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The House met at 11:30 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

PRAYER

Rabbi Arnold E. Resnicoff, U.S. Navy, Retired, Washington, D.C., offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we pray, reflect in different ways but together mourn our dead and tell their stories to keep their memories alive.

Thirty-seven years ago today, I was in Beirut when a terrorist truck-bomb attack took the lives of 241 U.S. military personnel. Fifty-eight French troops died a heartbeat later: a second truck, another deadly blast.

They came in peace. They risked their lives to buy some time for change. Peace did not prevail, but their risk, their sacrifice must be honored and remembered. Their story must be told.

Today, as we recall and honor Beirut dead and Beirut vets in a special way, we mourn all those we have lost to war, to hatred, and disease as well.

Lord, may we heed Your call: together, to choose life—to work for, fight for life: a better life for those who one day will remember us.

And may we say amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to section 4(a) of House Resolution 967, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER 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.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 967, the House stands adjourned until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, October 27, 2020.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 32 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, October 27, 2020, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

EC-5483. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Brucellosis and Bovine Tuberculosis: Importation of Cattle and Bison [Docket No.: APHIS-2011-0044] (RIN: 0579-AD65) received October 13, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-5484. A letter from the General Counsel, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — District Financial Reporting (RIN: 3052-AD37) received October 13, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-5485. A letter from the General Counsel, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Amortization Limits (RIN: 3052-AC92) received October 13, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-5486. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule — HUD's Implementation of the Fair Housing Act's Disparate Impact Standard [Docket No.: FR-6111-F-03] (RIN: 2529-AA98) received October 31, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-5487. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations,

Office of the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule — Enhancing and Streamlining the Implementation of Section 3 Requirements for Creating Economic Opportunities for Low- and Very Low-Income Persons and Eligible Businesses [Docket No.: FR-6085-F-03] (RIN: 2501-AD87) received October 13, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-5488. A letter from the Compliance Specialist, Hour and Wage Division, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's temporary rule — Paid Leave Under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (RIN: 1235-AA35) received September 30, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

EC-5489. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final NUREG — Knowledge and Abilities Catalog for Nuclear Power Plant Operators: Pressurized Water Reactors, Final Report received September 30, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-5490. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final NUREG — Knowledge and Abilities Catalog for Nuclear Power Plant Operators: Boiling Water Reactors, Final Report received September 30, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-5491. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 23-418, "Office for the Deaf, Deafblind, and Hard of Hearing Establishment Amendment Act of 2020", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC-5492. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 23-419, "Standby Guardian Amendment Act of 2020", pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC-5493. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's

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final rule — Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Trent River, New Bern, NC [Docket No.: USCG-2020-0027] (RIN: 1625-AA09) received September 30, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5494. A letter from the Legal Tech, CG-LRA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Emergency Safety Zone; Red River, Avoyelles Parish, LA [Docket Number: USCG-2020-0503] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 30, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5495. A letter from the Legal Tech, CG-LRA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Erie Yacht Club 125th Anniversary Summer Event, Presque Isle Bay, Erie, PA [Docket Number: USCG-2020-0394] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 30, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5496. A letter from the Legal Tech, CG-LRA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; September Fairport Parade; Lake Erie, Fairport, OH [Docket Number: USCG-2020-0539] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 30, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5497. A letter from the Legal Tech, CG-LRA, Office of Regulations and Administrative Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's interim final rule — Safety Zones; Delaware River Dredging, Marcus Hook, PA [Docket Number: USCG-2020-0545] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 30, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5498. A letter from the Legal Tech, CG-LRA, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Emergency Safety Zone; Lower Mississippi River, Knowlton Revetment, AR [Docket Number: USCG-2020-0520] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 30, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5499. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Northern Atlantic Ocean, Nahant, MA [Docket Number: USCG-2020-0446] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 30, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5500. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; St. Johns River and Atlantic Ocean, Jacksonville, FL [Docket Number: USCG-2020-0382] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 30, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5501. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Special Local Regulations; Low Country Splash, Charleston, SC [Document Number: USCG-2020-0290] (RIN: 1625-AA08) received September 30, 2020, pur-

suant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5502. A letter from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's temporary final rule — Safety Zone; Lake Pontchartrain, New Orleans, LA [Docket Number: USCG-2020-0510] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received September 30, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-5503. A letter from the Director, Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Update to Rev. Rule. 94-74 (Rev. Rul. 2020-19) received September 30, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-5504. A letter from the Director, Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Notice regarding the special per diem rates for 2020-2021 [Notice 2020-17] received September 30, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-5505. A letter from the Director, Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Miscellaneous Changes Under the Setting Every Community Up for Retirement Enhancement Act of 2019 and the Bipartisan American Miners Act of 2019 [Notice 2020-68] received September 30, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-5506. A letter from the Director, Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Modifications to Rev. Proc. 2016-37 and Rev. Proc. 2019-39 (Rev. Proc. 2020-40) received September 30, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. KILMER: Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress. Recommendations to Reclaim Congress' Article One Powers, Boost Staff Capacity, Improve the Schedule and Calendar, Improve the Budget and Appropriations Process, Identify Administrative Inefficiencies and Improve Technology and Continuity. (Rept. 116-561). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. AMASH:

H.R. 8651. A bill to acknowledge the crime of lynching, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BABIN:

H.R. 8652. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide coverage and payment under such title for certain treatments for dialysis-related amyloidosis, and for other purposes; to the Committee on En-

ergy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. BLUMENAUER:

H.R. 8653. A bill to require consent for the Director of the United States Marshals Service to deputize certain law enforcement officers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BLUMENAUER (for himself and Mr. COLE):

H.R. 8654. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the energy tax credit to apply to qualified distributed wind energy property; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CICILLINE:

H.R. 8655. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit any individual from holding certain political campaign or fundraising events on Federal property, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CLOUD (for himself, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. GOHMERT, and Mr. KING of Iowa):

H.R. 8656. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide emergency savings accounts for small businesses; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CLOUD (for himself, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. GOHMERT, and Mr. KING of Iowa):

H.R. 8657. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide emergency savings accounts for individuals; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. CRENSHAW (for himself and Mr. RUIZ):

H.R. 8658. A bill to establish a Federal strategy for preventing, diagnosing, and treating nonalcoholic steatohepatitis, commonly referred to as "NASH"; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. ESHOO (for herself and Mr. GRIFFITH):

H.R. 8659. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to provide for requirements for the exercise of the emergency powers of the President under section 706 of such Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. EVANS:

H.R. 8660. A bill to direct the Secretary of Labor to modify regulations to allow the use of performance benchmarks in the case of designated investment alternatives, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Ms. FINKENAUER (for herself and Mr. RIGGLEMAN):

H.R. 8661. A bill to address the housing needs in rural communities in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. FORTENBERRY (for himself, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. KEVIN HERN of Oklahoma, Mr. KATKO, Mr. GIANFORTE, Mr. HAGEDORN, Mr. BACON, Mr. FLEISCHMANN, Mrs. RODGERS of Washington, Mr. WESTERMAN, Mr. SMITH of Nebraska, Mr. BIGGS, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. SCHWEIKERT, Mr. UPTON, Mr. RUTHERFORD, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. AMODEI, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. STIVERS, Mr. TIMMONS, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. NOR-

TON, Mr. COSTA, Mr. RUSH, Mr. ROUDA, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Mrs.

BEATTY, Mr. O'HALLERAN, Mr. CISNEROS, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. WELCH, Mr. PETERSON, Mrs. DEMINGS, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. SCHIFF, and Ms. BARRAGÁN):

H.R. 8662. A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to support research on, and expanded access to, investigational drugs for amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. GALLAGHER:

H.R. 8663. A bill to amend the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938 to repeal the exemption from registration under such Act for persons providing private and non-political representation of trade and commercial interests, and the exemption from registration under such Act for persons filing disclosure reports under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, in connection with the representation of business organizations organized under the laws of or having their principal place of business in the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois (for himself, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. MFUME, Ms. PRESSLEY, Mrs. BEATTY, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. NORTON, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. TAKANO, Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ, Mr. SOTO, Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. RASKIN, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. SAN NICOLAS, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Ms. JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. POCAN, Mr. VELA, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. SUOZZI, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. HASTINGS, Ms. FUDGE, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. CICILLINE, and Mr. SMITH of Washington):

H.R. 8664. A bill to provide funds to local educational agencies for personal protective equipment for educators and other staff, and students; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Ms. HAALAND (for herself, Ms. CRAIG, Mr. COLE, Ms. KENDRA S. HORN of Oklahoma, Mr. GALLEGO, and Mr. YOUNG):

H.R. 8665. A bill to direct the Federal Communications Commission to establish a new Tribal priority window for the 2.5 gigahertz band, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. JACOBS:

H.R. 8666. A bill to prohibit certain business concerns from receiving assistance from the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

By Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia (for himself and Mrs. BEATTY):

H.R. 8667. A bill to provide that all persons shall be entitled to the full and equal enjoyment of the goods, services, facilities, privileges, and accommodations of financial institutions; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. KELLY of Mississippi:

H.R. 8668. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to include the KIA, MIA, and POW acronyms on headstones and markers furnished by the Department of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. KHANNA:

H.R. 8669. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to impose a tax on employers whose employees receive certain Federal benefits; to the Committee on Ways and

Means, and in addition to the Committee on Education and Labor, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire (for herself and Mr. GONZALEZ of Ohio):

H.R. 8670. A bill to amend the KIDS Act of 2008 to require sex offenders to provide online and mobile identifiers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire (for herself, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. TONKO, Mr. GONZALEZ of Ohio, Mr. PETERS, Mr. FORTENBERRY, Mr. O'HALLERAN, and Mr. SCHWEIKERT):

H.R. 8671. A bill to establish the Committee on Large-Scale Carbon Management in the National Science and Technology Council and a Federal Carbon Removal Initiative, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. LANGEVIN (for himself and Mr. CICILLINE):

H.R. 8672. A bill to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to add Rhode Island to the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. LEVIN of California (for himself, Mr. ROUDA, and Ms. PORTER):

H.R. 8673. A bill to assign a resident inspector to certain commercial nuclear power plants to conduct inspections of decommissioning activities and spent nuclear fuel transfer activities; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. TED LIEU of California:

H.R. 8674. A bill to establish a Housing Stabilization Fund to provide emergency housing assistance to extremely low-income renters and homeowners, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. LOUDERMILK (for himself, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. LUCAS, Mr. STIVERS, Mr. WILLIAMS, Mr. BUDD, Mr. KUSTOFF of Tennessee, Mr. HOLLINGSWORTH, Mr. JOHN W. ROSE of Tennessee, Mr. RIGGLEMAN, and Mr. TAYLOR):

H.R. 8675. A bill to require the Federal banking agencies to exclude Paycheck Protection Program loans from certain asset calculations; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. MALINOWSKI:

H.R. 8676. A bill to prohibit the use of United States embassies or consulates in raising funds for foreign political parties or candidates; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. MARSHALL (for himself, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Mr. ARRINGTON, and Mr. THOMPSON of California):

H.R. 8677. A bill to provide payments for home health services furnished via visual or audio telecommunication systems during an emergency period; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. MENG (for herself and Mr. FORTENBERRY):

H.R. 8678. A bill to establish a global zoonotic disease task force, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 8679. A bill to allow certain individuals with prior service under the District of Columbia retirement system to make deposits towards annuities under the Civil Service Retirement System and the Federal Employees Retirement System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. RASKIN (for himself, Mr. CICILLINE, and Mr. CONAWAY):

H.R. 8680. A bill to provide immunity from liability under section 4 of the Clayton Act for damages in cases against occupational licensing boards that meet appropriate standards, to provide for the establishment of those standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. SCANLON:

H.R. 8681. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to make fraudulent dealings in firearms and ammunition unlawful, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SIREs:

H.R. 8682. A bill to establish requirements for Federal agencies to ensure that individuals with limited English proficiency and people with disabilities can access the services, activities, programs, and benefits of those agencies; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. YOUNG:

H.R. 8683. A bill to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to exclude certain payments to Alaska Native elders for determining eligibility for certain programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. FINKENAUER (for herself, Mr. LATA, Mr. O'HALLERAN, Mr. COLE, Mrs. AXNE, Mr. LAHOOD, Mr. KIND, Mr. LOEBACK, Mrs. RODGERS of Washington, Ms. TORRES SMALL of New Mexico, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mr. COX of California, Mr. BALDERSON, Mr. BOST, Ms. CRAIG, Ms. BLUNT ROCH-ESTER, Ms. STEFANIK, Mr. TAYLOR, Ms. SEWELL of Alabama, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. KELLER, Mrs. BUSTOS, Mr. PETERSON, Mr. CARTWRIGHT, and Mr. HARDER of California):

H. Res. 1200. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of National Rural Health Day; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mrs. LESKO:

H. Res. 1201. A resolution expressing support for the designation of April 18, 2021, as "National Amateur Radio Operators Day"; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Ms. MUCARSEL-POWELL (for herself, Mr. ROONEY of Florida, Mr. SIREs, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. SHALALA, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. SOTO, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. CRIST, Mr. DEUTCH, Mrs. MURPHY of Florida, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mr. WALTZ, and Ms. FRANKEL):

H. Res. 1202. A resolution denouncing the Maduro regime's efforts to hold fraudulent legislative elections, the absence of acceptable conditions to ensure free, fair, and transparent electoral processes in Venezuela, and the further erosion of Venezuelan democracy; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. PALLONE (for himself, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Mr. SCHIFF, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. MCGOVERN, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. COSTA, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. NADLER, Mr. SIREs, Ms. BROWNLEY of California, Ms. SÁNCHEZ, Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS

of Illinois, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. LOFGREN, Ms. TITUS, Ms. MENG, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. TED LIEU of California, Ms. BASS, and Mr. LANGEVIN):

H. Res. 1203. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives supporting the Republic of Artsakh at all levels of civil society and government and recognizing the people of Artsakh's inalienable right to self-determination; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. AMASH:

H.R. 8651.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Fourteenth Amendment, Section 5

By Mr. BABIN:

H.R. 8652.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. BLUMENAUER:

H.R. 8653.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section VIII of the Constitution of the United States.

By Mr. BLUMENAUER:

H.R. 8654.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 1

By Mr. CICILLINE:

H.R. 8655.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution

By Mr. CLOUD:

H.R. 8656

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the Constitution of the United States: "The Congress shall have the Power To lay and collect taxes . . ."

By Mr. CLOUD:

H.R. 8657.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the Constitution of the United States: "The Congress shall have the Power To lay and collect taxes . . ."

By Mr. CRENSHAW:

H.R. 8658.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18

By Ms. ESHOO:

H.R. 8659.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution

By Mr. EVANS:

H.R. 8660.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

U.S. Constitution Art. I, Sec. 8: The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common

Defence and general Welfare of the United States

By Ms. FINKENAUER:

H.R. 8661.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. FORTENBERRY:

H.R. 8662.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The constitutional authority for this bill is pursuant to Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. GALLAGHER:

H.R. 8663.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3

By Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois:

H.R. 8664.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8

By Ms. HAALAND:

H.R. 8665.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Constitution Article I, Sec. 8

By Mr. JACOBS:

H.R. 8666.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to the Constitution under Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia:

H.R. 8667.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

U.S. Constitution, Article I, Section 8

By Mr. KELLY of Mississippi:

H.R. 8668.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The Congress enacts this bill pursuant to Article I, Section 8, clause 14 providing Congress with the power to make rules for the government and regulation of the land and naval forces.

By Mr. KHANNA:

H.R. 8669.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution gives Congress the power to make laws that are necessary and proper to carry out its enumerated powers.

By Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire:

H.R. 8670.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the United States Constitution, the Taxing and Spending Clause: "The Congress shall have Power To lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises, to pay the Debts and provide for the common Defense and general Welfare of the United States . . ."

By Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire:

H.R. 8671.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. LANGEVIN:

H.R. 8672.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. LEVIN of California:

H.R. 8673.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. TED LIEU of California:

H.R. 8674.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Pursuant to Article 1, Section 8.

By Mr. LOUDERMILK:

H.R. 8675.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution.

By Mr. MALINOWSKI:

H.R. 8676.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the Constitution of the United States

By Mr. MARSHALL:

H.R. 8677.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8

By Ms. MENG:

H.R. 8678.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution. [Page H10170]

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 8679.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

clause 17 of section 8 of article I and clause 18 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution.

By Mr. RASKIN:

H.R. 8680.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Sec. 8

By Ms. SCANLON:

H.R. 8681.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I Section 8

By Mr. SIREs:

H.R. 8682.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Pursuant to clause 3(d)(1) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee finds the authority for this legislation in article I, section 8 of the Constitution.

By Mr. YOUNG:

H.R. 8683.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 12: Mr. COLE, Mr. KELLER, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. LATTA, Mr. JACOBS, Mr. FLORES, and Mr. HILL of Arkansas.

H.R. 40: Mr. MALINOWSKI, Mr. COSTA, Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire, and Ms. PORTER.

H.R. 175: Mr. TIFFANY.

H.R. 208: Mrs. MURPHY of Florida, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. NADLER, Ms. BARRAGAN, and Mr. SHERMAN.

H.R. 569: Mrs. HAYES.

H.R. 613: Mr. COURTNEY.

H.R. 674: Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER.

H.R. 1042: Mrs. DINGELL.

H.R. 1108: Mr. MULLIN and Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota.

H.R. 1175: Mr. ARRINGTON and Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia.

H.R. 1415: Mr. SPANO and Mr. WALTZ.

H.R. 1422: Mr. DUNCAN.

