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The Senate met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the President protempore (Mr. GRASSLEY).

PRAYER

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

Let us pray.

Eternal Master, we honor You for Your glory and strength. Your glory fills us with reverence, and Your strength inspires us with courage.

Bless our lawmakers. Inspire them to find fulfillment in the splendor of holiness. Lord, remind them that You expect people of faith to illuminate the darkness of this world with exemplary actions that prompt people to glorify You. May our Senators remember that their conduct, particularly during times of adversity, has long-term consequences.

Lord, we praise You that You continue to rule our universe.

We pray in Your awesome Name.

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.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SCOTT of Florida). The Senator from Iowa.

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

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

31ST ANNIVERSARY OF THE VELVET REVOLUTION

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, Iowa is home to a lot of people who have a heritage from the Czech Republic and the Slovak Republic. November 17 is coming up pretty soon, and it marks the 31st anniversary of the Velvet Revolution in Czechoslovakia.

In 1989, the Czech people stood up against Communist rule and, through nonviolent demonstrations, precipitated the nation's transition to democracy. The Velvet Revolution lasted 43 days and in the end ended 41 years of Communist control of Czechoslovakia. Jingling keys became a symbol of the revolution and of the new doors that democracy and freedom from communism would unlock for those great people in Czechoslovakia.

Now we have two countries—the Czech Republic and the Slovak Republic. We also have a National Czech and Slovak Museum in Cedar Rapids, IA. This museum helps to educate Americans about these events I just talked about and, most importantly, to teach them about the importance of never giving up on fighting for freedom.

I yield the floor.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The majority leader is recognized.

CORONAVIRUS

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, last week, the country and the world received some really great news that we have longed for quite a while to hear. A major American drug company, together with its German partner, announced that their candidate for a COVID-19 vaccine appears to be at least 90 percent—frective in trials. That is 90 percent—nine zero. Dr. Fauci called these preliminary results extraordinary. Another expert called the news "as good as you could hope for."

Of course, tests and trials are ongoing. The FDA will perform its own thorough review, which will include analyzing months of safety data. The American people should rest assured

there are appropriate and necessary measures to ensure the safety and efficacy of any vaccine before it is rolled out to the American people, but this will proceed with the lifesaving urgency that is called for.

Right now, COVID-19 is continuing to spread across the country at rates that are not sustainable and which we must try to slow. Yesterday, my home State of Kentucky just logged its highest ever daily total—2,700 new cases. The positivity rate of our tests is the highest since early May.

It is urgent that all Americans continue the smart steps that have gotten us this far: wearing masks, social distancing, adapting our plans and routines. This virus is not going to magically leave us alone if we decide we are fed up with taking precautions, but thank God and thanks to the brilliant scientists, we may look back on this hopeful announcement as the beginning of the end of this terrible ordeal.

I said back in March that our country was about to meet a whole lot of brandnew heroes. Many were going to be doctors and nurses. Others were going to be essential workers who kept society going. Some were going to be the men and women who worked like crazy in labs and research centers until we had this virus beaten. But every single American has a role.

As cases continue to climb, the simple advice—wear a mask, practice social distancing, wash your hands—is now just as important as ever. So, of course, discovering the vaccine will only be a part of the battle. Once one or more candidates have been proven effective and safe, it will be a second Herculean undertaking to scale up production and distribute doses of the vaccine throughout our country. This is why this Senate and the Trump administration have been on the case for months.

As part of the historic CARES Act, we created Operation Warp Speed—a historic effort that combined interagency government work with public-

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private partnerships. This was a 21st-century Manhattan Project for a COVID vaccine. We helped fund research and development for several firms. We committed billions of dollars in advance purchase agreements. We flattened regulatory barriers to speed the process. We provided backing so that companies could begin mass-producing vaccine doses before clinical trials had fully concluded so we would have a head start on whichever ones wound up working.

If things stay on track, we hope to have a safe and effective vaccine in a timeframe that will be absolutely historic. President Trump's administration and this Congress should take huge pride in the groundwork we laid.

Now, strangely enough, some are finding it challenging to simply applaud this unambiguous good news. The Democratic Governor of New York opined a few days ago that it was "bad news" that a vaccine breakthrough may have been reached, because President Trump is still in office.

