after the financial crisis to protect consumers and help prevent another crisis from occurring.

According to the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office, passing that legislation into law has increased the probability that a large bank will fail or that another financial crisis will occur.

During the last financial crisis, more than 2 million Californians were unemployed, and nearly 200,000 Californians filed for bankruptcy.

We simply cannot return to that time, and Mr. Roisman's work on the Dodd-Frank rollback bill should raise concerns about his commitment to protecting consumers and promoting fair markets.

In addition, the manner in which Mr. Roisman's nomination has proceeded breaks with a longstanding Senate tradition to confirm SEC nominees in bipartisan pairs.

The President has yet to nominate a replacement for a Democratic Commissioner whose term expired in June 2017 and is slated to step down later this year.

I believe the Senate should follow its tradition of waiting until the President nominates a Democratic Commissioner before advancing Mr. Roisman, a conservative pick, in the Senate.

Proceeding in a bipartisan fashion is critical for ensuring that no President can stack independent agencies like the SEC with a large partisan majority.

For these reasons, I must regretfully vote no on Mr. Roisman's confirmation.

### TRIBUTE TO JOHN MCCAIN

Mrs. SHAHEEN. Mr. President, I wish to honor the life and legacy of my friend and colleague, Senator John McCain. Over these past months, his presence has been dearly missed, and I must admit it is still hard to imagine that John isn't coming back.

I want to associate myself with the remarks of my colleagues who have so eloquently discussed John's lasting legacy as a great statesman and as a true American hero. I join with them and so many Americans across the country in mourning his passing.

As many people know, John had a special relationship with New Hampshire, a relationship forged during his Presidential campaigns. We often considered John one of our own, a true Granite Stater. He just seemed to click with the Granite State; in fact, he