

the giants of American religious life, Rabbi Isaac Mayer Wise. Rabbi Wise adopted Ohio as his home and is recognized as the father of American Reform Judaism. His ideas and teachings and the many great institutions he founded have had a profound effect on American Judaism and on people of faith throughout our country and around the world.

Rabbi Wise believed in liberty, in life, and in faith; he wanted to ensure that his ancient religious tradition, which had sustained people for millennia, remained relevant in a new and fast-changing nation. He pioneered ideas like men and women sitting together during services and choral singing and gave so many a new way to understand and practice their faith.

The groundbreaking institutions he founded left an indelible mark on Judaism and remain an integral part of our country's religious life to this day: the Central Conference of American Rabbis—CCAR—the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, today known as the Union for Reform Judaism, and Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati.

Rabbi Wise made Cincinnati his home, and in large part because of the institutions he created, Cincinnati became central to the fabric of American Judaism. HUC is a center of Jewish thought, and this year, the CCAR will celebrate its 130th anniversary in the Queen City. The weekly newspaper Rabbi Wise founded, the Israelite, was based in Cincinnati, and that paper helped shape Reform Judaism.

Senator PORTMAN and I join the people of Ohio in remembering this great Ohioan on the bicentennial of his birth. Rabbi Wise and his legacy are a great source of pride for so many Ohioans; we are honored to recognize his incredible contributions to Judaism, to Ohio, and to our country.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO 2019 STATE FFA DEGREE RECIPIENTS

● Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, Future Farmers of America, FFA, is a noteworthy educational program that makes a difference in the lives of young Montanans by helping members navigate their future careers and enhancing their leadership skills and personal growth. FFA isn't only for those who want to end up in production agriculture, but for those who want to become teachers, businessowners, and leaders in their communities. I have had the privilege of meeting many FFA members over the last several years and have enjoyed hearing about their experiences. It is my pleasure to honor the 205 members receiving their State FFA Degree this year. The State Degree is the highest degree that can be given and requires members to complete several critical benchmarks, including 360 hours of agricultural education in high school, 10 procedures of

parliamentary law, more than 25 hours of community service, and they must serve as a chapter officer or a committee chair. Receiving the State Degree underscores a member's dedication to learning to do, doing to learn, earning to live and living to serve.

Congratulations to the 205 FFA Members receiving their State FFA Degree this year: Wilson Paytyn of Bainville, Brady Kallevig of Baker, Sean Lotzenhiser of Baker, Brayden Hankinson of Beaverhead, Harleigh Johnson of Beaverhead, Terye Noble of Beaverhead, Anthony Tatarka of Belgrade, Joe Tatarka of Belgrade, Kaydee Ann TeSelle of Belgrade, Grace Finke of Big Sandy, Bailey Gasvoda of Big Sandy, Tyler Schwarzbach of Big Sandy, Erin Taylor of Big Sandy, Georgia Wortman of Big Sandy, Laramie Haug of Big Horn, Makiko Reisig of Big Horn, Jacob Husman of Big Horn, Tayden Gee of Broadus, Beau Kuhbacher of Broadus, Erick McConnon of Broadus, Bailey Smith of Broadus, Callie Williams of Broadus, Trenton Braaten of Broadwater, Andrew Ferrat of Broadwater, Caleb Fix of Carter County, Tori Tooke of Carter County, Jean Blackman of Cascade, Kyle Evans of Cascade, Kolton Lynn of Cascade, Mackenzie Wombold of Cascade, Ryle Elliot of Chinook, Rachel Gunderson of Chinook, Kendra McMaster of Chinook, Cord Schneider of Chinook, Aiden Johnson of Choteau, Caroline Roeder of Choteau, Garret Yeager of Choteau, Jessica Adkins of Clarksfork, Desiree Jones of Clarksfork, Tristan Phillips of Clarksfork, Stephanie Skorupa of Clarksfork, Jessly Howard of Columbus, Amber LeBrun of Columbus, Richard Ratzburg of Conrad, Megan Bradshaw of Corvallis, Lacey Gregorie of Corvallis, Michael McKay of Corvallis, Emily Seifert of Corvallis, Tristan Labatte of Culbertson, Carter Nickoloff of Culbertson, Noah Nickoloff of Culbertson, Lucas Oelkers of Culbertson, Augustus Spradley of Culbertson, Kai Underdahl of Culbertson, Jordan Calloway of Custer, Deanna Stieber of Custer, Shane Trusty of Custer, Hans Lampert of Deer Lodge, Kaleb Starr of Deer Lodge, Jessica Ayers of Denton, Kein Carpenter of Denton, Parker Donaldson of Denton, Morgan Ward of Denton, Morgan Zuidema of Electric City, Berit Bedord of Fairfield, Emily Evans of Fairfield, Rachel Foster of Fairfield, Jason Gibson of Fairfield, Trace Gulick of Fairfield, Walker Heckman of Fairfield, Levi Wipf of Fairfield, Jaycie Rau of Fairview, Alex Young of Fairview, Chloe Arndt of Fergus, Grace Holzer of Fergus, Christopher Fournier of Forsyth, McKenzie Mork of Forsyth, Brandon Schnug of Forsyth, Christaen McKelvy of Fort Benton, Mackenzie Dethman of Froid, Hunter Krogedal of Froid, Haley Labatte of Froid, Boone Foons of Fromberg, Maxine Rysavy of Fromberg, Tyler Wilm of Fromberg, Joey Hale of Geraldine, Bentley McCullough of Geraldine, Caleb Meeks

