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## House of Representatives

The House met at 1 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Gracious God, we thank You for the heroes You have set before us, exemplars like Martin Luther King, Jr., whose voice sounds a clarion call that resonates still today.

May his prayers be ours and his dream our own: that we would live according to Your design that no one would be judged by the color of their skin, or their side of the aisle, but by the content of their character.

Leave us not devoid of the power to forgive but embolden us with the power to love, that we would be willing to risk our position, our prestige, and even our lives for the welfare of our neighbors and the good of this country.

Then one day may this Nation be capable to present itself to be measured not by where we have stood in moments of comfort and convenience but in times of challenge and controversy.

We pray these things, asking for the intelligence to know Your will, the courage to do Your will, and the devotion to love Your will.

In the strength of Your holy name.  
Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to section 5(a)(1)(A) of House Resolution 8, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from West Virginia (Mr. MOONEY) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. MOONEY 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 5(a)(1)(B) of House Resolution 8, the House stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Thursday, January 21, 2021.

Thereupon (at 1 o'clock and 2 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Thursday, January 21, 2021, at 2 p.m.

### 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. BANKS (for himself, Mr. MOONEY, Mr. WESTERMAN, Mr. GROTHMAN, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. BUDD, Mr. ALLEN, and Mr. NORMAN):

H.R. 343. A bill to require States to report information on Medicaid payments to abortion providers; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. BROWNLEY (for herself, Ms. KUSTER, and Mrs. HAYES):

H.R. 344. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct an analysis of the need for women-specific programs that treat and rehabilitate women veterans with drug and alcohol dependency and to carry out a pilot program regarding such programs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. BROWNLEY (for herself, Mr. PAPPAS, Ms. LEE of California, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. COHEN, and Mr. GRIJALVA):

H.R. 345. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide abortion counseling to a veteran who has an unwanted pregnancy; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas:

H.R. 346. A bill to establish a program providing grants to certain small business concerns to modify or reallocate their productive facilities to begin or increase production of certain medical supplies critical to ad-

ressing the COVID-19 pandemic, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

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

H.R. 347. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require the disclosure of tax returns of Presidents and Vice Presidents and certain candidates for President and Vice President, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, 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. GARCIA of Texas (for herself, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. BROWN, Mrs. DINGELL, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Ms. ESCOBAR, Ms. NORTON, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Ms. SCANLON, and Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia):

H.R. 348. A bill to require face masks in Federal facilities to prevent the transmission of SARS-CoV-2, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, 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 (for herself and Mr. JEFFRIES):

H.R. 349. A bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to award contracts, grants, and cooperative agreements to expand and enhance capacity for manufacturing covered products to prevent and control the spread of SARS-CoV-2 and COVID-19; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. SCHNEIDER (for himself, Mr. NADLER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. BACON, Mr. VICENTE GONZALEZ of Texas, Mr. UPTON, and Mr. CORREA):

H.R. 350. A bill to authorize dedicated domestic terrorism offices within the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of Justice, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation to analyze and monitor domestic terrorist activity and require the Federal Government to take steps to prevent domestic terrorism; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Homeland Security, and Armed Services, for

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By Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin:

H.R. 351. A bill to amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to exclude from income, for the purpose of determining eligibility and benefits, income received from cost of living adjustments made under titles II and XVI of the Social Security Act and from supplementary payments received under section 1616 of such Act; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. MORELLE (for himself and Mr. TAKANO):

H.R. 352. A bill to establish an initiative for national testing, contact tracing, and pandemic response, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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 Mrs. MURPHY of Florida:

H.R. 353. A bill to modify the Standard Form 86 questionnaire used for national security eligibility determinations to include questions regarding an individual's membership in, or association with, organizations spreading conspiracy theories regarding the Government and participation in the activities occurring at the United States Capitol on January 6, 2021, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. STEUBE (for himself, Mr. PERRY, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. ROY, Mr. CAWTHORN, Mr. BALDERSON, and Mrs. LESKO):

H.R. 354. A bill to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security and Secretary of State to require aliens applying for certain visas to disclose if they receive funds from the Government of the People's Republic of China or the Chinese Communist Party, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 355. A bill to require the national instant criminal background check system to notify U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the relevant State and local law enforcement agencies whenever the information available to the system indicates that a person illegally or unlawfully in the United States may be attempting to receive a firearm; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 356. A bill to provide greater flexibility to agencies to make appointments to positions for which there is a severe shortage of candidates, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 357. A bill to direct Federal departments and agencies to verify eligibility for Federal benefits for individuals 105 years of age or older, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 358. A bill to require the Secretary of Transportation to modify regulations concerning hours of service, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. STEUBE (for himself, Mrs. RODGERS of Washington, and Mrs. HINSON):

H.R. 359. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to allow individuals who are entitled to Post-9/11 educational assistance to use such assistance to repay Federal student loans; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 360. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to automate third-party health insurance billings and collections of the Department of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 361. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to eliminate the marriage penalty in the income tax rate brackets; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 362. A bill to prohibit importation of commercially produced fresh citrus fruit originating from the People's Republic of China; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 363. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude major professional sports leagues from qualifying as tax-exempt organizations; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 364. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide eligibility for TRICARE Select to veterans with service-connected disabilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services, and in addition to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, 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. STEUBE:

H.R. 365. A bill to provide for the rescheduling of marijuana into schedule III of the Controlled Substances Act; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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. THOMPSON of California (for himself, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. SCHWEIKERT, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. CURTIS, and Mr. WELCH):

H.R. 366. A bill to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to waive or modify application of Medicare requirements with respect to telehealth services during any emergency period, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy 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 Ms. TITUS:

H.R. 367. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish an acquisition professional career program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Mrs. TORRES of California:

H.R. 368. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide United States Secret Service protection to former Vice Presidents, their spouses, and their children under 16, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. UNDERWOOD (for herself, Mr. O'HALLERAN, Mr. GOMEZ, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Ms. SEWELL, Mrs. MCBATH, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Ms. BARRAGAN, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Ms. PORTER, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. RYAN, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. DEUTCH, and Ms. SCANLON):

H.R. 369. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to improve affordability and reduce premium costs of health insurance for consumers; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN (for herself, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. KATKO, and Mr. TAYLOR):

H.R. 370. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to make technical corrections to the requirement that the Secretary of Homeland Security submit quadrennial homeland security reviews, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Ms. BROWNLEY (for herself, Mr. PETERS, Mrs. TORRES of California, Ms. MENG, Ms. LEE of California, and Ms. CASTOR of Florida):

H. Res. 49. A resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that a commemorative postage stamp series should be issued honoring women veterans, and that the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee should recommend to the Postmaster General that such a stamp series be issued; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Ms. BROWNLEY (for herself, Mr. PAPPAS, Mrs. RADEWAGEN, Mr. TAKANO, Ms. HOULAHAN, Mr. O'HALLERAN, Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. LEE of California, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mrs. TORRES of California, Ms. NORTON, Ms. UNDERWOOD, Ms. PINGREE, Miss RICE of New York, Mr. MOULTON, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. CASE, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Ms. SCANLON, Ms. SPANBERGER, Mr. LEVIN of California, Mr. GRIJALVA, and Ms. STEVENS):

H. Res. 50. A resolution expressing the support of the House of Representatives for the naming of new or undedicated facilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs after women veterans and minority veterans in order to reflect the diversity of all who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mrs. BUSTOS (for herself, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Ms. MENG, Ms. SPEIER, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Ms. KAPTUR, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. SCANLON, Ms. NORTON, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. RUSH, Ms. WILD, Ms. NEWMAN, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. WELCH, Mr. TAKANO, Mr. CARSON, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. FOSTER, Ms. BARRAGAN, Ms. DELAURO, Mr. SCHNEIDER, Mr. LIEU, Mr. SIREN, Mr. NADLER, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. HASTINGS, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. MCNERNEY, Mr. TORRES of New York, Mr. KILMER, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. POCAN, Ms. UNDERWOOD, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, and Ms. BROWNLEY):

H. Res. 51. A resolution expressing deep gratitude on behalf of the people of the United States to the journalists and news staff who risked threats of injury and death to chronicle the horrendous details of the insurrection on January 6, 2021; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MOOLENAAR (for himself, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. BUSHON, Mr. ALLEN, Ms. FOXX, Mr. WALBERG, Mr. BANKS, Mr. BIGGS, and Mr. GALLAGHER):

H. Res. 52. A resolution expressing support for the designation of the week of January 24 through January 30, 2021, as "National School Choice Week"; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H. Res. 53. A resolution maintaining North Korea's seizure of the vessel USS Pueblo and its detention of the crew were in violation of international law and seeking the return of the USS Pueblo to the United States; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

PRIVATE BILLS AND  
RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 3 of rule XII, private bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Ms. BROWNLEY:

H.R. 371. A bill for the relief of Robert Feiss; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DOGGETT:

H.R. 372. A bill for the relief of Alirio Palacios Gamez, Hilda Veronica Ramirez Mendez, and Jayro Ivan Juarez Ramirez; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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. BANKS:

H.R. 343.

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

The constitutional authority of Congress to enact this legislation is provided by Article I, section 8 of the United States Constitution, specifically clause 18 (relating to the power to make all laws necessary and proper for carrying out the powers vested in Congress).

By Ms. BROWNLEY:

H.R. 344.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution

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By Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas:

H.R. 346.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1: "The Congress shall have Power to . . . provide for the . . . general welfare of the United States; . . ."

By Ms. ESHOO:

H.R. 347.

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

Article I, Section 4, clause 1 of the Constitution;

Article I, Section, 8, clause 1 of the Constitution; and

Article I, Section 8, clause 18 of the Constitution.

By Ms. GARCIA of Texas:

H.R. 348.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3

By Ms. KUSTER:

H.R. 349.

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 Mr. SCHNEIDER:

H.R. 350.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin:

H.R. 351.

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

Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. MORELLE:

H.R. 352.

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

Article 1, Section 8, of the United States Constitution

By Mrs. MURPHY of Florida:

H.R. 353.

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

Article I, Section 8, which gives Congress the power to provide for the common defense and general welfare of the United States; the power to regulate commerce with foreign nations and among the several states; and the power to make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing powers.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 354.

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

Article 1, Section 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; but all Duties, Imposts and Excises shall be uniform throughout the United States;

To borrow money on the credit of the United States;

To regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes;

To establish a uniform Rule of Naturalization, and uniform Laws on the subject of Bankruptcies throughout the United States;

To coin Money, regulate the Value thereof, and of foreign Coin, and fix the Standard of Weights and Measures;

To provide for the Punishment of counterfeiting the Securities and current Coin of the United States;

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To promote the Progress of Science and useful Arts, by securing for limited Times to Authors and Inventors the exclusive Right to their respective Writings and Discoveries;

To constitute Tribunals inferior to the supreme Court; and Offenses against the Law of Nations;

To declare War, grant Letters of Marque and Reprisal, and make Rules concerning Captures on Land and Water;

To raise and support Armies, but no Appropriation of Money to that Use shall be for a longer Term than two Years;

To provide and maintain a Navy;

To make Rules for the Government and Regulation of the land and naval Forces;

To provide for calling forth the Militia to execute the Laws of the Union, suppress Insurrections and repel Invasions; To provide for organizing, arming, and disciplining, the Militia, and for governing such Part of them as may be employed in the Service of the United States, reserving to the States respectively, the Appointment of the Officers, and the Authority of training the Militia according to the discipline prescribed by Congress;

To exercise exclusive Legislation in all Cases whatsoever, over such District (not exceeding ten Miles square) as may, by Cession of particular States, and the acceptance of Congress, become the Seat of the Government of the United States, and to exercise like Authority over all Places purchased by the Consent of the Legislature of the State in which the Same shall be, for the Erection

of Forts, Magazines, Arsenals, dock-Yards, and other needful Buildings; And

To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

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By Mr. THOMPSON of California:

H.R. 366.

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

Article 1

By Ms. TITUS:

H.R. 367.

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

The Congress enacts this bill pursuant to Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution.

By Mrs. TORRES of California:

H.R. 368.

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

According to Article 1: Section 8: Clause 18: of the United States Constitution, seen below, this bill falls within the Constitutional Authority of the United States Congress.

Article 1: Section 8: Clause 18: To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Ms. UNDERWOOD:

H.R. 369.

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

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

By Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN:

H.R. 370.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18: To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Ms. BROWNLEY:

H.R. 371

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

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. DOGGETT:

H.R. 372

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

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

#### ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 30: Mr. LYNCH and Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia.

H.R. 51: Mr. KAHELE.

H.R. 151: Mr. HARDER of California and Mr. NEGUSE.

H.R. 173: Mrs. HAYES and Mr. MFUME.

H.R. 203: Mr. CUELLAR.

H.R. 224: Mr. CUELLAR.

H.R. 239: Ms. STRICKLAND, Ms. PINGREE, Mr. CASTEN, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ.

H.R. 263: Mr. KILDEE, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. VEASEY, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. VARGAS, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. SUOZZI, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. KILMER, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mrs. AXNE, Mr. JONES, Mr. SMUCKER, Ms. DEGETTE, and Mr. RUIZ.

H.R. 301: Ms. DEAN.

H.R. 302: Ms. WEXTON.

H.R. 305: Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, Ms. JACOBS of California, Ms. WILD, Mr. COOPER,

Mr. SWALWELL, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. PHILLIPS, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. PAPPAS, Mr. QUIGLEY, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mrs. DINGELL, Ms. KUSTER, Mr. HORSFORD, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. CARSON, Mrs. TRAHAN, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. CONNOLLY, Ms. NORTON, Mr. KIM of New Jersey, Mr. MCNERNEY, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. SPEIER, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mrs. HINSON, Mr. SOTO, Ms. STEVENS, Mr. PETERS, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Ms. TITUS, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. GIMENEZ, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. JONES, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. HARDER of California, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. SPANBERGER, Mr. POCAN, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mrs. MCBATH, Ms. STRICKLAND, Mr. LANDEVIN, Mr. CARL, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. VELA, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mrs. AXNE, Mr. BALDERSON, Mrs. BUSTOS, Ms. DELAULO, Mr. KINZINGER,

Mr. COLE, Mrs. RODGERS of Washington, Mr. MCEACHIN, Mr. MOORE of Alabama, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. WRIGHT, Ms. UNDERWOOD, Ms. SCHRIER, Ms. SCANLON, and Mr. NADLER.

H.R. 308: Ms. CHU, Ms. MENG, Ms. WILD, Ms. SCANLON, Mr. TONKO, Mr. BEYER, Ms. MANNING, Mr. PASCRELL, and Ms. OMAR.

H.R. 322: Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina, Mr. TIFFANY, and Mr. SMITH of Missouri.

H.R. 334: Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mrs. HAYES, and Ms. CHU.

H. Res. 19: Mr. AUCHINCLOSS, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. CASTEN, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. COHEN, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Mr. GOLDEN, Mr. Hastings, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. KUSTER, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. MALINOWSKI, Mr. MCEACHIN, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. RYAN,

Ms. SCANLON, Mr. TRONE, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, Mr. KILDEE, Ms. NORTON, Ms. JACOBS of California, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mrs. HAYES, Ms. SEWELL, Mr. HUFFMAN, Ms. LEE of California, Mr. FOSTER, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Ms. CHU, Mr. SIRES, Mr. WELCH, Mr. MCNERNEY, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.

H. Res. 33: Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. YARMUTH, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. MOULTON, Mrs. LEE of Nevada, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. BACON, Mr. WELCH, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ.

H. Res. 39: Mr. STIVERS, Mr. DAVIDSON, Mr. LUCAS, Mr. GONZALEZ of Ohio, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. WENSTRUP, Mrs. SPARTZ, Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. NORMAN, Mrs. BICE of Oklahoma, Mr. TURNER, Ms. NORTON, Mr. FORTENBERRY, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Ms. BROWNLEY, and Mrs. MURPHY of Florida.



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The Senate met at 12 noon and was called to order by the President pro tempore (Mr. GRASSLEY).

### PRAYER

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

Let us pray.

Eternal God, ruler of all nations. As the inauguration of President-Elect Joseph Biden approaches, bless and heal America. Bless this land of amber waves of grain with the righteousness that exalts nations. Heal this land of curvaceous mountains by removing from it sins that bring reproach to any people.