Now, I understand Governor Cuomo has found the time during this pandemic to write and publish a self-congratulatory book on leadership—this, notwithstanding that his own State has been absolutely pummeled by the disease and his own administration intentionally sent thousands of COVID—19 positive patients into vulnerable nursing homes.

The Governor has the temerity to say this vaccine breakthrough is partially "bad news"—partially "bad news"?—because it occurred under the Trump administration. He gestured vaguely toward unspecified concerns about distribution. I guess he would have preferred the lifesaving breakthroughs to have been delayed longer, with more American deaths in the meantime.

The irony, as our colleague the Senator from Tennessee has pointed out, is that the plans that are in place put States in the driver's seat for arranging distribution and making sure the most vulnerable citizens receive access. The Federal Government is there to provide guidance and support. As Senator ALEXANDER said, the Governor of New York might want to devote more time and attention to developing this crucial plan rather than undermining public confidence for the sake of politics.

Sadly, this isn't anything new. Just a few weeks ago, the Democratic Governors of both New York and California both began openly second-guessing the Food and Drug Administration and doubting its ability to assess the safety of a vaccine. There were suggestions that blue States may set up their own State review boards and then withhold lifesaving vaccines from their own people for who knows how long until this extra obstacle had been hurdled. This is where they are. Vaccines aren't vaccines if a Republican is President until New York and California reinvent their own miniature FDAs.

To be clear, Americans purchase nearly 4 billion prescriptions every single year—4 billion prescriptions—trusting the expertise and professionalism of the FDA. That is the trusted authority. Nobody is crying out for liberal Governors to add their own Good Housekeeping seal of approval, let alone potentially delaying the end of COVID-19 to do so.

If this vaccine proves to be the one, citizens in New York and California should not have it withheld from them because their Governors care more about performatively opposing President Trump than about hard science. This reminds me of when the junior Senator from California declared back in September, during her Vice Presidential campaign, that she might hesitate to trust a vaccine.

The whole country understands that our Democratic friends are not charter members of the Donald Trump fan club. We know that. They do not need to dabble in the early stages of antivax conspiracy theories to prove it. In fact, for the sake of public health and public confidence and saving lives, they have a moral obligation to stop.

If a vaccine has been found and distribution can begin soon, that is good news, not bad news. It would be a major victory for our country and the world, fueled by American innovation and aided by Operation Warp Speed, thanks to this Senate and the Trump administration. It would save thousands and thousands of American lives, and public confidence will be essential.

So this is where we are. Leaders on all sides have a duty to act accordingly.

RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

CONCLUSION OF MORNING BUSINESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Morning business is closed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will proceed to executive session to resume consideration of the following nomination, which the clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read the nomination of Aileen Mercedes Cannon, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

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

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

2020 ELECTIONS

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. President, yesterday, we came together as a country—not as Republicans, not as Democrats or Independents, but as Americans—to recognize the service and sacrifice of our veterans, men and women who served in uniform to protect our country and to defend our democracy.

The ongoing attacks that President Trump has launched on our democracy are an insult to those who have sacrificed so much to defend, and so too is the complicity of so many Republican Senators right here in this body, who through their silence or active incitement are spreading Donald Trump's absurd false narrative that he won the election.

Each of us—each of us in this body—has sworn an oath to protect and defend the Constitution of the United States, to stand up for our democracy, and to support the peaceful transfer of power established there. My colleagues, it is time for every Senator to do your sworn duty and stand up for the Constitution and for our democracy.

Make no mistake, on January 20, Joe Biden will be sworn in as the next President of the United States and KAMALA HARRIS will be sworn in as the next Vice President of the United States. But that does not mean that what Donald Trump is doing now is harmless. That does not mean that the silence or active complicity of so many Republican Senators is harmless. It is downright dangerous to the health of our democracy and to our national security interests.

We have enough challenges protecting our democracy from foreign enemies and foreign adversaries who seek every day to undermine faith and confidence in democratic institutions here in the United States and in other democracies around the world. The last thing we need is for people to attack that confidence from within the United States. This is doing harm in the short term and the long term to our national security, putting us at risk.

In the short term, we are seeing a very dangerous purge of top national security officials at the Defense Department and other places. These are officials with whom I have many policy differences, but they are competent managers and qualified individuals. And what you are seeing this President do in the death throes of his administration is purging those qualified individuals and replacing them with people whose only credential is loyalty to President Trump, and replacing competent, qualified individuals with political lackeys. That is dangerous at any time. It is especially dangerous to mess around with the top leadership of our national security agencies during a transition to power.