of Geraldine, Ryan Seaman of Geraldine, Grant Finkbeiner of Grass Range, Reata Smith of Grass Range, Mattea Tucek of Grass Range, Sarah Boucher of Hinsdale, Chaykota Christensen of Hinsdale, John McColly of Hinsdale, Claire Stevenson of Hobson, Kristen Vincent of Hobson, Dawson Bender of Huntley Project, Codie Bowen of Huntley Project, Colton Hawkins of Huntley Project, Brooke Johnson of Huntley Project, Leslie Lile of Huntley Project, Jacob Siewert of Huntley Project, James White Huntley Project, Walker Anttila of Joliet, Justin Harris of Joliet, Lauren Hoines of Joliet, Brianna King of Joliet, Noah Salo of Joliet, Mallory Simons of Joliet, Kerstin Sweet of Joliet, Ella Thompson of Joliet, Kallie Zinne of Joliet, Thomas Bailey of Kalispell, Sophie Desch of Kalispell, Julie Duffie of Kalispell, Cole Dykhuizen of Kalispell, Jordan Horn of Kalispell, Morgan Kelly of Kalispell, Whitney Levanen of Kalispell, Bethany Lyford of Kalispell, Layton Praxel of Kalispell, Kayla Praxel of Kalispell, Cassandra Praxel of Kalispell, Amber Reiner of Kalispell, Mabry Shepard of Kalispell, Lynde Shriver of Kalispell, Madeline Sutton of Kalispell, Elizabeth Hill of Lambert, Seth Prevost of Lambert, Tyler Thiessen of Lambert, Jacalyn Wright of Lambert, Ashley Gee of Laurel, Anna Kraft of Laurel, Ryan Robertus of Laurel, Bethany Holm of Malta, Shelby Jones of Malta, Charlee Rhodes of Malta, Thomas DeJaegher of Melstone, Harry Griswold of Melstone, Abby Hansen of Melstone, Matson McClure of Misson Valley, Kylee Billingsley of Missoula, Jarrett Bowman of Missoula, Brianna Bergum of Moore, Josie Jesson of Park, Sidni Payne of Park, Andee Baker of Park City, Jerica Bursik of Park City, Megan Flemmer of Park City, Kayla Hagan of Plentywood, Randy Heppner of Plentywood, Riley Hilyard of Plentywood, Bryce Oksa of Plentywood, Brenna Oksa of Plentywood, Kacie Wacker of Plentywood, Tyler Weeks of Plentywood, Shayna Ellis of Red Lodge, Katherine Jacobsen of Redlodge, Brylee Brost of Richey, Chase Brown of Richey, Kyler Brown of Richey, Haley Olson of Richey, Abbie Smith of Richey, Leotie Whitehead of Richey, Andrew Beeler of Rosebud, Austin Quinlan of Rosebud, Tyler Eliasson of Roundup, Cassie Hull of Roundup, Rebecca Nelson of Roundup, Renee Parsons of Roundup, Cooper Shaw of Roundup, Victoria Tirado of Roundup, Irene Johnson of Roy, John Gilman of Ruby Valley, Tyler Haag of Ruby Valley, Emma Hill of Saint Regis, Ryan Van Tine of Shelby, Molly Engle of Shields Valley, Rodie Keyes of Shields Valley, Tanner Lykins of Shields Valley, Jack Marshall of Shields Valley, Kade Anderson of Sidney, Emma Torgerson of Sidney, Hannah Silva of Stevensville, Raelynne Barnett of Stillwater Valley, Shea Ostrum of Stillwater Valley, Dylan

Young of Stillwater Valley, Cody Hanson of Sweet Grass Hills, Lane Lerum of Sweet Grass Hills, Dylan Postma of Sweet Grass Hills, Raelynn Hagan of Three Forks, Enola McDonald of Three Forks, Ashley Rauser of Three Forks, Taylor Rochford of Three Forks, Ayden Anderson of Twin Bridges, Cole Escott of Twin Bridges, Aaron Grabil of Twin Bridges, Ashleigh Guinnane of Twin Bridges, Brooke Mehlhoff of Twin Bridges, Kenna Millhouse of Twin Bridges, Joseph Peterson of Twin Bridges, Wyatt Day of Victor, Teasha Johnson of Victor, Anna Slivka of Winifred.●