Lord, use our lawmakers as your servants of reconciliation and hope, empowering them to fulfill your purposes on Earth.

We pray in Your merciful Name. Amen.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The President pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

### MORNING BUSINESS

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate will be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

### LETTER OF RESIGNATION

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair lays before the Senate the letter

of resignation of Senator KAMALA D. HARRIS of California, which became effective at 12 noon yesterday, January 18, 2021.

Without objection, the letter is deemed read and spread upon the Journal and will be printed in the RECORD.

The letter follows:

U.S. SENATE,  
January 18, 2021.

Governor GAVIN NEWSOM,  
Sacramento, CA.

DEAR GOVERNOR NEWSOM: I hereby resign as Senator from the State of California, effective January 18, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. EST. As I assume my duties as Vice President of the United States, I would like to thank the people of California for the honor of serving them in the U.S. Senate over the past four years.

Sincerely,

KAMALA D. HARRIS,  
U.S. Senator.

### RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The majority leader is recognized.

### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I understand that the Senate has received a message from the House of Representatives that it has taken action relative to impeachment, though it has not yet transmitted the article of impeachment to us.

I ask that pursuant to rule I of the Rules of Impeachment, the Secretary of the Senate notify the House that the Senate has received its message.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. CRUZ). So ordered.

The Senator from Iowa.

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

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

### IOWA

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, last week, I started my annual tradition of holding Q&A's with Iowans in all 99 counties. This is my 41st consecutive year, and remember that only one meeting counts for the tally. But I hold many Q&A's in more populous counties.

For example, I was in 10 counties last week: A snow plow manufacturer in Manchester, IA, that employs over 300 Iowans and the Marshalltown High School to hear what is on the minds of young people, because they never come to my town meetings. I heard about the pandemic, the Paycheck Protection Program, commodity prices, infrastructure, and high drug prices.

I look forward to the next 89 county meetings to keep in touch with my constituents.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The majority leader.

### PROTESTS

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, the last time the Senate convened we had just reclaimed the Capitol from violent criminals who tried to stop Congress from doing our duty.

The mob was fed lies. They were provoked by the President and other powerful people, and they tried to use fear and violence to stop a specific proceeding of the first branch of the Federal Government which they did not like.

But we pressed on. We stood together and said an angry mob would not get veto power over the rule of law in our Nation, not even for one night.

We certified the people's choice for their 46th President.

Tomorrow, President-Elect Biden and Vice President-Elect HARRIS will be sworn in. We will have a safe and successful inaugural right here on the west front of the Capitol—the space that President Bush 41 called “democracy's front porch.”

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And then we will move forward. Our work for the American people will continue, as it has for more than 230 years. There are serious challenges that our Nation needs to continue confronting, but there will also be great and hopeful opportunities for us to seize.

Certainly, November's elections did not hand any side a mandate for sweeping ideological change. Americans elected a closely divided Senate, a closely divided House, and a Presidential candidate who said he would represent everyone.

So our marching orders from the American people are clear. We are to have a robust discussion and seek common ground. We are to pursue bipartisan agreement everywhere we can and check and balance one another respectfully where we must. And through all of this, we must always keep in mind that we are all Americans, we all love this country, and we are all in this together.

#### HONORING POLICE OFFICERS

Mr. MCCONNELL. Now, Mr. President, on a related matter, a great deal has already been said about the disgraceful events of January 6. More will be said in the weeks ahead.

I understand the FBI has already made at least 100 arrests, and the Justice Department reports more than 275 persons under investigation—a number that is climbing fast. I want to commend the work of the Department to swiftly investigate and bring offenders to justice.

As I have stated, January 6 saw failures of institutions, protocols, and planning. Those failures did not just leave Congress itself exposed; they also left the courageous men and women of the Capitol Police themselves in a totally untenable situation.

So today, I want to reaffirm the huge respect and gratitude that I have—and I believe all Senators have—for the men and women of the U.S. Capitol Police who put their own safety on the line every single day that they clock in and stand guard.

Neither the institution of Congress nor the American people will ever forget the bravery and the valor of Officer Brian Sicknick, who sacrificed himself to protect this place and those inside it.

We will not forget our friend Officer Howard Liebengood.

And we will never forget our debt to all the brave CP officers and their families.

It is more than just comforting to come to work in a place protected by such fine men and women, at risk to themselves. It is also very humbling.

We are also grateful to the local officers from DC, Virginia, and Maryland, to Federal law enforcement officers, the National Guard, the Secret Service, and all the other professionals who helped subdue the criminals and secure the Capitol on the 6th and are working together to protect peace and order this week.

Tomorrow, a new President and Vice President will swear their oaths of office. They will also do so safely and securely because so many brave men and women have sworn their own oaths to support and defend our Constitution.

We salute you all.

#### MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR—S. 13

Mr. MCCONNELL. Now, Mr. President, I understand there is a bill at the desk due a second reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the bill by title for the second time.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 13) to establish an advisory committee to make recommendations on improvements to the security, integrity, and administration of Federal elections.

Mr. MCCONNELL. In order to place the bill on the calendar under the provisions of rule XIV, I object to further proceeding.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection having been heard, the bill will be placed on the calendar.

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

The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

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

#### RECOGNITION OF THE MINORITY LEADER

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Democratic leader is recognized.

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, before I get into my remarks, I noted that my dear friend and colleague, the Senator from Illinois, is giving remarks to say a fond and, I am sure, a somewhat poignant farewell to Reema Dodin, who has done a great job for him, for the Senate, for Senate Democrats, and for me for decades. We are going to miss her very much. The only consolation is that she is going on to the new administration and even bigger and better things.

#### 59TH INAUGURATION CEREMONIES

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, the Senate returns to session today for what will be a very busy and consequential period. Tomorrow, we will celebrate one of democracy's core attributes: the peaceful transfer of power, albeit under much different circumstances than most Americans are used to.

Rioters, insurrectionists, White supremacists, and domestic terrorists tried to prevent the transfer of power. They were incited by none other than the President of the United States. They have failed. Though they have

made the transition of power anything but peaceful, democracy's oldest and most revered tradition, the peaceful passing of the torch, will take place tomorrow.

We must remain vigilant. We must remain strong. If we do, democracy will always prevail. Despite what these evil terrorists tried to do, the peaceful passing of the torch will take place tomorrow as it has for generations.

In the weeks since the attack, the Nation has learned about the heroism displayed by many Capitol Police officers on January 6. I want to again thank those officers who protected Members and staff. Let us also recognize the bravery of one officer in particular, Brian Sicknick, who was killed in the line of duty.

I also want to acknowledge those members of the fourth estate for their efforts during these difficult times, for continuing to shine a light on what is happening at the Capitol, sometimes at great personal risk.

Now, in the wake of the despicable assault on the U.S. Capitol on January 6, we have taken precautions to ensure the safety of the Inauguration of President-Elect Biden tomorrow. Senate leadership has been in close and constant communication with the Secret Service, the FBI, the National Guard, and the D.C. police. As we speak, there are more troops around the Capitol than there are in Afghanistan. No force—no force—will prevent tomorrow's constitutional proceedings from taking place.

Tomorrow, Joe Biden and KAMALA HARRIS will be administered the oath of office. They will be sworn into the Presidency and Vice Presidency of the United States, and the powers vested in our Chief Executive will flow to a new office holder, a peaceful passing of the torch, as it has been for over two centuries in the grand tradition of democracy in the United States of America.

Tomorrow, the country will turn the page on the most chaotic and divisive Presidency that can ever be remembered. We will begin again the hard work of unifying and healing this Nation, defeating the pandemic, recovering our economy, and repairing our standing and stature in the world—and this is just the beginning.

#### BUSINESS BEFORE THE SENATE

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, the Inauguration of a new President and the start of a new administration always brings a flurry of activity to our Nation's government, but rarely—rarely—has so much piled up for the Senate as during this particular transition. Over the next several weeks, the Senate must accomplish three essential items: a second impeachment trial of Donald Trump; the confirmation of President Biden's Cabinet and other key officials; and legislation to provide much needed—almost desperately needed—COVID relief.

Again, there are three essential items of business. No. 1, as mandated

by law and Constitution, once the House of Representatives delivers Articles of Impeachment to the Senate, we will conduct and complete a trial of Donald Trump for inciting an insurrection against these United States.

No. 2, the Senate will confirm key members of soon-to-be President Biden's Cabinet. Those Cabinet officials in charge of national security must be confirmed quickly, as well as those in charge of responding to the current health and economic crisis.

No. 3, the Senate will take up legislation to provide the country additional relief from the pandemic.

On impeachment, the Senate has solemn responsibility to try and hold Donald Trump accountable for the most serious charge ever levied against a President: the incitement of an insurrection against the United States of America.

The events on January 6, make no mistake about it, were not a spontaneous demonstration. President Trump invented the lie that motivated these criminals. He exhorted them to come to Washington. He then directed them at the U.S. Capitol, and his demagoguery whipped them into a frenzy.

We need to set a precedent that the severest threat ever committed by a President will be met by the severest remedy provided by the U.S. Constitution: impeachment and conviction by this Chamber, as well as disbarment from future office.

In 230 years, the House of Representatives has impeached the President of the United States only twice. In just the past 13 months, it has impeached President Trump twice more. President Trump is a threat to our constitutional order whether he is in or out of office. Even now, he has not accepted responsibility for what he has done and still falsely maintains that the election was stolen.

Once he leaves office, do we really expect him to change his tune and accept the truth? Of course not. He will continue spreading lies about the election and stoking the grievances of his most radical supporters, using the prospect of a future Presidential run to poison the public arena at a time when we must get so much done. After what he has done, the consequences of which we were all witness to, Donald Trump should not be eligible to run for office ever again.

All of us want to put this awful chapter in our Nation's history behind us, but healing and unity will only come if there is truth and accountability, not sweeping such a severe charge, such awful actions, under the rug.

So let me be clear. There will be an impeachment trial in the U.S. Senate. There will be a vote on convicting the President of high crimes and misdemeanors. And, if the President is convicted, there will be a vote on barring him from running again.

Now, the Cabinet. As I mentioned, the Senate must also fulfill its constitutional duty to advise and consent

on soon-to-be President Biden's executive and judicial nominations, particularly his Cabinet. Today, there are no fewer than five Senate hearings on Cabinet-level officials for good reason. The violent insurrection at the U.S. Capitol on January 6 showed us we need qualified Senate-confirmed people in key national security positions on day one. That means tomorrow.

The Senate will be in session tomorrow after the conclusion of the Inauguration of the 46th President of the United States. With cooperation, we can confirm key national security nominees at State, the Department of Defense, Homeland Security, Treasury, and the intelligence community. The health and economic challenges our Nation faces and the need to get vaccines out quickly also require having key health officials and key economic nominees confirmed and on the job as soon as possible.

In 2017, the Senate confirmed President Trump's Secretary of Defense and his Secretary of Homeland Security on Inauguration Day. President Biden should have the same officials in place on his Inauguration Day at the very least. That is the expectation and tradition for any administration, but especially now in the midst of a Homeland Security crisis.

As I said, the way the Senate works, it will take cooperation from our Republican colleagues to swiftly confirm these highly qualified national security officials. But make no mistake, the Senate will move quickly to consider and confirm President Biden's cabinet.

Finally, on COVID and the legislation that is needed, once the Senate has confirmed key nominations for the incoming administration, it will turn to the subject of additional COVID relief items, including key items such as an increase in direct payments to American families; strong, further support of vaccine distribution which must be improved; help for small businesses, schools, and State and local governments. Very soon, the country will pass another tragic milestone: 400,000 American deaths from COVID-19. There is no issue more urgent than defeating this pandemic, and the Senate will immediately set to work on that goal as the first order of legislative business.

There will be much more work for us to do in the following months. Working with President Biden and our House colleagues, the Senate will finally address the major challenges facing our country that have for too long been ignored. We will consider bold legislation to defeat the climate crisis by investing in clean infrastructure and manufacturing, which will create millions of good jobs for Americans, regardless of ZIP Code. We must move significantly to improve our healthcare and childcare systems. To fix and restore our income and equality problem, we will fight to restore workers' rights and fairness in the Tax Code.

Today, we announce the first bill, S. 1, which will be a package of long overdue reforms to protect our democracy after it has been so attacked in 4 years and will guarantee every American's right to vote.

One issue that has been long important to me is immigration reform. I always felt that comprehensive immigration reform with a path to citizenship is one of the most important things a Democratic Congress can do. To me, passing comprehensive reform is a very high priority, so I was pleased that President-Elect Biden has crafted a proposal and will call on Congress to take up this important subject. I am studying the President-elect's proposal, and I look forward to working together with him and the new administration and with my colleagues in Congress to get comprehensive immigration reform signed into law.

As I said at the beginning of this talk, the next several months will be very, very busy and a very consequential period for the U.S. Senate. Let us begin our work in earnest.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Georgia.

#### FAREWELL TO THE SENATE

Mrs. LOEFFLER. Mr. President, it has been the honor of my lifetime to serve Georgia in the U.S. Senate. There has never been a day that I don't walk through the hallways of the Capitol when I am not awestruck by the magnitude of this job and of this place and of my duty.

I want to thank my colleagues, especially those who welcomed me from the start, who worked with me, and who even across the aisle worked with me to get things done for our country in such a consequential year.

I want to thank the people of Georgia who showed me the very best of our great State. My goal as Senator was clear: to work every single day to make Georgians' lives better and to make ours the very best State to work, to live, to worship, and to raise a family.

I never stopped working to meet that goal and was energized and humbled every single day by the opportunity to serve. In between weeks spent in Washington, I crisscrossed our great State nonstop, going from southeast coastal Georgia in Camden County to northwest mountain Georgia in Catoosa County. Time with Georgians are my fondest memories.

One of my earliest visits was in Homerville, GA, population 2,400. I carried the people of Homerville with me every day as I approached my work. Having grown up on our family farm, where the nearest small town had a population of 600, my calling to public service was, in large part, to be a voice—an outsized voice—for those who feel they didn't have a voice in Washington.

Many Georgians inspired me each day to bring results to every corner of

our State. In that spirit, I want to thank Governor Kemp for appointing me and entrusting me with the important work of being a voice for our State and a servant to our citizens.

I was proud to serve alongside my friend and colleague Senator David Perdue.

I want to recognize Senator Johnny Isakson and Senator Saxby Chambliss for their shining example of what it meant to be a Senator, and, most importantly, a public servant. I also want to recognize and thank my incredible husband, Jeff, whose love and support encouraged me every single day. And I want to thank my family for instilling the values of faith, family, and hard work. You all have my deepest love and gratitude.

As importantly, I want to recognize my very talented and hard-working staff, many of whom are with me today. Together, our work here and in Georgia has made a tremendous difference in our State.

Let me tell you about just some of that work, because in one significant year in the Senate, I am so proud of all we have accomplished together. We delivered more than \$47 billion in relief to Georgia during the pandemic—to farmers, to family, to small businesses, hospitals, and schools. And, as a freshman Senator, I introduced and passed six pieces of legislation. We secured funding for rural hospitals. We increased telehealth access, and we sped the delivery of PPE to the frontlines.

I championed and we passed legislation that increased funding to help homeless veterans get back on their feet, and I was proud to champion agriculture, our State's leading industry, as well as our military, law enforcement, small businesses, and school choice.

I stood up for innocent life, the Second Amendment, and all of our constitutional rights.

I was able to use my business experience to develop four wide-ranging plans to drive economic security, keep our Nation safe, modernize our healthcare system, and increase opportunities in minority communities.

In 2020 alone, our office helped over 5,200 Georgians with casework, including nearly 1,000 Georgia veterans and Active-Duty service men and women navigate their VA benefits in VA medical centers.

I am incredibly proud of all the work we accomplished together for our State and for our country. There is much more work to do. I had hoped to pass a piece of my legislation to bring back to the United States from China the manufacturing of our critical medical supplies, including prescription drugs, over-the-counter medicine, and medical equipment.

I want to wish my successor well in his work serving Georgia.

Now, most farewell speeches urge colleagues to put country before party or to fix what is broken here in the Senate. My message is slightly different.

In all of the events of recent weeks, I want to urge my colleagues to remember why we are here, whom you serve, and to recall the greatness of the American experiment, as well as the fragile nature of our freedoms.