- H.R. 1521: Ms. BARRAGÁN.
H.R. 1529: Mr. ROUDA and Ms. SCANLON.
H.R. 1556: Mr. BURCHETT.
H.R. 1597: Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Ms. DELAURO, and Mr. KIND.
H.R. 1647: Mr. RESCHENTHALER.
H.R. 1670: Ms. SPANBERGER.
H.R. 1680: Mr. JACOBS, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania, and Mr. WALTZ.
H.R. 1763: Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mrs. TRAHAN, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. VEASEY, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. CLAY, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. DESAULNIER, and Ms. GARCIA of Texas.
H.R. 1776: Ms. BONAMICI and Mr. NADLER.
H.R. 1814: Mr. LONG and Ms. PINGREE.
H.R. 1945: Mr. CASTRO of Texas.
H.R. 1948: Mr. TIFFANY.
H.R. 1966: Mrs. LURIA, Ms. FINKENAUER, Mr. PETERSON, Mr. LYNCH, and Mr. SHERMAN.
H.R. 1992: Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas and Mr. SCHNEIDER.
H.R. 2086: Mr. WESTERMAN, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. KENNEDY, and Ms. FRANKEL.
H.R. 2208: Mr. CICILLINE.
H.R. 2350: Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. WILLIAMS, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. HICE of Georgia, Mr. MOOLENAAR, Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. EVANS, and Mr. WESTERMAN.
H.R. 2442: Mr. HIGGINS of New York.
H.R. 2478: Mr. COURTNEY.
H.R. 2491: Mr. NADLER.
H.R. 2571: Mr. CALVERT.
H.R. 2581: Ms. ESCOBAR.
H.R. 2585: Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER.
H.R. 2808: Mr. HASTINGS.
H.R. 2898: Ms. PINGREE, Mrs. DEMINGS, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. GROTHMAN, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. POSEY, Mr. SUOZZI, Mrs. WALORSKI, Ms. NORTON, Mr. SAN NICOLAS, Mr. PAPPAS, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. ROSE of New York, Ms. FINKENAUER, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, Mr. KELLER, Mrs. WAGNER, Mrs. MURPHY of Florida, Mr. CONNOLLY, Ms. LOFGREN, Mr. HARDER of California, and Mr. RUPPERSBERGER.
H.R. 3077: Mr. HECK, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. MCCAUL, Mrs. WAGNER, Mr. SMUCKER, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. CARSON of Indiana, and Mr. NORCROSS.
H.R. 3107: Mr. TIMMONS, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. RIGGLEMAN, Mr. PERRY, Mr. BURGESS, Ms. LEE of California, and Ms. SHERRILL.
H.R. 3162: Mr. GOTTHEIMER.
H.R. 3235: Mrs. MURPHY of Florida.
H.R. 3296: Ms. BONAMICI, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, and Mr. MCEACHIN.
H.R. 3392: Mr. GOSAR and Mr. DUNCAN.
H.R. 3393: Mr. DUNCAN.
H.R. 3453: Ms. FINKENAUER.
H.R. 3462: Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi.
H.R. 3654: Mr. RYAN and Mr. WILLIAMS.
H.R. 3690: Ms. SHALALA.
H.R. 3742: Ms. CASTOR of Florida.
H.R. 3760: Ms. BONAMICI and Ms. SÁNCHEZ.
H.R. 3782: Ms. FINKENAUER.
H.R. 3874: Mr. CASE, Ms. WILSON of Florida, and Mr. COX of California.
H.R. 3884: Ms. MCCOLLUM.
H.R. 3975: Mr. KIND.
H.R. 4228: Ms. PRESSLEY.
H.R. 4290: Ms. ESCOBAR, Mr. SUOZZI, Ms. CRAIG, Mr. KING of New York, and Mr. GROTHMAN.
H.R. 4327: Ms. STEVENS.
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H.R. 4554: Mrs. BEATY and Mr. HURD of Texas.
H.R. 4681: Mr. WENSTRUP, Mr. POCAN, Mr. HASTINGS, and Ms. HOULAHAN.
H.R. 4701: Mr. VEASEY.
H.R. 4729: Mr. KHANNA.
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H.R. 4829: Mr. LARSEN of Washington.
H.R. 4836: Mr. TED LIEU of California.
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H.R. 5088: Mr. MCADAMS.
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H.R. 5534: Ms. JOHNSON of Texas and Ms. UNDERWOOD.
H.R. 5711: Ms. PELOSI.
H.R. 5717: Mr. AGUILAR.
H.R. 5741: Mrs. MURPHY of Florida.
H.R. 5861: Mr. SMITH of Washington.
H.R. 5873: Mr. CALVERT.
H.R. 5957: Mr. TIFFANY and Mr. TURNER.
H.R. 5995: Mr. KEATING, Mr. KIND, and Ms. FINKENAUER.
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H.R. 8614: Mr. STEUBE, Mr. BALDERSON, Mr. BIGGS, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. PERRY, Mr. BUDD, Mr. BUCK, Mr. BURGESS, and Mr. WEBSTER of Florida.

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H.R. 8639: Mr. RYAN, Mr. TONKO, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mrs. HAYES, and Mr. DESAULNIER.

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H. Res. 1111: Mr. MCGOVERN.

H. Res. 1143: Ms. FINKENAUER.

H. Res. 1150: Mr. GRIJALVA.

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KIM, Ms. STEVENS, Mr. BRINDISI, Mr. RASKIN, Mrs. DEMINGS, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ.

H. Res. 1168: Mr. SAN NICOLAS, Mr. COSTA, Mr. HARDER of California, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Ms. WEXTON, Ms. KAPTUR, Mrs. BEATTY, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, and Ms. JOHNSON of Texas.

H. Res. 1171: Mr. SMITH of Washington and Mr. CASTRO of Texas.

H. Res. 1172: Mr. GONZALEZ of Ohio.

H. Res. 1173: Mr. PETERS and Mr. SHERMAN.

H. Res. 1183: Mr. STIVERS, Mr. BEYER, Mr. ALLRED, and Ms. NORTON.

H. Res. 1191: Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. BEYER, Mr. DEUTCH, and Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky.

H. Res. 1192: Mr. KHANNA, Ms. NORTON, Mr. HARDER of California, Ms. FINKENAUER, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, and Ms. SCANLON.

H. Res. 1194: Mr. PERRY.

H. Res. 1196: Mr. PANETTA.



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(Legislative day of Monday, October 19, 2020)

The Senate met at 12 noon and was called to order by the Honorable JOHN KENNEDY, a Senator from the State of Louisiana.

PRAYER

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

Let us pray.

Eternal King, You are great and marvelous. You alone are God. Without Your wondrous deeds, our Nation and planet could not survive. You continue to perform wonders on our behalf, rescuing us from ourselves.

Lord, teach our lawmakers Your precepts so that they may walk in Your truth, experiencing the reverential awe that comes when You are near. Provide them with the inspiration and knowledge that will bring peace and stability to our land. May we not conceal our sins but confess and forsake them. Sovereign God, keep our Senators on the path of wisdom.

We pray in Your mighty Name. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Presiding Officer 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.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. GRASSLEY).

The assistant legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, October 23, 2020.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the

Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JOHN KENNEDY, a Senator from the State of Louisiana, to perform the duties of the Chair.

CHUCK GRASSLEY,
President pro tempore.

Mr. KENNEDY thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER
The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The majority leader is recognized.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

PROTECT ACT—MOTION TO PROCEED

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I move to proceed to legislative session and I ask for the yeas and nays.

Motion to proceed to Calendar No. 554, S. 4675, a bill to amend the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Is there a sufficient second?

Mr. SCHUMER. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

QUORUM CALL

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll and the following Senators entered the Chamber and answered their names:

[Quorum No. 2 Ex.]

Alexander	Cramer	Inhofe
Barrasso	Crapo	Johnson
Blackburn	Cruz	Kennedy
Blunt	Daines	Lankford
Boozman	Enzi	Lee
Braun	Ernst	Loeffler
Burr	Fischer	McConnell
Capito	Gardner	McSally
Cassidy	Graham	Murkowski
Collins	Grassley	Paul
Cornyn	Hawley	Perdue
Cotton	Hyde-Smith	Portman

Risch	Schumer	Tillis
Roberts	Scott (FL)	Toomey
Romney	Scott (SC)	Wicker
Rounds	Shelby	Youn
Rubio	Sullivan	
Sasse	Thune	

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. A quorum is present.

VOTE ON MOTION TO PROCEED

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask for the yeas and nays.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Is there a sufficient second?

There is a sufficient second.

RECOGNITION OF THE MINORITY LEADER

The Democratic leader is recognized.

NOMINATION OF AMY CONEY BARRETT

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, the Republicans, as we all know and as the Nation knows, are running the most partisan, most hypocritical, and least legitimate process in the history of Supreme Court nominations. That is why I suggested the absence of a quorum. We are not going to have business as usual.

I yield the floor.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER), the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. JONES), and the Senator from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA) are necessarily absent.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The result was announced—yeas 53, nays 43, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 215 Leg.]

YEAS—53

Alexander	Burr	Cramer
Barrasso	Capito	Crapo
Blackburn	Cassidy	Cruz
Blunt	Collins	Daines
Boozman	Cornyn	Enzi
Braun	Cotton	Ernst

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Cantwell	Klobuchar	Smith
Cardin	Leahy	Stabenow
Carper	Manchin	Tester
Casey	Markey	Udall
Coons	Menendez	Van Hollen
Cortez Masto	Merkley	Warner
Duckworth	Murphy	Warren
Durbin	Murray	Whitehouse
Feinstein	Peters	Wyden
Gillibrand	Reed	
Hassan	Rosen	

NOT VOTING—4

Booker	Jones
Harris	Sinema

The motion was agreed to.
The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The majority leader.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR—MOTION TO PROCEED

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I move to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 890 and ask for the yeas and nays.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Is there a sufficient second?

There is a sufficient second.

The Democratic leader.

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, now, I believe the Senate majority is on the precipice of making a colossal and historic mistake. By rushing this nomination through the Senate only 8 days before a national election, after 50 million Americans have already voted, the Republican majority is steering the Senate, the Supreme Court, and the country in a very dangerous direction. The damage to Americans' faith in these institutions could be lasting.

So before we go any further, we should shut off the cameras, close the Senate, and talk face-to-face about what this might mean for the country.

We need to restore public trust in our institutions, not continue to undermine it. The Senate majority may have the power to confirm this nomination before the election, but that does not make it right. Might does not make it right.

We ought to have a candid conversation, Senator-to-Senator, in which we truly listen to each other before it is too late. So I am making a motion to move to closed session.

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, in accordance with rule XXI, I now move that the Senate go into closed session.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Is there a second?

Mr. DURBIN. I second the motion.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The motion having been made and seconded, the Senate will go into closed session.

The Chair, pursuant to rule XXI, now directs the Sergeant at Arms to clear all Galleries, close all doors of the Senate Chamber, and exclude from the Chamber and its immediate corridors all employees and officials of the Senate who, under the rule, are not eligible to attend the closed session and who are not sworn to secrecy.

The question is not debatable.

Pursuant to rule XXIX, I authorize the Secretary's desk staff and her Deputies and the Assistant Secretaries for the majority and minority to remain in the Chamber during the closed session. The doors will be closed.

People who are not authorized to be here will please leave the Chamber.

(At 12:55 p.m., the doors of the Chamber were closed.)

(At 1:15 p.m., by a vote of 53 to 44, the doors of the Chamber were opened, and the open session of the Senate was resumed.)

VOTE ON MOTION TO PROCEED

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The question is on the motion to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 890, the nomination of Amy Coney Barrett to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

The yeas and the nays were previously ordered.

The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. JONES), and the Senator from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA) are necessarily absent.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote or change their vote?

The result was announced—yeas 51, nays 46, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 217 Leg.]

YEAS—51

Alexander	Fischer	Perdue
Barrasso	Gardner	Portman
Blackburn	Graham	Risch
Blunt	Grassley	Roberts
Boozman	Hawley	Romney
Braun	Hoeven	Rounds
Burr	Hyde-Smith	Rubio
Capito	Inhofe	Sasse
Cassidy	Johnson	Scott (FL)
Cornyn	Kennedy	Scott (SC)
Cotton	Kennedy	Shelby
Cramer	Lankford	Sullivan
Crapo	Lee	Thune
Cruz	Loeffler	Tillis
Daines	McConnell	Toomey
Enzi	McSally	Wicker
Ernst	Moran	Young
	Paul	

NAYS—46

Baldwin	Cardin	Duckworth
Bennet	Carper	Durbin
Blumenthal	Casey	Feinstein
Booker	Collins	Gillibrand
Brown	Coons	Hassan
Cantwell	Cortez Masto	Heinrich

Hirono	Murphy	Stabenow
Kaine	Murray	Tester
King	Peters	Udall
Klobuchar	Reed	Van Hollen
Leahy	Rosen	Warner
Manchin	Sanders	Warren
Markey	Schatz	Whitehouse
Menendez	Schumer	Wyden
Merkley	Shaheen	
Murkowski	Smith	

NOT VOTING—3

Harris	Jones	Sinema
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The motion was agreed to.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report the nomination.

The legislative clerk read the nomination of Amy Coney Barrett, of Indiana, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The majority leader.

CLOTURE MOTION

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I send a cloture motion to the desk.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Amy Coney Barrett, of Indiana, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

Mitch McConnell, John Thune, Joni Ernst, Cindy Hyde-Smith, Marsha Blackburn, Roy Blunt, Shelley Moore Capito, Roger F. Wicker, Lindsey Graham, David Perdue, Chuck Grassley, James M. Inhofe, Tom Cotton, John Hoeven, Mike Crapo, Richard Burr, Lamar Alexander, Ben Sasse.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The majority leader.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, colleagues, in my first experience with Supreme Court confirmations in the Senate, I was a young staffer for a junior Member of the Judiciary Committee. That was also the same time I met a young guy named LAMAR ALEXANDER, who had just left the Senate to go to the White House to work in Congressional Affairs. So I have had an opportunity for quite a long time to observe the confirmation process through various ups and downs—periods when nominees were confirmed almost overwhelmingly and periods during which they were heated, to put it mildly, contests over the nomination.

What I think you can safely say about the Senate over the last 40 or 50 years is that it is in an assertive period. In other words, viewing the whole process as a joint thing, the President has a role to play, and the Senate has a role to play. And at various times in the history of our country, the Senate has been pretty passive about it; at

other times, they have been pretty aggressive about it. But the Constitution is clear: The Senate has a role if it chooses to exercise it.

Rarely have we ever had a nominee as extraordinary as the one we have before us right now. We have had a chance to witness this outstanding nominee. We have watched her in committee. She has demonstrated she has the deep legal expertise, dispassionate judicial temperament, and sheer intellectual horsepower that the American people deserve to have on their Supreme Court.

Last week, we saw why fellow legal scholars called Judge Barrett “a brilliant and conscientious lawyer who will analyze and decide cases in good faith,” and they say she is “tailor-made”—tailor-made—“for this job.”

We saw why her former law clerks—her students—call her “a woman of unassailable integrity” and “a role model for generations to come.”

We saw why the American Bar Association—an institution the Democratic leader has called the gold standard—the gold standard—deemed Judge Barrett “well qualified” to sit on the Supreme Court. And they heard why the legal professionals behind that rating called her—listen to this—“a staggering”—staggering—“academic mind.”

The chair of the ABA Standing Committee on the Federal Judiciary told the committee directly that “in interviews with individuals in the legal profession and community who know Judge Barrett, whether for a few years or decades, not one person”—not one, not one—“uttered a negative word about her character.”

This outstanding nominee is exceptionally suited to this job, period. And I know we all know that. She is an exceptional nominee to the Supreme Court who will make the Senate and the country exceedingly proud.

There are few of us around here who have experienced the last 30 years up close and personal, and I am one of them. Others of you have followed parts of history from the outside, and now you are making history.

It is a matter of fact, a matter of history, that it was Senate Democrats who first began our contemporary difficulties with judicial nominations back in 1987 and who have initiated every meaningful escalation—every single one of them—from then up to the present day. Every escalation was initiated by the other side.

In 1987, Ted Kennedy and his friends introduced the country to Robert Bork’s America—the first effort to smear a fully qualified judicial nominee based on insulting, apocalyptic scare tactics. Even some of the people who were directly involved in “Borking” Bork—Democrats, by the way—say they regret that low moment and what it has unleashed in the years since.

In the early 2000s, it was Democrats who very willfully invented a brandnew

strategy to make judicial ideology, and not just qualifications, an acceptable criteria for tanking Presidential nominees.

I remember reading in the early part of Bush 43’s first term a seminar that was convened by my friend the Democratic leader, and he invited a couple of scholars—Laurence Tribe and Cass Sunstein—to come talk to him about the appropriateness of beginning to use every single tool in the toolbox to stop judicial nominations.

It was always possible to filibuster judges; it just wasn’t done. I mean, there are plenty of things you could do that you don’t do; it just simply wasn’t done.

The best example of that was the Clarence Thomas nomination. There couldn’t have been a more controversial nomination than that one. The chairman of the Judiciary Committee, Joe Biden, and Ted Kennedy sitting next to him—it was about as aggressive as it gets. It made, in some ways, the Bork treatment look like child’s play. The committee reported out Justice Thomas with an even vote—even. And as we all know around here, it only takes 1 of 100 Senators to make you get 60—just 1—only 1 to get the Senate in a place where you have to get 60 votes.

The tradition of dealing with the judicial nominees with a simple majority was so strong that not 1 Democrat—not 1—required 60 votes on Clarence Thomas. In case you don’t remember, the vote on this confirmation was 52 to 48. One Senator out of 100 could have denied Clarence Thomas his career on the Supreme Court. That is how strong the tradition was of dealing with the Judiciary in a simple majority way.

Well, in Bush 43, my colleague, the Democratic leader, at this meeting, apparently, with Cass Sunstein and Laurence Tribe—I am paraphrasing, I am sure—was predicting all of these crazy rightwing judges were going to be sent up by Bush 43, and we ought to use every tool in the toolbox, whether it was used before or not, to stop judicial nominees.

So Democrats used the brandnew tool, the partisan filibuster, to block one Bush nominee after another whose qualifications nobody even disputed.

In her own confirmation hearing years later, for example, now-Justice Elena Kagan went out of her way to say that Miguel Estrada—a name some of you may not be familiar with, who got here recently—would have been qualified to sit on the DC Circuit. She said he even would have been qualified to sit on the Supreme Court. He became the poster child for this new process invented by the Democratic leader and his colleagues to routinely filibuster judges. It was written, the suspicion was, that it might provide for Bush 43 the opportunity to name the first Hispanic Supreme Court Justice, and, of course, they didn’t want that to happen. So Senate Democrats filibustered him seven separate times in 2003. He was one of the many victims of this

norm-shattering, precedent-breaking behavior.

A few years later, colleagues such as Senators Biden, DURBIN, LEAHY, Obama, and SCHUMER tried to filibuster Justice Alito’s nomination to the Supreme Court. Fortunately, that was not successful.

But then something really funny happened. Something really funny happened. All of a sudden, there was a new President—President Obama. Suddenly, a Democratic President was making judicial nominations.

Well, imagine what happened then. Suddenly, Senate Democrats became very allergic to experiencing the effects of what they had started—in effect, the effects of their own playbook. They had no patience to taste their own medicine, none whatsoever. Our colleagues did not appreciate being held to the standards they had just created a few years before. The shoe was on the other foot.

