

Ravi spent the last 36 years of his life in Atlanta. He is remembered as a man of kindness, joy, and steadfast devotion to his faith. He leaves behind his beloved wife Margie and three children: Sarah, Naomi, and Nathan, all of whom are carrying on his incredible legacy of faith and service.●

TRIBUTE TO LEE AXDAHL

● Mr. ROUNDS. Mr. President, today I recognize Lee Axdahl for his years of leadership to the State of South Dakota and our Nation as a strong advocate for highway safety.

Lee has always been a leader. Before becoming involved in highway safety, he had a successful career in radio broadcasting where he won numerous broadcast journalism awards, owned several radio stations, and served as president of the South Dakota Broadcasters Association.

Lee got his start in highway safety in 2007 when he began working at the South Dakota Office of Accident Records as the statistical program manager. In 2010, when I was working as Governor of South Dakota, I appointed Lee to serve as director of the South Dakota Highway Safety Office. He was subsequently reappointed by Governors Dennis Daugaard and Kristi Noem.

Under Lee's leadership, South Dakota has experienced record-low traffic fatality levels, including a 22-percent decline in 2019. Under his leadership, the State of South Dakota has secured a record five highway safety programming commendations in its most recent National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Management Review.

Over the years, Lee has worked to implement the State's award-winning "Grim Reaper" public awareness campaign and advocated for expansion of South Dakota's innovative 24/7 sobriety program to reduce impaired driving. He also modernized South Dakota's crash reporting abilities by adopting an electronic system, which has improved data submission periods from more than 4 months to less than 7 days.

Lee's impact on highway safety has extended beyond South Dakota. He has served on the board of directors and executive committee of the Governors Highway Safety Association—GHSA—most recently having served as its treasurer. In this role, he has mentored new highway safety directors from other States by offering insight into the successes of South Dakota. Additionally, he has served as the Federal Reauthorization Subcommittee chair for the GHSA, where he improved the Nation's transportation policy in the FAST Act.

I commend Lee Axdahl for his service to South Dakota and our Nation. I wish him the best in his future endeavors.●

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message from the President of the United States was communicated to

the Senate by Ms. Roberts, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate a message from the President of the United States submitting a nomination which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

(The message received today is printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:14 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1548. An act for the relief of Maria Carmen Castro Ramirez and J. Refugio Carreno Rojas.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 732(a) of the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement Implementation Act (Public Law 116-113), and the order of the House of January 3, 2019, the Speaker appoints the following individuals on the part of the House of Representatives to the Independent Mexico Labor Expert Board for a term of 6 years: Ms. Catherine Feingold of Takoma Park, Maryland and Mr. Frederick Gibson Ross of Berkeley, California.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 1548. An act for the relief of Maria Carmen Castro Ramirez and J. Refugio Carreno Rojas; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-4807. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a legislative proposal to implement an essential benefit for the Federal agents currently employed in the Office of Secure Transportation (OST) at the National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4808. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the fiscal year 2019 Annual Nuclear Weapons Stockpile Assessments from the Secretaries of Defense and Energy, the three national security laboratory directors, and the Commander, United States Strategic Command (OSS-2020-0399); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4809. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Emergency Management

Priorities and Allocations System (EMPAS)" (RIN1660-AB04) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 28, 2020; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4810. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Home Loan Bank Housing Goals Amendments Final Rule" (RIN2590-AA82) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 10, 2020; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4811. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Guidance Under Section 6033 Regarding the Reporting Requirements of Exempt Organizations" ((RIN1545-BN28) (TD 9898)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 9, 2020; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-4812. A communication from the Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Agency's Semiannual Report of the Office of Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4813. A communication from the Chairman, Board of Governors, United States Postal Service, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Postal Services' Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4814. A communication from the Chair of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the six-month period from October 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4815. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustments; Annual Adjustments" (RIN1076-AF49) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 10, 2020; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-4816. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tribal Transportation Program; Inventory of Proposed Roads" (RIN1076-AF45) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 10, 2020; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-4817. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Education Contracts Under Johnson-O'Malley Act" (RIN1076-AF24) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 10, 2020; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

EC-4818. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standards, Assessments, and Accountability System" (RIN1076-AF13) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 10, 2020; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.