I spent 30 years in the private sector chasing the American dream. I worked on our family's farm. I waitressed. I lived paycheck to paycheck. I moved around the country and worked hard to overcome setbacks and to build a respected career in business. I came to Georgia two decades ago as a job seeker, and I became a job creator, helping to grow a small startup company into a Fortune 500 company.

And, like many Georgians, part of that work is giving back in our communities and supporting others in achieving their dreams. I have done that now in business, in philanthropy, in sports, and now in public service. That is the American dream. It gives everyone, regardless of their background, the freedom to make the most of their life, chase their passions, build their family and their career, and thrive in the greatest country in the world. Protecting that dream for all Americans should be our common cause, regardless of political party.

As I served over the last year, it has become clear that we need more outsiders, more business people, and fewer—with all due respect—fewer politicians.

Americans have high expectations for us. They are looking for leadership. They want results, and, right now, they want their lives back. They are looking for us to restore America and protect their dreams, not to take advantage of a crisis and expand the government.

They certainly don't want their way of life overwhelmed by radical change and costly policies that will push them out of their job, limit their children's educational opportunities, and threaten their right to worship and speak freely.

At the same time, while those on the left feign a desire for unity, they say they cannot tolerate it without accountability. In essence, there can be no unity without conforming to their views. Disagree, and you will be canceled, and not just your social media account but your job, your family, your educational opportunities, and even your God-given rights. Only those who meet the ideological purity test can claim moral superiority and maintain their voice.

Over the last year, I experienced this firsthand many times. Yes, I have been a proud champion of conservative values, but I always put Georgia first ahead of politics. As the pandemic began to unfold, I worked around the clock to deliver relief across Georgia, yet the mainstream media, including my own hometown newspaper, flooded its pages not with serious coverage of my relief efforts but with completely false stories about stock trades fabricated by a leftwing blog.

When this political attack was thoroughly debunked, that fact was largely

omitted from subsequent coverage to fit their narrative. The truth is, the mainstream media and Big Tech increasingly care only about advancing their political ideology and protecting only the speech that fits into their specific narrative. The double standards, disdain, and contempt that elites and institutions of influence have for conservatives is increasingly being revealed. For the sake of our discourse, this cannot continue.

As a starting point, we must hold accountable those who limit our free speech and the loss of our civil discourse in this country. The American people are alarmed by the effort to censor conservative voices. We are witnessing a constitutional crisis that threatens to erode the First Amendment and silence people across our country. As a Republican and a conservative American who still believes in the Constitution and the core principles on which our country was founded, I refuse to be intimidated by the cancel culture and its dangerous narratives.

However, not every American feels free to speak up. Their voices are being lost.

This is why this Senate is so important. For 230 years, the U.S. Senate has been the central venue for voicing dissenting views, and it has celebrated the deliberation of issues confronting our Nation.

You must be the voice for those who can't use theirs. Now is the time. The urgency weighs on our country. If we are serious about uniting, it must be out of respect for diversity, not despite it. Diversity of belief is not monolithic.

In 1964, a future President Ronald Reagan spoke to his fellow Americans saying:

You and I have a rendezvous with destiny. We will preserve for our children this, the last best hope of man on earth, or we will sentence them to take the first step into a thousand years of darkness.

These sage words echo today. These words are timeless.

To my colleagues in the Senate, I urge you to address the dire threats to our First Amendment rights in order to restore every American's faith in our democracy and to help restore our trust in each other. It is the only way to ensure that America, the world's shining city on the hill, a republic admired for centuries, can endure for future generations.

I encourage each of you to uphold our uniquely American values and preserve the American dream, and I will continue to champion our party's values from whatever position I occupy. America depends on it. Americans are counting on us to be their voice.

For a shy farm girl who was the first in her family to graduate from college, who could never have imagined that one day I would serve as the U.S. Senator from the great State of Georgia, thank you all. It has been my deepest honor.

May God bless you, and may God bless the United States of America.

I yield the floor.

(Applause.)

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Democratic whip.

### PROTESTS

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, before I make my prepared remarks, I would like to note the fact that this is the first time that I am returning to the floor of the Senate since the events of January 6. It was in the early morning hours of January 7 that we concluded our business and left this Chamber to return to our homes for the interim period.

We left, knowing that something terrible had happened in this building on January 6, but we didn't know the extent of it. As Members of the Senate, we were largely protected from this terrorist insurrection, which took place in this building.

It was about 2:15 p.m. on that afternoon of January 6, when Vice President PENCE was presiding over the Senate and most of us were in our seats, that there was a commotion at the Chair and the Secret Service came in and literally pulled the Vice President away from that podium and took him out the door. We weren't sure what was happening. It all unfolded quickly. There was an effort to make a quorum call to determine which Senators were on the floor. It was interrupted when a representative of the Capitol Police stood where the Presiding Officer is now seated and instructed us to stay in this room, in this Chamber, in the Senate, in our chairs. The staff people and surrounding offices were going to line the walls. This was going to be a safe place of refuge for whatever was going on.

I remember that moment particularly because something happened, which is etched in my memory. Two plain clothes officers came down into the well of the Senate and stood there, just a few feet from where I am standing. One of them had an automatic weapon around his neck. I couldn't imagine what was going on, where, in the U.S. Senate Chamber, it was necessary to have that kind of firepower.

He stayed there for a few minutes, and then we were told to leave and leave quickly. We filed out the doors and down the steps and walked across through the tunnel to the Hart building, where Members of the Senate were safely protected.

That is one of the reasons I wanted to say a word this afternoon and this morning. The Capitol Police, throughout this, were heroic. They were overwhelmed by this massive insurrectionist mob. The Capitol Police, as well as the others who joined them—the DC Metropolitan Police and other law enforcement agencies, which I don't know the names of as I stand here—I want to thank them all for literally risking their lives for me, for Members of the Senate, for our staff, and visitors.

It wasn't until the next day that we learned—that many of us learned—that

a Capitol policeman had been killed—killed by this mob. My heart goes out to him and his family. I thank him and all of his colleagues, men and women, who each day get up in the morning, put on their uniforms, and come to this building to protect me and protect the other Members of the Senate and the House and all of the staff who work here. We will never be able to repay them in any words for what they sacrificed and risked on January 6, but let us never, never demean what happened that day. It was a terrorist attack—homegrown American terrorist attack.

I know we are going to spend some time discussing who provoked that attack. The Republican majority leader laid the blame, as he should have, at the feet of the President, who invited this group to Washington and then urged them to come march on Capitol Hill. I know we will go into this matter with more detail at a later point.

But the fact of the matter is, we endured a great travesty and a great violation of our Republic on that day. To think that in this building—this building that we value so much—so many people came in hell-bent on death and kidnapping and destroying this great Chamber and the building around it. It is inconceivable that this happened in America, and we have to come to grips with it in honest, truthful terms and not say: Oh, that was yesterday's newspaper, and we have to move on.

But there is good news—good news in light of the bad news that I have just recounted. The good news is that by this time tomorrow, we will have a new President and a new Vice President of the United States.

### TRIBUTE TO REEMA DODIN

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, as we begin the Congress and prepare to welcome President Biden and Vice President Harris, I find myself thinking of the words of the 13th century Persian poet, Rumi. He wrote, "Out beyond the ideas of wrongdoing and rightdoing, there is a field. I'll meet you there."

For the moment that we are living through, I would edit his words slightly. I would say: Out beyond the ideas of right versus left, out beyond the rigid confines of our current polarized politics, there is a field of common good and common purpose. I hope we will all find the courage to meet there, to work together in this place.

At another moment of dangerous division in America, Abraham Lincoln prayed that the "better angels of our nature" would help us to rediscover our common bond and pull back from the brink of a civil war.

Today, the Union, preserved through that war, is battered and divided. For the first time since the Civil War, thousands of Federal troops stand guard at our Nation's Capitol to protect it from attack by American citizens.

Carpenters and other crafts people are still hard at work repairing the

doors and windows and furniture smashed to bits less than 2 weeks ago by the insurrectionist mob. We must be better than this or we risk losing our democracy.

I believe that beyond the killing field of weaponized politics, there is still a field of shared dreams, which brings me to a specific reason I take the floor of the Senate today.

I come to thank a remarkable woman who has devoted countless hours over many years trying to help the Members of this Senate, Democrats and Republicans, find that field on which we can work together.

Reema Dodin has been a member of my staff for more than 14 years. She started as a law school intern in my Chicago office, and over the years, she rose through the ranks: legislative assistant; research director; Judiciary Committee staff member; floor counsel; and finally my deputy chief of staff.

For years, my person on the Senate floor has been this woman, this amazing woman. I am grateful for her service to the Senate and her service to the people of Illinois and to our Nation. But tomorrow Reema begins a new challenge as Deputy Director of the White House Office of Legislative Affairs. This daughter of immigrants will make history as the highest ranking Palestinian-American woman ever to work in the executive branch of the President of the United States.

As the liaison to the U.S. Senate, she will continue to help the Senate search for common ground on which to build a better future; only now she will be doing it from a different office, with a much better boss.

I know that she will be a tremendous asset to President Biden and the Nation. In these divided times, it is rare to find a public servant like Reema, whose excellence and integrity is so widely admired on both sides of the aisle.

No one understands better than Reema—well, perhaps two people in the Chamber might understand better—how this Senate works but only two. As the saying goes, she wrote the book on it, coauthoring an insightful tome entitled "Inside Congress: A Guide for Navigating the Politics of the House and Senate Floors," published in 2017 by the Brookings Institution. It came this close to being a New York Times bestseller. But maybe still, with this speech today, it will reinvigorate sales.

As floor director for the Senate Democrats, Reema has worked closely with staff and Members on both sides of the aisle to whip bills and overcome hurdles. No matter how long or pitched the debate, she has always remained friendly, decent, optimistic, and dedicated. It was not unusual to find her still at her desk at midnight or 2 in the morning, sending her final whip alert or email of the day to Senate staffers summarizing the day's activities and the next day's Senate agenda.

Reema acquired her political and diplomatic acumen through hard work

and partly, it seems, through genetics. Her grandfather served as Social Affairs Minister for the Kingdom of Jordan under King Hussein and was involved in the Israeli-Palestinian peace negotiations in the 1970s.

As I mentioned, Reema, like so many Americans, including myself, is a child of immigrants. Her parents both came to the United States as college students from Hebron, in the occupied West Bank.

Reema was born in North Carolina and grew up in Orange County, CA. She graduated from the University of California at Berkeley, earned her law degree from the University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana, and we made her an honorary daughter of the land of Lincoln. She also is a Truman National Security fellow; a New Leaders Council fellow; an Aspen Socrates alumnus; a former term-member of the Council on Foreign Relations; and a member of the Jenkins Hill Society, a consortium of women in politics supporting women politicians.

Reema loves the Senate, and she loves the challenge of this great Chamber. She loves to give tours in this Chamber to those who want to know the procedure and the history of this beautiful room in American history and the Capitol of our Nation. She cares about the people who protect and preserve this building, including the maintenance people, cafeteria workers, and everyone who works here.

Even after so many years of climbing the marble staircase from the Senate floor to my office, she and I remain in awe of those time-worn steps, the colorful Minton tiles that brighten the Senate floors, and the majestic Brumidi frescos that adorn the walls.

During the recent siege of the Capitol, Reema worried for the safety of Senators and their staff, police officers, and troops who were defending this building, but she also worried about the priceless paintings, statues, and other historical treasures that had been passed down from one generation to the next as part of our national legacy.

Most of all, I know that Reema reveres the Senate as the place where men and women representing all of the people and all of the competing interests of the United States can reason and work together for the common good of our Nation.

In her personal inscription to her book on the Senate, Reema thanked me for taking a chance on folks with only dreams and no connections.

Well, Reema, tomorrow when you join the staff of the President of the United States, Joe Biden, you will have the best connections in Washington, and I know that you will use whatever opportunity presents itself on this new assignment to bridge the gaps in America and bring together the people of this country in a better, more caring nation.

I will forever be grateful for your many years of brilliant, loyal service, and I wish you the best.

I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. WICKER). The clerk will call the roll. The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. BOOKER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

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

#### HONORING OFFICER BRIAN SICKNICK

Mr. BOOKER. Mr. President, in the Christian faith, there is a saying: "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." I rise today to talk about that kind of sacrifice, that kind of love, and ultimately that tragedy in the death of a man who is a hero.

Officer Brian David Sicknick was many things. He was a loving son to his parents, Gladys and Charles Sicknick; a loving brother to Ken and Craig Sicknick; and a loving partner of 11 years to Sandra Garza. He loved his two dachshunds, Sparky and Pebbles, and he took great care of them.

Many of us got to know Officer Sicknick because he served in the Capitol Police Department. He was someone who loved his job and understood that every day when you put on that uniform, when you come to the Capitol of the greatest power on the planet, the United States of America, that wearing that uniform, wearing that badge, you had a sacred duty to protect this sacred space.

I am proud to say that Officer Sicknick was a Jersey guy through and through. He was born in New Brunswick, NJ, raised in South River, and he lived a life committed to the greatest calling you can have, which is to serve others, to protect others, to defend not just your Nation but her citizens. He was a member of the New Jersey Air National Guard. He loved his country. And I am proud to say he loved Jersey too. He was a New Jersey Devils fan. He proudly, in his work and commitment, served his country in the 108th Security Forces Squadron in Saudi Arabia and Kyrgyzstan.

Officer Sicknick was a reliable and cherished colleague. If you talk to those who knew him, they knew that he was a man of honor and decency and kindness. They knew he loved this job. He loved being a Capitol Police officer. He loved serving this Nation. He loved helping people. He loved his work.

That love is evident in so many stories shared by his family and friends, people who, in this time of painful grief, are still celebrating the life he lived even though it was cut short by hate. People speak to his character and the qualities, the values that made him so special. He was kind. He was patient. Like many of those who rise in their service to this country, he was humble. And he was selfless.

You talk to people who knew him really well, and they remember him as

the kind of officer who would go out of his way, not just in his service to those of us who frequent the Capitol but to make sure that his colleagues, his fellow Capitol Police officers, were also doing OK. He was not just a leader; he was a servant. And they remember him living with that sense of honor and that sense of duty. They remember him as the kind of person who would stand courageously in the face of a colleague, who would sacrifice for them, who believed that service meant commitment, meant bringing your grit and your guts and your love. And that is what he did.

On January 6, 2021, when a violent mob attacked this Capitol, Officer Sicknick stood for America. He stood for this Capitol and all of its inhabitants. He was steadfast. He was courageous. He stood in the breach to protect the lives of the Members of this body, their staffs, personnel. He faced down terrorist attackers and sacrificed himself, his own safety, his own security, and ultimately his life in the name of love of country and of the countrymen and—women.

Officer Sicknick is the very definition of a hero, and he deserves to be remembered for the richness of his life, the way that he loved, and the devotion that he gave this Nation. That he is no longer with us today is a grievous tragedy, and it is also a crime. This great man was murdered. This crime demands the full attention of Federal law enforcement officials. Anyone who still harbors doubt about what happened here on January 6 should think of him.

On January 6, when extremists, when terrorists, when White supremacists attacked our Nation's Capitol, they took the life of one of our officers. They spilled his blood. They took a son away from his parents. They took a sibling away from his brothers. They committed this treachery while waving flags, claiming solidarity—some of them—with law enforcement, but it was hate—it was hate; it was hate—that brought terror to our Capitol and the death of one of our sons.

So many of the words that led up to that day, the lies that were told, the incitement and the encouragement, came from the highest office of our land to dotted members of authority across our country—these collective actions that led to the moment, the terrorists who are directly responsible as well.

In the aftermath, a hero, a Capitol Police officer, is dead—a champion, a hero. This is a senseless tragedy, an awful crime. I am not alone when I say to Officer Sicknick's family and loved ones that we—that I vow to hold those responsible for this heinous crime accountable.

We must honor Officer Sicknick's heroism and sacrifice not just with our words but by what we do here in the coming days, what we do as a nation, how we all take responsibility in the aftermath of a horrific moment.

Officer Sicknick died for this country. He did not die in vain. We, the living, must—must—continue with his level of courage as we tell the truth, as we hold others responsible and for account, as we try to live in the spirit that he lived: with humility, honor, courage, kindness, love, decency.

