Young of Stillwater Valley, Cody Hanson of Sweet Grass Hills, Lane Lerum of Sweet Grass Hills, Dylan Postma of Three Forks, Enola McDonald of Three Forks, Ashley Rauzer of Three Forks, Taylor Rochford of Three Forks, Ayden Anderson of Twin Bridges, Aaron Grabil of Twin Bridges, Ashleigh Guimane of Twin Bridges, Brooke Mehlhoff of Twin Bridges, Kenna Millhouse of Twin Bridges, Joseph Peterson of Twin Bridges, Wyatt Day of Victor, Teasha Bridges, 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 its community.

Jeff’s efforts and Sunshine Peanut Company’s success have 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 success, 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 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, Minnesota’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 1978, 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, 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.

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:

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