That is what the 9/11 Commission told us. Yet what you are seeing President Trump do is play with matches when it comes to our national security

and to put personal political peeves above the national security interests of the United States.

In addition to purging individuals from some of our top national security agencies, the President is prohibiting the government of the United States, which belongs to the people of the United States, from providing daily intelligence briefings and other intelligence briefings to the incoming President, President-Elect Joe Biden.

Now, we all know that President Trump has been notorious for not being interested in those intelligence briefings, but I think that for all of us who know Joe Biden from the time he served as Senator and Vice President, we know he takes these things seriously and he takes threats that might be learned through those intelligence briefings seriously. To deny the next President of the United States access to those briefings, which is part of the tradition and part of the rules that we developed to ensure steady transfer and making sure the next President has the information needed on day one, that is outright grossly negligent when it comes to our national security. It is time for our Senate Republican colleagues to be speaking out loudly about that.

That, of course, is part of the consequence of the fact that the General Services Administration has been unwilling to provide the traditional funds to support the peaceful transfer of power. This is another gross abuse of the government, which belongs to the people of the United States, not to Donald Trump.

In addition, you have the Secretary of State, Secretary Pompeo, instructing the Department of State not to pass along messages from foreign leaders to the next President of the United States, President-Elect Joe Biden. This is, again, another gross abuse of power. And, of course, Secretary Pompeo undermined this faith in our transition of democracy himself when he talked about $_{
m the}$ fact that we are transitioning to the second Trump term.

This is the person—this is the individual—who is supposed to represent the United States of America overseas, the person who is supposed to stand up for our democracy, and yet, here, at home he is undermining faith in that democracy. And who does that give any comfort to? Our adversaries and enemies abroad, people who want our democracy to fail.

I don't know if our Republican colleagues have noticed who has congratulated the President-Elect Joe Biden and who has not among foreign leaders. Well, our democratic allies around the world have congratulated the next President of the United States, Joe Biden. The United Kingdom, France, Germany, Canada—the leaders of democratic governments and countries have all acknowledged that our democracy is working and that they are recognizing the next President of the United States.

Who has refused, so far, to congratulate the next President of the United States, Joe Biden? Vladimir Putin, President Xi. and the leader of North Korea. What President Trump is doing and what our Republican colleagues are doing by their silence is aiding and abetting these authoritarian leaders. These guys are smiling. If you are an authoritarian leader, you want nothing more than to see democracy fail—to see that model fail. These are leaders who often have their own sort of election facades, where they pretend to have a free and fair election, and then it turns out to be 90 percent for them. They are smiling at what is happening

So I hope our Republican Senate colleagues are looking at the company they are keeping among foreign leaders who are watching us, because the leaders of our democratic friends and allied countries have all recognized the outcome of this election, and it is the leaders of Russia, China, North Korea, and others who have not. That is the company that is being kept by so many Republican Senators today. And that is going to do ongoing damage to our ability around the world, as the world's oldest democracy, to stand up for the interests of liberty, freedom, and democracy.

I fear that that is not even the most damaging thing that has happened as a result of this fraud that is being perpetrated on the American people. The biggest danger is undermining the confidence of the American people themselves, or large numbers of the American people, in the outcome of this election, seeding this false narrative that somehow Donald Trump was actually the winner and that Joe Biden was somehow an illegitimate President-to-

If you look at the recent polling in the last 48 hours, what you find is that 70 percent of Republicans believe this was not a clear and fair election. That is two times as many as before the election, and that is when Donald Trump was telling everybody that, if he lost, it meant the election was rigged.

Are we really, through our silence or sometimes encouragement, going to seed the idea that because Donald Trump lost the election it was rigged? All you have to look at is the frivolous claims being made in courts around the United States and the reaction to those claims by judges, appointed by Democrats and Republicans alike, to realize what a charade this is.

Joe Biden, as a candidate, has said he wants to bring the country together. He and KAMALA HARRIS want to find a way to bring us together to find common ground. And he is looking for the opportunity to work on both sides of the aisle here in the U.S. Senate and in the House of Representatives to address urgent matters before our country.

So I ask my Republican Senate colleagues: How are you going to take the

extended hand of Joe Biden when you are telling so many of your constituents back at home that this is an illegitimate election? How are you going to do that?

