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The Senate met at 3 p.m. and was called to order by the President pro tempore (Mr. GRASSLEY).

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Barry C. Black, offered the following prayer:

Let us pray. Eternal God, in spite of our shortcomings, you have promised never to forsake us. In this decisive season of our Nation's history, give our lawmakers wisdom and courage. May they remember that history is a faithful stenographer who will judge their words and deeds in the shining light of truth.

Lord, provide our Senators with the grace to glorify You, as they remember You have appointed them for this moment in time. And Lord, we thank You for the courage and professionalism of the men and women in our Nation's military. We also thank You for the life and legacy of Senator Kay Hagan. 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.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. HAWLEY). The Senator from Iowa.

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to speak in morning business for 1 minute.

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

### PRESCRIPTION DRUG COSTS

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, polling consistently shows that lowering the cost of prescription drugs is a top priority for Americans. That is why I hope we can act on this pressing issue in the coming months. A failure to act would be remembered by Americans.

This week, the Democratic House is poised to pass a bill. There are many problems with that legislation, and it doesn't stand a chance of passage in the Senate. Thankfully, we have bipartisan legislation in the House-titled "Prescription Drug Pricing Reduction Act" that President Trump supports and has a clear path to being signed into law. We need the full Senate to act on this legislation. Republicans should not want to be the party that failed to act.

### RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

### CONCLUSION OF MORNING BUSINESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Morning business is closed.

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE, AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS, TRANSPORTATION, AND HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2020

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 3055, which the clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows: Making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes.

Pending:

Shelby amendment No. 948, in the nature of a substitute.

McConnell (for Shelby) amendment No. 950, to make a technical correction.

### RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The majority leader is recognized.

### REMEMBERING KAY HAGAN

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, first, I was saddened by today's news that our former colleague, the Senator from North Carolina, Kay Hagan, had passed away. During her time representing the people of North Carolina, Kay was exactly that—a gentle lady. She paired an earnest commitment to public service with a friendly and collegial approach. I know Members of both sides of the aisle will fondly remember serving alongside her in the Senate, and her perseverance in the face of serious illness these recent years was inspiring.

Today the prayers of this entire body are with Kay's husband, Chip; their children, Jeanette, Tilden, and Carrie; and with all of their family and friends at this extremely difficult time.

### DEATH OF ABU BAKR AL-BAGHDADI

Mr. President, on a completely different matter, on Sunday morning, we woke up to a better and safer world because one monster was no longer in it. Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi was the founder and leader of ISIS. In recent years, that made him the single most important target in the fight against radical Islamic terrorism.

His band of fanatics has committed heinous crimes, shed an unimaginable amount of civilian blood, and destabilized an entire region. ISIS has been party to a civil war in Syria that has claimed hundreds of thousands of innocent lives. They have run slave auctions of women and girls and effected a genocide of the Yazidi people.

Across a swath of Syria and Iraq, ISIS established a so-called caliphate, imprisoned entire communities, slaughtered vulnerable minority populations, destroyed priceless cultural relics, and imposed their will through brute force on anyone they deemed insufficiently pious. Across the globe,

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