Well, we all know what happened next—another massive Senate-shaking escalation by Senate Democrats in 2013: the nuclear option. They broke the Senate rules to change the Senate rules so that a Democratic President would not have to play by the same rules they had invented shortly before. And with a 51-vote threshold in place, Democrats began confirming nominees without meaningful minority support.

I said at the time, quoting myself: They would regret it a lot sooner than they would think.

Well, that regret began in 2016. In 2016, when Justice Scalia passed away, Senate Republicans had won our majority a year later. As I said then, when I recommended to all of you that we not fill that vacancy created in the middle of a Presidential election year, you would have to go back to 1888 to find the last time a Senate of a different party from the President confirmed a Supreme Court nominee to a vacancy created during the Presidential election year. In other words, not surprisingly, one party in control of the Senate was less inclined—and had been less inclined for a very long time—to confirm a Supreme Court nominee in the middle of a Presidential election year. It was entirely within the rights of the Senate to do that because what had clearly developed over these years was the Senate viewed itself as a partner—a partner—in the process. The President gets to nominate, but we get to decide whether to act on the nomination.

Needless to say, after the unprecedented Senate-shaking steps that Senate Democrats had taken, the Republican Senate majority was not much inclined to depart from precedent and do President Obama that favor.

Our decision in 2016 was fully in line with precedent, fully within the Constitution, and completely within the Senate rules. Now, I understand why they didn’t like it. I wouldn’t have either. Of course they didn’t like it. But elections have consequences, and

America had chosen a Republican Senate in 2014.

But there is no parallel between actually breaking the rules, as the Democrats did in 2013, and merely applying the rules in ways the Democrats do not like. There is a big difference between breaking the rules and applying the rules in ways the Democrats did not like. If the Senate is going to function, we must maintain a distinction between when people break the rules and when they apply the rules in ways we may not like.

When President Trump won in 2016, Senate Democrats took yet another reckless and unprecedented step. They mounted the first ever successful partisan filibuster of a Supreme Court nominee. That had not been done before. They tried it on Alito; it didn't succeed. They tried it on Gorsuch, and it did. The message was, in effect, nobody who President Trump nominates is going to get 60 votes for the Supreme Court, no matter how qualified.

Of course, speaking of qualifications, Justice Gorsuch's qualifications were simply beyond question—someone who, frankly, has gone on to issue some rulings, by the way, that these guys over here like, which shows you predicting what a Supreme Court Justice is going to rule on has been a hazardous guess most of the time. Their apocalyptic threats about predictions about what is going to happen with nominees of Republican Presidents have been consistent going back to John Paul Stevens: Every single one of them is going to be a disaster for women, minorities, and all the rest—none of which, of course, ever materialized.

So, Republicans applied and extended what Senate Democrats had begun in 2013. They had left out the Supreme Court from being dealt with with a simple majority. So we decided we were going to return to where, by the way, the judicial calendar was—by practice anyway—just a few years ago. It was always dealt with with a simple majority. The Thomas nomination proved it. That was the custom here, until our friends on the other side decided to start a new custom, within the rules but a new custom.

So, all of my friends, this happened as a result of the threshold being lowered for the Supreme Court, and we are back to where we were as recently as Clarence Thomas. The Executive Calendar is dealt with with a simple majority. I think that is better for the country, and they will benefit from that, too, at some point.

When you have a President and a Senate of the same party, obviously, this is going to happen quicker. That is the way it has always been, whether the rule allowed a filibuster or not. So, ironically, we are back to where we were; the entire Executive Calendar will now be dealt with as it was a few years ago, before all of this back-and-forth with a simple majority.

Well, obviously, Justice Gorsuch was confirmed on a bipartisan basis once

the Executive Calendar was returned finally to a simple majority.

And then Justice Kavanaugh—most of us were here for that—despite the horrific and embarrassing display that some of our Senate colleagues aided and abetted, we made it through that.

So the good news is this: In about 72 hours, I anticipate we will have a third new Associate Justice of the Supreme Court—in about 72 hours.

I do not blame some of my Democratic colleagues, who were not present for all of this, who wish the Senate would behave differently.

But just know this—this is not spin. This is fact. Just know this: Every new escalation, every new step, every new shattered precedent, every one of them, was initiated over there. No exceptions. Every one of them. And it all happened over the strenuous objection of Republicans, who tried, in each instance, to stop Democrats from trading away long-term Senate norms for short-term political wins.

Seventeen years ago, colleagues—seventeen years ago—Democrats were boasting to newspapers about this brandnew campaign to politicize judicial confirmations. They thought it was a great idea—bragged about it. One of my colleagues called himself the king of the filibuster and proudly wanted to own it. Well, sooner or later, the shoe is always on the other foot.

So I hope our colleague from New York is happy with what he has built. I hope he is happy with where his ingenuity has gotten the Senate.

Colleague, we have had this argument over and over for months, if not years. This is not really what we are here to debate today. We are here to actually consider an outstanding nominee whose qualifications nobody doubts—Judge Amy Coney Barrett.

So, colleagues, let's get on with it. Let's do our job. Let's rediscover the rational treatment of nominations that the Democratic leader embarked on a deliberate project, starting 20 years ago, to erase.

We will give this nominee the vote she deserves no later than Monday.

I yield the floor.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Democratic leader is recognized.

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, we have just heard a tit-for-tat, convoluted version of history that the majority leader uses to justify steering the Senate toward one of the lowest moments in its long history. Might does not make right.

“You did something wrong, so we can do something wrong” is no justifications when the rights of the American people are at stake. The Republican majority is steering the Senate toward one of the lowest moments in its long history. The Republican majority is on the precipice of making a colossal and historic mistake, and the damage it does to this Chamber will be irrevocable.

After thwarting the constitutional prerogative of a duly elected Demo-

cratic President to appoint a Supreme Court Justice because it was an election year, the Republican majority is rushing to confirm a Justice for a Republican President 1 week before election day. Consistency? I am afraid not. You don't have the right to argue consistency when you are doing what you are doing now.

Four short years ago, all of our Republican friends argued that it was a principle—that was the word they used, “principle”—to let the American people have a voice in the selection of a Supreme Court Justice because an election was 8 months away.

Those same Republicans are preparing to confirm a Justice with an election that is 8 days away. In the process, the majority has trampled over norms, rules, standards, honor, values—any of them—that could possibly stand in its monomaniacal pursuit to put someone on the Court who will take away the rights of so many Americans.

The Republican majority, of course, ignored health guidelines to conduct in-person hearings in the middle of a pandemic after Republican members of the committee themselves had contracted COVID-19. It has broken longstanding Senate precedent. Never—never in the history of the Senate, despite any sophistic analyses of recent history, never has a Supreme Court nominee, a lifetime appointment, been considered so close to an election. The Presiding Officer of the Senate confirmed this yesterday in response to this Senator's inquiry; never in the history of the Senate has a Supreme Court nominee been confirmed after July of an election year.

My friends, it is the hallmark of democracy that might does not make right. The Republican Senate is blatantly ignoring this principle. Here in Leader McCONNELL's Senate, the majority lives by the rules of “because we can.” They completely ignore the question of whether they should.

A Supreme Court nominee will be confirmed on a party-line vote after the rules were changed to allow it. Now it doesn't matter that an election is just a short time away. It is a complete contradiction of the supposed principle that same party so vehemently argued only 4 years ago. Again, it is 8 days—8 days—before an election in which the American people will choose exactly whom they want to pick Supreme Court Justices for them.

For the Republican leader to argue for consistency, using his convoluted version of history is laughable. It is absurd. It is outrageous. It is a stain on this body and an indelible mark on this Senate majority. In short, the Senate Republican majority is conducting the most rushed, most partisan, and least legitimate process in the entire history of Supreme Court nominations, and Democrats will not lend an ounce of legitimacy to the process.

Yesterday, the seats of the Democratic members of the Judiciary remained vacant in that committee

room. In their place, were the reminders of what is ultimately at stake in this nomination—the fundamental rights of the American people. It is not Democrat or Republican or who did this when and who did that when. It is the rights of the American people, what America needs and what Judge Barrett has stood for on these issues in the past that is ultimately what matters.

On the seats of those Democratic members were photographs of Americans whose lives would be devastated if a Justice Barrett delivers the decisive vote to strike down the Affordable Care Act, ripping away healthcare from tens of millions of Americans and eliminating protections for more than 130 million Americans with preexisting conditions.

You could imagine, alongside their faces, the faces of women who cherish the right to make their own private medical decisions, the faces of LGBTQ Americans who want to marry whom they love and not be fired for who they are, the faces of American workers who are breaking their backs to make ends meet and need their union to help them get a better wage, the faces of young people who know that the planet is in peril in their lifetimes.

I hope that when Republican Members of the Senate think about this nomination, they will think about those faces and what this nomination means to them, the hundreds of millions of Americans who will lose rights and fundamental things they need to make their lives better because of this nomination. It is not about qualifications. It is about what the American people need and want and will an unelected body take those rights away from them.

So I hope my colleagues will think about that. Take a moment. Take a moment to think about it, and then think about what it says about this sham of a process and the passion that we on this side of the aisle feel about protecting those people's rights, that we were forced to take the extraordinary step of refusing to participate in this process, because while they may realize it or not, our Republican majority's monomaniacal drive to confirm this Justice in the most hypocritical, the most inconsistent of circumstances will forever defile the Senate and, even more importantly, curtail the fundamental rights of the American people for generations to come. Democrats will play no part in that.

MOTION TO POSTPONE NOMINATION

Mr. President, I move to indefinitely postpone the Barrett nomination.

MOTION TO TABLE

Mr. President, I move to table the motion to indefinitely postpone the nomination.

I ask for the yeas and nays.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll.
Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. JONES), and the Senator from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA) are necessarily absent.

The result was announced—yeas 53, nays 44, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 218 Ex.]

YEAS—53

Alexander	Fischer	Perdue
Barrasso	Gardner	Portman
Blackburn	Graham	Risch
Blunt	Grassley	Roberts
Boozman	Hawley	Romney
Braun	Hoeven	Rounds
Burr	Hyde-Smith	Rubio
Capito	Inhofe	Sasse
Cassidy	Johnson	Scott (FL)
Collins	Kennedy	Scott (SC)
Cornyn	Lankford	Shelby
Cotton	Lee	Sullivan
Cramer	Loeffler	Thune
Crapo	McConnell	Tillis
Cruz	McSally	Toomey
Daines	Moran	Wicker
Enzi	Murkowski	Young
Ernst	Paul	

NAYS—44

Baldwin	Hassan	Rosen
Bennet	Heinrich	Sanders
Blumenthal	Hirono	Schatz
Booker	Kaine	Schumer
Brown	King	Shaheen
Cantwell	Klobuchar	Smith
Cardin	Leahy	Stabenow
Carper	Manchin	Tester
Casey	Markey	Udall
Coons	Menendez	Van Hollen
Cortez Masto	Merkley	Warner
Duckworth	Murphy	Warren
Durbin	Murray	Whitehouse
Feinstein	Peters	Wyden
Gillibrand	Reed	

NOT VOTING—3

Harris	Jones	Sinema
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The motion was agreed to.
The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Democratic leader.

MOTION TO RECOMMIT

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I move to recommit the Barrett nomination to the Committee on the Judiciary.

MOTION TO TABLE

I move to table the motion to recommit, and I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. HAWLEY). Is there a sufficient second?

There is a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. JONES), and the Senator from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA) are necessarily absent.

The result was announced—yeas 53, nays 44, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 219 Ex.]

YEAS—53

Alexander	Cramer	Hyde-Smith
Barrasso	Crapo	Inhofe
Blackburn	Cruz	Johnson
Blunt	Daines	Kennedy
Boozman	Enzi	Lankford
Braun	Ernst	Lee
Burr	Fischer	Loeffler
Capito	Gardner	McConnell
Cassidy	Graham	McSally
Collins	Grassley	Moran
Cornyn	Hawley	Murkowski
Cotton	Hoeven	Paul

Perdue	Rubio	Thune
Portman	Sasse	Tillis
Risch	Scott (FL)	Toomey
Roberts	Scott (SC)	Wicker
Romney	Shelby	Young
Rounds	Sullivan	

NAYS—44

Baldwin	Hassan	Rosen
Bennet	Heinrich	Sanders
Blumenthal	Hirono	Schatz
Booker	Kaine	Schumer
Brown	King	Shaheen
Cantwell	Klobuchar	Smith
Cardin	Leahy	Stabenow
Carper	Manchin	Tester
Casey	Markey	Udall
Coons	Menendez	Van Hollen
Cortez Masto	Merkley	Warner
Duckworth	Murphy	Warren
Durbin	Murray	Whitehouse
Feinstein	Peters	Wyden
Gillibrand	Reed	

NOT VOTING—3

Harris	Jones	Sinema
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The motion was agreed to.
The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Democratic leader.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I move to adjourn and to then convene for pro forma sessions only, with no business being conducted, at 12 noon on the following dates, and that following each pro forma session, the Senate adjourn until the next pro forma session: Tuesday, October 27; Friday, October 29; Tuesday, November 3; Friday, November 6. Further, that if there is an agreement on legislation in relation to the COVID pandemic, the Senate convene under the authority of S. Res. 296 of the 108th Congress. Finally, that when the Senate adjourns on Friday, November 6, it next convene at 4:30 p.m., Monday, November 9, and that following the prayer and the pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and morning business be closed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. That motion would require consent. It is not in order.

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I appeal the ruling of the Chair, and I move to table the appeal.

VOTE ON MOTION TO TABLE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on the motion to table the appeal.

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. JONES), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN), and the Senator from Arizona (Mrs. SINEMA) are necessarily absent.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. (Mr. BOOZMAN). Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The result was announced—yeas 53, nays 43, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 220 Ex.]

YEAS—53

Alexander	Fischer	Perdue
Barrasso	Gardner	Portman
Blackburn	Graham	Risch
Blunt	Grassley	Roberts
Boozman	Hawley	Romney
Braun	Hoeven	Rounds
Burr	Hyde-Smith	Rubio
Capito	Inhofe	Sasse
Cassidy	Johnson	Scott (FL)
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Cornyn	Lankford	Shelby
Cotton	Lee	Sullivan
Cramer	Loeffler	Thune
Crapo	McConnell	Thune
Cruz	McSally	Tillis
Daines	Moran	Toomey
Enzi	Murkowski	Wicker
Ernst	Paul	Young

NAYS—43

Baldwin	Hassan	Rosen
Bennet	Heinrich	Sanders
Blumenthal	Hirono	Schatz
Booker	Kaine	Schumer
Brown	King	Smith
Cantwell	Klobuchar	Stabenow
Cardin	Leahy	Tester
Carper	Manchin	Udall
Casey	Markey	Van Hollen
Coons	Menendez	Warner
Cortez Masto	Merkley	Warren
Duckworth	Murphy	Whitehouse
Durbin	Murray	Wyden
Feinstein	Peters	
Gillibrand	Reed	

NOT VOTING—4

Harris	Shaheen
Jones	Sinema

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The motion to table is agreed to, and the ruling of the Chair stands.

The majority leader is recognized.

MOTION TO RECESS

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I move to recess, and I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the motion.

Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. JONES), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN), and the Senator from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA) are necessarily absent.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The result was announced—yeas 53, nays 43, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 221 Ex.]

YEAS—53

Alexander	Enzi	McSally
Barrasso	Ernst	Moran
Blackburn	Fischer	Murkowski
Blunt	Gardner	Paul
Boozman	Graham	Perdue
Braun	Grassley	Portman
Burr	Hawley	Risch
Capito	Hoeven	Roberts
Cassidy	Hyde-Smith	Romney
Collins	Inhofe	Rounds
Cornyn	Johnson	Rubio
Cotton	Kennedy	Sasse
Cramer	Lankford	Scott (FL)
Crapo	Lee	Scott (SC)
Cruz	Loeffler	Shelby
Daines	McConnell	

Sullivan	Tillis	Wicker
Thune	Toomey	Young

NAYS—43

Baldwin	Hassan	Rosen
Bennet	Heinrich	Sanders
Blumenthal	Hirono	Schatz
Booker	Kaine	Schumer
Brown	King	Smith
Cantwell	Klobuchar	Stabenow
Cardin	Leahy	Tester
Carper	Manchin	Udall
Casey	Markey	Van Hollen
Coons	Menendez	Warner
Cortez Masto	Merkley	Warren
Duckworth	Murphy	Whitehouse
Durbin	Murray	Wyden
Feinstein	Peters	
Gillibrand	Reed	

NOT VOTING—4

Harris	Shaheen
Jones	Sinema

The motion was agreed to.

MORNING BUSINESS

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

RECOGNIZING THE ROTARY CLUB OF BOWLING GREEN, KENTUCKY

• Mr. PAUL. Mr. President, for 100 years, the Rotary Club of Bowling Green, KY, has been committed to the highest standards of humanitarian service. The results of this century of engagement can be seen in successful projects throughout my hometown of Bowling Green, but also abroad, where our local Rotary Club has partnered with Rotary International to globally eradicate polio and to meet other enormous public health and safety needs. I was privileged to participate, along with one of my sons, in a project to bring clean, chlorinated water to an underserved community in Guatemala and to see, firsthand, the impact that the Rotary Club of Bowling Green is having in the lives of families and children in that country. This is a tremendous organization that deserves our recognition. I commend its current president, Alan Palmer, his board, and the current members—who give generously of their time, resources, and talents—for leading this organization into a new century of service.●

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE ON OCTOBER 19, 2020

At 4:42 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 1982. An act to improve efforts to combat marine debris, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4447. An act to establish an energy storage and microgrid grant and technical assistance program.

H.R. 4470. An act to rename the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation the

Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation.

H.R. 5068. An act to authorize the Women Who Worked on the Home Front Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5126. An act to require individuals fishing for Gulf reef fish to use certain descending devices, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5139. An act to protect transportation personnel and passengers from sexual assault and harassment, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5572. An act to establish a grant program for family community organizations that provide support for individuals struggling with substance use disorder and their families.

H.R. 5912. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to permit the use of incentive payments to expedite certain federally financed airport development projects.

H.R. 6813. An act to amend the Elder Abuse Prevention and Prosecution Act to improve the prevention of elder abuse and exploitation of individuals with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias.

H.R. 7718. An act to address the health needs of incarcerated women related to pregnancy and childbirth, and for other purposes.

H.R. 8124. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for transportation and subsistence for criminal justice defendants, and for other purposes.

H.R. 8225. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit certain types of fraud in the provision of immigration services, and for other purposes.