What we have seen in the aftermath of this election is scary because we saw so many times over the last 4 years that our Republican Senate colleagues refused to stand up to the abuse of power of this administration, things that if the Obama administration ever thought of doing, they would be out there every day crying foul and abuse of power. But everybody enabled that conduct. And now, after the election. when Joe Biden was already 5 million votes ahead in the national vote and winning the electoral college, you would think this is a moment for everybody to come together to give the next President of the United States a chance.

I think the scary thing of what this shows is that the Republican Party has become the party of Donald Trump. I just urge my colleagues to think about the consequences of feeding into this fraud that Donald Trump was actually the one who was elected, because what you will be saying there to the 72 million Americans who voted for Donald Trump is that he is, in fact, the rightful President, and he will therefore also continue to call the shots within the Republican Party. He is doing that now, even after he has lost an election. So I just urge my colleagues to think about what they are doing each day that goes by that reinforces this false and fraudulent claim—how it is harming our democracy, how it is harming our national security, how it is going to impede Joe Biden's ability to reach out to our Republican colleagues. It is not because he doesn't want to-he does-but because you will have undermined your ability to do it by telling tens and millions of Americans that somehow this was an illegitimate election.

I ask, I implore my colleagues to think more about this as every hour goes by, because every hour that this lie continues and persists is another hour that you are harming the health of our democracy and our country.

Thank you.

I yield back.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from South Dakota.

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that I be able to conclude my remarks and that the Senator from Minnesota be able to conclude her remarks prior to the vote.

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

IMPACT AID CORONAVIRUS RELIEF ACT

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, this summer, Senator SMITH and I introduced the Impact Aid Coronavirus Relief Act. If enacted, this bill would provide much needed relief to school districts participating in the Impact Aid Program. And given the many other

strains they are feeling due to the ongoing pandemic, it can't come soon enough.

By way of background, public school districts on military installations, Tribal land, and other Federal public property, or with students living on these Federal properties, can participate in the Impact Aid Program, which includes nearly 40 school districts in the State of South Dakota.

This program is of vital importance to the financial well-being of these schools, as it reimburses them for revenue shortfalls due to the reduction or absence of a local tax base because of the presence of Federal property.

In order to determine grant awards through this program, school districts must annually calculate the number of federally connected students that they have enrolled. While generally a prudent exercise, during a pandemic, conducting this type of count has presented a new set of challenges for administrators.

The Impact Aid Coronavirus Relief Act is a commonsense, bipartisan approach that would not cost a dime yet would provide financial stability to school districts by allowing them to use last year's student headcounts on impact aid applications that they are completing this fall. Doing so would prevent the reporting of noticeable, but likely temporary, declines in student enrollment, which would lead to student reduced impact aid payments next year.

Distance learning has made collecting student data more challenging as well. Districts are also experiencing declines in student headcount due to parents choosing to temporarily homeschool their children during the pandemic.

Unless Congress allows these school districts to use last year's student headcounts on this year's impact aid applications, schools will have the undue burden of collecting this data during an otherwise challenging time and could very well experience a reduced impact aid payment next fall. Our legislation will ensure that they have certainty in the near term.

A companion of our bill passed the House by unanimous consent on October 2, and impact aid school districts are eager for the Senate to do the same. I hope we can get that done today.

I yield to the Senator from Minnesota for some comments.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Minnesota.

Ms. SMITH. Mr. President, I rise in support of my colleague Senator THUNE's request to pass the Impact Aid Coronavirus Relief Act, H.R. 8472, by unanimous consent.

As we continue to respond to the coronavirus pandemic, we need to support schools so that students can keep learning. In Congress, we have a special obligation to federally impacted schools. As my colleague Senator Thune has said, these are schools that

are located in districts with a significant amount of nontaxable land, which puts them at a significant disadvantage for raising education revenue. And we make this right by providing direct Federal payments which are crucial for their operation.

What this bill does—what our bill does—is to provide a commonsense change. It allows school districts to use student counts from the previous academic year when they submit their impact aid applications. In light of the challenges of doing a safe and active count in the midst of this coronavirus pandemic, this only makes sense.

I thank my colleague from North Dakota, Senator Thune. I have been so glad to work with him to support school districts that rely on Impact Aid Programs and to promote financial stability for these school districts during the pandemic.

I hope we can pass this bill today and get it signed into law.