May Officer Brian Sicknick always be remembered for his service to the country he loved, and may we rise to his example and honor him. All those who have fallen in defense of this Nation, may we honor them in how we live for this country.

I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

(Mrs. CAPITO assumed the Chair.)

Mr. MCCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. BLACKBURN.) Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### HONORING SECURITY DETAIL AND CAPITOL POLICE OFFICERS

Mr. GRASSLEY. Madam President, as the most senior Republican Senator in the Republican majority, I have had the privilege to serve as Senate President pro tempore in the 116th Congress. The last time a Senator from Iowa served in this constitutional office was 100 years ago. For the last 2 years, it has been my great honor each day to open the business of the Senate, welcome Chaplain Barry C. Black to lead us in opening prayer and recite the Pledge of Allegiance with my colleagues and staff. It was a distinct honor to enroll bills with my signature before they left Capitol Hill for the President's desk to be signed into law.

Today, I pay tribute to a group of selfless professionals who was assigned to serve as my security detail. As this body knows, the President pro tempore serves in the Presidential line of succession and receives 24-hour protection. Now, as most Americans might imagine, it took some time to get accustomed to having a security detail following my every step, around the clock, 365 days a year. These dedicated professionals made the transition as seamless as possible. They served with integrity, discretion, and professionalism. Some of them might not have known the journey in store when they embarked 2 years ago on this assignment. By journey, I refer of course to my heavy travel schedule. For starters, I return nearly every weekend to Iowa and whenever the Senate is not in session. And lest anyone imagine there is a nonstop commercial flight between the Nation's Capital and my farm in Butler County, I will disabuse anyone of that fairy tale.

Agents on my security detail became frequent fliers and intimately familiar with the map of Iowa. My work sched-

ule includes my annual 99 county meetings across the State. Last year, I finished my 40th consecutive year holding meetings with Iowans in courthouses, schools, factory floors, hospitals, and service clubs. Typically, Iowa weather adds a bit of uncertainty to the schedule. Last year, the pandemic opened a whole new can of worms. I want to thank my security detail for doing an exceptional job these past 2 years. I can confirm none of the agents indulges in a treat from Dairy Queen as much as I do.

My security detail also learned on day one of their assignment that I am an early bird. I like to wake up early and get my morning jog in before the sun crests the horizon. They learned every step of my route in northern Virginia and the country gravel roads in Butler County, IA. The agents showed an exemplary work ethic and respect for punctuality which, as my staff and many Iowans who attend my meetings know, is very important to me. I don't like to waste time or money, especially on the taxpayer dime.

Today, I salute the following members of the U.S. Capitol Police Dignitary Protection Division: Supervisory Agent David Rib, Agent Eric Boggs, Agent Shane Powell, Agent John Brito, Agent Eric Love, Agent Zachary Madera, Agent Daniel Murphy, Agent Arnold Pierre, Agent Luis Pimentel, Agent Ryan Rayball, Agent Zachary Samson, Agent John Whittle, Agent Joseph Larue, Agent Justin Godfrey, Agent Michael Bell, Agent Caleb Horton, Agent Muhammed Khan, Agent Tobey Murray, Agent Robert Schultz, Agent Travis Scott, Agent Richard Dahl, Agent Brandon Exum, Agent Carlos Fonseca, Agent Louis Mannella, Agent Brooke Littlewood, Agent Nicholas Koffarnus, Agent Wayland Massengill, Agent Jesse Cole, Agent Todd Sindelar, Agent Cory Flere, Agent Gabriel Santos-Muniz, and Agent Nicholas Wirth.

Barbara and I enjoyed teaching some of the agents about agriculture at the Iowa State Fair. Together, we rooted for UNI Panthers wrestling, basketball, and volleyball on many occasions. Many of them became fond of Iowa. They discovered the meaning of "Iowa Nice." Iowa will welcome you back anytime for a visit.

Barbara and I have enjoyed getting to know you and for giving the full measure of devotion to your job to keep me safe and sound. The Capitol riots on January 6 revealed how seriously you take your oaths of office and I sincerely thank you for putting yourselves in harm's way on my behalf. We wish you and your families all the best in the years ahead.

Speaking about the violent attacks that took place in the U.S. Capitol, on the 6th of January, I also extend my appreciation to the legion of Capitol Police officers who protect this sacred civic space. They put their lives on the line every day to put the safety of others before their own. They keep watch

over 535 members of Congress, the thousands of staffers who serve the American people here in the legislative branch, and the millions of people and youth groups who come every year to visit the U.S. Capitol. The riots serve as a stark reminder never to take law enforcement for granted. We mourn the loss of two Capitol Police officers—Officer Brian D. Sicknick and Officer Howard Liebengood—who lost their lives this month. Barbara and I continue to pray for them and the loved ones they leave behind.

#### ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. RISCH. Madam President, section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act requires that Congress receive prior notification of certain proposed arms sales as defined by that statute. Upon such notification, the Congress has 30 calendar days during which the sale may be reviewed. The provision stipulates that, in the Senate, the notification of proposed sales shall be sent to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

In keeping with the committee's intention to see that relevant information is available to the full Senate, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD the notifications which have been received. If the cover letter references a classified annex, then such annex is available to all Senators in the office of the Foreign Relations Committee, room SD-423.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

DEFENSE SECURITY  
COOPERATION AGENCY,  
Arlington, VA.

Hon. JAMES E. RISCH,  
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,  
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 20-65 concerning the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Egypt for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$65.6 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

HEIDI H. GRANT,  
Director.

Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 20-65

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended

(i) Prospective Purchaser: Government of Egypt.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:  
Major-Defense Equipment\* \$56.8 million.  
Other \$ 8.8 million.  
Total \$65.6 million.

(iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):  
Twenty (20) AN/AAQ-33 Sniper Advanced Targeting Pods (ATPs).



Non-MDE: Also included are pylons; shipping containers; spare and repair/return parts; ground handling equipment; publications and technical documentation; software and software support; personnel training; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistical support services; and other related elements or program and logistical support.

(iv) Military Department: Air Force (EG-D-QFP).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: EG-D-SAB.

(vi) Sales Commission Fee, etc. Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None.

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold: See Attached Annex.

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: December 28, 2020.

\* As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

#### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

##### Egypt—Sniper Advanced Targeting Pods (ATPs)

The Government of Egypt has requested to buy twenty (20) AN/AAQ-33 Sniper ATPs. Also included are pylons; shipping containers; spare and repair/return parts; ground handling equipment; publications and technical documentation; software and software support; personnel training; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistical support services; and other related elements of program and logistical support. The estimated total program cost is \$65.6 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a Major Non-NATO Ally country that continues to be an important strategic partner in the Middle East.

The proposed sale will improve Egypt's capability and effectiveness to meet current and future threats by providing additional precision targeting capability to conduct border security and counterterrorism operations. The added precision strike capability will better enable Egypt to conduct operations while minimizing collateral damage. Egypt will have no difficulty absorbing the additional equipment into its armed forces.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The principal contractor will be Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company in Fort Worth, TX. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government or contractor representatives to Egypt.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

#### TRANSMITTAL NO. 20-65

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act

##### Annex Item No. vii.

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The AN/AAQ-33 SNIPER Pod is a multi-sensor, electro-optical targeting pod incorporating infrared, low-light television camera, laser range finder/target designator, and laser spot tracker. It is used to provide navigation and targeting for military aircraft in adverse weather and using precision-guided weapons such as laser-guided bombs. It also provides positive target identification, autonomous tracking, coordinate generation, and precise weapons guidance from extended standoff ranges. It offers much greater target resolution and imagery accuracy than previous systems.

2. The highest level of classification of information included in this potential sale is SECRET.

3. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures that might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

4. A determination has been made that Government of Egypt can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.

5. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the Government of Egypt.

#### ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. RISCH. Madam President, section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act requires that Congress receive prior notification of certain proposed arms sales as defined by that statute. Upon such notification, the Congress has 30 calendar days during which the sale may be reviewed. The provision stipulates that, in the Senate, the notification of proposed sales shall be sent to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

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There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

#### DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION AGENCY, Arlington, VA.

Hon. JAMES E. RISCH,  
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,  
Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 20-55 concerning the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Egypt for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$104 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

HEIDI H. GRANT,  
Director.

Enclosures.

#### TRANSMITTAL NO. 20-55

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended

(i) Prospective Purchaser: Government of Egypt.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:

Major Defense Equipment \* \$10 million.

Other \$94 million.

Total \$104 million.

(iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consider-

ation for Purchase: The Government of Egypt has requested to buy one (1) AN/AAQ-24(V)N Large Aircraft Infrared Countermeasures (LAIRCM) system to protect one (1) Airbus 340-200 Head-of-State aircraft. Each LAIRCM system consists of three (3) Guardian Laser Turret Assemblies (GLTA), one (1) LAIRCM System Processor Replacement (LSPR), five (5) Missile Warning Sensors (MWS), one (1) Control Indicator Unit Replacement (CIUR), one (1) Smart Card Assembly (SCA), and one (1) High Capacity Card (HCC/User Data Memory (UDM) card.

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Six (6) Guardian Laser Turret Assemblies (GLTA) (3 installed, 3 spares).

Four (4) LAIRCM System Processor Replacements (LSPR) (1 installed, 3 spares).

Ten (10) Missile Warning Sensors (MWS) (5 installed, 5 spares).

Non-MDE: Also included are LAIRCM CIURs; SCAs; HCCs; UDM cards; simple key loaders; initial spares, consumables, and repair/return support; support and test equipment; integration and test support; personnel training, publications and technical documentation; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistical and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Army (EG-D-QF0).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: None.

(vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc.. Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be paid: None.

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold: See Attached Annex.

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: December 28, 2020.

\* As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

#### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Egypt—Large Aircraft Infrared Countermeasures (LAIRCM) System for Head-of-State Aircraft

The Government of Egypt has requested to buy one (1) AN/AAQ-24(V)N Large Aircraft Infrared Countermeasures (LAIRCM) system to protect one (1) Airbus 340-200 Head-of-State aircraft. Each LAIRCM system consists of three (3) Guardian Laser Turret Assemblies (GLTA), one (1) LAIRCM System Processor Replacement (LSPR), five (5) Missile Warning Sensors (MWS), one (1) Control Indicator Unit Replacement (CIUR), one (1) Smart Card Assembly (SCA), and one (1) High Capacity Card (HCC/User Data Memory (UDM) card. This proposed sale will include: six (6) Guardian Laser Turret Assemblies (GLTA) (3 installed, 3 spares); four (4) LAIRCM System Processor Replacements (LSPR) (1 installed, 3 spares); ten (10) Missile Warning Sensors (MWS) (5 installed, 5 spares). Also included are LAIRCM CIURs; SCAs; HCCs; UDM cards; simple key loaders; initial spares, consumables, and repair/return support; support and test equipment; integration and test support; personnel training, publications and technical documentation; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistical and program support. The estimated total cost is \$104 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a Major Non-NATO Ally country that continues to be an important strategic partner in the Middle East.

The self-protection suite will improve the survivability of the Airbus from missile attack. Egypt will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment and capability into its armed forces.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The principal contractor will be Northrop Grumman, Rolling Meadows, IL. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of one U.S. contractor representative in an advisory role to Egypt for one base year with two option years to support operator/maintenance system orientation and original equipment manufacturer factory support.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

#### TRANSMITTAL NO. 20-55

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer, Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act

#### Annex Item No. vii

##### (vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The AN/AAQ-24(V)N LAIRCM system is a self-contained, directed-energy countermeasures system designed to protect aircraft from infrared-guided surface-to-air missiles. The LAIRCM system features digital technology micro-miniature solid-state electronics. The system operates in all conditions, detecting incoming missiles and jamming infrared-seeker equipped missiles with aimed bursts of laser energy. The LAIRCM system consists of the Guardian Laser Transmitter Assembly (GLTA), LAIRCM System Processor Replacement (LSPR), multiple Missile Warning Sensors, the Control Interface Unit Replacement (CIUR), and the Classified Memory Card User Data Module. The AN/PYQ-10 Simple Key Loader is also a necessary device.

2. The Guardian Laser Transmitter Assembly (GLTA) is a laser transmitter pointer/tracker subsystem designed to track the inbound threat missile and point the laser jam source at the missile's seeker. The GLTA automatically deploys the countermeasure.

3. The LAIRCM System Processor Replacement (LSPR) analyzes the data from each Missile Warning Sensor and automatically deploys the appropriate countermeasure via the GLTA. The LSPR contains Built-in-Test (BIT) circuitry.

4. The AN/PYQ-10 Simple Key Loader is a portable, hand-held device used for securely receiving, storing, and transferring data between compatible cryptographic and communications equipment.

5. The missile Warning Sensors detect and declare threat missiles. The sensors are mounted on the aircraft exterior to provide omni-directional protection. The sensors detect the rocket plume of missiles and send appropriate data signals to the LSPR for processing.

6. The Control Interface Unit Replacement (CIUR) displays the incoming threat for the pilot to take appropriate action. The CIUR also provides operator interface to program the LAIRCM system to initiate built-in-test (BIT), to display system status, and to provide the crew with bearing to threat missile launch.

7. The Classified Memory Card User Data Module contains the laser jam codes. The Classified Memory Card User Data Module is loaded into the LSPR prior to flight; when not in use, the Classified Memory Card User Data Module is removed from the LSPR and put in secure storage.

8. The highest level of classification of information included in this potential sale is SECRET.

9. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures that might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

10. A determination has been made that Egypt can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objective outlined in the Policy Justification.

11. All defense articles and service listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to Egypt.

#### ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. RISCH. Madam President, section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act requires that Congress receive prior notification of certain proposed arms sales as defined by that statute. Upon such notification, the Congress has 30 calendar days during which the sale may be reviewed. The provision stipulates that, in the Senate, the notification of proposed sales shall be sent to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

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DEFENSE SECURITY  
COOPERATION AGENCY,  
Arlington, VA.

Hon. JAMES E. RISCH,  
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,  
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 20-19 concerning the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Kuwait for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$4.0 billion. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue, a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

HEIDI H. GRANT,  
Director.

Enclosures.

#### TRANSMITTAL NO. 20-19

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended

(i) Prospective Purchaser: Government of Kuwait.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:  
Major Defense Equipment\* \$2.0 billion.  
Other \$2.0 billion.  
Total \$4.0 billion.

(iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase: The Government of Kuwait has requested to buy eight (8) AH-64E Apache Longbow Attack Helicopters and remanufacture sixteen (16) of their AH-64D Apache Longbow Attack Helicopters to the AH-64E configuration.

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Eight (8) AH-64E Apache Helicopters (new procurement).

Sixteen (16) AH-64E Apache Helicopters (remanufacture).

Twenty-two (22) T700-GE 701D Engines.

Thirty-six (36) Remanufactured T700-GE 701D Engines.

Twenty-seven (27) AN/AAR-57 Counter Missile Warning Systems (CMWS).

Eighteen (18) Embedded Global Position Systems with Inertial Navigation (EGI) with Multi-Mode Receiver (MMR).

Thirty-six (36) Remanufactured EGIs with MMR.

Eight (8) AN/ASQ-170(V) Modernized Target Acquisition and Designation Sight/AN/AAQ-11 Pilot Night Vision Sensor (MTADS/PNVS).

Seventeen (17) AN/APG-78 Longbow Fire Control Radars (FCR) with Radar Electronics Units (REU).

Seventeen (17) APR-48B Modernized Radar Frequency Interferometers (M-RFI).

Eighteen (18) M299 AGM-114 Hellfire Missile Launchers.

Four (4) Remanufactured Hydra 70 (70mm) 2.75 Inch Rocket M260 Rocket Launchers.

Nine (9) M230E1 30mm Chain Gun M139 Area Weapons System (AWS) Guns.

Two (2) Remanufactured M230E1 30mm Chain Gun M139 AWS Guns.

One (1) Longbow Crew Trainers (LCT).

One (1) Remanufactured LCT.