H.R. 8472. An act to provide that, due to the disruptions caused by COVID-19, applications for impact aid funding for fiscal year 2022 may use certain data submitted in the fiscal year 2021 application.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The message further announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 561. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the oversight of contracts awarded by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1952. An act to amend the Intercountry Adoption Act of 2000 to require the Secretary of State to report on intercountry adoptions from countries which have significantly reduced adoption rates involving immigration to the United States, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3399. An act to amend the Nutria Eradication and Control Act of 2003 to include California in the program, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. GRASSLEY)

The message also announced that the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. BROWN) has signed the following bills:

S. 2330. An act to amend the Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act to provide for congressional oversight of the board of directors of the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee and to protect amateur athletes from emotional, physical, and sexual abuse, and for other purposes.

S. 2638. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to require small hub airports to construct areas for nursing mothers, and for other purposes.

S. 3051. An act to improve protections for wildlife, and for other purposes.

S. 3758. An act to amend the Klamath Basin Water Supply Enhancement Act of 2000 to make certain technical corrections.

S. 4075. An act to amend the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 to provide for the release of certain Federal interests in connection with certain grants under that Act, and for other purposes.

S. 4762. An act to designate the airport traffic control tower located at Piedmont Triad International Airport in Greensboro, North Carolina, as the "Senator Kay Hagan Airport Traffic Control Tower".

H.R. 2359. An act to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit to Congress a report on the Department of Veterans Affairs advancing of whole health transformation.

H.R. 4183. An act to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on disability and pension benefits provided to members of the National Guard and members of reserve components of the Armed Forces by the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. GRASSLEY).

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Roberts, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

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 Committee on the Judiciary.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

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-5729. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Glen Falls, New York" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2020-0192)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5730. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D and E Airspace; St Louis, Missouri" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2020-0319)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5731. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Decorah, Iowa" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2020-0398)) received during adjournment of the Senate

in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5732. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Baudette, Minnesota" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2020-0362)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5733. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D and E Airspace and Establishment of Class E Airspace; Alton/St. Louis, Illinois;" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2020-0321)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5734. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Winner, South Dakota" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2020-0377)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5735. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Webster City, Iowa" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2020-0398)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5736. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Sleetmute, Alaska" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2020-0359)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5737. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Kotzebue, Alaska" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2020-0350)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5738. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; McGrath, Alaska" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2020-0351)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5739. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of

Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D and Class E Airspace, Revocation of Class E Airspace, and Establishment of Class E Airspace; Multiple Ohio Towns; Glen Falls, New York" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2020-0396)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5740. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class D and E Airspace; Mountain Home, Idaho; Glen Falls, New York" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2020-0282)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5741. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce Deutschland Ltd & Co KG (Type Certificate Previously Held by Rolls-Royce plc) Turbofan Engines; Amendment 39-21171 ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2020-0424)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5742. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Removal of Class E Airspace, and Amendment of Class D and Class E Airspace; Jacksonville, Florida" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2020-0932)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5743. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prohibition Against Certain Flights in the Tripoli Flight Information Region (FIR) (HILL)" ((RIN2120-AL47) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5744. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Class E Airspace; Sitka, Alaska" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2020-0352)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5745. A communication from the Management and Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "The Boeing Company Airplanes; Amendment 39-21177" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2020-0352)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5746. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled

“Cable Service Change Notifications, Modernization of Media Regulation Initiative, Amendment of the Commission’s Rules Related to Retransmission Consent” (MB Docket Nos. 19-347, 17-105, and 10-71) (FCC 20-135) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5747. A communication from the Program Analyst, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Misuse of Internet Protocol (IP) Captioned Telephone Service; Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities; Structure and Practices of the Video Relay Service Program” ((CG Docket Nos. 13-24, 03-123, and 10-51) (FCC 20-132)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5748. A communication from the Assistant Chief Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Hazardous Materials: Response to an Industry Petition to Reduce Regulatory Burden for Cylinder Requalification Requirements” (RIN2137-AF30) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 19, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5749. A communication from the Attorney Adviser, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Rail Integrity and Track Safety Standards” (RIN2130-AC53) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 13, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5750. A communication from the Program Analyst, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment of Part 90 of the Commission’s Rules” (FCC 20-137) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5751. A communication from the Program Analyst, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Amendment of Commission Rule Requiring Records of Cable Operator Interests in Video Programming” (FCC 20-139) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 16, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5752. A communication from the Program Analyst, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Facilitating Shared Use in the 3100-3550 MHz Band” (WT Docket No. 19-348) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 8, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5753. A communication from the Program Analyst, International Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “In the Matter of Process Reform for Executive Branch Review of Certain FCC Applications and Petitions Involving Foreign Ownership” ((FCC 20-133) (IB Docket No. 16-155)) received during adjournment of the Senate

in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 8, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5754. A communication from the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “The Great Lakes and Lake Champlain Invasive Species Program, 2019 Report to Congress”; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. BARRASSO, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works:

Report to accompany S. 3590, A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to reauthorize certain provisions, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 116-284).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. WICKER for Mr. INHOFE for the Committee on Armed Services.

Air Force nomination of Brig. Gen. Jon S. Safstrom, to be Major General.

Army nomination of Col. Robert B. Davis, to be Brigadier General.

Air Force nomination of Maj. Gen. Robert J. Skinner, to be Lieutenant General.

Army nomination of Lt. Gen. Mark C. Schwartz, to be Lieutenant General.

Army nominations beginning with Brig. Gen. Matthew V. Baker and ending with Col. Michael L. Yost, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 30, 2020.

Space Force nomination of Maj. Gen. John E. Shaw, to be Lieutenant General.

Space Force nomination of Maj. Gen. John E. Shaw, to be Major General.

Mr. WICKER for Mr. INHOFE, Mr. President, for the Committee on Armed Services I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORDS on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary’s desk for the information of Senators.

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

Air Force nominations beginning with Jessica R. Colman and ending with Brian A. Thalhofer, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 30, 2020.

Air Force nominations beginning with Scott R. Moore and ending with Sandra V. Slater, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 30, 2020.

Army nomination of Anne B. Warwick, to be Colonel.

Army nominations beginning with Jakob H. Andrews and ending with D002999, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 30, 2020.

Army nominations beginning with Matthew T. Adamczyk and ending with D015515, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 30, 2020.

Army nominations beginning with John J. Agnello and ending with John J. Zollinger, which nominations were received by the Sen-

ate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 30, 2020.

Army nominations beginning with Cornelius L. Allen, Jr. and ending with Micheal A. Zweifel, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 30, 2020.

Army nomination of Corey M. James, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Army nomination of John H. Mitchell, to be Colonel.

Navy nomination of Robert K. Debus, to be Captain.

Navy nomination of Paul S. Ruben, to be Captain.

Navy nomination of Robert M. Knapp, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nomination of Brian E. Lamarche, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nomination of Terence M. Murphy, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nomination of Roldan J. Crespopabon, to be Lieutenant Commander.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. WYDEN:

S. 4850. A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to create permanent payments within the environmental quality incentives program for soil health practices and carbon sequestration monitoring, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mr. CRUZ):

S. 4851. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 315 Addicks Howell Road in Houston, Texas, as the “Deputy Sandeep Singh Dhaliwal Post Office Building”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. MCSALLY:

S. 4852. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to transfer certain coronavirus aid and relief funds to various accounts of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mr. CRUZ):

S. 4853. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3519 East Walnut Street in Pearland, Texas, as the “Tom Reid Post Office Building”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mr. CARDIN):

S. 4854. A bill to provide payments for home health services furnished via visual or audio telecommunication systems during an emergency period; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mr. CRUZ):

S. 4855. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1305 U.S. Highway 90 West in Castroville, Texas, as the “Lance Corporal Rhonald Dain Rairdan Post Office”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. GARDNER:

S. 4856. A bill to authorize the construction of a major medical facility for the Department of Veterans Affairs in Colorado

Springs, Colorado, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. PORTMAN (for himself and Mr. BROWN):

S. 4857. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 275 Penn Avenue in Salem, Ohio, as the "Howard Arthur Tibbs Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. LOEFFLER (for herself and Mr. ROUNDS):

S. 4858. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, and the Honoring America's Veterans and Caring for Camp Lejeune Families Act of 2012, to make certain enhancements to grants awarded by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and contracts between the Secretary and entities that provide services to homeless veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. MENENDEZ:

S. Res. 756. A resolution urging the Government of Tanzania and all parties to respect human, civil, and political rights and ensure free and fair elections in October 2020, and recognizing the importance of multiparty democracy in Tanzania; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. COONS, Mr. JONES, and Mr. BROWN):

S. Res. 757. A resolution expressing support for the designation of the month of November 2020 as "Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 2886

At the request of Ms. MCSALLY, the name of the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2886, a bill to prohibit the use of animal testing for cosmetics and the sale of cosmetics tested on animals.

S. 3533

At the request of Mr. CRAMER, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3533, a bill to authorize and establish minimum standards for electronic and remote notarizations that occur in or affect interstate commerce, to require any Federal court located in a State to recognize notarizations performed by a notary public commissioned by another State when the notarization occurs in or affects interstate commerce, and to require any State to recognize notarizations performed by a notary public commissioned by another State when the notarization occurs in or affects interstate commerce or when the notarization was performed under or relates to a public act, record, or judicial proceeding of the State in which the notary public was commissioned.

S. 4012

At the request of Mr. WICKER, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4012, a bill to establish a \$120,000,000,000 Restaurant Revitaliza-

tion Fund to provide structured relief to food service or drinking establishments through December 31, 2020, and for other purposes.

S. 4154

At the request of Mr. CRAMER, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4154, a bill to amend the Bank Service Company Act to provide improvements with respect to State banking agencies, and for other purposes.

S. 4258

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. MANCHIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4258, a bill to establish a grant program for small live venue operators and talent representatives.

S. 4299

At the request of Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4299, a bill to provide grants for tourism and events support and promotion in areas affected by the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), and for other purposes.

S. 4375

At the request of Mr. ALEXANDER, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4375, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to make permanent certain telehealth flexibilities under the Medicare program related to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

S. 4711

At the request of Mr. MENENDEZ, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4711, a bill to provide for judicial security and privacy.

S. 4805

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the names of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. CASSIDY) and the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) were added as cosponsors of S. 4805, a bill to create a point of order against legislation modifying the number of Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States.

S.J. RES. 14

At the request of Mr. RUBIO, the name of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 14, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to require that the Supreme Court of the United States be composed of not more than 9 justices.

S.J. RES. 76

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. CASSIDY) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 76, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to require that the Supreme Court of the United States be composed of nine justices.

S. RES. 709

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 709, a resolution express-

ing the sense of the Senate that the August 13, 2020, and September 11, 2020, announcements of the establishment of full diplomatic relations between the State of Israel and the United Arab Emirates and the State of Israel and the Kingdom of Bahrain are historic achievements.

S. RES. 752

At the request of Mr. HAWLEY, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. ROUNDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 752, a resolution condemning the Chinese Communist Party's use of forced labor and other coercive measures to destroy religious freedom in Tibet.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTION

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mr. CARDIN):

S. 4854. A bill to provide payments for home health services furnished via visual or audio telecommunication systems during an emergency period; to the Committee on Finance.

Ms. COLLINS. Mr. President, I rise today, along with my colleague Senator CARDIN, to introduce the Home Health Emergency Access to Telehealth Act or Heat Act. This bipartisan bill would help ensure that seniors who rely on home health care have the choice to receive these critical services through telehealth during the COVID-19 pandemic and future public health emergencies.

COVID-19 is the greatest public health challenge since the flu pandemic of 1918 and has claimed the lives of more than 200,000 Americans. This public health emergency has underscored the need for older adults and other at-risk populations to have access to health care in the home setting. Home-based care is crucial to ensuring that this pandemic does not create devastating long-term health consequences due to delayed care. The highly skilled and compassionate care that home health agencies provide are an important component of this in-home care.

I have been a strong supporter of home care since my very first home visit, which took place in my hometown in Aroostook County early in my Senate service. This experience gave me the opportunity to meet and visit with home health patients, where I saw first-hand what a difference highly skilled and caring visiting nurses and other health care professionals make to the lives of patients and their families. I have been a passionate advocate for home care ever since.

In March, my bipartisan home health legislation, the Home Health Care Planning Improvement Act, became law as part of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. This new law will improve the access Medicare beneficiaries have to home health care by allowing physician assistants, nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, and certified

nurse midwives to order home health services. Far too often seniors experience unnecessary delays in accessing home health care. To avoid these needless delays, it is common sense that other medical professionals who are familiar with a patient's case should be able to order these services.

Home health professionals have continued to provide face-to-face services during the COVID-19 public health emergency, but this crisis has created additional challenges, including the need to maintain an adequate supply of personal protective equipment to protect themselves, their patients, and their patients' families. The use of telehealth and virtual visits can help address these challenges. Unlike other Medicare providers, however, home health agencies are not eligible to receive Medicare reimbursement for telehealth services during the COVID-19 emergency.

In May, I led Congress' first hearing examining COVID-19's devastating impact on seniors. During the hearing, Dr. Steven H. Landers, President and CEO of the Visiting Nurse Association Health Group, testified that, despite this lack of Medicare reimbursement, his organization has found telehealth to be an essential part of providing high quality home health care during the COVID-19 public health emergency. He urged action to ensure that home health providers can continue offering these critical services remotely.

Maine home health care providers have also shared stories about how telehealth is helping them to continue caring for their patients during COVID-19. Through a combination of video visits and care calls, one provider has been able to care for a woman with severe heart and lung disease and keep this patient out of the hospital. The nurse would speak with the woman by phone a couple of times per week to assess any symptoms that needed follow up. If the nurse identified an issue during the call, she would schedule a video visit and also work with the patient's physician to modify medications as needed.

The bill I am introducing today would authorize Medicare reimbursement for home health services provided through telehealth during a public health emergency where telehealth can be used appropriately. The services would not be reimbursed unless the beneficiary consents to receiving the services via telehealth. To ensure that the Medicare home health benefit does not become a telehealth-only benefit, Medicare reimbursement would only be provided if the telehealth services constitute no more than half of the billable visits made during the 30-day payment period.

Home health serves a vital role in helping our nation's seniors avoid more costly hospital visits and nursing home stays. The COVID-19 emergency has further underscored the critical importance of home health services and highlighted how these agencies are able to

use telehealth to provide skilled care to their patients. The Home Health Emergency Access to Telehealth (HEAT) Act would ensure that seniors in Maine and across the country retain access to remote home health services during the COVID-19 emergency and future public health emergencies.

Thank you, Mr. President.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 756—URGING THE GOVERNMENT OF TANZANIA AND ALL PARTIES TO RESPECT HUMAN, CIVIL, AND POLITICAL RIGHTS AND ENSURE FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS IN OCTOBER 2020, AND RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF MULTI-PARTY DEMOCRACY IN TANZANIA

Mr. MENENDEZ submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. RES. 756

Whereas the United States has an important interest in supporting democracy in Tanzania and has consistently demonstrated support for the people of Tanzania through efforts to advance good governance, economic growth, and improved access to health and education;

Whereas respect for human, civil, and political rights and deepening multiparty democracy are essential to Tanzania's long-term economic prosperity and continued political stability;

Whereas the conduct of elections will have a significant impact on the trajectory of democratic growth in Tanzania, as well as its relationship with the United States;

Whereas Tanzania has held successive multiparty elections since 1995, with the elections in 2015 being the most competitive to date, despite substantial state interference in political organizing by the opposition, both during and following the campaign period;

Whereas, since President John Magufuli's election in 2015, the Government of Tanzania has adopted and enforced multiple repressive laws that restrict media freedoms, and freedoms of expression, assembly, and association, such as the Cybercrimes Act of 2015, the Media Services Act of 2016, the Electronic and Postal Communications (Online Content) Regulations Act of 2020, the Written Laws (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 3) Act, 2018, and the Written Laws (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act No. 3 of 2020;

Whereas the Government of Tanzania has promulgated onerous regulations that actively undermine the independent collection, dissemination, and publication of statistics without government approval, and suspended or halted activities by multiple newspapers and digital and broadcast media outlets in retaliation for publishing content deemed critical of the state or officials;

Whereas state actors have threatened, arbitrarily arrested, and attacked journalists with impunity, and some journalists have disappeared;

Whereas in mid-2016, the Magufuli Administration placed a ban on political party rallies until the 2020 elections;

Whereas political freedoms were further eroded following the amendment of the Political Parties Act in January 2019, which granted Tanzanian authorities sweeping powers to regulate the operations of opposi-

tion parties, and private opposition political party meetings have been broken up by police;

Whereas freedom of association has been limited through mandatory registration and reporting processes for nongovernmental organizations that are arbitrary in nature;

Whereas, in September 2019, the Government of Tanzania amended both the Companies Act and Nongovernmental Organization Act, which has severely restricted the ability of civil society organizations, particularly those focused on democracy and human rights, to receive foreign funds;

Whereas opposition leaders have been threatened, intimidated, and physically attacked, and the Magufuli Administration has failed to hold perpetrators accountable;

Whereas President Magufuli's failure to hold Tanzanian government actors accountable for arbitrary arrests, paired with actions to limit democratic space for civil society, opposition parties, and citizens of Tanzania, has undermined the Tanzanian Constitution and the rule of law;

Whereas the Government of Tanzania has rapidly escalated its campaign of repression against the opposition in the lead-up to the October 2020 elections, through arbitrary and partisan legal action against opposition candidates and their parties, which undermines democratic principles of fair play and potentially calls into question the credibility of the country's October polls;

Whereas some United States companies operating in Tanzania have reported harassment, corruption, and lack of respect for contracts and business operations, which threatens future United States business investment and trade partnerships; and

Whereas the Government of Tanzania's claim that the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) has been eliminated in the country, and its suppression of information related to the pandemic have not only placed citizens' health at risk, but have also violated citizens' freedom of speech and right of access to information: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) urges the Government of Tanzania to ensure that the October 2020 elections are conducted in a free, fair, credible, transparent, and peaceful manner that enables citizens of Tanzania the opportunity to exercise their right to vote;

(2) urges the Government of Tanzania to legally guarantee and respect the rights enshrined in its Constitution, particularly the rights to freedom of movement, expression, information, religion, and association, as well as equality, privacy, and personal security;

(3) urges the Government of Tanzania to foster a robust, market-led business environment conducive to continued United States trade and investment in Tanzania, including respect for the legal and contractual rights of United States companies operating in Tanzania;

(4) calls upon the Government of Tanzania and President Magufuli—

(A) to repeal repressive laws that are contrary to the principles of good governance, a healthy democracy, and the rights enumerated in the Tanzanian Constitution;

(B) to allow citizens, civil society organizations, and political parties to assemble peacefully and express their views freely;

(C) to immediately lift the ban on political activities and allow opposition parties to hold political rallies and demonstrations at any time, both during and outside of election periods;

(D) to provide transparent, consistent, and nonintrusive procedures for nongovernmental organizations to register and to enable them to carry out programs and other

legal activity absent arbitrary state interference, including with respect to receiving funding or cooperating with foreign organizations;

(E) to safeguard press freedom, in accordance with the Tanzanian Constitution and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;

(F) to condemn threats and attacks against Members of Parliament and opposition political parties, and ensure accountability for harassment, intimidation, or physical attacks on members of the opposition;

(G) to end the escalating campaign of arbitrary and partisan legal action against opposition candidates and their parties in the lead-up to the October 2020 elections; and

(H) to guarantee the ability of domestic and international election observers to monitor the October 2020 polls without hindrance; and

(5) calls on the United States Government to continue to speak out against democratic backsliding in Tanzania and hold the Government of Tanzania accountable for respecting the rights of its citizens, in accordance with its international obligations and the Tanzanian Constitution, including by—

(A) considering the imposition of targeted sanctions and visa restrictions on actors involved in perpetrating or abetting human rights abuses;

(B) leading international partners and institutions, including those in Africa, in developing and implementing strategies and actions to promote and defend human, civil, and political rights and multiparty democracy in Tanzania;

(C) immediately conducting a review of United States Government assistance and cooperation with the Government of Tanzania for the purposes of reprioritizing such assistance should neutral observers determine that the October 2020 polls do not meet internationally accepted standards for credible elections; and

(D) demanding the Government of Tanzania conduct full and public investigations that ensure judicial accountability for acts of violence perpetrated against political opposition, journalists, and members of civil society.