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Mr. THUNE. I thank the Senator from Minnesota.

Mr. President, as if in legislative session, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 8472, which was received from the House.

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

The bill clerk read as follows:

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to proceeding?

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

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be considered read a third time and passed and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 8472) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR—Continued

CLOTURE MOTION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Pursuant to rule XXII, the Chair lays before the Senate the pending cloture motion, which the clerk will state.

The bill clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Aileen Mercedes Cannon, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

Mitch McConnell, James E. Risch, Joni Ernst, Marsha Blackburn, Mike Crapo, James Lankford, Thom Tillis, Roy Blunt, Roger F. Wicker, Pat Roberts, Mike Rounds, John Cornyn, John Hoeven, Jerry Moran, Lamar Alexander, Mike Braun, David Perdue.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. By unanimous consent, the mandatory quorum call has been waived.

The question is, Is it the sense of the Senate that debate on the nomination of Aileen Mercedes Cannon, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida, shall be brought to a close?

The yeas and nays are mandatory under the rule.

The clerk will call the roll.

The bill clerk called the roll.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senators are necessarily absent: the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER), the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BRAUN), the Senator from Georgia (Mrs. LOEFFLER), the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN), the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. PAUL), the Senator from Idaho (Mr. RISCH), the Senator from Alaska (Mr. SULLIVAN), and the Senator from Indiana (Mr. YOUNG).

Further, if present and voting, the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEX-ANDER) would have voted "yea" and the Senator from Indiana (Mr. Young) would have voted "yea."

Mr. SCHUMER. I announce that the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. BLUMENTHAL), the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN), the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS), the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. SCHATZ), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN), the Senator from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA), the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW), the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER), and the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITE-HOUSE) are necessarily absent.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. FISCHER). Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote or change their vote?

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 57, nays 21, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 227 Ex.]

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NAYS—21

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Merkley	Smith	Wyden

NOT VOTING-22

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The PRESIDING OFFICER. On this vote, the yeas are 57, the nays are 21.

The motion is agreed to.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Missouri.

APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. BLUNT. Madam President, I am pleased to be here today to talk about the 2021 appropriations bill that we filed this week for Labor, for Health and Human Services, and for Education.

Obviously, with what we have gone through this year, those three agencies have all experienced dramatic challenges—labor challenges, health challenges, education challenges. And while this bill would not specifically be a COVID relief bill, it is a bill that funds these agencies so they can move forward with their normal work rather than have to, in some piecemeal way, try to deal with their normal work while they are trying to work with us on the extraordinary circumstances of the COVID bill.

This is the largest bill—Labor, Health, and Education is the largest nondefense bill on the discretionary side of the agenda. It is about 30 percent of all the money left when the Defense appropriations is taken off the table.

There are 11 bills left at that point, but this bill has about 30 percent of all the money. It has a lot of competing priorities, from apprenticeships to biomedical research, to public health and preparedness programs, to childcare and special education. National service and community service are all in this bill.

We received 8,352 requests from Senators of things they would like to see in the bill. They are not all in there, but we did all we could to take the money we had and move forward with priorities that make sense.

I am disappointed at this point that our Democratic colleagues on the Appropriations Committee were unable to support the bill right now, but we have worked together in the past. I hope we can continue to work together to find a way forward. And, frankly, my view is if appropriations bills appear to have a path to the President's desk, that is the thing that brings us together most ouickly.

This bill continues in our sixth year of commitment to robustly and consistently funding medical research at the National Institutes of Health. We provided a \$2 billion increase on that research. We target funding toward Alzheimer's, toward precision medi-

cine, premature birth research, the BRAIN Initiative. In my time as chairman, we have actually increased NIH funding by 45 percent in budgets that often had virtually no increase at all. We truly had to work together to prioritize. We have done that.

My time as chairman is about 6 years, if you are wondering how long it took us to get that 45-percent increase. Six years ago, we hadn't had any increase for 12 years. NIH was about 22 percent behind in buying power where they had been a decade earlier. We made up that 22 percent. And actually, now, we are putting real money on the table in an environment that has never been better and never been more promising in the NIH research area.

We continue our focus of combating opioids. Between 1999 and 2018, nearly 450,000 people in the United States died from opioid overdose. These drug overdose deaths in 2018 were four times higher than in 1999. The bill provides money to deal with this. With the effort we made in this area over the last several years, we saw a consistent decrease in opioid overdoses until 2020.

