

from the majority of top producers to small mom-and-pop operations. These account for more than 90 percent of Wyoming's oil and natural gas production. My friends Bruce Hinchey, John Robitaille, and the late Rick Robitaille all served in executive positions with the association. They, along with current President Pete Obermueller and all past and present employees, put in countless hours with the Wyoming Oil & Gas Commission, State legislators, Governors, and the Federal delegation. These entities work together on permitting, BLM Environmental Impact Statements, environmental lawsuits, and so much more.

The Petroleum Association is led by these staff, board officers, board of directors, and management committee: President Pete Obermueller, Vice President and Director of Communications Ryan McConnaughey, Regulatory Affairs Director Colin McKee, Office Manager and Executive Assistant Rachel Sanborn, Chairman Shelley Shelby, Continental Resources, Vice Chairman Gabriel Sepulveda, Williams, and Secretary-Treasurer Peter Wold, Wold Oil Company, Joe Milczewski, Occidental Petroleum Corporation, Dan Zilmer, Merit Energy Company, Brett Schuman, Halliburton, Steve Degenfelder, Kirkwood Oil and Gas, LLC, Greg Pulliam, Exxon | XTO Energy, Inc., Paul Sander, Aethon Energy Company, Tim Muniz, Impact Exploration, Nick Platek, Hilcorp Energy, Frances MacDonald, Anschutz Exploration Corporation, Niko Welch, Vaquero Big Horn, Bryce Ballard, Ballard Petroleum Holdings, Chad McLawhorn, Contango Oil and Gas Company, Chris Fling, Primary Fuels, LLC, Kaylene Gardner, Crowheart Energy, Josh Demorrett, ConocoPhillips, David Bush, Black Hills Energy, Tom Kirkwood, Westco Operating, Inc., Macey Wallace, Ovintiv, Jasmine Allison, PureWest Energy, Jenna Mays, ExxonMobil, Dave True, True Oil, LLC, Kyle True, Diamond Oil, LLC, Hank True, Eighty-Eight Oil, LLC, Paul Ulrich, Jonah Energy, LLC, Teddy Carter, Devon Energy Corp, Tracy Opp, EOG Resources, Inc., Tom VanKlee, Oil Mountain Energy, and Eli Bebout, Nucor Oil and Gas.

It is an honor to celebrate the crucial work done by the association over the last 50 years. My hope is that oil and gas will remain a strong and viable industry for decades to come. Warmest congratulations to the Petroleum Association of Wyoming on your golden anniversary.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

REMEMBERING TAMAYO PERRY

• Mr. SCHATZ. Mr. President, last month, Hawai'i tragically lost a true surfing legend in Tamayo Perry.

Tamayo was many things: a renowned surfer, an accomplished actor, a beloved lifeguard, a man of deep

faith, and a cherished neighbor. Born in the small town of Hau'ula on Oahu, Tamayo was an audacious waterman whose dexterity in surfing and understanding of the sea was second to none. He turned his passion into a profession at a young age through a combination of grit, focus, and commitment that enabled him to overcome any challenge he faced in the water. Accolades and awards soon followed at the Pipeline Masters and elsewhere as he competed against the world's very best surfers.

Later, following an accident that he described as a "near-fatal experience," he turned his own brush with death into a teachable moment for young surfers in Honolulu, instilling in them surfing etiquette and safety. His lessons have and will continue to help save countless lives.

As an actor, Tamayo was known for roles in movies like *Pirates of the Caribbean* and *Blue Crush*. But even as he found fame globally, he never lost touch with his roots in Hawai'i. Those who knew him back home saw someone with immense skill and drive, with positivity and grace to match. They saw someone who was extraordinarily generous and loving, right to the very end—and they loved him dearly in return. For them and his ohana, Tamayo's untimely death is devastating, eased only by knowing that he spent his final moments where he was happiest: in the water.

I join everyone in Hawai'i and around the world in mourning Tamayo's loss. May his memory be a blessing.●

TRIBUTE TO DR. AUBREY K. LUCAS

• Mr. WICKER. Mr. President, on behalf of the people of Mississippi, I honor the exceptional public service of Dr. Aubrey K. Lucas, whose lifelong commitment to education has significantly benefited the people of Mississippi.

Dr. Lucas is an expert in education, beginning with the three degrees he earned studying the subject: bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Southern Mississippi and a Ph.D. from Florida State University. After completing his studies, he began his lengthy career serving Mississippi universities.

From 1971 to 1975, Dr. Lucas served as the fourth president of Delta State University in Cleveland, MS. He improved the school's reputation and led efforts to get the institution reaccredited for teacher education. On his watch, Delta State College became Delta State University.

The next year, Dr. Lucas was installed as the sixth president of the University of Southern Mississippi, USM. The university flourished under his care. He served as president for 21 years, overseeing the creation of the Center of International Education and the Polymer Science Institute. He did it all with style, always recognizable on campus for his trademark bowtie. In

true Dr. Lucas fashion, he answered the call to serve as interim president of USM on two separate occasions after he had retired.

Over the years, countless Mississippians and students have benefited from Dr. Lucas's dedicated work. Governor Haley Barbour recognized Dr. Lucas with the Mississippi Medal of Service. More recently, the Mississippi Pinnacle Awards bestowed on him the Lifetime Achievement-Humanitarian Award, in honor of his lifetime of public service.

Dr. Lucas remains active in many civic and charitable organizations. He serves as chair of the Mississippi Arts Commission and of the board of directors of the Hattiesburg Area Community Foundation. It is for his achievements, legacy, and continued service that I praise Dr. Aubrey K. Lucas today in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

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

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session 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.)

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 10:04 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 227. An act to amend title 28, United States Code, to provide an additional place for holding court for the Pecos Division of the Western District of Texas, and for other purposes.

S. 1973. An act to require the purchase of domestically made flags of the United States of America for use by the Federal Government.

S. 3706. An act to amend section 3663A of title 18, United States Code, to clarify that restitution includes necessary and reasonable expenses incurred by a person who has assumed the victim's rights.

S. 3249. An act to designate the outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Wyandotte County, Kansas City, Kansas, as the "Captain Elwin Shopteese V. Clinic".

S. 3285. An act to rename the community-based outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Butte, Montana, as the "Charlie Dowd VA Clinic".

S. 4548. An act to make a technical correction to the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024 by repealing section 5101 and enacting an updated version of the Foreign Extortion Prevention Act.

The enrolled bills, except S. 1973, were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mrs. MURRAY).

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of July 25, 2024, the enrolled