SENATE RESOLUTION 757—EX-PRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE DESIGNATION OF THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 2020 AS “PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS MONTH”

Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. COONS, Mr. JONES, and Mr. BROWN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:

S.RES. 757

Whereas pancreatic cancer will kill an estimated 47,050 people in the United States in 2020;

Whereas pancreatic cancer is the third leading cause of cancer-related death in the United States;

Whereas, in 2020, pancreatic cancer has killed two United States icons—Representative John Lewis and Associate Justice of the Supreme Court Ruth Bader Ginsburg;

Whereas an additional 57,600 individuals in the United States will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in 2020;

Whereas, of those diagnosed with pancreatic cancer, 66 percent will die within the first year of their diagnosis;

Whereas persistent healthcare inequities and disparities for communities of color compound the devastation of pancreatic cancer;

Whereas the incidence rate for pancreatic cancer among Black Americans is 20 percent higher than that of any other racial demographic;

Whereas the pancreatic cancer death rate is 17 percent higher for Black men than for White men;

Whereas the lack of pancreatic cancer early detection research accelerates the racial unfairness in the United States healthcare system, with devastating consequences for minorities;

Whereas pancreatic cancer has no early detection test to diagnose this cancer quickly and accurately determine the presence of this cancer;

Whereas, if diagnosed early, the 5-year survival rate for pancreatic cancer patients is above 80 percent;

Whereas, if pancreatic cancer is detected late, the 5-year survival rate drops to less than 10 percent;

Whereas without adequate funding and early detection research, pancreatic cancer

is not discovered until the late stages of this horrific cancer when treatment options are limited;

Whereas, in fiscal year 2020, pancreatic cancer received its own dedicated research program at the Department of Defense under the Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs;

Whereas, in the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2020 (division A of Public Law 116-93), Congress appropriated funds to the Congressionally Directed Medical Research Programs, with \$6,000,000 going to the Pancreatic Cancer Research Program; and

Whereas the 116th Congress has a unique opportunity to make a historic investment in pancreatic cancer research at the Department of Defense: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) supports the designation of “Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month” for the month of November, 2020;

(2) recognizes the critical importance of increasing funding for pancreatic cancer research at the Department of Defense and the National Institutes of Health to find effective treatments for this cancer and reduce the disproportionate impact on communities of color; and

(3) supports the efforts of the many advocacy organizations to educate communities in the United States about pancreatic cancer and the need for more research funding, early-detection initiatives, diagnostic tests, and effective treatments.

RECESS UNTIL TOMORROW

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate stands in recess until 12 noon tomorrow.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 3:33 p.m., recessed until Saturday, October 24, 2020, at 12 noon.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

THE JUDICIARY

STEPHEN ANDREW KUBIATOWSKI, OF KENTUCKY, TO BE A JUDGE OF THE UNITED STATES COURT OF FEDERAL CLAIMS FOR A TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS, VICE THOMAS CRAIG WHEELER, TERM EXPIRING.

JOSEPH DAWSON III, OF SOUTH CAROLINA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA, VICE TERRY L. WOOTEN, RETIRED.

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING THE LIFE OF MOTHER
LEE ESTHER DAVIS

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Mother Lee Esther Davis.

"I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth." Psalms 34:1.

Mother Lee Esther Davis was born the 5th of 10 children to the late Mr. Leroy and Mother Josephine Wilson, Sr., on December 27, 1955. A native of Bolton, MS, and longtime resident of Jackson, MS, Mother Davis transcended from Earth to Glory at her home surrounded by her family on Friday, October 16, 2020.

After receiving her education from the Jackson Public School System, Lee married the late Mr. Levi "Ham" Davis, Jr., on December 25, 1971, and to this union three daughters were born, Debra, LaTanya and Sharon. She also had one son, Jeremy. She became gainfully employed for several years as a dietary aide, and then went on to become a bus driver with the Jackson Public School District before retiring after 13 years of loyal dedicated service.

As a young child, Lee accepted Christ into her life and was baptized and filled with the Holy Ghost at the House of Prayer Church under the leadership of the late Pastor Doris Lee. She continued to serve faithfully at Holy Tabernacle as a Church Mother, Prayer Warrior and member of the Home and Foreign Mission under the leadership of Pastor Ivory Lee.

Lee is preceded in death by daughter LaTanya Davis and son, Jeremy Davis; one sister, Frankie Mae Wilson; and two brothers Leroy "Pete" Wilson, II, and Ray Paul Wilson.

She leaves to cherish her memories and carry her legacy two loving and devoted daughters, Debra (London) of Pearl, MS, and Sharon of Jackson, MS. Six grandchildren: Meco Shoulders of Washington, DC, Jaquavious "Quay" and JaVonn Shoulders of Pearl, MS, and Jourdan, Avery and Ivory Davis of Jackson, MS. Four sisters: Ida M. Byther-Smith and Lida M. Thomas-Ragland of Chicago, IL, and Josephine Butler and Angela Wilson of Springfield, IL. Two brothers: Clifton (Kristina), and Jack Wilson of Springfield, IL. A very dear and special companion, Mr. Charles Boone, two adopted grandsons, Carl and Eeon Black of Muskegon Heights, MI; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Mother Lee Esther Davis was a woman of virtue, poise, strength, and wisdom. She stood for what was right and never wavered. She was the epitome of a Proverbs 31 woman. Mother Davis will be missed by many. Sleep on faithful servant of God and may your works praise you in the gates.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Mother Lee Esther Davis.

HONORING STEVE AND LINDA
WASHBURN OF PFLUGERVILLE,
TEXAS

HON. BILL FLORES

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. FLORES. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 30 years of service and ministry of Steve and Linda Washburn with First Baptist Church in Pflugerville and their work in the Pflugerville community.

First Baptist Church was founded in 1973 as a mission-minded ministry dedicated to sharing a passion for God's word and leading people to faith and salvation in Christ.

Under the guidance of Pastor Washburn, First Baptist Pflugerville has become an integral part of the community, where a strong sense of discipleship has led to the creation of many outreach programs—including children and student ministries, a food pantry feeding thousands in the community each year, support groups for the hurting, and a church committed to keeping Christ at the center of the family.

Even as the church has grown, First Baptist Pflugerville has remained committed to their original mission-minded goals, and through the efforts of the congregation, thousands have found the joy, peace, and contentment that spring from a fulfilling and personal relationship with Jesus.

For the past 30 years, Pastor Washburn and his wife Linda have been a source of light, encouragement, and joy for the entire membership of First Baptist Pflugerville. Under their guidance, the church has seen significant change and growth from a membership of around 600 to 2,400. This growth allowed the church to build its current 1,500-seat worship center after outgrowing its first worship center built just a few years earlier. These buildings were necessary after outgrowing the old campus even after several years of providing three separate Bible study hours and worship services each Sunday.

Pastor Washburn's commitment to outreach and involvement have made him a pillar of the Pflugerville community as the ministry of the church strives to help and protect vulnerable and hurting citizens. His desire to help led him to author a book, "Salt and Light," that Biblically explains many of the issues facing the Church and society today.

On October 25th, 2020, First Baptist Pflugerville is saying goodbye to Pastor Washburn and Linda as they begin the next chapter of their lives in retirement. There is no doubt that Pastor Washburn will continue to spread the Word of God no matter where retirement leads him.

I thank both Pastor Washburn and Linda Washburn for their down to earth and positive leadership of this congregation, and for their impact in spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ.

As I close today, I urge all Americans to continue praying for our country, for our military men and women who protect us, and for our first responders who keep us safe at home.

HONORING THE REVEREND ELLIS
CLIFTON, JR.

HON. RASHIDA TLAIB

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Ms. TLAIB. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate and honor the retirement of Reverend Ellis Clifton, Jr.

Born January 15, 1953, the Reverend Ellis Clifton, Jr. is the only child of Reverend Deacon Ellis Clifton, Sr., and Marie Clifton. He grew up in Inkster, Michigan, and often comments on his childhood, saying, "I had a happy childhood, but it was a different one. While others were playing 'cops and robbers', 'cowboys and Indians', pretending to be superheroes, or playing sports, I was in my backyard playing priest." There is no doubt he would eventually pursue work in the clergy. Reverend Clifton graduated from Robichaud High School in Dearborn Heights, Michigan, in 1970, and graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Education in 1974, and certification to teach students in special education and with learning disabilities from Central State University in Wilberforce, Ohio. Reverend Clifton taught school in Columbus, Ohio, from 1974 until 1988, when he entered Trinity Episcopal School for Ministry. He received his Master of Divinity in 1991, becoming the first African American graduate of the seminary.

Before returning to Michigan, Reverend Clifton served as curate and interim pastor in Pennsylvania and vicar in Ohio. He was briefly the Vicar at Church of the Resurrection in Ecorse, Michigan, before eventually settling as the 7th rector of St. Clement's Episcopal Church in Inkster. Reverend Clifton's work has gone beyond his service to St. Clement's, but has extended to his surrounding community. Reverend Clifton is a lifelong member of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Chaplain and Board Member of the National Action Network Western Wayne County Chapter, Member of the Inkster-Citizens Action Network, and Chaplain for the Bishop H. Irving Mayson Scholarship Fund. He's also served on the Inkster Charter Commission and on Inkster Housing Commission until August of 2020.

Reverend Ellis Clifton, Jr.'s ministerial leadership, commitment to clergy, and service to Inkster is extraordinary and a true reflection of our great district. Please join me in honoring Reverend Clifton, Jr., on his retirement and job well done.

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IN RECOGNITION OF DR. JOSEPH I. CASTRO BEING NAMED CHANCELLOR OF THE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

HON. TJ COX

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. COX of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Dr. Joseph I. Castro on being named the eighth Chancellor of the California State University system. Dr. Castro will be the first California native and the first Mexican American to hold the chancellorship. In his role as Chancellor, he will oversee 23 campuses and 486,000 students throughout our nation's largest four-year higher education system.

Dr. Castro was born and raised in the small city of Hanford, in the heart of California's Central Valley. The grandson of Mexican immigrants and the son of a single mother, Dr. Castro knows well the challenges so many young men and women face in their pursuit of higher education. Like many of his students, Dr. Castro is a first-generation college graduate. He earned a B.A. in political science, a M.P.P. from the University of California, Berkeley, and later a Ph.D. in higher-education policy and leadership from Stanford University.

Since 2013, Dr. Castro has served as President of California State University, Fresno. Under his leadership, Fresno State attained a national ranking as one of the top universities in the country. The school was also recognized for its commitment and achievements to diversity. More than 60 percent of Fresno State's recent graduating class are the first in their families to attend a four-year institution. As President, Dr. Castro has led by example, encouraging Fresno State students, faculty, and staff to "Be Bold" in order to meet and overcome any challenge that would limit academic, personal or professional growth.

As an advocate for Fresno State and the California State University system, Dr. Castro serves on numerous boards, including the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities' Governing Board, WASC Senior College and University Commission, Mountain West Athletic Conference Board, and the Stanford University Graduate School of Education Advisory Council. Before becoming President of Fresno State, he served for 23 years in the University of California system. From 2006 to 2013, he was Vice Chancellor of Student Academic Affairs and Professor of Family and Community Medicine at the University of California, San Francisco.

Earlier in his career, he held faculty and administrative leadership positions at four other University of California campuses including Berkeley, Davis, Merced and Santa Barbara. Dr. Castro has received five Excellence and Innovation Award from the American Association of State Colleges and Universities for his accomplishments at Fresno State. In 2018, he was named as CSU President of the Year by the California State Student Association. In 2016, he received the Alumni Excellence in Education Award from the Stanford University Graduate School of Education. Dr. Castro has also been honored with the Ohtli Award, which is highest honor granted by the Government of Mexico to recognize leaders who have em-

powered the lives of Mexican natives in the United States.

I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Dr. Castro for all of his achievements. On behalf of a grateful Central Valley and State of California, we look forward to his future accomplishments and what he will do for California State University students everywhere.

REMEMBERING JOSEPH "JACK" MEEHAN

HON. ERIC SWALWELL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. SWALWELL of California. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the life of Joseph "Jack" Meehan, who passed away recently at the age of 88.

Born and raised in San Francisco, Jack graduated from the University of San Francisco (USF) in 1954. Following service in the United States Army, Jack went to USF for law school; he earned his law degree in 1959.

In 1960, Jack joined the Alameda County District Attorney's (ACDA) Office. While there he created Point of View, a monthly publication, and Points and Authorities, a weekly video series, to help teach California prosecutors. He was recognized for his accomplishments by being presented with the 1978 Prosecutor of the Year award by the California District Attorneys Association (CDA).

In 1981 Jack was appointed Alameda County District Attorney. He was reelected unopposed in 1982, 1986, and 1990. He did not run for reelection in 1994.

Jack was affectionately known as the "Big Guy" at the ACDA Office, beloved by all of his colleagues. His leadership, respect for our system of justice, and concern for victims of crime will be long-remembered.

It also should be noted that as district attorney Jack hired a young KAMALA HARRIS, now a United States senator from California and the Democratic Party's nominee to be vice president of the United States, to be a deputy district attorney. Clearly he could spot talent when he saw it.

Jack was well-recognized for his lifetime of career success and community service. USF awarded him its alumnus of the year award in 1994, and four years later it created the John J. Meehan Alumni Fellowship to honor USF alumni who help develop young lawyers. CDA created the John J. Meehan Career Prosecutor Award, to recognize lawyers for career achievement in criminal prosecution. And, in 2003, the Saint Thomas More Society of San Francisco present him with its Saint Thomas Moore award.

While Jack had many professional successes, it was his family that mattered most. He and his wife, Janet, were married for 59 years, before she died in 2017. They had four children—sons John Matthew ("Matt"), James Patrick ("Jim"), and Mark Emmitt, and a daughter, Anne Marie (who passed away in 1968).

It was mostly in San Rafael where Jack and Janet raised their family. There they hosted many a family event, at which Jack showed his talents for playing piano and bartending that he honed over the years.

My deepest condolences go out to Jack's many family members and friends. He will be greatly missed.

REVEREND DR. ALFRED GORDON

HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. ENGEL. Madam Speaker, it is my honor and privilege to recognize one of my constituents, Reverend Dr. Alfred Gordon, who has served the City of Mount Vernon, New York for more than 50 years in ministry. Reverend Dr. Alfred Gordon has served our nation both through his service in the United States Marine Corps and through his work in ministry improving the quality of life for the people of Mount Vernon, especially our most vulnerable populations. In honor of his 86th birthday, it is my privilege to acknowledge the work he has done to better his community and his contribution to our nation as a whole. He has set a high standard for civic engagement and service to one's community, and he is a well-respected and integral part of the City of Mount Vernon. Madam Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Reverend Dr. Alfred Gordon on this special occasion.

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL TO ALLOW CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS WITH PRIOR SERVICE UNDER THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO MAKE DEPOSITS TOWARDS ANNUITIES UNDER THE CIVIL SERVICE AND RETIREMENT SYSTEM AND THE FEDERAL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, today, I introduce a bill to correct a retirement issue for several categories of workers who used to be under the District of Columbia retirement system.

In 1997, Congress transferred several categories of workers who participated in D.C.'s defined contribution plan from 1987 to 1997 to the Federal Employees Retirement System (FERS). However, those workers' service from 1987 to 1997 was not counted for purposes of creditable service or annuity amount in FERS. In 2009, Congress gave these employees the right to have this service counted for creditable service.

My bill would correct this last retirement issue for these public servants. It would allow these workers to buy into the FERS annuity amount for the 1987–1997 by paying 1.3 percent of their base pay plus interest, essentially the employee contribution for this time, and then allowing them the full retirement benefit to which they are entitled.

Our bill is an important step to assisting these workers to get the retirement benefits they deserve. I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF RITA
BERTHAY

HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Rita “RiRi” Lilly Berthay, who passed away on October 6 after a courageous battle with an extended illness.

Rita’s life began on November 5, 1955 in Greenville, Mississippi. She went on to graduate from the University of Mississippi with a bachelor’s and a master’s degree in social work. After her marriage to Michael Berthay in 1979, she moved to Saltillo where she raised her two sons. A devoted Christian and member of First United Methodist Church of Saltillo, Rita was known for being extraordinarily strong in her faith and an inspiration to all who know her.

Her dedication to serving others was evident in her 28 years in social work, mental health, and counseling. Rita’s career was her passion and purpose. She took great pride in helping those in need and felt she never worked a day in her life. She was instrumental in implementing Crisis Intervention Training which trained local law enforcement how to handle mental health issues. Rita also served as CEO of the Lifecore Health Group until her retirement this past July.

Above all, Rita found the greatest joy in caring for and spending time with her family, particularly spoiling her two granddaughters, Ava and Mary. She was selfless and generous, and always looking for ways to help others. Her life was one of service, grace, and love for her family and community and she will be greatly missed by all whom she encountered.