Non-MDE: Also included are fifty-four (54)

AN/ARC-201 non-COMSEC Very-High Frequency/Frequency Modulation (VHF/FM) Radios;

fifty-four (54) Ultra-High Frequency (UHF) Radios (AN/ARC 231 or MXF 4027);

twenty-eight (28) Identify Friend or Foe Transponders (APX 123 or APX 119);

twenty-seven (27) IDM 401 (Improved Data Modem);

twenty-seven (27) Link 16 Datalinks; twenty-seven (27) AN/APR-39D (V)2 Radar Warning

Receivers; twenty-seven (27) AN/AVR-2 Laser

Warning Receivers; twenty-seven (27) Infrared Countermeasures Dispensers (2 flares, 1

chaff); nine (9) ASN-157 Doppler Radar Velocity Sensors;

nine (9) AN/ARN-149 (V)3 Automatic Direction Finders (ADF);

sixteen (16) remanufactured AN/ARN-149 (V)3 ADFs;

nine (9) AN/APN-209 Radar Altimeters; twenty-seven (27) AN/ARN-153 Tactical Airborne

Navigation (TACAN) systems; sixteen (16)

Manned-Unmanned Teaming International (MUM-Ti) (UPR) Air to Air to Ground Data

Link Systems; twenty-four (24) MUM-Ti

(Ground) Air to Air to Ground Data Link Systems; twenty-four (24) 100 gallon Internal

Auxiliary Fuel Systems (IAFS); twenty-four (24) 125 gallon Reduced Capacity Crash-

worthy External Fuel Systems (RCEFS); two (2) IAFS Spares; two (2) IAFS Publications;

six (6) IAFS Ground Support Equipment (GSE) Apache Magazine and Auxiliary Tank

Transfer Systems (AMATTS); five (5) IDM

Software Loader Verifiers (SLV); training

devices; helmets; simulators; generators; transportation; wheeled vehicles and organi-

zational equipment; spare and repair parts; support equipment; tools and test equip-

ment; technical data and publications; personnel training and training equipment; U.S.

government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services; and

other related elements of logistics support.

(iv) Military Department: Army (KU-B-UXF).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: KU-B-UKS.

(vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None.

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services

Proposed to be Sold: See Attached Annex.

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: December 28, 2020.

\*As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

#### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Kuwait—AH-64E Apache Helicopter

The Government of Kuwait has requested to buy eight (8) AH-64E Apache Longbow Attack Helicopters and remanufacture sixteen



(16) of their AH-64D Apache Longbow Attack Helicopters to the AH-64E configuration consisting of: eight (8) AH-64E Apache Helicopters (new procurement); sixteen (16) AH-64E Apache Helicopters (remanufacture); twenty-two (22) T700-GE 701D engines; thirty-six (36) remanufactured T700-GE 701D engines; twenty-seven (27) (AN/AAR-57 Counter Missile Warning Systems (CMWS); eighteen (18) Embedded Global Position Systems with Inertial Navigation (EGI) with Multi-Mode Receiver (MMR); thirty-six (36) remanufactured EGIs with MMR; eight (8) AN/ASQ-170(V) Modernized Target Acquisition and Designation Sight/AN/AAQ-11 Pilot Night Vision Sensor (MTADS/PNVS); seventeen (17) AN/APG-78 Longbow Fire Control Radars (FCR) with Radar Electronics Units (REU); seventeen (17) APR-48B Modernized Radar Frequency Interferometers (M-RFI); eighteen (18) M299 AGM-114 Hellfire Missile Launchers; four (4) remanufactured M299 AGM-114 Hellfire Missile Launchers; eighteen (18) Hydra, 70 (70mm) 2.75 Inch Rocket M260 Rocket Launchers; four (4) remanufactured Hydra 70 (70mm) 2.75 Inch Rocket M260 Rocket Launchers; nine (9) M230EL 30mm Chain Gun M139 Area Weapons System (AWS) Guns; two (2) remanufactured M230EL 30mm Chain Gun M139 AWS Guns; one (1) Longbow Crew Trainers (LCT); and one (1) remanufactured LCT. Also included are fifty-four (54) AN/ARC-201 non-COMSEC Very-High Frequency/Frequency Modulation (VHF/FM) radios; fifty-four (54) Ultra-High Frequency (UHF) radios (AN/ARC-231 or MXF 4027); twenty-eight (28) Identify Friend or Foe Transponders (APX 123 or APX 119); twenty-seven (27) IDM 401 (Improved Data Modem); twenty-seven (27) Link 16 Datalinks; twenty-seven (27) AN/APR-39D (V)2 Radar Warning Receivers; twenty-seven (27) AN/AVR-2 Laser Warning Receivers; twenty-seven (27) Infrared Countermeasures Dispensers (2 flares, 1 chaff); nine (9) ASN-157 Doppler Radar Velocity Sensors; nine (9) AN/ARN-149 (V)3 Automatic Direction Finders (ADF); sixteen (16) remanufactured AN/ARN-149 (V)3 ADFs; nine (9) AN/APN-209 Radar Altimeters; twenty-seven (27) AN/ARN-153 Tactical Airborne Navigation (TACAN) systems; sixteen (16) Manned-Unmanned Teaming International (MUM-Ti) (UPR) Air to Air to Ground Data Link Systems; twenty-four (24) MUM-Ti (Ground) Air to Air to Ground Data Link Systems; twenty-four (24) 100 gallon Internal Auxiliary Fuel Systems (IAFS); twenty-four (24) 125 gallon Reduced Capacity Crashworthy External Fuel Systems (RCEFS); two (2) IAFS Spares; two (2) IAFS Publications; six (6) IAFS Ground Support Equipment (GSE) Apache Magazine and Auxiliary Tank Transfer Systems (AMATTS); five (5) IDM Software Loader Verifiers (SLV); training devices; helmets; simulators; generators; transportation; wheeled vehicles and organizational equipment; spare and repair parts; support equipment; tools and test equipment; technical data and publications; personnel training and training equipment; U.S. government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services; and other related elements of logistics support. The total estimated cost is \$4.0 billion.

The proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a Major Non-NATO Ally that is an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

The proposed sale of the AH-64E Apache helicopters will supplement and improve Kuwait's capability to meet current and future threats by enhancing Kuwait's close air support, armed reconnaissance, and antitank warfare mission capabilities. Kuwait will have no difficulty absorbing these helicopters into its armed forces.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The principal contractors associated with this sale will be The Boeing Company, Mesa, AZ; Lockheed Martin Corporation, Orlando, FL; General Electric, Cincinnati, OH; Lockheed Martin Mission Systems and Sensors, Owego, NY; Longbow Limited Liability Corporation, Orlando, FL; and Raytheon Corporation, Tucson, AZ. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the temporary assignment of approximately three U.S. Government personnel and five contractor representatives to Kuwait to support delivery of the helicopters and provide support and equipment familiarization. In addition, Kuwait has expressed an interest in a Technical Assistance Fielding Team (TAFT) to provide in-country pilot and maintenance training. Execution of a TAFT will require a team of twelve additional personnel (one military and eleven contractors) to be deployed to Kuwait for the period of approximately three years.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

#### TRANSMITTAL NO. 20-19

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act

#### Annex Item No. vii

##### (vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The AH-64E Apache Attack Helicopter is the Army's advanced attack helicopter equipped for performing close air support, anti-armor, and armed reconnaissance missions. The aircraft contains the following sensitive communications and target identification equipment, navigation equipment, aircraft survivability equipment, displays, and sensors:

a. The AN/ARC-201 Very High Frequency-Frequency Modulation (VHF-FM) Single Channel Ground and Airborne Radio System (SINCGARS) airborne radio is a reliable field-proven voice and data communication system used with the AH-64E. A country-unique non-COMSEC export variant of this radio will be provided that meets Kuwait's requirements.

b. The AN/ARC-231 Ultra High Frequency (UHF) radio is a software defined radio for military aircraft that provides two-way multi-mode voice and data communications over a 30hz to 512hz frequency range. The MXF 4027 is a variant system based on the AN/ARC-231 architecture but incorporating commercial encryption. The radio offered to Kuwait will be determined based on U.S. and Kuwaiti requirements.

c. The Identify Friend-or-Foe (IFF) digital transponder set provides pertinent platform information in response to an IF interrogator. The digital transponder provides cooperative Mark XII IFF capability using full diversity selection, as well as Mode Select (Mode S) capability. In addition, transponder operation provides interface capability with the aircraft's Traffic Collision and Avoidance System (TCAS). The transponder receives pulsed radio frequency interrogation signals in any of six modes (1, 2, 3/A, S, and 5), decodes the signals, and transmits a pulse-coded reply. The Mark XII IFF operation includes Selective Identification Feature (SIF) Modes 1, 2, 3/A and C, as well as secure cryptographic Mode 5 operational capability.

d. Link 16 Datalink is a military tactical data link network. Link 16 provides aircrews with enhanced situational awareness and the ability to exchange target information to Command and Control (C2) assets via Tac-

tical Digital Information Link-Joint (TADIL-J). Link 16 can provide a range of combat information in near-real time to U.S. and allies combat aircraft and C2 centers. The AH-64E uses the Harris Small Tactical Terminal (SIT) KOR-24A to provide Airborne and Maritime/Fixed Station (AMF) Small Airborne Link 16 Terminal (SALT) capability. The SIT is the latest generation of small, two-channel, Link 16 and VHF/UHF radio terminals. While in flight, the SIT provides simultaneous communication, voice or data, on two key waveforms.

e. The AN/APR-39 Radar Warning Receiver Signal Detecting Set is a system that provides warning of a radar directed air defense threat and allows appropriate countermeasures. This is the 1553 databus compatible configuration.

f. The AN/AVR-2B Leaser Warning Set is a passive laser warning system that receives, processes and displays threat information resulting from aircraft illumination by lasers on the aircraft's multi-functional display.

g. The AAR-57 Common Missile Warning System (CMWS) detects energy emitted by threat missile in-flight, evaluates potential false alarm emitters in the environment, declares validity of threat and selects appropriate countermeasures for defeat. The CMWS consists of an Electronic Control Unit (EUC), Electro-Optic Missile Sensors (EOMSs), and Sequencer and Improved Countermeasures Dispenser (ICMD).

h. The ICMD Countermeasures Dispensing M211 Flare is a countermeasure decoy in a 1"x1"x8" for factor in an aluminum case cartridge. It consists of case, piston, special material payload foils, and end cap. The special material is a pyrophoric metal (iron) foil that reacts with oxygen to generate infrared energy. The M211 decoys are dispersed from an aircraft to be used as a decoy in combination with the currently fielded M206 and M212 countermeasure flares to protect against advanced air-to-air and surface-to-air missile threats.

i. Embedded Global Postponing System (GPS)/Inertial Navigation System (INS)(EGI) with Multi-Mode Receiver (MMR) uses GPS satellite signals to correct or calibrate a solution for precise positioning from an Inertial Navigation System (INS). The aircraft has two EGIs with MMR which use internal accelerometers, rate gyro measurements, and external sensor measurements to estimate the aircraft state, provides aircraft flight and position data to aircraft systems. The EGI is a velocity-aided, strap down, ring laser gyro based inertial unit. The EGI unit houses a GPS receiver. The receiver is capable of operating in either non-encrypted or encrypted. When keyed, the GPS receiver will automatically use anti-spoof/jam capabilities when they are in use. The EGI will retain the key through power on/off/on cycles. Because of safeguards built into the EGI, it is not considered classified when keyed. Integrated within the EGI is an Inertial Measurement Unit (IMU) for processing functions. Each EGI also houses a Multi-Mode Receiver (MMR). The MMR is incorporated to provide for reception of ground based NA VAD signals for instrument aided flight. Provides IMC IIFR integration and certification of improved Embedded Global Positioning System and Inertial (EGI) unit, with attached MMR, with specific cockpit instrumentation allows Apaches to operate within the worldwide IFR route structure. Also includes integration of the Common Army Aviation Map (CAAM). Area Navigation (RNA V), Digital Aeronautical Flight Information File (DAFIF) and Global Air Traffic Management (GATM) compliance.

j. The AN/ASQ-170 Modernized Target Acquisition and Designation Sight/AN/AAQ-11 Pilot Night Vision Sensor (MTADS/PNVS)

provides day, night, limited adverse weather target information, as well as night navigation capabilities. The PNVIS provides thermal imaging that permits nap-of-the-earth flight to, from, and within the battle area, while TADS provides the co-pilot gunner with search, detection, recognition, and designation by means of Direct View Optics (DVO), television, and Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR) sighting systems that may be used singularly or in combinations.

k. The AN/APR-48B Modernized Radar Frequency Interferometer (M-RFI) is an updated version of the passive radar detection and direction finding system. It utilizes a detachable UDM on the M-RFI processor, which contains the Radar Frequency (RF) threat library.

l. The AN/APG-78 Longbow Fire Control Radar (FCR) with Radar Electronics Unit (REU) is an active, low-probability of intercept, millimeter wave radar. The active radar is combined with a passive Radar Frequency Interferometer (RFI) mounted on top of the helicopter mast. The FCR Ground Targeting Mode detects, locates, classifies and prioritizes stationary or moving armored vehicles, tanks and mobile air defense systems as well as hovering helicopters, helicopters, and fixed wing aircraft in normal flight. If desired, the radar data can be used to refer targets to the regular electro-optical Modernized Target Acquisition and Designation Sight (MTADS).

m. The Manned-Unmanned Teaming International (MUM-Ti) data link system provides cross-platform communication and teaming between Apache, unmanned aerial systems (UAS), and other interoperable aircraft and ground platforms. It provides the ability to display real-time UAS sensor information and MTADS full motion video feeds across MUM-Ti equipped platforms and ground stations. The MUM-Ti is the multi-band export version of the datalink for the AH-64E.

n. The M299 Missile Launcher, commonly known as the Longbow Hellfire Launcher (LBHL), is a four rail launcher designed to carry the complete family of AGM-114 Hellfire missiles.

o. The M261 2.75 Inch Rocket Launcher is a nineteen tube, three zone rocket launcher utilized on heavy attack aircraft.

p. The Longbow Crew Trainer (LCT) is a containerized, deployable, high-fidelity flight simulator used to train Apache crew members. The LCT provided will be configured to reflect Kuwait's AH-64E Operational Flight Program software.

2. The highest level of information that may be transferred in support of this proposed sale is classified SECRET.

3. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures which might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

4. A determination has been made that Kuwait can provide substantially the same degree of protection of this technology as the U.S. Government. This proposed sale is necessary in furtherance of U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.

5. All defense articles, technical data, and services listed in this transmittal are authorized for release and export to the Government of Kuwait.

#### ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. RISCH. Madam President, section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control

Act requires that Congress receive prior notification of certain proposed arms sales as defined by that statute. Upon such notification, the Congress has 30 calendar days during which the sale may be reviewed. The provision stipulates that, in the Senate, the notification of proposed sales shall be sent to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

In keeping with the committee's intention to see that relevant information is available to the full Senate, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD the notifications which have been received. If the cover letter references a classified annex, then such annex is available to all Senators in the office of the Foreign Relations Committee, room SD-423.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD as follows:

DEFENSE SECURITY  
COOPERATION AGENCY,  
Arlington, VA.

Hon. JAMES E. RISCH,  
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,  
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 20-53 concerning the Army's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Kuwait for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$200 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

HEIDI H. GRANT,  
Director.

Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 20-53

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended

(i) Prospective Purchaser: Government of Kuwait.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:  
Major Defense Equipment\* \$0 million.  
Other \$200 million.  
Total \$200 million.

(iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles of Services under Consideration for Purchase: The Government of Kuwait has requested to buy spare parts to support its upgraded Patriot systems.

Major Defense Equipment (MDE): None.

Non-MDE: Included is one (1) set of Authorized Stockage List (ASL), Prescribed Load List (PLL) and Higher Headquarters Battery (HHB) spare parts; one (1) set of Authorized Stockage List (ASL), Prescribed Load List (PLL) and Higher Headquarters Battery (HHB) spare parts; one (1) set of Fixed Site Antenna Mast Group (ATG)/Information and Coordination Central (ICC) Tethered Manstation Kit (ITMK) spare parts, transportation, organizational equipment, support equipment, tools and test equipment, technical data and publications, personnel training and training equipment, maintenance services, U.S. government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistics support services, and other related elements of logistical and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Army (KU-B-UXG).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: KU-B-ULV, KU-B-UXI, KU-B-UXS, KU-B-UXH.

(vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered or Agreed to be Paid: None.

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold: See Attached Annex.

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: December 28, 2020.

\*As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

#### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Kuwait—System Spares for Patriot  
Configuration 3+

The Government of Kuwait has requested to buy spare parts to support their upgraded Patriot systems. Included is one (1) set of Authorized Stockage List (ASL), Prescribed Load List (PLL) and Higher Headquarters Battery (HHB) spare parts; one (1) set of Authorized Stockage List (ASL), Prescribed Load List (PLL) and Higher Headquarters Battery (HHB) spare parts; one (1) set of Fixed Site Antenna Mast Group (ATG)/Information and Coordination Central (ICC) Tethered Manstation Kit (ITMK) spare parts, transportation organizational equipment, support equipment, tools and test equipment, technical data and publications, personnel training and training equipment, maintenance services, U.S. government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistic support services, and other related elements of logistical and program support. The total estimated program cost is \$200 million.

The proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a Major Non-NATO Ally that is an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

The proposed sale of these spare parts for Kuwait's Patriot System will improve Kuwait's capability to meet current and future threats and provide greater security for critical civilian and military infrastructure. The procurement of these spare parts represents a commitment by Kuwait to field and maintain systems that are interoperable with U.S. forces. Kuwait will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment and support into its armed forces.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The principal contractor will be Raytheon Missile Systems, Waltham, MA. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government or contractor representatives to Kuwait.

There will no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 20-53

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act

Annex Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The spares associated with this sale include unclassified and classified parts associated with the Patriot PAC-3 Configuration 3+. The parts will support sustainment of the critical components of the Patriot whose primary combat element is made up of a radar set, engagement control station, and launching stations. All classified spares in this sale are associated with the Patriot radar set.

2. The highest level of classification of defense articles, components, and services included in this potential sale is SECRET.

3. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements associated with the Patriot missile system, the information could be used to develop countermeasures that reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a

system with similar or advanced capabilities.

4. A determination has been made that the Government of Kuwait can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.

5. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for release and export to the Government of Kuwait.

### ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. RISCH. Madam President, section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act requires that Congress receive prior notification of certain proposed arms sales as defined by that statute. Upon such notification, the Congress has 30 calendar days during which the sale may be reviewed. The provision stipulates that, in the Senate, the notification of proposed sales shall be sent to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

In keeping with the committee's intention to see that relevant information is available to the full Senate, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD the notifications which have been received. If the cover letter references a classified annex, then such annex is available to all Senators in the office of the Foreign Relations Committee, room SD-423.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD as follows:

DEFENSE SECURITY  
COOPERATION AGENCY,  
Arlington, VA.

Hon. JAMES E. RISCH,  
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,  
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 20-13 concerning the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$290 million. After this letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

HEIDI H. GRANT,  
Director.

Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 20-13

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended

(i) Prospective Purchaser: Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:  
Major Defense-Equipment \* \$250 million.  
Other \$40 million.  
Total \$290 million.

(iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):

Three thousand (3,000) GBU-39/B Small Diameter Bomb I (SDB I).

Non-MDE: Also included are containers; weapon support and support equipment; spare and repair parts; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical and

logistical support services; and other related elements of logistical and program support.

(iv) Military Department: Air Force (SR-D-YAE).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: SR-D-YBD.  
(vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered or Agreed to be Paid: None.

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold: See Attached Annex.

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: December 28, 2020.

\*As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

### POLICY JUSTIFICATION

Saudi Arabia-GBU-39 Small Diameter Bomb I (SDB I) Munitions

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia has requested to buy three thousand (3,000) GBU-39 SDB I munitions. Also included are containers; weapon support and support equipment; spare and repair parts; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical and logistical support services; and other related elements of logistical and program support. The total estimated program cost will be \$290 million.

This proposed sale will support U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives by helping to improve the security of a friendly country that continues to be an important force for political stability and economic growth in the Middle East.

The proposed sale will improve Saudi Arabia's capability to meet current and future threats by increasing its stocks of long-range, precision air-to-ground munitions. The size and accuracy of the SDB I allows for an effective munition with less collateral damage. The potential sale will further strengthen the interoperability between the United States and Saudi Arabia. Saudi Arabia will have no difficulty absorbing this equipment into its armed forces.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The principal contractor will be Boeing, St. Louis, MO. There are no known offset agreements in connection with this potential sale; however the purchaser typically requests offsets. Any offset agreement will be defined in negotiations between the purchaser and the contractor.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government or contractor representatives to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 20-13

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act

Annex Item No. vii

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The GBU-39/B Small Diameter Bomb Increment I (SDB I) is a 250-pound class weapon designed as a small, all weather, autonomous, conventional, air-to-ground, precision glide weapon able to strike fixed and stationary re-locatable targets from standoff range. The SDB I weapon system consists of the weapons, the BRU-61/A (4-place pneumatic carriage system), shipping and handling containers for a single weapon and the BRU-61/A either empty or loaded, and weapon planning module. It has integrated diamond-back type wings that deploy after release, which increases the glide time and therefore maximum range. The SDB I Anti-Jam Global Positioning System aided Inertial Navigation System (AJGPS/INS) provides guidance to the coordinates of a stationary target. The payload/warhead is a

very effective multipurpose penetrating and blast fragmentation warhead couples with a cockpit selectable-electronic fuze. Its size and accuracy allow for an effective munition with less collateral damage. A proximity sensor provides height of burst capability.

2. The highest level of classification of information included in this potential sale is SECRET.

3. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures that might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

4. A determination has been made that the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.

5. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal are authorized for release and export to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

DEFENSE SECURITY  
COOPERATION AGENCY,  
Arlington, VA.

Hon. JAMES E. RISCH,  
Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,  
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, we are forwarding herewith Transmittal No. 20-65 concerning the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to the Government of Egypt for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$65.6 million. After this Letter is delivered to your office, we plan to issue a news release to notify the public of this proposed sale.

Sincerely,

HEIDI H. GRANT,  
Director.

Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 20-65

Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended

(i) Prospective Purchaser: Government of Egypt.

(ii) Total Estimated Value:  
Major Defense Equipment \* \$56.8 million.  
Other \$8.8 million.  
Total \$65.6 million.

(iii) Description and Quantity or Quantities of Articles or Services under Consideration for Purchase:

Major Defense Equipment (MDE):  
Twenty (20) AN/AAQ-33 Sniper Advanced Targeting Pods (ATPs).

Non-MDE: Also included are pylons; shipping containers; spare and repair/return parts; ground handling equipment; publications and technical documentation; software and software support; personnel training; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistical support services; and other related elements of program and logistical support.

(iv) Military Department: Air Force (EG-D-QFP).

(v) Prior Related Cases, if any: EG-D-SAB.  
(vi) Sales Commission, Fee, etc., Paid, Offered, or Agreed to be Paid: None.

(vii) Sensitivity of Technology Contained in the Defense Article or Defense Services Proposed to be Sold: See Attached Annex.

(viii) Date Report Delivered to Congress: December 28, 2020.

\*As defined in Section 47(6) of the Arms Export Control Act.

## POLICY JUSTIFICATION

## Egypt—Sniper Advanced Targeting Pods (ATPs)

The Government of Egypt has requested to buy twenty (20) AN/AAQ-33 Sniper ATPs. Also included are pylons; shipping containers; spare and repair/return parts; ground handling equipment; publications and technical documentation; software and software support; personnel training; U.S. Government and contractor engineering, technical, and logistical support services; and other related elements of program and logistical support. The estimated total program costs is \$65.6 million.

This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a Major Non-NATO Ally country that continues to be an important strategic partner in the Middle East.

The proposed sale will improve Egypt's capability and effectiveness to meet current and future threats by providing additional precision targeting capability to conduct border security and counterterrorism operations. The added precision strike capability will better enable Egypt to conduct operations while minimizing collateral damage. Egypt will have no difficulty absorbing the additional equipment into its armed forces.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not alter the basic military balance in the region.

The principal contractor will be Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Company in Fort Worth, TX. There are no known offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

Implementation of this proposed sale will not require the assignment of any additional U.S. Government or contractor representatives to Egypt.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

## TRANSMITTAL NO. 20-65

## Notice of Proposed Issuance of Letter of Offer Pursuant to Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act

## Annex Item No. vii

## (vii) Sensitivity of Technology:

1. The AN/AAQ-33 SNIPER Pod is a multi-sensor, elector-optical targeting pod incorporating infrared, low-light television camera, laser range finder/target designator, and laser spot tracker. It is used to provide navigation and targeting for military aircraft in adverse weather and using precision-guided weapons such as laser-guided bombs. It also provides positive target identification, autonomous tracking, coordinate generation, and precise weapons guidance from extended standoff ranges. It offers much greater target resolution and imagery accuracy than previous systems.

2. The highest level of classification of information included in this potential sale is SECRET.

3. If a technologically advanced adversary were to obtain knowledge of the specific hardware and software elements, the information could be used to develop countermeasures that might reduce weapon system effectiveness or be used in the development of a system with similar or advanced capabilities.

4. A determination has been made that Government of Egypt can provide substantially the same degree of protection for the sensitive technology being released as the U.S. Government. This sale is necessary in furtherance of the U.S. foreign policy and national security objectives outlined in the Policy Justification.

5. All defense articles and services listed in this transmittal have been authorized for re-

lease and export to the Government of Egypt.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE  
RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2021, the Secretary of the Senate, on January 14, 2021, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives, announcing that the House of Representatives has impeached for high crimes and misdemeanors Donald John Trump, President of the United States; the House of Representatives adopted an article of impeachment against Donald John Trump, which the managers on the part of the House of Representatives have been directed to carry to the Senate; and Mr. RASKIN, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. CASTRO of Texas, Mr. SWALWELL, Mr. LIEU, Ms. PLASKETT, Mr. NEGUSE, and Ms. DEAN, have been appointed such managers.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE  
CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 13. A bill to establish an advisory committee to make recommendations on improvements to the security, integrity, and administration of Federal elections.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND  
SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. McCONNELL (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BENNET, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CASSIDY, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. COTTON, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. DAINES, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. ERNST, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. FISCHER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HAGERTY, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KAINE, Mr. KELLY, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KING, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mrs. LOEFFLER, Mr. LUJAN, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. MURPHY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PETERS, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. REED, Mr. RICH, Mr. ROMNEY, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SASSE, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SINEMA, Ms. SMITH, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WARNER, Ms. WARREN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. YOUNG) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. Res. 5. A resolution honoring the memory of Officer Brian David Sicknick of the United States Capitol Police for his selfless acts of heroism on the grounds of the United States Capitol on January 6, 2021; considered and agreed to.

## SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 5—HONORING  
THE MEMORY OF OFFICER  
BRIAN DAVID SICKNICK OF THE  
UNITED STATES CAPITOL POLICE FOR HIS SELFLESS ACTS  
OF HEROISM ON THE GROUNDS  
OF THE UNITED STATES CAP-  
ITOL ON JANUARY 6, 2021

Mr. McCONNELL (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BENNET, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BURR, Ms. CANTWELL, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CASSIDY, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. COONS, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. COTTON, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. DAINES, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. ERNST, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. FISCHER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. HAGERTY, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. HOEVEN, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KAINE, Mr. KELLY, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KING, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mrs. LOEFFLER, Mr. LUJAN, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. MURPHY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PETERS, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. REED, Mr. RICH, Mr. ROMNEY, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SASSE, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SINEMA, Ms. SMITH, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WARNER, Ms. WARREN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. YOUNG) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

## S. RES. 5

Whereas Brian David Sicknick was born in New Brunswick, New Jersey in 1978, the youngest of 3 sons to Gladys and Charles Sicknick;

Whereas Officer Sicknick served his country in the New Jersey Air National Guard both on American soil and in overseas deployments, from 1997 until his honorable discharge in 2003;

Whereas Officer Sicknick joined the United States Capitol Police in July, 2008 and served most recently in the First Responder's Unit;

Whereas a joint session of Congress met in the United States Capitol on January 6, 2021, for the purpose of counting the votes of the Electoral College in the 2020 presidential election, as required by the Constitution of the United States;

Whereas on the afternoon of January 6, 2021, rioters attacked the United States Capitol with the goal of disrupting the counting of the electoral votes;

Whereas Officer Sicknick responded to these riots bravely and was seriously injured in the course of his duty;

Whereas Officer Sicknick returned to his division office, collapsed, and was taken to a local hospital where he succumbed to his injuries;

Whereas Officer Sicknick is survived by family and loved ones, including his parents, Charles and Gladys, 2 brothers, Ken and Craig, his longtime girlfriend of 11 years, Sandra Garza, his Aunt Alberta, Uncle Ray, Cousin Aaron, Aunt Elaine, and 2 dachshunds, Sparky and Pebbles; and

Whereas Officer Sicknick, his colleagues at the United States Capitol Police, and their Federal and local law enforcement partners who responded to the attack on the Capitol, and National Guard partners are true national heroes to whom the United States owes a deep debt of gratitude: Now, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That—

(1) the Senate—

(A) honors the memory of United States Capitol Police Officer Brian D. Sicknick for the selfless acts of heroism displayed on January 6, 2021, in risking and sacrificing his life in the line of duty;

(B) calls upon the appropriate law enforcement agencies to investigate and bring to justice those responsible for the January 6, 2021, attack on the United States Capitol and the death of Officer Sicknick; and

(C) respectfully requests that the Secretary of the Senate—

(i) communicate this resolution to the House of Representatives; and

(ii) transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to the family of United States Capitol Police Officer Brian D. Sicknick; and

(2) when the Senate adjourns today, it stand adjourned as a further mark of respect to the memory of United States Capitol Police Officer Brian D. Sicknick.

#### AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I have 3 requests for committees to meet during today's session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today's session of the Senate:

##### COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, January 19, 2021, at 3 p.m., to conduct a hearing on nominations.

##### COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, January 19, 2021, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing on nominations.

##### SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, January 19, 2021, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a closed briefing.

#### NOTICE

##### REGISTRATION OF MASS MAILINGS

The filing date for the 2020 fourth quarter Mass Mailing report is Monday, January 25, 2021. An electronic option is available on Webster that will allow forms to be submitted via a fillable PDF document. If your office did no mass mailings during this period, please submit a form that states "none."

Mass mailing registrations or negative reports can be submitted electronically at [http://webster.senate.gov/secretary/mass\\_mailing\\_form.htm](http://webster.senate.gov/secretary/mass_mailing_form.htm) or e-mailed to [OPR\\_MassMailings@sec.senate.gov](mailto:OPR_MassMailings@sec.senate.gov).

For further information, please contact the Senate Office of Public Records at (202) 224-0322.

#### APPOINTMENTS

**THE PRESIDING OFFICER.** The Chair, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 116-156, on behalf of the Majority Leader, appoints the following individual to serve as a Member of the Commission on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys: OJ Oleka of Kentucky.

The Chair, pursuant to Public Law 115-123, on behalf of the Majority Leader of the Senate and the Chairman of the Finance Committee, appoints the following individual as a member of the Commission on Social Impact Partnerships: Ryan T.E. Martin of Virginia.

##### HONORING THE MEMORY OF OFFICER BRIAN DAVID SICKNICK

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 5, submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The bill clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 5) honoring the memory of Officer Brian David Sicknick of the United States Capitol Police for his selfless acts of heroism on the grounds of the United States Capitol on January 6, 2021.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. McCONNELL. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 5) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

#### ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2021

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 20; further, that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; finally, that following leader remarks, the Senate be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

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

#### ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 4:30 P.M. TOMORROW

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it stand adjourned under the provisions of S. Res. 5 as a further mark of respect for the late Officer Brian David Sicknick of the United States Capitol Police.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 4:05 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, January 20, 2021, at 4:30 p.m.

# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. ANDREW S. CLYDE

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 19, 2021*

Mr. CLYDE. Madam Speaker, I was not present in the House Chamber for Roll Call Vote no. 13. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 13.

## HONORING COUNCILMEMBER WENDY SKILLMAN

### HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 19, 2021*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Cotati City Councilmember Wendy Skillman on the occasion of her retirement after more than eight years of dedicated service to our community.