RECOGNIZING SUNSHINE PEANUT COMPANY

● Mr. RUBIO. Mr. President, as chairman of the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize a small business that exemplifies the unique American entrepreneurial spirit. It is my privilege to honor a Florida small business that has worked so diligently to expand opportunity within their community, proving that small businesses are the backbone of our economy and the heartbeat of Main Street. This week it is my privilege to honor Sunshine Peanut Company of Jacksonville, FL, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Founded in 2005, Sunshine Peanut Company is Florida's only peanut butter producer and processes more than 10 million pounds of peanut butter each year. Sunshine Peanut Company, owned by CEO Jeff Turbeville and his brother David, completes every phase of production, from roasting to packaging, entirely in house.

Focusing on competitive cost, high quality, and timely delivery and with the help of the Jacksonville Small Business Development Center, Sunshine Peanut Company has become a leader in the peanut processing industry. Through the utilization of their Small Business Administration HUBZone certification, Sunshine Peanut Company has been awarded contracts to sell their high-quality peanut butter to hospitals, schools, universities, and correctional facilities.

Sunshine Peanut Company's work with the Florida Department of Corrections goes far beyond just supplying peanut butter. Jeff employs a number of rehabilitated offenders, and David, a former police officer, understands firsthand the criminal justice system and the support that parolees need. Jeff takes his role as an employer and community sponsor seriously, and his dedication to provide dignified work to the members of his community that need it the most is an outstanding example of community support. Sunshine Peanut Company's efforts have resulted in reduced recidivism and increased opportunity within his community.

Jeff's efforts and Sunshine Peanut Company's success has not gone unnoticed. He was recently honored as the 2019 Florida Small business Person of

the Year by the Small Business Administration. This distinction is awarded to an entrepreneur who represents diversity, hard work, and perseverance. Jeff's commitment to both his company and his community have made him a clear choice for this award. He will be honored this year in Washington, DC, at the beginning of National Small Business Week.

Sunshine Peanut Company is a great example of how dignified work can lead to community engagement and business expansion, while changing lives for the better. I commend Jeff and the Sunshine Peanut Company on their dedication to their community and am honored to name them as the Senate Small Business of the Week. I wish them good luck and look forward to watching their continued growth and success.●

RECOGNIZING TREASURE COUNTY

● Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize one of Montana's smallest but greatest counties.

Treasure County in southcentral Montana celebrates its 100th anniversary this year. "Montana's Hidden Treasure," Treasure County is bordered by the Yellowstone River and contains rolling hills, pastures, and sugar beet farms.

It is also home to some of Montana's most unique buildings, including the Yucca Theatre in Hysham, a 1931 Spanish Mission-style beauty that David and Jim Manning built to give residents hope during the Great Depression.

The folks in Treasure County are used to fighting for recognition. At the time of its inception, neighboring counties thought the citizens were trying to syphon tax revenue from larger counties surrounding it.

But the residents of Treasure County were adamant their county be recognized, and in 1919, Hysham was named the county seat.

Since, Treasure County has been home to thousands of farmers, ranchers, Montana's longest serving legislator, and even NASA astronaut Frank Borman, as well as the deer, antelope, pheasants, geese, turkeys, grouse, sage hens, and ducks that have called this area home for millennia and that add to the natural splendor of this beautiful place.

I wish to honor Treasure County and all its people, to congratulate them on 100 great years. I know the next 100 will be even better.●

TRIBUTE TO ANDY SILINS

● Ms. WARREN. Mr. President, I would like to offer my congratulations to Mr. Andy Silins as he retires from the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, where he has served as the general secretary treasurer since 2000. He began his distinguished career in the U.S. Marine Corps and served honorably during the

Vietnam war. He furthered his commitment to service through his decades of work in the labor movement, fighting to ensure all of our workers get a fair shot at economic opportunity and respect, dignity, and a voice on the job. He joined the Carpenters Union Local 67 in 1968, and in 1979, the Boston District Council of Carpenters elected him as the general agent and executive secretary. He was elected the council's president in 1989 before moving on to work with the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America. His dedication to the labor movement helped the Carpenters secure good jobs, fair wages, and strong safety standards for its members. In addition to his labor efforts, he was one of the founders of First Trade Union Savings Bank and also served as a board member of the Massachusetts Housing Authority. I once again offer my gratitude to Andy Silins for his lifelong commitment to America's working families, for all he has done for workers across the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for his tireless fight to strengthen our labor unions. I congratulate him on his retirement and wish him the best of luck in the next chapter.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Ridgway, 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.)

PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

NOTICE OF THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO SOUTH SUDAN THAT WAS DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 13664 OF APRIL 3, 2014—PM 8

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report, which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within 90 days before the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the