Left to cherish her memory is her husband Mike Berthay; sons, Clint and Ryan Berthay, as well as many other extended family members.

HONORING SANTA CRUZ SHERIFF
MARCO ANTONIO ESTRADA, SR.

HON. RAÚL M. GRIJALVA

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. GRIJALVA. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Santa Cruz County Sheriff Marco Antonio Estrada, Sr., for his decades of public service to Nogales, AZ. The only Hispanic and longest serving Sheriff in the State of Arizona is retiring after a combined career of over 50 years in law enforcement.

A native to Ambos Nogales, Sheriff Estrada was born in Nogales, Sonora, Mexico. In December of 1944, his family immigrated to the United States and made their home in Nogales, Arizona. Sheriff Estrada grew up from humble beginnings, and his family often struggled to put food on the table. With a tremendous work ethic, drive, and self-education through avid reading, he overcame poverty.

Sheriff Estrada’s law enforcement career began in 1966, when he first joined the Nogales Police Department as a radio dispatcher. He continued to move up the ranks

with promotions to Desk Sergeant, then serving as Captain from 1978 up to his retirement in 1991.

In 1992, he decided to continue his public service career and ran for The Office of Santa Cruz County Sheriff. He was elected and sworn in on January 1, 1993. Since then, Sheriff Estrada has been re-elected for seven consecutive terms and is finishing his “last rodeo”, as he so famously called it, with a distinguished legacy of service to Santa Cruz County. A proud immigrant himself, he always promoted the welfare of immigrants and is an advocate for the border town. One of his most notable accomplishments was the construction of a new sheriff’s department and county jail named after him: “Tony Estrada Law Enforcement Center.” His long exemplary career in law enforcement counts mainly accolades; however, as our country currently faces tensions between communities and local law enforcement, his greatest accomplishment could arguably be the longstanding positive relationship maintained between the local law enforcement agency and its community under his leadership. As a Sheriff who made it a point not only to enforce the law with strength, but to also enforce the law with compassion, empathy, integrity, dedication, commitment and passion, it’s understandable why residents identify Marco Antonio Estrada, Sr., as a Sheriff who truly reflects the values of their small border town. Sheriff Estrada publicly defended those values and the people of Santa Cruz County against those who would demean the community.

Sheriff Estrada also understood the importance of serving and giving back to his community after hours. He actively volunteers his time to many community-based organizations that include: United Way of Santa Cruz County (serving as a spokesperson for over three decades), the Boys and Girls Club, the Nogales Rotary Club, the Kiwanis Club, Way of the Heart Promotora Institute, Nogales Elks Lodge, is a lifetime member of the Fraternal Order of Police, and has always supported charitable organizations.

Congratulations on a job well done and time well served. He is a hero to his family and community and an example of good policing. There will never be another Sheriff Estrada, Sr., but the bar has been set high for The Office of Santa Cruz County Sheriff.

HONORING TOMAS T. ALEJO, JR.

HON. JIMMY PANETTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. PANETTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Tomas T. Alejo, Jr., a devoted pastor, educator, activist, and community leader from the central coast of California. Tomas will be remembered as a tireless advocate for social change in Watsonville and Phoenix, Arizona.

Tomas was born on March 16, 1946, in the southern Texas border region of Weslaco to a humble migrant farmworker family. Tomas and his family migrated from South Texas to California in the 1950s, where they worked in the Salinas, Santa Clara, Central, and Pajaro Valleys picking crops. They eventually settled and established roots on the Central Coast in

Watsonville. Tomas attended Gonzales High School and graduated from Gilroy High School in 1965. From 1966 through 1968, he proudly served our nation in the United States Army during the Vietnam War.

Tomas earned his teaching credential from San Jose State University and taught for 24 years at the Santa Cruz County Sheriffs Rehabilitation Center in Watsonville. There, he trained inmates in the trade of auto body repair and painting to help them positively transform their lives and have employment opportunities upon release. He also taught auto body repair and painting classes for six years at Hartnell College in Salinas.

Tomas was also a longtime pastor for the Apostolic Church and served five years doing missionary work in the poorest parts of South Texas and Mexico with his family. He later co-founded Hope Ministries Church in Watsonville, where he was heavily involved in many community events and activities throughout his life. Tomas contributed to countless policy advocacy efforts and co-founded the Annual Watsonville Peace and Unity March in 1994 to end gang and domestic violence. Tomas also served as a contract negotiator for the United Farm Workers in the late 1970s and was invited to lead the opening prayer at the California State Capitol in Sacramento in 2014 for the state’s Cesar Chavez Day Ceremony.

During his retirement in Phoenix, Tomas was heavily involved in community action defending immigrants. He was especially passionate about helping the homeless and less fortunate. In biblical tradition, Tomas deeply believed in the righteousness of defending the poor and most vulnerable in our communities.

Tomas will be remembered for his lifetime of community service and virtuous spirit. We, as a community, celebrate his legacy and all he has done for the central coast of California. Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in honoring the life of Tomas T. Alejo, Jr.

RECOGNIZING AND THANKING MR.
ED PEREZ FOR HIS DEDICATION
TO THE EISENHOWER MEMORIAL
COMMISSION

HON. MICHAEL K. SIMPSON

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. SIMPSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the outstanding work of Mr. Ed Perez who has served as the Director of Government Relations for the Eisenhower Memorial Commission. It has been a true pleasure and honor to work with Ed many years as I have served on the Eisenhower Memorial Commission.

Ed has proven himself to be a great ambassador in interacting with Members of Congress and their staff. His passion for this project combined with his diplomatic and interpersonal skills were invaluable in helping us get to the end goal of dedicating an incredible memorial to one of our greatest American leaders. Above all, Ed is a truly kind person.

As the commission winds down after completing this enormous task, I want to personally thank Ed for his great work. He and his family can forever look at the monument and be reminded of his job well done.

HONORING VINTON POLICE
OFFICER BRANDON ALTERIO

HON. BEN CLINE

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. CLINE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Officer Brandon Alterio of the Vinton Police Department, who was chosen by his peers as Officer of the Year for 2019.

A graduate of William Byrd High School and Liberty University, Alterio embodies the ideal of service above self.

Following a six-year stint in the United States Air Force, he joined the Salem Police Department, where he served four years before transferring to Vinton PD last March.

He made a quick impression on his colleagues and the community when he received notoriety for selflessly buying a nine-year-old boy a bike when he learned that the child's had been stolen.

When presenting the award to Alterio, the Chief of Police said that he was being recognized for his devotion to the town, the agency, and the profession.

The Chief continued stating that Officer Alterio had exhibited exemplary skills, a can-do attitude, and a desire to succeed in the short time he had been with the Department.

Alterio has served the people of Vinton with excellence, compassion, and fairness, and will continue to do so.

I congratulate him on this distinct honor and wish him well on his career in law enforcement.

COMMEMORATING THE 75TH ANNI-
VERSARY OF THE UNITED NA-
TIONS

HON. ED CASE

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. CASE. Madam Speaker, I rise to commemorate the upcoming 75th anniversary of the United Nations and recognize the continued importance of multilateral action as we pursue a more peaceful, prosperous and just world.

On October 24, 1945, less than two months after the world emerged from the deadliest conflict in human history, the United Nations Charter entered into force, formally creating the United Nations. The Charter was and continues to be a visionary document dedicated to the indispensable idea that, through diplomacy and consultation, states can work together to achieve a better world.

American leadership played a central role in the effort to establish the United Nations. Even before the United States entered the Second World War, President Franklin Roosevelt and Prime Minister Winston Churchill issued the Atlantic Charter to outline their vision for the post-war international order. In the final years of the war, individuals like Cordell Hull, Edward Stettinius Jr., Ralph Bunche and many others played crucial roles in shaping the draft United Nations Charter.

Congress was deeply involved as well, with Members on both sides of the aisle participating in the San Francisco Conference. Rep-

resentatives Sol Bloom of New York and Charles Aubrey Eaton of New Jersey and Senators Tom Connally of Texas and Arthur Vandenberg of Michigan helped make the case for the United Nations in Congress and to the American public. On July 28, 1945, the Senate voted to ratify the United Nations Charter by an overwhelming vote of 89 in favor, 2 against—a dramatic change from the rejection of the League of Nations just 26 years prior.

Yet the push for a United Nations also came from beyond the halls of Washington. In 1943, a dedicated, passionate group of Americans created the United Nations Association of the United States of America (UNA-USA), bringing the discussion of a post-war order to homes and communities across the country. Thus began a rich history of advocacy for American leadership and participation in the United Nations that continues to this day, with over 20,000 UNA-USA members in over 200 chapters across the country.

In the decades since 1945, through the most turbulent years of the Cold War, through the challenges of decolonization and entering the new millennium, the United Nations has been center stage for the international community in addressing issues like conflict and peace, economic development, global health, gender equality, human rights and more. Through the United Nations and the multitude of specialized agencies that have emerged to coordinate international action, the international community has come together to eradicate smallpox and curb other infectious diseases, protect the ozone layer, lift millions out of poverty, promote maternal and child health, preserve cultural and historical sites and so much more.

Yet, in an era of renewed great power competition, we must not forget nor neglect the responsibility of the United Nations for international peace. This duty is enshrined first in the preamble of the United Nations Charter in its resolution to “save succeeding generations from the scourge of war.” In our world today, amidst heightened tensions, rising nationalism and a growing rejection of multilateralism, we cannot afford to forget United Nations Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld’s famous statement that “the United Nations was not created in order to bring us to heaven, but in order to save us from hell.”

No one can deny that there are limits and flaws to the United Nations, and examples abound of ways in which the organization has fallen short. Yet it is also an evolving institution, reshaping itself to face the challenges and meet the demands of an ever-changing world. To quote Hammarskjöld again, “setbacks in trying to realize the ideal do not prove the ideal is at fault.”

The United Nations was America’s answer to an uncertain global future in 1945. Since then, the United Nations has been a pillar of the liberal international order that has benefited not just the United States but the entire world as well.

It is too early to say exactly how future historians will recall 2020. The challenges ahead are many, not just this COVID-19 pandemic, but also a worldwide economic recession, a global refugee crisis, climate change, and more. America’s answer to those challenges must include the United Nations. It falls upon all of us today, as heirs to the legacy of those brave and visionary Americans who won both

the war and the peace after, to continue working with the United Nations in pursuit of the future we want.

REMEMBERING JAMES M. RYAN,
JR.

HON. TIM RYAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. RYAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of my cousin James M. Ryan, Jr., of Warren, Ohio, who passed away Monday, October 19, 2020, at the age of 51.

James was born November 11, 1968, in Warren, Ohio, the son of James M. Ryan, Sr. and the late Linda DeMattio. On May 11, 1990, he married Tina L. Jones, with whom he shared 30 years of marriage and many wonderful memories.

To say Jimmy was a devoted husband, father and grandfather, who deeply loved his family is an understatement. His deep affection and joy that he got from his family was always evident to anyone who knew him. He loved nothing more than to be surrounded by them at a party or family event. Jim was a man of deep faith and compiled a list on his phone for people he was faithful to pray for. I have never witnessed anyone go through a battle for their life with the level of faith in God that Jim did. It was truly inspiring to watch him let go and Let God. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and coaching his sons in sports. He loved watching the Cleveland Browns, Indians, and the Ohio State Buckeyes.

He was self-employed and the caretaker of Johnson Community Center.

Memories of James will be cherished by his loving wife, Tina L. Ryan of Warren, OH; father, James M. Ryan, Sr.; three sons, Michael Ryan, Zachary Ryan and Justin Ryan all of Warren, OH; sisters, Amy Machingo and Jaime Ryan both of Warren, OH; grandson, Aaron Ryan; mother-in-law, Dolores (Ashley) Yakubek and father-in-law, William Jones, Sr. and Jimmy had a very special relationship and bond with my dad, Allen Ryan, Sr., that they both treasured dearly.

In addition to his mother, Linda DeMattio, he was preceded in death by his stepfather, Anthony DeMattio; and maternal and paternal grandparents. Jimmy will be missed by so many. His spirit and love were a blessing to all that knew him. We are all better off for having been touched by his life. Godspeed Jimmy.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF
THOMAS “TIM” MILTON SMITH

HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Thomas “Tim” Milton Smith, who passed away on October 11, 2020.

Tim was born to parents Milton and Edwina Smith on August 17, 1940 in Memphis, Tennessee. He grew up in Memphis, graduating from Central Hill School and later attended Northwest Community College.

In 1971, Tim and his wife Janice moved to Horn Lake, Mississippi. Tim's dedication to his country and community were made evident by his service in the United States Army and 40 years of service to the City of Horn Lake. He was a reserve Police Officer for 10 years and an Alderman for 27 years. Additionally, he served three years on the Planning Commission and one year on Design Review. Tim believed in the potential of his beloved city and was widely known for his commitment to its improvement.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife, Janice; son, Larry Sheffield; daughters Tina Judd and Lee Antley; eight grandchildren, and many other family members.

Thomas "Tim" Milton Smith's life was one of service, grace, and love for his family, community, and country. He will be greatly missed by all whom he encountered.

IN RECOGNITION OF AY YOUNG
AND THE BATTERY TOUR

HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. CLEAVER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize AY Young, an entertainer, singer-songwriter, dancer, producer, entrepreneur, and leader in the fight for a more sustainable world. On September 18th, the Office of the Secretary General of the United Nations announced that Mr. Young had been named one of the U.N.'s seventeen Youth World Leaders, a position he will hold for a two-year term. Standing out as the only American on that list, Mr. Young was then placed on Energy News Network's annual "40 Under 40" list, which recognizes young leaders paving the way for a clean energy economy. While these honors have shined an international spotlight on Mr. Young, his musical talents are rooted on street corners in the heart of America.

Mr. Young grew up in Kansas City, Missouri. A home-schooled Eagle Scout, he began writing poetry at the young age of fourteen, drawing attention to topics far beyond his years. In fact, his earliest compositions brought focus to the "Troost Divide," a deep and painfully visible scar left by decades of redlining and a lasting symbol of the residential segregation and economic disparities that persist in Kansas City to this very day. Mr. Young and his trademark fedora soon became fixtures of Kansas City street corners from the River Market to the Plaza. His shows have always been interactive and engaging, looking more like spontaneous parties than standard routines. In 2012, Mr. Young appeared on The X Factor, receiving a "Yes" vote from all four judges. However, despite this noteworthy accomplishment, Mr. Young was still unable to find a manager or record label willing to carry his career to the next rung on the conventional ladder to stardom. Unfazed, he went back to the street corners, this time not just in Kansas City but across the country, garnering a grassroots following while opening for the likes of Wiz Khalifa, SHAGGY, T-Pain, Flo-Rida, Aaron Carter, and Wyclef Jean. But Mr. Young wasn't just busking his way across America to earn his keep; this too was simply an opening act. After learning that over a billion people on

Earth lack access to electricity, Mr. Young decided to turn his tour into the start of a much deeper, much more difficult, journey. Mr. Young's tour, it turned out, would be powered entirely by renewal energy.

Thus was born the Battery Tour, a global movement developed by Mr. Young and his enterprising business partner Thor Dietrich. Showcasing musical artists alongside innovative new technologies designed to address global crises, the Battery Tour takes the forces of a musical experience, sustainability education, and a humanitarian mission and unites them into a whole that is more powerful than any of its parts. Mr. Young has hosted and performed more than 800 shows around the world—each a unique fusion of original solos, interactive covers, and personal requests—powered only by renewable energy. His performances are pure collaboration—collaboration between artists, collaboration between music and technology, collaboration between Mr. Young and his audiences. If you have a request or want a turn at the mic, he will make it happen. Mr. Young calls his fans "outlets" because they provide the power that drives both his shows and the causes he champions. They see a world and a way of life in need of drastic change. "Outlets" across the globe have faith, I have faith, the U.N. has faith, that Mr. Young can help make it happen.

The Battery Tour is a bold, innovative, and powerful idea, aimed at leveraging creative passion in pursuit of a societal goal, while leveraging a societal goal in pursuit of creative development. If the Battery Tour expands its reach and proves successful in raising awareness the world over, significant innovations will be seen in the realms of sustainable energy, music, and live performance. And they're just getting started. Young and Dietrich's newest addition to the Battery Tour global brand is the creation of an app that promotes and incentivizes small acts of sustainable altruism among their many "outlets." They hope the Tour will one day feature a large variety of artists who can each be fully compensated for their work as they promote sustainability on the world stage.

Madam Speaker, please join me, a proud Fifth District, and "outlets" around the world in congratulating Mr. Young on these well-deserved honors and wishing him luck as he goes forth as an ambassador for our country, the 193 members of the United Nations, and a better, cleaner, more equitable future for all of humanity. Let each of us aspire to his example and seek to set our talents upon such a noble and pressing goal. Our unsustainable life is contributing to worldwide inequality and condemning future generations to build their lives in a world on fire. So, to my colleagues on both sides of the aisle, I say this: if we truly want to honor Mr. Young and his leadership, it's time to plug in.

RECOGNIZING THE ROLE OF CREDIT UNIONS AND CONGRATULATING LISA SCHLEHUBER ON HER ELECTION TO THE NAFCU BOARD OF DIRECTORS

HON. ANDRÉ CARSON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the role of credit

unions across the country, and especially in Indiana. I'd also like congratulate Indiana's Lisa Schlehuber on her recent election to the Board of Directors of the National Association of Federally-Insured Credit Unions (NAFCU).

Credit unions play a vital role in our nation's banking ecosystem allowing more people to access capital, obtain mortgages, and receive other financial tools that are otherwise difficult to obtain. Additionally, I've seen firsthand in my own district, how credit unions provided vital services during the COVID-19 pandemic to ensure that the smallest of businesses received the necessary aid to assist during such trying times.

Lisa currently serves as the Chief Executive Officer of Elements Financial Federal Credit Union, headquartered in Indianapolis, Indiana. She has 37 years of experience in accounting and financial management and has served as the CEO of Elements since 2005. During her tenure as CEO of Elements, the credit union has grown by over 60% and now manages \$1.66 billion in assets and serves 112,000 members. Recently, Elements was honored as one of Indiana's best places to work.

Lisa has a wealth of financial services and leadership knowledge. Her vision and decision-making skills will be a valuable addition to the NAFCU Board and credit unions for years to come. Lisa attended DePauw University and is an active member of her community, sitting on the local United Way and Chamber of Commerce boards.

I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Lisa Schlehuber and wishing her the best of luck in her new role on the NAFCU Board of Directors. I look forward to working with her and NAFCU members to better serve our constituents during these challenging times.

