The USACE Walla Walla District notes the dam is the highest straight-axis concrete dam in the Western Hemisphere, with only two other dams in the U.S. exceeding its height. USACE credits the project with preventing millions of dollars in flood damages the project became operational, while generating 1.35 billion kilowatt hours of electricity in fiscal year 2017 alone, and providing substantial recreational and wildlife benefits.

Dwarshak staff are recognizing the 50th anniversary of the dedication of the dam with a celebration and public tours. We join in commending the hard work of both current and past Dwarshak staff in operating this remarkable part of our great State and country’s infrastructure. Congratulations to all Dwarshak staff and surrounding communities on this outstanding milestone.

RECOGNIZING THE VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY BOWLING TEAM

Mr. HAGERTY. Mr. President, on behalf of Senator BLACKBURN and myself, a Vanderbilt alumnus, we would like to congratulate the Vanderbilt University bowling team, the National Champions of the National Collegiate Athletic Association—NCAA—championship, the third national championship for the women’s bowling program and the sixth national championship in Commodore athletics history.

The Commodores were a dominating force during the 2022–2023 season, compiling a 98–29 record and winning four tournament championships including a regional NCAA crown. Five team members earned All-America honors with Mabel Cummins, a neuroscience senior, being named the national player of the year. The team earned an outstanding 3.559 GPA and placed seven members on the Dean’s List.

This achievement would not have been possible without the hard work, talent, and teamwork of the following outstanding student-athletes: Alyssa Ballard, Kailee Channell, Mabel Cummins, Kaylee Hitt, Amelia Kiefer, Jennifer Loredo, Amanda Naujokas, Paige Peters, Caroline Thester, and Victoria Varano.

John Williamson, the head coach of the Vanderbilt bowling team, was named the national coach of the year for the first time and has led the program since its inception in 2004. Over the past 19 years, Coach Williamson has transformed Commodore bowling into one of the nation’s finest, winning both on the lanes and in the classroom.

Coach Williamson should also be commended for combining athletic excellence with academics as well as international service experiences.

These student athletes were coached and mentored by a dedicated team of coaches and athletic department staff, including former coach John Williamson, associate head coach Josie Barnes, deputy athletic director Dr. Kristene Kelly, associate athletic trainer Alda Burston, associate director of strength and conditioning Darren Edington, assistant director of event management Renee Mackin, assistant director of student services Max Martin, sports dietitian Jasmine Gilbert, and head of athletic communications Rod Williamson.

We would also like to acknowledge the outstanding leadership of Vanderbilt University athletic director Candice Storey Lee, an alumna and former Vanderbilt women’s basketball player.

Congratulations, Commodores. We are proud of you.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

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

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

In executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

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

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC–1458. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting the legislative proposal to amend the energy incentive program to clarify the authorized duration of energy incentive programs, and for other purposes. To the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC–1454. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting a legislative proposal to amend the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 to authorize the borrower to pay in full or in part the cost of any modification to a direct loan made under the Advanced Technology Vehicle Manufacturing Loan Program; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC–1455. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting a legislative proposal to amend the Federal Energy Efficiency Fund Grant Authority to Assist Agencies in Decarbonizing Federal Fleets and Associated Federal Buildings; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC–1456. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting additional legislative proposals that the Department of Defense requests be enacted during the first session of the 118th Congress; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–1457. A communication from the Assistant Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Enhanced Weapons, Firearms Background Checks, and Security Event Notifications” (RIN1350–A149) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 26, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–1458. A communication from the Chief of the Division of Regulations, Jurisdiction, and Special Park Uses, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the rule entitled “National Capital Region; Change of Address” (RIN1024–AE44) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 26, 2023; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC–1459. A communication from the Biologist of the Branch of Domestic Listing, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Endangered Species Status for Wright’s Mash Thistle With a Section 4(d) Rule and Designation of Critical Habitat” (RIN1018–BC34) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–1460. A communication from the Biologist of the Branch of Domestic Listing, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Determination of Threatened Status for Wright’s Mash Thistle With a Section 4(d) Rule and Designation of Critical Habitat” (RIN1018–BD96) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–1461. A communication from the Biologist of the Branch of Domestic Listing, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Threatened Species Status With Section 4(d) Rule for Bull Snake, Crayfish and Critical Habitat” (RIN1018–BD20) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–1462. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Testing Provisions for Air Emission Scoring System; Final Rule; California; Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District” (FRL No. 10217–63–R9) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–1463. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Testing Provisions for Air Emission Scoring System; Final Rule; California” (FRL No. 10355–5–OAR) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 26, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–1464. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Air Plan Approval; ID; State Board Composition” (FRL No. 10190–02–R10) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–1465. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Testing Provisions for Air Emission Scoring System; Final Rule; California” (FRL No. 10470–30–OAR) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–1466. A communication from the Biologist of the Branch of Domestic Listing, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Threatened Species Status With Section 4(d) Rule for Bull Snake, Crayfish and Critical Habitat” (RIN1018–BD96) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 22, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.