Councilmember Skillman's record as a public servant traces back to 2008, when she first moved to Cotati. As a member of the city's Community and Environment Commission, she organized beloved events including the annual Christmas tree lighting and the ever-popular Pasta Feed and Bingo Night. After more than three years as the Commission's Secretary and later Vice Chair, she assumed the role of Cotati Planning Commissioner, where she developed strategies in cooperation with local businesses and homeowners to grow the city's economy while protecting its small-town charm. Those she worked with appreciated her ability to find common ground and advance solutions that served everyone's interests.

Following her initial foray into city politics, Councilmember Skillman ran a successful campaign for City Council in 2012. Focusing on affordable housing and championing local small businesses, she generated wide-spread community support that carried her to a resounding reelection victory four years later. Throughout her terms, she has prioritized cooperation and compromise, leading to many successes. Under her watch, the city emerged from its financial troubles, not only keeping public services operational, but expanding the Police Department, adding new Public Works employees, and kick-starting recreation programs. Well respected by her fellow Council Members, she served with distinction as the Vice Mayor of Cotati in 2014 and 2019 and as Mayor in 2015 and 2020. Her leadership, dedication, and tenacity will surely be missed by her colleagues and constituents.

Madam Speaker, Councilmember Wendy Skillman exemplifies the very best qualities that our community looks to in a leader. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor her here today.

## HONORING LONG-TIME PUBLIC SERVANTS IN PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA

### HON. ANN KIRKPATRICK

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 19, 2021*

Mrs. KIRKPATRICK. Madam Speaker, I rise before you today to recognize four important community leaders in Tucson and Southern Arizona. These public servants have now completed their service to Pima County, Arizona, and they deserve high distinction. They include Mr. Ramon Valadez, Pima County Supervisor; F. Ann Rodriguez, Pima County Recorder; Bill Staples, Pima County Assessor; and Barbara LaWall, Pima County Attorney. Each of these distinguished Arizonans has dedicated many years of their lives and their careers to serve our people. They provided security, integrity, dedication, and the highest leadership. Madam Speaker, I ask you to join me in celebrating the public service of these exemplary individuals, to wish them good luck in their future endeavors, and to join me in recommending that young leaders seeking careers in public service look to them as models of what it means to live a good life in the service of things larger than oneself.

## HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF CAPTAIN PERCY OWENS NORWOOD JR.

### HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 19, 2021*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and service of a remarkable individual, retired Captain Percy Owens Norwood Jr.

Retired U.S. Coast Guard Capt. Percy Owens Norwood Jr. was born February 14, 1946, in Memphis to Percy and Charlie Lott Norwood. Capt. Norwood of Carrollton, 74, was called to his heavenly home on Friday, November 27, 2020, at Tyler Holmes Memorial Hospital in Winona.

As a young man, Capt. Norwood enlisted in the United States Coast Guard on November 20, 1970. After almost 30 years of outstanding and dedicated service to our nation, he retired with the rank of captain on October 1, 2000. At the time of his retirement, he held three key positions: Commanding officer of Coast Guard Headquarters Support Command, commanding officer of Coast Guard Headquarters staff, and executive officer of Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, D.C. Percy received numerous personal awards that include the Legion of Merit, two Meritorious Service Medals, two Coast Guard Commendation Medals, and the Coast Guard Achievement Medal. His nonmilitary awards include the National Image Incorporated Award (1993), the

National Naval Officers Association's (NNOA) Dorie Miller Award (1993), the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education (NAFEO) Distinguished Alumni Award (1995), and the NAACP Roy Wilkins Renown Service Award (1995). Mr. Norwood was inducted into the Alcorn State University Hall of Honor in 2006 for his outstanding leadership and service and elected by his fellow Alumni as Alcornite of the Year in 2008 as Alcorn State University most distinguished alumnus.

Capt. Norwood leaves to cherish his memory his wife, Bessie Marie Norwood; his children, Angelia Lavette Collins, Kelvin King Shaifer, Lindsey Marie Norwood Carson (Nathaniel), and Matthew Reginald Norwood; his grandchildren Devon, Shy, Nathaniel III, Alexis and Camerin; his great-grandchildren, Alex, Emberly and Zaniyah; his siblings Laura Norwood Davis, Willie Norwood, James Norwood (Rosie) and Ruther Flowers; his sister-in-law, Verna Norwood; his god-sister, Willie Mae Smith; his aunt, Emma Harrison; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life, legacy and service of Captain Percy Owens Norwood Jr.

## CALLING FOR THE ABOLITION OF THE FEDERAL DEATH PENALTY

### HON. HALEY M. STEVENS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 19, 2021*

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to condemn the use of capital punishment in the United States and to call for its abolition.

Capital punishment is an unjust and inhumane practice. It is past time we join developed democracies throughout the world and abolish this barbaric practice.

The death penalty in the United States is deeply unfair and inequitable. It is a sentence disproportionately given to people of color, individuals with mental illness and the economically disadvantaged. Black people make up less than 13 percent of the nation's population while accounting for more than 42 percent of those on death row. And despite the Supreme Court ruling that intellectual disability lessens moral culpability, an estimated five to ten percent of all death row inmates suffer from a severe mental illness. The death penalty is also overwhelmingly imposed on poor people, with 95 percent of death row defendants from underprivileged backgrounds.

The methods of execution used in the United States are unquestionably inhumane. States still allow people to be put to death by hanging, firing squad, electrocution and gas chamber. Although the recent adoption of lethal injection is purportedly more humane, recent botched executions have resulted in agonizing and prolonged deaths for individuals—undeniably a cruel and unusual punishment.

As long as the death penalty exists, innocent individuals will be convicted and sentenced to death. Since 1973, 172 former

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death-row prisoners have been exonerated of all charges related to the wrongful convictions that had put them on death row. We cannot continue to employ a system of punishment that has such a high risk of taking innocent life.

The United States stands out among our allies and other democracies in its use of the death penalty. Many of our allies consider it a gross violation of human rights. Defending human rights abuses abroad has been a key pillar of U.S. foreign policy, but the continued use of the death penalty at home undermines our global standing and enables other countries to criticize other diplomatic efforts.

Under the Trump Administration's Department of Justice, executions of federal death-row prisoners have recently resumed for the first time since 2003. In the midst of our current public health crisis, the Department of Justice has executed more people in six months than the total number executed over the previous six decades.

Most Americans know that the death penalty does not represent justice in our country. It is cruel, inhumane, arbitrary and clearly discriminatory. It is time for us to finally abolish the death penalty.

### CONDEMNING THE JANUARY 6TH ATTACK ON THE CAPITOL

**HON. TIM RYAN**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 19, 2021*

Mr. RYAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in outrage and sadness at the insurrection and attempted coup we saw in this very building on January 6. There is no doubt this attack was instigated by President Trump and responsibility for the violence rests with him and his supporters who ransacked the People's House.

I'd like to include in the RECORD the following statement from my constituents, the Youngstown Warren Black Caucus write:

The Youngstown Warren Black Caucus is outraged by the act of domestic terrorists at our nations' Capitol Building yesterday. Although we are angry and saddened, we agree with our 44th President Barack Obama's statement that it was not a total surprise.

Donald Trump and many Republican members of Congress who attempted to disenfranchise the votes of 81 million citizens have been encouraging insurrection by their voters. Even after multiple recounts, legal defeats, and explanation of the constitution and how elections are run, Trump continued to spout lies about the election that he lost. He and his personal attorney Rudy Giuliani have been telling their supporters for 2 months that the election was fraudulent and that there was a chance they could change the outcome if people just complained, protested, and demanded they won knowing full well the outcome could not be changed. While the majority of the nation understood that was untrue, their most loyal supporters believed them. For his final act of defiance to democracy, Trump invited thousands of supporters to DC yesterday for a rally and march to the Capitol building to "stop the steal" before Congress would certify the Electoral College votes that have already been certified by every state in the nation. Sadly, they listened to the instructions of these liars and our nations' Capitol building

was breached for the first time since the War of 1812.

Besides the obvious need to punish anyone who broke the law, we believe those who incited this insurrection must be held accountable for the betrayal to our nation. That includes Trump and members of Congress who attempted to throw out the results of the presidential election and Insurrection is a criminal act which is why we join the NAACP, Urban League, and National Action Network in calling for the resignation or removal of Donald Trump. He is anything but a patriot.

Last, but certainly not least, our members are appalled by the continued disparate treatment by law enforcement between white and black Americans. Back in June of 2020 a peaceful protest by Black Lives Matter demonstrators outside the White House was charged by numerous law enforcement entities to clear a block so that Trump could walk across the street and hold a Bible upside down outside a neighborhood church. Conversely, the angry mob of thousands of rioters were met with little resistance. Some Capitol police held the doors open for the rioters, others took pictures with them as they headed towards Congressional Chambers and offices to vandalize, steal, and destroy federal property.

The event made it painfully clear that there are 2 justice systems in America. One for black and brown people and their white allies, and a separate one for domestic terrorists who embrace white supremacy. It is ridiculous that we are still having this conversation 245 years after the founding of this nation. America must live up to her promise of "and justice for all."

I thank the Capitol Police and other law enforcement personnel for their work to protect Members and all who work in the Capitol Complex. However, it is obvious that there were systematic breakdowns in security that need to be addressed. We must get to the bottom of these breakdowns and prevent them from ever happening again.

### HONORING KRISTINE SVINICKI

**HON. MICHAEL K. SIMPSON**

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 19, 2021*

Mr. SIMPSON. Madam Speaker, it is with great pride and enthusiasm that I take a few moments to recognize the tremendous career of public service of Ms. Kristine Svinicki, who recently announced that she will step down later this month as Chair of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

As the Representative of Idaho's Second Congressional District and Chair and Ranking Member of the House Energy and Water Appropriations subcommittee, I have spent my career advocating for the expanded use of safe and reliable nuclear energy. In that effort, I had the distinct pleasure to work closely with Kristine in a number of capacities, and like everyone else who has worked with her, I found her to be a consummate professional and dedicated public servant.

After graduating from the University of Michigan with a degree in nuclear engineering, Kristine's career led her to the Department of Energy's Office of Nuclear Energy and the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management. Her time with DOE also included a stop at the Department's Idaho Operation Office in

Idaho Falls. Kristine was later detailed by the DOE to the U.S. Senate where she supported Idaho Senator Latty Craig on a variety of energy issues. After a stint with the Senate Armed Services Committee, in 2007 President George W. Bush nominated Kristine to serve as a Commissioner on the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and in 2017, President Donald J. Trump designated her as Chairman.

During her three terms at the NRC, Kristine brought unparalleled knowledge, passion and leadership to her work. Kristine never came to a meeting unprepared, and I always left hearings and meetings with her impressed by her insights and persuasiveness.

As the nuclear industry has faced challenges, the federal government has worked to support the current fleet of reactors as appropriate, to modernize the regulatory process to allow advanced reactor technologies to enter the market and to right-size the staff at the NRC. In all of those issues, Commissioner and Chairman Svinicki brought a steady hand and a constructive "let's get to work" attitude to the process.

Chairman Svinicki's commitment to public service has been exceptional and she is a role model for those who want to serve our government and make an impact in a positive way. Kristine blazed her own trail, and she will leave behind scores of friends, colleagues and coworkers who will miss her intellect, her commitment to public service and her wry sense of humor.

While Kristine was born and raised in Michigan, we in Idaho like to claim her as one of our own. I am so proud of all Kristine has accomplished, and more importantly how she did it. On behalf of so many grateful Americans, I want to say thank you to Kristine for her service and extend my best wishes in the future.

### OPPOSITION TO H. RES. 21

**HON. PAUL A. GOSAR**

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 19, 2021*

Mr. GOSAR. Madam Speaker, I rise today in opposition to H. Res. 21 and its invocation for Vice President MIKE PENCE to activate Section 4 of the 25th Amendment.

The Resolution appears to be ill-conceived, vindictive and disassociated from any factual basis. There is no medical, scientific or other evidence that the President is operating under an infirmity that prevents the faithful execution of our laws. Indeed, no one even so much as asked for such evidence. No independent medical exam was sought. No interviews of cabinet members or testimony was proffered where one or more cabinet members could have presumably attested to some medical or physical infirmity warranting immediate intervention.

While it is true the President has his detractors, almost all of whom support this ill-advised resolution, attacking one's political opponents by invoking the most dramatic and emergency based provisions in the Constitution is reckless and poses serious harm to the Republic. Unfortunately, as it has been brought to the floor, the political bar has been lowered. I voted no as there is no merit to it and it is plainly a vengeful attack at the outgoing President who has been vilified by leftist

media and others. I remain concerned that this provision will be brought up against the next president, and the next, and the next, for mere political opportunism.

Indeed, in light of the incoming president's age and existing infirmities, I fear a movement to remove him without just cause using this provision. I am told that Mr. Biden won the presidency in the greatest popular vote on record in the history of the United States. To me that means the American people knew what they were voting on, embraced him as their choice, and that choice should not be easily disturbed, if ever. More concisely, the American people were well aware of Mr. Biden's age and health issues and that cannot be used as a pretext to remove him before the natural expiration of his term. This historic victory, greater than the then-historic victory of Obama, cannot be tarnished by congressional machinations to remove the next president. I will not countenance such villainy, nor will the Republic.

Invocation of the 25th Amendment should be used in the rarest and most exceptional circumstances. That does not exist relative to President Trump, and none was even whispered. And it does not, and will not, exist for President Biden. I go on record now to register my objection to such loose talk, including the formation of a commission to "investigate" the 25th Amendment. This is dangerous. It is breezy talk, a bit too comfortable about removing elected officials to replace them. That is the sole prerogative of the people every four years.

Section 4 of the 25th Amendment addresses an incapacitated President unable to make the decision to relinquish their duties. As the current president is not incapacitated, the current effort falls far short. Laughingly short. Improbably short. Ridiculously short.

I restate my call for civility. I call for unity. I ask the leftists here, the socialists who want to deconstruct this great Nation, to stop the nonsense and join with me in building our country, not tearing it down. I condemn the violence we saw all over the United States from May to the present, from Portland to Washington, D.C., led by domestic terrorist organizations like Black Lives Matter and the profascist, protocommunist Antifa. I call out the rioters at the Capitol last week and condemn their violation of our House proceedings, indeed directly stopping me from conducting House business. My request for a remand for the state legislature to double check electoral integrity lost cosponsors and lost immediacy because of the violence that day. I thank the overwhelmed Capitol Police.

Unlike some of my colleagues, I note my long-term support for our police. It is not a fashion for me, as it is others, who condemn police and seek to defund it on one day, and then after feeling scared and vulnerable, call for more police. I remain consistent in my support for ethical law enforcement. I wish they had back up that day and were able to arrest and stop any incursion. The leftists in this body have brow beaten our law enforcement to such a degree the rules of engagement are not known to even themselves. All law enforcement knows is one mistake and they are cancelled. It does not have to be that way. It should not be that way.

For these reasons, Madam Speaker, I stand in opposition of the resolution and the invocation of the 25th Amendment and I voted No.

Now, more than ever, God bless these United States.

#### HONORING THE RETIREMENT AND LIFE'S WORK OF HARLEY FRANKEL

#### HON. DEBRA A. HAALAND

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 19, 2021*

Ms. HAALAND. Madam Speaker, I rise today with my colleague, Congressman TED LIEU, to honor his constituent and life-long education champion, Harley Frankel. We join his friends and family in celebrating his retirement from College Match, Harley's non-profit that assists low-income students with applying to and excelling in college.

After a career in public service, Harley founded College Match in 2003 after witnessing the steep hurdles his son faced while applying to college. As a first-generation college student himself, Harley realized that the grueling and time-consuming application process presented far more consequential barriers to students in overcrowded schools who often lack built-in support, financial safety nets, and adequate college guidance. Following this realization, College Match was born, accommodating 40 students in just its first year. The program has ballooned to nearly 600 students accepted annually, each receiving one-on-one guidance from trained college counselors, SAT prep, tutoring, assistance with college applications and essays, and college campus visits. In the past 6 years, 95 percent of College Match's students have been admitted to a U.S. News and World Report Top 50 college or university, and 70 percent were admitted to a Top 25 school.