RECOGNIZING TOM BULGER

HON. ERIC SWALWELL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. SWALWELL of California. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize and pay tribute to Tom Bulger and his more than 40 years of service to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), on the occasion of his well-earned retirement.

The MTC is the San Francisco Bay Area's designated metropolitan planning organization and the region's transportation planning, financing, and coordinating agency. After beginning his career as a member of the MTC staff, Tom soon felt the pull of our nation's capital and moved to Washington, DC, where for 35 years he has represented MTC as President of Government Relations, Inc. During his time as MTC's advocate, Tom has played a key role in advancing national transportation policy.

Tom's tireless efforts spanning four decades assisted in establishing Surface Transportation Program and the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program through the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 and continued to the present-day Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act which currently is funding projects throughout the country. Tom's fierce advocacy helped secure full funding grant agreements

for major Bay Area transit expansion projects. During his tenure, MTC has developed a well-earned reputation for being one of the nation's most creative and effective transportation organizations.

Tom's career achievements reflect not only his deep knowledge of transportation policy but also his genuine respect and affection for the people of both parties who put policy into action. Congratulations, Tom, on an outstanding career. Please accept our deepest appreciation to you for dedicating your intellect, your energy, and your gregarious good humor to keeping our nation on the move.

INTRODUCTION OF THE PREVENTING UNWARRANTED COMMUNICATIONS SHUTDOWNS ACT

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Ms. ESHOO. Madam Speaker, I'm proud to introduce the Preventing Unwarranted Communications Shutdowns Act, a bipartisan bill to limit presidential powers to control or shut down communications networks, including the internet.

The American people rely on the internet for nearly every aspect of their personal and professional lives and this dependence has only increased during the pandemic. As such, internet shutdowns are an extraordinary infringement of individual rights. Sadly, authoritarians in many countries have used internet shutdowns as a tool to squash rights. The public interest group Access Now reports that in 2019, the internet was shutdown at least 213 times.

Section 706 of the Communications Act (47 U.S.C. 606) currently authorizes the President to take control of communications facilities or equipment in certain circumstances. While the internet is, by design, decentralized and cannot be 'shut down,' this provision leaves open the possibility for a presidential order that leads to Americans not being able to access the internet.

While this provision is codified as part of the Communications Act of 1934, and it was amended in 1942 and 1951, the provision directly traces back to Section 2 of the Radio Act of 1912. President Woodrow Wilson used the authorities granted by the Radio Act during World War I in 1914 and 1918 with respect to telephone systems, radio stations, and marine cables. Earlier still, in February 1862, Congress gave President Abraham Lincoln the authority to take over telegraph lines during the Civil War.

While historians can debate about whether these actions were warranted, they serve as an important basis for my rationale that the appropriate public policy measure to reform Section 706 is not to cut the power completely, but to add strict checks to it.

The Preventing Unwarranted Communications Shutdowns Act limits the President's authorities and adds checks to any actions taken under section 706. In particular, my legislation limits the reasons the President may take action under Section 706 to ones necessary to protect against an imminent and specific threat to human life or national security, if such action is narrowly tailored and is the least restric-

tive means for the purpose; requires that the President notify congressional leaders (i.e., Speaker, House Minority Leader, and Senate Majority and Minority Leaders), senior executive branch officials (i.e., Vice President, department heads, intelligence community heads, Joint Chiefs of Staff), and the FCC before or not later than 12 hours after taking any action authorized under Section 706; nullifies Section 706 orders 12 hours after issuance of the order if the President does not provide notification in the specified time and form; nullifies Section 706 orders 48 hours after the President provides notice unless three-fifths of each of the House and the Senate vote to pass an approval resolution, with an affirmative vote of at least one-quarter of the minority party in each chamber; requires a report by the Government Accountability Office (GAO) after every Section 706 order, and requires a one-time GAO report estimating the impact of a communication shutdown; and requires that the U.S. government compensate providers and customers of providers for any communications shutdown under Section 706.

Unchecked executive powers and the emergency authorities of the President under Section 7–6 of the Communications Act need to be revisited. May there never be in a situation where these authorities are needed, but if there is, the representatives of the people should decide the scope and extent of any shutdown, not any single individual.

I thank my colleague Congressman MORGAN GRIFFITH for partnering with me to introduce this important, bipartisan legislation, and I ask my colleagues to support it.

UNITED STATES AND REPUBLIC OF INDIA RELATIONS

HON. BARRY LOUDERMILK

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. LOUDERMILK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the robust friendship and solidarity between the United States of America and the Republic of India.

Our two nations share a long history of partnership in response to the most ardent of global challenges. In 2007, Vice President of the United States Dick Cheney and Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh, along with Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe and Australian Prime Minister John Howard, created the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue. This framework led to the creation of the Malabar naval exercise. This agreement has proven to be prescient given the Chinese Communist Party's recent malign actions in the South China Sea. In recognition of China's threatening posture, Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi and United States President Trump, along with their Japanese and Australian counterparts have invested in the Quadrilateral Security Dialogue as a commitment to a more free and open Indo-Pacific. I urge our G–7 partners to consider inviting the Republic of India into the G–7 to further our multilateral cooperation.

During a previous meeting with the Consul General of India in Atlanta Dr. Swati Kulkarni, I learned of the recent conflict at the Line of Actual Control and the Galwan River. While India records countless times where China

has crossed this border, this increase in tensions resulted in the deaths of Indian soldiers. I appreciate Prime Minister Modi's interest in reducing tensions and agree with the recent statements from United States Secretary of State Mike Pompeo regarding the conflict. I applaud joint efforts by the United States and the Republic of India to combat terrorism and urge both countries to find additional areas of cooperation.

Our two nations have grown closer and increased collaboration as a result of COVID–19. This global pandemic has shown the world that it must do more to secure pharmaceutical supply chains and insulate them from harmful actors. It is my firm belief that increasing trade partnerships between the United States and the Republic of India will result in greater prosperity for our people.

Madam Speaker, I thank the Consul General for her time and for her sincere desire to build a better relationship between the United States and the Republic of India.

INDEPENDENCE FOR ARTSAKH

HON. TONY CÁRDENAS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. CÁRDENAS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to call on the United States government to formally recognize the independence of the Republic of Artsakh.

For too long, we have failed as a country to state unequivocally that the people of Artsakh, a historical part of Armenia populated by Armenians to this day, have a right to self-determination as an independent republic and it has opened the door to violence.

For weeks, Artsakh has suffered a brutal assault by Azerbaijan and Turkey in the form of merciless rocket attacks and bombings. This is, in part, the consequence of our past failures to exert leadership in this region of the world.

We must make clear that we will stand against the aggression of Azerbaijan and their allies in Turkey when they would wage war against a people for seeking self-rule and independence, a people for whom the specter of genocide still lingers.

It is time for the United States to correct course and make it clear that we stand behind the protection of life and preservation of human dignity by standing behind the Republic of Artsakh. As the world's oldest modern democracy, it is our heritage and duty to do so.

IN CELEBRATION OF MS. RAFAELA "LALI" GARCIA'S 93RD BIRTHDAY

HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. CLEAVER. Madam Speaker, I rise today with abundant joy and immense pride to celebrate the 93rd birthday of Ms. Rafaela Garcia, known to friends, family, and community members as "Lali." A cornerstone of the Hispanic community in Kansas City, her work as a private citizen, as an activist, and as an

office holder has improved thousands of lives in the Kansas City area across multiple generations.

Lali's ambition throughout her career has been clear: "To make a better life for the Hispanic community through [her] involvement in various organizations." Over the last eighty years, Lali has accomplished that goal with conviction and grace. She began her activism at the young age of 13, when she first started going to the Guadalupe Center in Kansas City. At the time, the Center dedicated most of its resources to administering a school and clinic for underprivileged immigrants who had settled in Kansas City. Even at 13, Lali had a vibrant vision for what the Center could become: an integral part, a pillar, in the Kansas City Hispanic community. Serving for forty-six years on the Center's Board of Directors, including three terms as the Board President, she oversaw a massive expansion of the Center, among many critical victories. Today, the Center has grown to provide many essential services for Latinos, including healthcare, education, financial assistance, childcare, workforce development, and much more. Today, the Guadalupe Center, in no small part because of Lali's contribution, provides opportunities for newly-arrived immigrants to achieve their American Dream while also promoting pride in their culture and heritage.

But Lali, ever the visionary, was not satisfied transforming just the Guadalupe Center. She knew that change would not come for the Kansas City Hispanic community until they organized and voted for elected officials who would advocate for them at every level of government. Recognizing this, Lali founded La Raza Political Club in 1989. Under her leadership, La Raza worked endlessly to register new voters for each election, ensuring for the first time a seat at the table for the small but vibrant Hispanic community in Kansas City. Most Novembers, you could find Lali at her polling place, trying to convince everyone in her community to vote for a more equal, more just, and more promising America. Even this year, amidst a global pandemic, she has worked with her team to register hundreds of young Latino voters in what could be the most important election of their lifetime.

These actions alone would have been enough to satisfy most of us. But Lali has served Kansas City and the Hispanic community in a variety of roles throughout her career, and she is always finding new ways to effect change. She is a member the Union Cultural Mexicana Ladies Auxiliary, a full-time volunteer at the Casa Felix Senior Center, and a Board member for the Ethics, Human Relations, and Citizen Complaints Commission. She was also appointed to the Guadalajara Sister City Commission, as well as the Port Authority Board of Commissioners, and has served on the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast Committee since 1987. I list these accomplishments not to account for everything Lali has achieved—an impossible task for such a short time. Rather, I highlight her work because it teaches all of us a lesson about what it means to participate in our community. The framers of our Constitution knew they were drafting a document to govern an imperfect nation, plagued by animus and inequality. In the preamble of this document, which serves as the foundation for our entire system of government, they instructed each subsequent generation to use its articles and amendments

to form a more perfect union. The system relies on passionate, courageous, free-thinking Americans like Lali, pushing it towards a more just, tranquil, and equitable way of life. The arc of the moral universe bends towards justice, but it doesn't do it alone.

Lali recognized early on that if she could uplift voices and register voters, she could change her neighborhood for the better. If she could change her neighborhood, Lali knew she could change her city; if she could change her city, she could change her state; if she could change her state, she could change our nation. Lali represents all that is great about America, Madame speaker; she represents the audacious notion that one person in one city can change the lives of millions who have struggled to realize the full rights and protections of our government. I am eternally grateful that fate brought Lali to Kansas City and that I have been able to witness her action, advocacy, and affection for others during my time in public office. Lali has done more than her fair share to make our union more perfect.

One of the many unfortunate consequences of the ongoing public health crisis is the missed opportunities to celebrate and enjoy one another's company, whether it is graduations, bar mitzvahs, naturalization ceremonies, or the birthday party of a local hero turning 93 years young. It is imperative that we take time to celebrate life's milestones. Madame Speaker, please join me and Missouri's Fifth Congressional District as we forever enshrine our gratefulness for the work of Lali Garcia in the Congressional Record and as we wish her the happiest of birthdays. It is my fervent hope that we will be celebrating her 94th birthday in person, with a celebration fit for a local legend.

CELEBRATING THE MARRIAGE OF
JIM BERT AND LYDIA LAUDERDALE

HON. TRENT KELLY

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. KELLY of Mississippi. Madame Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 50th wedding anniversary of Jim Bert and Lydia Lauderdale of Shannon, Mississippi.

Jim and Lydia attended different high schools, with Jim graduating from Shannon High School and Lydia graduating from Okolona High School. Jim went on to become a Mississippi State Bulldog, and Lydia attended Northeast Mississippi Community College where she earned a degree in Nursing. Jim and Lydia were married on Wednesday, October 23, 1970 in Starkville, Mississippi, but later made Shannon, Mississippi their home.

Five years after their marriage, Jim started his family business, Shannon Steel Service, while also helping his father's business, Tom Lauderdale Paper Company. At the same time, Lydia was working in hospitals and nursing homes all throughout North Mississippi before retiring as a school nurse for Lee County Schools.

Jim and Lydia are the proud parents of their two sons, Bert and Stewart Lauderdale, who work alongside Jim and Jim's brother, Tommy, in the family business. They are members of Shannon First United Methodist Church, and are also proud grandparents of six.

Their commitment to each other and the community is inspiring, and we wish them many more years of happiness.

RECOGNIZING MAJOR MICHAEL
VINACCO

HON. KAY GRANGER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Ms. GRANGER. Madame Speaker, I rise today to recognize Air Force Major Michael Vinacco on the completion of his Legislative Fellowship with my personal office. Major Vinacco has been assigned to my staff since January 2020 and has done a superb job as a trusted advisor for national security, foreign operations, and veteran policy issues.

Major Vinacco was raised in a military family and earned his commission from Virginia Military Institute in 2008. Prior to being selected for his prestigious Defense Legislative Fellowship, he served as a Program Manager for a multibillion-dollar Air Force program. Additionally, he has over a decade of experience in engineering and aircraft maintenance, to include a combat deployment to Afghanistan in 2012.

During his Fellowship, Major Vinacco was instrumental in helping my staff and I develop the fiscal year 2021 House defense appropriations bill. His direct contributions will help provide our nation's uniformed men and women with the resources needed to defend our nation. Additionally, Major Vinacco coordinated dozens of engagements with senior departmental officials to include a tour of the Southwest Border with Deputy Secretary of Defense Norquist and a tour of Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base Fort Worth. In addition to departmental engagements, Major Vinacco served as my connection to the defense industrial partners that make Fort Worth and North Texas our nation's defense aviation production hub.

Airmen like Major Michael Vinacco are the reason our nation's Air Force is the best in the world. On behalf of the 12th District of Texas, I offer my congratulations and best wishes to Michael, his wife Lisa, and children Luca, John, and Zachary, as they continue their military journey in service to our great nation.

HONORING EDWARD J. TRACEY

HON. TIM RYAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. RYAN. Madame Speaker, in this the 75th anniversary of the end of WWII, I rise to pay tribute to Edward J. Tracey. Like so many of our courageous WWII veterans, Ed is gone but will not be forgotten. Madame Speaker, I am confident that the following highlights of the contributions Ed Tracey made to the War effort will reveal a legacy, not just for the 13th District of Ohio, but for the broader impact Capt. Tracey had on the victory against tyranny.

Ed, along with his two brothers and two sisters, grew up at RFD No. 3, a farm located in Cortland, Ohio.

Ed began his lifelong love of flying by taking lessons from a local flight instructor by the name of Ernie C. Hall at Hall's Airport. Ernest "Ernie" C. Hall who is widely recognized for his long career in aviation, was born near Warren, Ohio in 1890. A friend of the Wright brothers, Hall built his first powered airplane in 1909 and flew it in 1911. He began his career as a civilian flight instructor in 1913, opening a flying school in Pennsylvania in 1915. During World War I he transferred to Call Field in Wichita Falls, Texas where he trained over 500 military pilots for combat. In 1922 Hall relocated his flight school to Warren, Ohio where he taught until his death in 1972. His 1911 monoplanes have been displayed at the Smithsonian's National Air & Space Museum in Washington, D.C., and at the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force in Dayton, Ohio. Ed logged a total of 110 Hrs. at Hall's Airport.

Ed left the family farm and traveled to Canada to join the Royal Canadian Air Force in May 1941, seven months before Pearl Harbor. Ed became a Flying Sergeant in the Royal Canadian Air Force and trained in the following aircraft: Fleet Finch, Harvard, Tiger Moth and the Fairey Battle. Ed logged a total of 375 Hrs. in the RCAF from May 1941 through May 1942 and was awarded the Canadian War Medal.

After serving one year in the RCAF, Ed transferred to the U.S. Army Air Corps in June 1942 and was posted to Tyndall Airfield Gunnery School near Panama City, Florida for combat training. During training at Tyndall Field, 2nd Lt. Tracey met 2nd Lt. Clark Gable, the "King of Hollywood" and one of the stars of the 1939 film classic "Gone with the Wind." After what must have been a night full of many stories, most likely related to training and the uncertainties that lie ahead, Tracey left sporting Gable's service hat (also known as a crusher) and vice versa. They met again the next day for the ROTC (Return of The Crushers). Ed logged a total of 264 Hrs. in the following aircraft from June 1942 through September 1943: O-46A, L-4B, AT-6A, AT-6C, BT-13A, O-47A, O-47B, (P-51A, P-51B Mustangs), A-33, AT-9, AT-9B, P-40L Warhawk, (B-25C, B-25D Mitchells), B-26 Marauder, B-34 Lexington.

In October of 1943, Ed transferred to the 522nd Squadron—27th Fighter Bomber Group. The 27th supported the 5th Army's drive toward Rome. Ed flew the A-36 Apache, the P-40F Warhawk, and the P-47D Thunderbolt in combat. The nose Art on his Thunderbolt read RFD No. 3—Ed wanted the enemy to know where his special deliveries were coming from, and there were many.

January 12, 1944, Ed was on a mission to take out enemy gun positions close to the front lines in South Central Italy. His A-36 Apache developed engine trouble near Gaeta Point and he had to leave the formation. Ed got as far as the Volturno River Valley before coming down in a field for a belly landing.

The impact caused the prop to slice through the canopy. Lucky for Ed, his head went down and forward, just in time to avoid disaster. Ed flew a total of 102 air combat missions from October 1943 through August 1944 and logged a total of 165 hrs. of flight in the Mediterranean Theatre of War. Rome was liberated on June 5, 1944. "ANGELS ON OUR SHOULDERS" said Captain Mille (Tom Hanks), in reference to the P-51 Mustangs in one of the last scenes of the movie, "Saving Private

Ryan." Many of the Angels of the 27th Fighter Bomber Group did not return.

Captain Tracey transferred to the 3rd Army Air Force in July 1944, and trained and prepared students for combat in the P-40 and P-51 Mustang. Captain Tracey logged a total of 362 Hrs. in the following aircraft until his discharge on December 7, 1945: B-17F Fortress, P-47D Thunderbolt, BT-13B, C-47A, UC-78, (P-40, P-40F, P-40K10, P-40L, P-40N, P-40N15, P-40N20, P-40N25, P-40N35, RP-40N, RP-40N25 Warhawks), (P-51C, P-51C6, P-51C10, P-51D, P-51D20, P-51K5, P-51K10 Mustangs).

All together Captain Tracey served a total of one year in the Royal Canadian Air Force and three years and seven months in the U.S. Army Air Forces. Ed logged 375 hours in the Royal Canadian Air Force and 825 hours in the U.S. Army Air Forces for a total of 1,200 hours. Ed logged flight time in a total of 45 individual aircraft.

