

suffered severe injuries, but, fortunately, all of them are recovering, and they are recovering thanks to these five young men and boys who spotted the plane in the first place, which wasn't a given, since it was miles away from town, and then they reacted and got them help.

"We are very fortunate," said Alaska State Forest Director Chris Maisch, whom I know very well. He said: "You couldn't have asked for a better emergency response in this rural community from [these] young people."

Aniak City Councilman David Mattson arrived at the crash scene when the rescue was going on. He calls the action of these young men "heroic." Councilman Mattson said: Being a hero means going above and beyond for other people—putting others before themselves. And that is what those boys did—at such a young age. And such a quick reaction time. It is so inspiring.

He had lived in other cities across the country, but he gives credit to the way these boys were raised in the valleys of Aniak. He said:

We are a big family out here. It doesn't matter what you look like, or who you are or what you do—you're a fellow citizen and if you need help, [people in this part of Alaska in America] we jump in and help [others].

So these are just a few stellar examples of young Americans, young Alaskans, our next generation, who are out there doing their part—doing their part to help us during these challenging times. With young men and women like these all across our Nation and all across my State, we know we are going to continue to thrive as a country, as Americans, and as Alaskans, no matter what. We know it.

So to Dylan, Trevor, Mason, A.J., Skye, and your families, thank you for being an inspiration to us all. Thank you for your courage. Thank you for jumping in a cold lake to save lives. Thank you for your heroism. Thank you for stepping up when your community and people in need really needed you without asking any questions and without hesitating. Congratulations on being our Alaskans of the Week.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The majority leader.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the en bloc consideration of the following nominations: Executive Calendar Nos. 567 and 629.

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

The clerk will report the nominations en bloc.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the nominations of Grant C. Jaquith, of New York, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims for the term of fifteen years; and Scott J. Laurer, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States

Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims for the term of fifteen years.

Thereupon, the Senate proceeded to consider the nominations, en bloc.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate vote on the nominations en bloc with no intervening action or debate; that if confirmed, the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table en bloc; and that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

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

The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the Jaquith and Laurer nominations, en bloc?

The nominations were confirmed en bloc.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

MORNING BUSINESS

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

S. 3841

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I am pleased that earlier today the Senate passed S. 3841 by unanimous consent. This is a commonsense measure that will ensure the \$1,200 economic impact payments Congress provided to help individuals meet essential needs during these trying times don't instead end up in the pockets of creditors and debt collectors.

The CARES Act, which authorized the economic impact payments, sought to ensure that individuals in need received 100 percent of the payment they are eligible for by generally exempting such payments from administrative offset for past due debts owed to Federal or State agencies. However, as currently written, this language does not protect these payments from bank garnishment or levy by creditors or debt collectors.

The bill we passed today will further the original intent under the CARES Act of ensuring that the economic impact payments go to help individuals struggling to make ends meet as a result of government-enforced lockdowns and economic fallout of the current pandemic. It does this by extending protections against bank garnishment to economic impact payments that are very similar to what is provided to Social Security benefits under current law. Moreover, it continues the policy under the CARES Act of providing an exception for child support enforcement orders to ensure noncustodial parents who owe back child support fulfill their legal and moral obligations to their children.

I would like to thank Senators BROWN, WYDEN, and SCOTT of South Carolina for working with me on this important bill. I hope that the House passes an identical measure as soon as possible so that we can get a bill to the President's desk and these protections can be put into effect.

TRIBUTE TO MARGIE MONTGOMERY

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, people of faith across my hometown of Louisville gathered recently to mark 50 years of fighting for the unborn in the Bluegrass State. Together, they celebrated the Louisville Right to Life Association and its inspirational work for the most vulnerable in our society. I was proud to offer my congratulations to these champions for life. Today, I would like to look back to the group's founding and a remarkable Kentuckian's choice to pick up the phone.

One evening in 1970, Margie Montgomery watched a troubling editorial on the local news. The segment argued for the removal of legal restrictions on abortions. To say my friend was shocked would be an understatement. She called the station to voice her strong opposition. Before long, Margie appeared on that same news program to deliver a genuine and heartfelt defense of life.

That broadcast was just the beginning. What followed was a campaign of advocacy, organizing, and hard work. Margie spoke up, and she began a movement.

Her passion ignited people of faith and conscience across our Commonwealth. The Louisville group grew into a statewide organization, the Kentucky Right to Life Association. Margie helped create a grassroots network of pro-life volunteers who give voice to the voiceless.

Their work is certainly making a difference. Today, the majority of Kentuckians proudly stand on the side of life. Margie's courageous witness led thousands to join her cause.

For decades, I have had the privilege to work with Margie on many pro-life issues. I look forward to our frequent meetings, both in Kentucky and our Nation's Capital. Along with so many Kentuckians, I am constantly inspired by her passion and drawn in by her compassion. The movement is lucky to have a steadfast and loving leader like Margie.

Tragically, innocent life is still under threat in our Commonwealth and our Nation. There is more work that must be done so all people can enjoy their God-given right to life. As we continue fighting for those who are unable to fight for themselves, I am grateful Kentucky has Margie to champion our cause. It is an honor to join all those who celebrate her golden anniversary of advocacy, and I wish her many more years of celebrating the gift of life.

Mr. President, the Courier-Journal in Louisville recently published a profile