

## ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

## RECOGNIZING THE CURTIS FAMILY

• Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, I am honored to recognize Dawn Curtis and her late husband Danny Curtis on being named 2020 Angels in Adoption award recipients.

The Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute, CCAI, was established in 2001 to raise awareness about the need for adoption in the United States and eliminate barriers standing between orphan and foster children becoming part of a family. Angels in Adoption is the CCAI's signature public awareness program, which annually recognizes outstanding individuals, families, and organizations that have made extraordinary contributions to adoption, permanency, and child welfare. I am honored to congratulate Dawn and Danny Curtis for their exemplary work that led to this well-deserved national honor.

Dawn and Danny had two biological children and dreamed of a bigger family. The call to expand their family was answered during a visit to their local Walmart, where Dawn and Danny were browsing a photo album of children in foster care at a booth hosted by the Arkansas Department of Human Services. They fell in love with the picture of a 4-year-old girl and learned she had three brothers. The siblings had been in the foster care system for 3 years and multiple homes when the couple adopted all four of the children.

After their first adoption experience, Dawn decided to follow her passion to work with children in foster care and obtained her master's degree in social work. She went on to work for the Arkansas Department of Human Services and served in a variety of roles during her career, including as an adoption specialist. During these years, the family was approached to consider adopting others in foster care and eventually added six more children to their home.

Danny worked for many years as a police officer and a bus driver while caring for his growing family. Danny and Dawn also visited Washington, DC, on several occasions to advocate for adoption and children in foster care. The 12 Curtis children span 20 years of age and are all adults now, but the example and dedication of their parents continues to move everyone around them.

The Curtis family is an amazing example of putting love into action. Their personal commitment changed the lives of the children they brought into their family and serves as an inspiration for others as to the impact of foster care and adoption.●

## REMEMBERING NORMAN HARRY

• Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Mr. President, I come forward today to recognize the life and service of Norman Harry, wise leader of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, fierce advocate for the environ-

ment and a friend to all Nevadans. On the morning of August 11, 2020, Mr. Harry passed peacefully at his home in Nixon, NV, his family surrounding him in love. He was 65 years old.

Mr. Harry was born to Floyd and Charlotte Harry on October 20, 1954, and was raised on the Pyramid Lake Paiute Reservation in addition to spending time with family on the Walker River Paiute Reservation. At Fernley High School, he played basketball and was a member of the rodeo club, going on to gain recognition as a competitive team roper and talented rodeo photographer as a young man.

On December 21, 1990, he married Beverly, and together, they have a son, Jared, and a daughter, Autumn. He was dedicated to his family and to his people and was recognized as a national leader in the environmental justice movement as he was a tireless advocate for his people, the lands, the water, and the bounty our natural world provides.

Mr. Harry's legacy includes his historic work protecting Northern Nevada's Pyramid Lake. Under his leadership, the Truckee River Operating Agreement was completed and settled decades of litigation over water rights and preserving the flow of water to Pyramid Lake and securing it for future generations.

Over the years, Mr. Harry served in many roles for the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, including as Tribal chair for three terms and vice chair. He fought many battles to protect water quality in northern Nevada and waged a multiyear battle that ended the open burning of munitions at the Sierra Army Depot in Herlong, CA, a practice that sent toxic clouds eastward over the nearby Pyramid Lake Paiute tribal lands and northern Nevada. In 2005, he fought for the removal of 13 tons of rockets, shells, and ammunition from Pyramid Lake left by the military going back to World War II. He served as chairman of the board for Great Basin Mine Watch and, through his life, urged other Tribal leaders to get involved in protecting groundwater and environmental resources for the people. He mentored and taught countless other activists and organizers to champion issues of environmental protection.

Today, I celebrate the life and many contributions of Mr. Norman Harry, and I offer my sincere condolences to his family and Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe. The State of Nevada is a better place because we were lucky enough to call Norman Harry one of our own. His activism, leadership, knowledge, and voice will be sorely missed.●

## RECOGNIZING RANDY DRUVENGA

• Mrs. ERNST. Mr. President, I am honored to congratulate Waverly's Randy Druvenga on the conclusion of his tenure as Chair of the National Association of Mutual Insurance Companies—NAMIC—a member organization

of property and casualty insurance companies. Randy has helped lead this organization through its 125th year of existence, including the NAMIC Mutual Insurance Foundation's drive to raise \$125,000 for scholarships to help talented young Americans pursue their college degrees toward careers in insurance. It is fitting that Randy led NAMIC during this milestone anniversary as the association was founded by Iowans in 1895.

While the Hawkeye State is happy to share Randy with NAMIC, we are most proud of his servant leadership in his home State. Randy has served as the past president of the Mutual Insurance Association of Iowa and is currently president of First Maxfield Mutual Insurance Association, a farm mutual insurance company serving more than 7,900 policyholders in northeast Iowa. He is a constant presence in his community, supporting numerous causes including the Waverly-Shell Rock Community Schools Foundation, and as a former referee and member of the Iowa High School Athletic Association Officials Hall of Fame.

I want to again congratulate Randy Druvenga for his leadership. Iowans are famous for their commitment to their communities, and Randy embodies that spirit at home and beyond.●

## REMEMBERING MIRIAM STAHL

• Ms. HASSAN. Mr. President, today I would like to honor the life of a woman who made immense contributions to improve the lives of children throughout New Hampshire, Miriam Stahl.

Originally from the Midwest, Miriam moved to New Hampshire to be near her family, and once here, she began working at a critical community resource and early intervention center called the Richie McFarland Children's Center.

Founded in 1971, the Richie McFarland Children's Center works to provide social and therapeutic programs for children, including those who experience disabilities. This center helps children learn, grow, and thrive, while also empowering families and working to meet the needs of every child. The center and its remarkable staff are often the first professional resources made available to a family and child grappling with developmental challenges. To say that the center serves as a lifeline is an understatement.

According to her colleagues, the Richie McFarland Children's Center would not be what it is today without Miriam's vision and leadership. Miriam served as the executive director of the center for a decade, and she believed passionately in the power of early intervention to help children develop.

During her tenure, Miriam did all that she could to use her talent, energy, and quiet determination to prioritize the needs of children and to provide them with vital support. Her advocacy was clear, no nonsense, and nonjudgmental. She made inroads as a