Ed's love of aviation was not about to end. He became a member of the EAA (Experimental Aircraft Association) and built and flew his homebuilt Mustang II.

I ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to join me in saluting the legacy of a very accomplished WWII combat pilot and instructor, Edward J. Tracey.

HONORING BRUCE JOHNSON

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the outstanding achievements of Bruce Johnson, who will retire on December 31, 2020, after 44 years as a distinguished television news anchor and reporter. I have worked with Bruce Johnson ever since being elected to Congress and will miss his heavy hitting questions and incisive reporting.

Bruce Johnson has won 22 Emmys, is a member of the Society of Professional Journalists Hall of Fame, the Washington, DC Hall of Fame and will soon be inducted into the Kentucky Journalism Hall of Fame at the University of Kentucky. He has also received the Ted Yates Award and the NATAS Board of Governors Award and is a member of the National Association of Black Journalists and the National Press Club.

Throughout his career with WUSA9, a CBS affiliate in the District of Columbia, Bruce Johnson has reported on stories ranging from local D.C. news to federal matters, from the local real estate market to government shut-downs and from D.C.'s mistreatment in the CARES Act to violence on the streets of D.C. During Johnson's distinguished career, he has shed light on difficult topics for his audience in D.C. and across the nation.

Bruce Johnson's career took him from his hometown of Louisville, Kentucky to places as far away as Rome, Bangkok, Dakar and Tokyo on special assignments for WUSA9. Even before the international chapter of his career, Johnson made a name for himself in D.C. by reporting on notable stories, including the 1982 Metro train derailment and the 1977 Hanafi Siege, in which 142 people were held hostage by 12 gunmen leading to the deaths of two individuals.

Bruce Johnson endured a difficult blow from a heart attack in 1992 while on assignment in Southeast D.C. His journey back to health included completing the Marine Corps Marathon. In 2018, he was dealt a second blow when he was diagnosed with cancer. He responded to these illnesses as a true reporter, taking Americans along with him to help provide clarity on difficult experiences. Johnson stayed true to his honest reporting even when he became the story. He is the author of two books. The first, entitled Heart to Heart, was inspired by his heart attack, and the second, All or Nothing, was an exposé on the life of D.C. basketball player Victor Page.

I have known Bruce my entire career, and I had hoped that he would remain at Channel 9 as long as I remained in Congress. Bruce commented once during an interview that he covered my first congressional campaign. Having been on his show many times to discuss issues that affect D.C. residents, I have grown to consider Bruce a friend. He has helped tell the story of D.C.'s challenges and triumphs and lent his platform and voice to the fight for congressional equality for the District.

Bruce's demeanor and his down-to-earth, relatable storytelling will be missed on the air as he goes on to pursue other accomplishments in the next chapter of his life. I ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing Bruce Johnson for his distinguished career in journalism. I wish him the very best in the years to come.

LORRAINE KNUTH'S 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. BRADLEY SCOTT SCHNEIDER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. SCHNEIDER. Madam Speaker, I am most proud today to rise today to recognize Ms. Lorraine Knuth, a long-time resident of Waukegan, Illinois, who will celebrate her 100th birthday on October 31.

I first met Lorraine through Mary Carmody at Midwest Veterans Closet where she has volunteered for many years. In honor of her centenary year, Lorraine has asked for donations to be made to Midwest Veterans Closet to help her construct a new building and expand their service capacity to our men and women veterans in the area.

To mark her lifetime of service, I wish to share Lorraine's life story today, for it clearly embodies so much of the opportunity, perseverance, and sacrifice that makes her and our nation so special.

Lorraine was born on October 31, 1920, in Langlade, Wisconsin, the seventh of nine children. She excelled in school, entering high school a year early. During the Second World War, Lorraine enlisted in the U.S. Army as part of the Women's Army Corps. After basic training at Daytona Beach, Florida, she headed west to Camp Stoneman in northern California. She served there until the war ended, working in the camp hospital as a Special Diet Cook.

After the war, Lorraine met her husband and travelled the world through his military service. She decided to move to Waukegan after visiting her late sister, who was already living in the area. She has lived in the same house for

more than sixty years, where she raised her three sons. Today, Lorraine is both a proud grandmother and great-grandmother.

Lorraine is a longtime volunteer with Midwest Veterans Closet, and now serves as the organization's Chair. Midwest Veterans Closet provides food, clothing, and other household items for veterans of all ages in the local area, all free of charge. Employment and housing assistance are also offered at no expense as well.

In addition to her incredible work at Midwest Veterans Closet, in 2017, Lorraine was just the fourth woman veteran to participate the Lake County Honor Flight trip to Washington, D.C. In 2019, she was one of a select group of women veterans to be honored by the James A. Lovell Federal Health Care Center Annual Women Veterans Lunch.

I wholeheartedly congratulate Lorraine Knuth on her 100th birthday and thank her for her service to our community and nation.

RECOGNIZING THE REPUBLIC OF ARTSAKH

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. SCHIFF. Madam Speaker, I rise because for more than four weeks, Azerbaijan and Turkey have been waging war on Artsakh, bombarding civilians, churches, and committing possible war crimes. More than 800 soldiers have been killed repelling Azerbaijan's attacks, and dozens of civilians are dead. Estimates are that more than half of the civilian population of Artsakh has been displaced, sleeping in cars or open fields away from falling bombs, as winter approaches.

For decades, through the OSCE Minsk Group, the United States has supported a peaceful, democratic, and negotiated resolution to the dispute surrounding Nagorno Karabakh, or Artsakh. We have persisted in this policy even as Azerbaijan launched countless assaults and as their leadership frequently threatened war to redraw the line of contact by force, and as they rejected monitoring along the line of contact.

Today, it appears that Azerbaijan and Turkey are determined to make good on their threats. With bombs, and drones, and Syrian mercenaries, Turkey and Azerbaijan are pushing ahead with a war that has no end in sight. The Armenian people are the grandchildren and great-grandchildren of the genocide perpetrated a century ago by the Ottoman Empire, and the words and deeds of Erdogan and Aliyev today call to mind the crimes of one hundred years ago.

We cannot allow history to repeat itself. If Azerbaijan and Turkey have determined to wage war, the United States, the Minsk Group, and the International Community should make clear that they will not succeed in their aims.

And that if they persist in this violence, we must recognize the Republic of Artsakh as an independent nation. Doing so would send the strongest possible message that we will not allow border disputes to be settled by the indiscriminate and devastating use of force against civilian populations.

Aliyev and Erdogan must be made to understand that if they continue with this war, there

will be consequences. The United States will not stand idly by.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF MR. GENE MORGAN

HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. CLEAVER. Madam Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I rise today on behalf of Missouri's Fifth Congressional District, the Kansas City community, and the Jackson County Democratic Committee. I rise today to honor the memory of Mr. Gene Morgan, a lifelong Kansas Citian whose dedication to serving others will have an enduring impact throughout our community.

Scripture says, in 2 Corinthians 9:7, that each of us "must give as he has decided in his heart, for God loves a cheerful giver." There is no doubt Gene was a cheerful giver of his time, energy, and intellect. Gene made it a lifelong goal to work on achieving criminal justice reform in Kansas City. After seeing how substance abuse impacted children in the juvenile court system, he was elected President of the Kansas City Community Center. Fueled by his unwavering belief that people could change for the better and improve their lives when given the opportunity, Gene promoted drug rehabilitation and treatment services throughout his tenure. As an Adjunct Professor in the Criminal Justice Department at the Metropolitan Community College, he mentored the next generation of advocates and prepared them to engage our community in discussions on crime prevention and justice reform. As a member of the Jackson County Community Backed Anti-Crime Tax (COMBAT) Commission, he worked tirelessly to ensure Kansas City residents could live free from the dangers of illegal drugs and violent crime through the use of prevention, education and treatment services. And as the Parliamentarian and Ward 4 Committeeman for the Jackson County Democratic Committee, he wholeheartedly supported candidates and elected officials dedicated to reforming a system that incarcerates too many and rehabilitates too few—costing us too much money and too many lives.

Public service has long been a family affair for Gene and his wife, Judy, who currently serves as the State Representative for the 24th district in Jackson County. During fifty years of fruitful and devoted marriage, Gene cheered Judy on as she taught and counseled students in the Kansas City Public School District. When Judy decided the best way to continue serving others was through elected office, Gene served as her campaign manager and treasurer, always by her side lending his steadfast support.

While he was an active participant in politics, attending countless community events and helping elect candidates across our city and state, Gene never lost sight of the central reason he decided to dedicate his life to public service. It was the same reason—the same motivational force—that drove him out of bed every morning with the verve and optimism to find success in the face of adversity. That reason, as anyone who knew him will tell you,

was his enduring love for the people he served. When working the room at a committee meeting or greeting guests at a fundraiser, he always took an extra moment with each person to ask them questions about their personal lives. He asked these questions not to pry or feign sincerity, but because his passion for service was fueled by an unwavering desire to empathize and help people rise above the adversity in their lives. If Gene heard you were struggling or facing a problem, he was the first to lend a helping hand and a shoulder to lean on. After learning of his death, countless friends, family, and colleagues came together to share anecdotes about how Gene had positively impacted their lives. A common thread, woven through each person's happy memory of Gene, was his presence in their lives as a "true friend." This is a title earned through years of continuously looking out for others.

Back in May, Judy was on her way back from Jefferson City after honorably representing her constituents when she received the phone call that too many families are familiar with, especially during the on-going public health crisis. Gene was experiencing pain and on his way to the Emergency Room. Judy was able to visit with him for a brief period of time, before leaving pursuant to COVID-19 precautions. When informing supporters and friends of his condition, Judy explained that while she was physically unable to be with him, her "thoughts [were] only with Gene." Judy spent the next five months as she had spent the previous fifty years—providing unconditional love and care for Gene. Sadly, his condition worsened until October 9th, when his brave battle with cancer came to an end. While we mourn Gene's death, we find solace knowing that in the waning months of a life well-lived he was never alone, as his beloved partner in life and in service was with him in person and spirit until his final moments.

Today, the thoughts of Kansas City, the Metropolitan Community College, and the Jackson County Democratic Committee are with Judy, their daughter Courtney, their son-in-law Robert, and their grandchildren Alex and Olivia, as they celebrate and remember the life and legacy of Gene Morgan. Madam Speaker, please join me in honoring Gene's legacy and offering heartfelt condolences to his family. In his passing, Gene leaves behind a family that is more cohesive because of his contribution, a city that is stronger because of his service, and a union that is more perfect because of his presence.

GLOBAL WILDLIFE TRADE BIOSECURITY ACT

HON. GRACE MENG

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Ms. MENG. Madam Speaker, I rise today to announce the introduction of the Global Wildlife Trade Biosecurity Act, a bill that would create a diplomatic global effort to ban the sale of live and fresh wildlife for human consumption. This policy, and the authorization of corresponding programs, would reduce risk and increase research of zoonotic diseases, support reduction of wildlife trafficking, and expand programs that aim to close wildlife markets.

This bill also authorizes programs to address the demand for live and fresh wildlife for human consumption by improving nutritional choices and outcomes while protecting critical wildlife areas.

A Whole of Government approach that embraces a One Health model is critical to ensuring that we are much better prepared for another zoonotic disease like COVID-19, that we understand its risks, and that we can mitigate spread from animals to humans.

My legislation would create a Global Zoonotic Disease Task Force, would require a multi-sectoral strategy from USA ID to reduce the demand for wildlife consumption through food security interventions, and authorizes an integrated zoonotic disease program to research, conduct surveillance of priority and unknown diseases, and prevent spillover through behavioral changes.

I am thrilled to be joined in leading this bill with my colleague on the State and Foreign Operations Appropriations Subcommittee, Congressman JEFF FORTENBERRY. I urge the House of Representatives to join me in passing this important legislation.

HONORING ALAN TURING AS A
DISTINGUISHED MATHEMATI-
CIAN AND HERO

HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Mr. SOTO. Madam Speaker, Alan Turing was a brilliant English mathematician, founder of modern computer science and a World War II hero.

His contributions during the war, especially his work alongside others in cryptography, were hailed as 'priceless' by our own President Eisenhower. By breaking German military-codes, Turing helped to quickly win the Battle of the Atlantic, without which the Allies may not have been able to launch D-Day in 1944. His efforts helped to shorten the war, possibly by years, saving incalculable human life.

Even today, our lives are impacted by his work. Turing is credited with creating the

modern computer concept and helping to found computer science by theorizing a programmable machine capable of computing anything computable.

Yet Turing was more than just a mathematician, an inventor or a hero. Turing was a gay man. Because he was gay, he faced persecution for merely being who he was. In 1952, just seven years after he had helped defeat the Nazis, he was prosecuted for being in a gay relationship and forced to undergo chemical castration to avoid prison.

Two years later, in 1954, he died, possibly by suicide. He was only 41.

Turing's life is a reminder of how brilliant anyone could be, no matter what the world perceived them or of whom they loved. His life also serves as a reminder of the harm and costs that accompany discrimination and prejudice. We will never know what else Alan Turing might have discovered had he been accepted, and what he might have accomplished had his life not been cut so short. We do know that the world owes him a great deal of gratitude, and for that, we honor him for LGBTQ History Month.

RECOGNIZING PROFESSORS PAUL
R. MILGROM AND ROBERT B.
WILSON, LAURATES OF THE
NOBEL PRIZE IN ECONOMIC
SCIENCES

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 23, 2020

Ms. ESHOO. Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring two of my distinguished constituents who are this year's recipients of the Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Sciences, Stanford University Professors Paul R. Milgrom and Robert B. Wilson. The Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Sciences in Memory of Alfred Nobel, more commonly known as the Nobel Prize in Economics, is given by the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences in Stockholm and was established in 1968, joining the five original prizes established by Alfred Nobel in his 1895 will.

Professors Milgrom and Wilson are being honored for their extraordinary contributions to

the field of economics in game theory, specifically for "improvements to auction theory and inventions of new auction formats." They are best known for developing the simultaneous ascending auction in 1994 for the Federal Communications Commission to better allocate licenses for the public's airwaves (also known as spectrum). Since then, spectrum auctions have generated over \$100 billion for the U.S. Treasury and expanded connectivity for millions of Americans. Their contributions to auction theory have implications in a broad range of subjects beyond spectrum allocation, including real-time bidding for internet ad delivery, fishing quotas, and the renewable energy market.

Both professors have had distinguished careers. Professor Milgrom is the Shirley and Leonard Ely Professor of Humanities and Sciences in the Department of Economics at Stanford University, and he is a Professor, by courtesy, at both the Department of Management Science and Engineering and the Graduate School of Business. He is also a member of the National Academy of Sciences, a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and Senior Fellow at the Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research. Professor Milgrom holds a Bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan, and earned a Master's and Doctorate degree from Stanford.

Professor Wilson is the Adams Distinguished Professor of Management, Emeritus, at the Stanford Business School. He is also a member of the National Academy of Sciences and a Fellow and Council Member of the Econometric Society. He earned a Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctorate degrees from Harvard, and he has received honorary degrees from the University of Chicago and the Norwegian School of Economics.

Madam Speaker, I ask the entire House to join me in congratulating Paul R. Milgrom and Robert B. Wilson on receiving this most prestigious award, recognizing their contribution to the design of pioneering auctions that have impacted economic practices around the world. It's my privilege to represent them, pay tribute to their brilliance, and thank them for making every American exceedingly proud of their accomplishments.

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6407–S6417

Measures Introduced: Nine bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 4850–4858, and S. Res. 756–757. **Pages S6414–15**

Measures Reported:

Report to accompany S. 3590, to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to reauthorize certain provisions. (S. Rept. No. 116–284) **Page S6414**

Measures Considered:

Motion to Proceed to Legislative Session: By 53 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. EX. 215), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Pages S6407–08**

Closed Session: During today's proceedings, a motion was made, in accordance with Rule 21 of the Standing Rules of the Senate, for the Senate to go into a closed session, and Senate took the following action: **Page S6408**

By 53 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 216), Senate agreed to the motion to open the doors. **Page S6408**

Barrett Nomination: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Amy Coney Barrett, of Indiana, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. **Pages S6408–12**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Sunday, October 25, 2020. **Page S6408**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate took the following action:

By 53 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. EX. 218), Senate agreed to the motion to table the Schumer motion to indefinitely postpone the nomination. **Page S6411**

By 53 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. EX. 219), Senate agreed to the motion to table the Schumer motion to recommit the nomination to the Committee on the Judiciary. **Page S6411**

By 53 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. EX. 220), Senate agreed to the motion to table the appealing of the

ruling of the Chair with respect to Schumer motion to adjourn, and the ruling of the Chair stands.

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By 53 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. EX. 221), Senate agreed to the McConnell motion to recess.

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Prior to the consideration of this nomination today, Senate took the following action:

By 51 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. EX. 217), Senate agreed to the McConnell motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S6408**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Stephen Andrew Kubiawski, of Kentucky, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years.

Joseph Dawson III, of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina. **Page S6417**

Executive Communications: **Pages S6413–14**

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Additional Statements: **Page S6412**

Quorum Calls: One quorum call was taken today. (Total—2) **Page S6407**

Record Votes: Seven record votes were taken today. (Total—221) **Pages S6407–08, S6411–12**

Recess: Senate convened at 12 noon and recessed at 3:33 p.m., until 12 noon on Saturday, October 24, 2020, after agreeing to the motion to recess. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6417.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 446 pending military nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Space Force.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 33 public bills, H.R. 8651–8683; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 1200–1203 were introduced. **Pages H5704–06**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H5706–08**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress. Recommendations to Reclaim Congress' Article One Powers, Boost Staff Capacity, Improve the Schedule and Calendar, Improve the Budget and Appropriations Process, Identify Administrative Inefficiencies and Improve Technology and Continuity (H. Rept. 116–561). **Page H5704**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rabbi Arnold E. Resnicoff, Chaplain, U.S. Navy (Ret.), Washington, DC. **Page H5703**

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 11:30 a.m. and adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D937)

S. 209, to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to provide further self-governance by Indian Tribes. Signed on October 21, 2020. (Public Law 116–180)

S. 881, to improve understanding and forecasting of space weather events. Signed on October 21, 2020. (Public Law 116–181)

S. 1380, to amend the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure to remind prosecutors of their obligations under Supreme Court case law. Signed on October 21, 2020. (Public Law 116–182)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2020

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

12 noon, Saturday, October 24

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Tuesday, October 27

Senate Chamber

Program for Saturday: Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Amy Coney Barrett, of Indiana, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 10 a.m.

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