Harley's students have deemed him their "fairy godfather"—a reliably approachable, friendly, and caring figure determined to help put them on the college path they deserve but would otherwise be out of reach. Harley's powerful impact on students across Los Angeles makes me think of my own academic career and the tremendous challenges I faced completing my undergraduate, and later my law degree as a single mother. No one ever told me to go to college, let alone guided me through the intimidating college application process. The education I received changed my life and put me on the path to serving in Congress. Every student determined to succeed should have that opportunity, regardless of their background or financial limitations, and Harley's work has helped to make that happen.

A born change maker, Harley's tangible impact on his students will last lifetimes. Even more profound is his organization's direct challenging of the unfair obstacles that prevent some of our country's brightest minds from reaching their full potential. It is an honor to witness the monumental work College Match is leading. Congressman LIEU and I thank Harley for his life's commitment to uplifting our future leaders.

HONORING COUNCILMEMBER JOHN DELL'OSSO

#### HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 19, 2021*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Cotati City Councilmember John Dell'Osso for his three terms of distinguished service. Our community is deeply grateful for his leadership and advocacy and congratulates him on a well-deserved retirement.

A resident of Cotati since 1986, Councilmember Dell'Osso has established himself as a pillar of our community. A National Park Ranger by profession, he worked at Point Reyes National Seashore for more than 35 years, serving as Chief of Interpretation and Resource Education and later as Public Information Officer until his retirement in 2019. In recognition of his exemplary efforts in this capacity, he was awarded the U.S. Department of the Interior's National Partners in Conservation Award in 2009 and the National Achieving Relevance Award in 2016.

Throughout his tenure in city government, Councilmember Dell'Osso has shown himself to be a leader among leaders. In addition to serving three terms as Cotati's Mayor, he sat as Chair of the Sonoma County Mayors and Councilmembers Association in 2014, offering sage advice and wisdom to public leaders from across our community. A steadfast supporter of parks and open spaces, and an avid bird watcher, Councilmember Dell'Osso distinguished himself as an ally to conservationists in the city and beyond. As a strong advocate for public service, he has no doubt inspired many others to follow in his footsteps and fight for environmental stewardship, safer neighborhoods, and a stronger economy.

Aside from his professional and political life, he has also devoted himself to philanthropic causes. Councilmember Dell'Osso has given his time to numerous social benefit organizations, including stints as a board member of both the Rancho Cotate High School Graduation Project and Friends of the San Pablo Bay National Wildlife Refuge. These pursuits further evidence his selfless dedication to our community.

Madam Speaker, the City of Cotati is indebted to Councilmember John Dell'Osso for his years of diligent public service. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor him here today.

#### IMPEACHING DONALD TRUMP, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, FOR HIGH CRIMES AND MISDEMEANORS

SPEECH OF

#### HON. ANGIE CRAIG

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, January 13, 2021*

Ms. CRAIG. Madam Speaker, last week, the United States Capitol was attacked and defiled by insurrectionists. These criminals killed a Capitol Police officer and wounded many more in a brazen attack not only on this building, but on American Democracy itself.



I am sad, shocked and angry about last Wednesday's events, but I am determined to ensure that those responsible are held to account, including the President of the United States.

The President invited this mob to Washington. He fueled their rage with false information and lies. And then he directed them to the U.S. Capitol himself—where they desecrated the home of our democracy and put elected leaders and law enforcement in danger. None of this would have happened without the words and deeds of Donald Trump. None of it.

He threatened our democracy, interfered with the transition of power, and imperiled a coequal branch of government. There simply must be consequences for his indefensible behavior.

Some of my colleagues are now calling for unity. I agree. We must unify around the truth. That America just completed one of the most secure elections in our nation's history—an election that Joe Biden won. The lies stoking the flames of insurrection must stop. And those perpetuating them must be held accountable.

I am committed to holding those who stormed this building accountable for their actions. I am committed to defending our democracy. And I am committed to upholding the oath to the Constitution that I took just over a week ago.

The President should not serve another day in office. And for that reason, I will vote in favor of the article of impeachment before me today, for my district and for this Nation's history. We must never find ourselves here again.

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S49–S62*

**Measures Introduced:** One resolution was introduced, as follows: S. Res. 5. **Page S61**

**Measures Passed:**

***Honoring the Memory of Capitol Police Officer Brian David Sicknick:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 5, honoring the memory of Officer Brian David Sicknick of the United States Capitol Police for his selfless acts of heroism on the grounds of the United States Capitol on January 6, 2021. **Page S62**

**House Messages:**

**Transmission of Article of Impeachment:** Pursuant to Rule I of the Rules of Impeachment, the Secretary of the Senate has notified the House of Representatives that the Senate has received its message that the House has taken action relative to impeachment, though it has not yet transmitted the article of impeachment to the Senate. **Pages S49, S61**

**Appointments:**

***Commission on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys:*** The Chair, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 116–156, on behalf of the Majority Leader, appointed the following individual to serve as a Member of the Commission on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys: OJ Oleka of Kentucky. **Page S62**

***Commission on Social Impact Partnerships:*** The Chair, pursuant to Public Law 115–123, on behalf of the Majority Leader of the Senate and the Chairman of the Finance Committee, appointed the following individual as a member of the Commission on Social Impact Partnerships: Ryan T.E. Martin of Virginia. **Page S62**

**Resignation of Senator Kamala Harris:** Senator Kamala D. Harris, of California, submitted a letter of resignation from the United States Senate, effective January 18, 2021, in order to prepare for the duties as Vice President of the United States. **Page S49**

**Messages from the House:**

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 12 noon and adjourned, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Officer Brian David Sicknick of the United States Capitol Police, under the provisions of S. Res. 5, at 4:05 p.m., until 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 20, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S62.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### NOMINATION

***Committee on Armed Services:*** Committee concluded a hearing to examine the expected nomination of Lloyd J. Austin III, to be Secretary of Defense, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Sullivan and former Secretary of Defense Leon Panetta, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

#### NOMINATION

***Committee on Finance:*** Committee concluded a hearing to examine the expected nomination of Janet L. Yellen, of California, to be Secretary of the Treasury, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Feinstein, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

#### NOMINATION

***Committee on Foreign Relations:*** Committee concluded a hearing to examine the expected nomination of Antony J. Blinken, of New York, to be Secretary of State, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Durbin, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

#### NOMINATION

***Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:*** Committee concluded a hearing to examine the expected nomination of Alejandro N. Mayorkas, to

be Secretary of Homeland Security, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senators Feinstein and Tester, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

#### NOMINATION

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine the expected

nomination of Avril Haines, to be Director of National Intelligence, after the nominee, who was introduced by former Director of National Intelligence Daniel Coats, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

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## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 28 public bills, H.R. 343–370; 2 private bills, H.R. 371–372; and 5 resolutions, H. Res. 49–53, were introduced.

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

**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 1 p.m. and adjourned at 1:02 p.m.

### *Committee Meetings*

No hearings were held.

### *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

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#### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D24)

H.R. 6395, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2021 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year. Signed on January 1, 2021. (Public Law 116–283)

S. 3418, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to allow the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to provide capitalization grants to States to establish revolving funds to provide hazard mitigation assistance to reduce risks from disasters and natural hazards, and other related environmental harm. Signed on January 1, 2021. (Public Law 116–284)

H.R. 4356, to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to allow certain individuals to terminate contracts for telephone, multichannel video programming, or internet access service. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–285)

H.R. 6192, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to honor the 100th anniversary of completion of coinage of the “Morgan Dollar” and the 100th anniversary of commencement of coinage of the “Peace Dollar”. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–286)

H.R. 6435, to direct the Federal Trade Commission to develop and disseminate information to the public about scams related to COVID–19. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–287)

H.R. 8354, to establish the Servicemembers and Veterans Initiative within the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–288)

H.R. 1240, to establish the Servicemembers and Veterans Initiative within the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–289)

H.R. 1503, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act regarding the list under section 505(j)(7) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–290)

H.R. 1966, to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to complete a study on barriers to participation in federally funded cancer clinical trials by populations that have been traditionally underrepresented in such trials. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–291)

H.R. 2468, to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase the preference given, in awarding certain allergies and asthma-related grants, to States that require certain public schools to have allergies and asthma management programs. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–292)

H.R. 3976, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 12711 East Jefferson

Avenue in Detroit, Michigan, as the “Aretha Franklin Post Office Building”. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–293)

H.R. 4031, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–294)

H.R. 4983, to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs community-based outpatient clinic in Gilbert, Arizona, as the “Staff Sergeant Alexander W. Conrad Veterans Affairs Health Care Clinic”. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–295)

H.R. 4988, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14 Walnut Street in Bordentown, New Jersey, as the “Clara Barton Post Office Building”. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–296)

H.R. 5023, to name the Department of Veterans Affairs community-based outpatient clinic in Youngstown, Ohio, as the “Carl Nunziato VA Clinic”. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–297)

H.R. 5123, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 476 East Main Street in Galesburg, Illinois, as the “Senior Airman Daniel Miller Post Office Building”. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–298)

H.R. 5273, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop a plan to increase to 100 percent the rates of scanning of commercial and passenger vehicles and freight rail entering the United States at land ports of entry along the border using large-scale, nonintrusive inspection systems to enhance border security. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–299)

H.R. 5451, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 599 East Genesee Street in Fayetteville, New York, as the “George H. Bacel Post Office Building”. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–300)

H.R. 5458, to modify the boundary of the Rocky Mountain National Park. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–301)

H.R. 5459, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to correct a land ownership error within the boundary of Rocky Mountain National Park. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–302)

H.R. 5597, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 305 Northwest 5th Street in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, as the “Clara Luper Post Office Building”. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–303)

H.R. 5663, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to give authority to the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, to destroy coun-

terfeit devices. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–304)

H.R. 5852, to redesignate the Weir Farm National Historic Site in the State of Connecticut as the “Weir Farm National Historical Park”. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–305)

H.R. 5972, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 500 Delaware Avenue, Suite 1, in Wilmington, Delaware, as the “Mary Ann Shadd Cary Post Office”. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–306)

H.R. 5983, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4150 Chicago Avenue in Riverside, California, as the “Woodie Rucker-Hughes Post Office Building”. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–307)

H.R. 6016, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14955 West Bell Road in Surprise, Arizona, as the “Marc Lee Memorial Post Office Building”. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–308)

H.R. 6100, to amend title 18, United States Code, to clarify the criminalization of female genital mutilation. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–309)

H.R. 6161, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1585 Yanceyville Street, Greensboro, North Carolina, as the “J. Howard Coble Post Office Building”. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–310)

H.R. 6237, to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to clarify the requirement of the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Defense to reimburse the Indian Health Service for certain health care services. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–311)

H.R. 6418, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 509 Fairhope Avenue in Fairhope, Alabama, as the “William ‘Jack’ Jackson Edwards III Post Office Building”. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–312)

H.R. 6535, to deem an urban Indian organization and employees thereof to be a part of the Public Health Service for the purposes of certain claims for personal injury. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–313)

H.R. 7088, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 111 James Street in Reidsville, Georgia, as the “Senator Jack Hill Post Office Building”. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–314)

H.R. 7105, to provide flexibility for the Secretary of Veterans Affairs in caring for homeless veterans during a covered public health emergency, to direct

the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a re-training assistance program for unemployed veterans. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–315)

H.R. 7259, to allow acceleration certificates awarded under the Patents for Humanity Program to be transferable. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–316)

H.R. 7347, to designate the medical center of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Ann Arbor, Michigan, as the “Lieutenant Colonel Charles S. Ket-tles Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center”. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–317)

H.R. 7460, to extend the authority for the establishment by the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation of a commemorative work to commemorate the mission of the Peace Corps and the ideals on which the Peace Corps was founded. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–318)

H.R. 7502, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 101 South 16th Street in Clarinda, Iowa, as the “Jessie Field Shambaugh Post Office Building”. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–319)

H.R. 7810, 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”. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–320)

H.R. 7898, to amend the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to consider certain recognized security practices of covered entities and business associates when making certain determinations. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–321)

H.R. 8611, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4755 Southeast Dixie Highway in Port Salerno, Florida, as the “Joseph Bullock Post Office Building”. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–322)

H.R. 8810, to establish a national program to identify and reduce losses from landslide hazards, to establish a national 3D Elevation Program. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–323)

H.R. 8906, to amend title XXIX of the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the program under such title relating to lifespan respite care. Signed on January 5, 2021. (Public Law 116–324)

S. 4996, to ensure funding of the United States trustees, extend temporary bankruptcy judgeships. Signed on January 12, 2021. (Public Law 116–325)

H.R. 221, to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to monitor and combat anti-Semitism globally. Signed on January 13, 2021. (Public Law 116–326)

H.R. 1418, to restore the application of the Federal antitrust laws to the business of health insurance to protect competition and consumers. Signed on January 13, 2021. (Public Law 116–327)

H.R. 1472, to rename the Homestead National Monument of America near Beatrice, Nebraska, as the Homestead National Historical Park. Signed on January 13, 2021. (Public Law 116–328)

H.R. 1492, to update the map of, and modify the maximum acreage available for inclusion in, the Yucca House National Monument. Signed on January 13, 2021. (Public Law 116–329)

H.R. 1923, to amend title 31, United States Code, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint and issue certain circulating collectible coins. Signed on January 13, 2021. (Public Law 116–330)

H.R. 1925, to designate the Manhattan Campus of the New York Harbor Health Care System of the Department of Veterans Affairs as the “Margaret Cochran Corbin Campus of the New York Harbor Health Care System”. Signed on January 13, 2021. (Public Law 116–331)

H.R. 2444, to authorize the Secretary of State to make direct loans under section 23 of the Arms Export Control Act. Signed on January 13, 2021. (Public Law 116–332)

H.R. 2502, to amend title 40, United States Code, to require certain prospectuses for public buildings to be made publicly available. Signed on January 13, 2021. (Public Law 116–333)

H.R. 2744, to authorize the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development to prescribe the manner in which programs of the agency are identified overseas. Signed on January 13, 2021. (Public Law 116–334)

H.R. 3153, to direct the Director of the National Science Foundation to support research on opioid addiction. Signed on January 13, 2021. (Public Law 116–335)

H.R. 3250, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the sites associated with the life and legacy of the noted American philanthropist and business executive Julius Rosenwald, with a special focus on the Rosenwald Schools. Signed on January 13, 2021. (Public Law 116–336)

H.R. 4044, to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the National Estuary Program. Signed on January 13, 2021. (Public Law 116–337)

H.R. 4508, to expand the number of scholarships available to Pakistani women under the Merit and Needs-Based Scholarship Program. Signed on January 13, 2021. (Public Law 116–338)

H.R. 4704, to direct the Director of the National Science Foundation to support multidisciplinary research on the science of suicide, and to advance the knowledge and understanding of issues that may be associated with several aspects of suicide including intrinsic and extrinsic factors related to areas such as wellbeing, resilience, and vulnerability. Signed on January 13, 2021. (Public Law 116–339)

H.R. 5126, to require individuals fishing for Gulf reef fish to use certain descending devices. Signed on January 13, 2021. (Public Law 116–340)

H.R. 5472, to redesignate the Jimmy Carter National Historic Site as the “Jimmy Carter National Historical Park. Signed on January 13, 2021. (Public Law 116–341)

S. 371, to provide regulatory relief to charitable organizations that provide housing assistance. Signed on January 13, 2021. (Public Law 116–342)

S. 1310, to strengthen the participation of elected national legislators in the activities of the Organization of American States and reaffirm United States support for Organization of American States human rights and anti-corruption initiatives. Signed on January 13, 2021. (Public Law 116–343)

S. 5076, to authorize the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate to delegate authority to approve payroll and personnel actions. Signed on January 13, 2021. (Public Law 116–344)

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2021

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

### House

No hearings are scheduled.

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## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of January 20 through January 22, 2021

### Senate Chamber

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* January 21, to hold hearings to examine the expected nomination of Peter Buttigieg, of Indiana, to be Secretary of Transportation, 10 a.m., SR–253.

### House Committees

No hearings are scheduled.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

4:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 20

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

2 p.m., Thursday, January 21

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Senate will be in a period of morning business.

At 12 noon, Joseph R. Biden will be sworn in as President of the United States, and Kamala D. Harris will be sworn in as Vice President of the United States.

## House Chamber

**Program for Thursday:** To be announced.

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