Of course, the increase in 2020, in many ways, related to the pandemic and the isolation. The support structure that appeared to be working to move you from dependency was no longer there, and suddenly you are back where you were.

The bill provides a \$20 million increase for apprenticeship programs. This week, I joined the Missouri Chamber of Commerce in highlighting the importance of apprenticeships. Last year, Missouri was the second in the Nation in the number of new apprenticeships. First in the Nation is California. We are not a small State, but we are not nearly as big as California, so I think the leadership in our State the business community, the employers, the Governor, and others-has made a real difference there. We fund both registered apprenticeship programs, and it allows for industry-recognized programs as well.

Fourth, the bill invests in education, from early childhood through college and career. It increases funding for high-quality early childcare and education by more than \$150 million. It increases funding for elementary and secondary education programs that provide the most flexibility to school districts to decide how to best use those limited resources. This also includes increased investments in title I; in IDEA, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act; the title IV student support and academic enrichment grants; charter schools; and Impact Aid. It increases the maximum Pell grant award by another \$150, or a 2.4percent increase, at a time when the mandatory money is gone. To find that 2.4-percent increase, we have to find it in other programs, and some programs are just not able to fund it. If they are not working, we shouldn't fund them, and we have seen several years of growth in areas in which we have a priority like Pell grants. To do that, we had to look carefully at programs that just, frankly, were not working.

Fifth, we continue our focus on closing the care gap between mental health and physical health. Approximately one in five adults in America has a diagnosable and almost always treatable mental health problem. This bill provides an increase of almost \$200 million in the mental health area.

I would mention again the excellence of the mental health pilot. We have increased that pilot to eight States from two. We are seeing what happens in a positive way in people's other health issues when you deal with their mental health issues like it was any health issue, and it is making a difference. This year, it was reinforced again by understanding the need to address disparities in foster care, a greater diversity in healthcare, education, and the workforce.

Many populations across the country, whether defined by race, ethnicity, geography, experience higher rates of certain diseases and often lack the access to health services. This bill tries to look at that in a way that analyzes where those gaps are, and it has programs that encourage filling those gaps. Furthermore, the bill continues our efforts to ensure that these disparities are addressed through a number of programs, including workforce development programs, diverse medical community efforts, research initiatives that focus on underserved communities, programs that target health disparities, and education-workforce programs that create opportunity.

This bill prioritizes programs that provide the most benefit and greatest return for all Americans. The bill continues key program integrity activities that are aimed at reducing the waste, fraud, and abuse of taxpayer dollars. These initiatives have proven to be a worthwhile investment in their returning billions of dollars to the Treasury and allowing us to look in other places as to how we could fund that money in programs that work better and work more transparently.

This bill eliminates eight programs equaling nearly \$115 million in spending reductions by focusing on programs that are the most efficient and cost-effective and with proven outcomes. We all know that budgets are tight, but making careful choices about health spending can be one of the most valuable investments we make in Congress.

You don't have to look any further than the recent announcements about the record progress we have made in finding a vaccine for COVID-19. Through the CARES Act and other legislation, Congress provided \$18 billion for research into therapeutics and vaccines, and \$12.5 billion went to vaccines. It did it in a way that is going to allow us to set a record in having a safe vaccine available that meets the highest standards. The vaccine that appears to be the first in line for approval is 90 percent effective.

Now, I am not an expert in vaccines, so my first thought would be, well, I want a vaccine that is 100 percent effective. As it turns out, no vaccine is 100 percent effective. The measles vaccine that schoolkids took for years and that most still take is 90 percent effective. It was 9 months ago that healthcare experts said, if we could have a vaccine that was 50 percent effective, we should approve that vaccine and every other one that was at least 50 percent effective.

We are looking at vaccines that are going to help us move beyond this as we look at tests that help us move bevond this, but the fundamental foundation of all of that is in the healthcare framework that we maintain. You can't look at a pandemic and say that now it is time to think about how we do important health research. You can't look at a pandemic and say that now it is time to think about having care providers in underserved areas. You can't look at a pandemic and say that now it is time to begin to think about how you connect childcare and work and school altogether. This bill does as much of that as we could figure out how to do in the best way we could figure out how to do it.

I hope Congress can pass it. It would be a great gift to the next Congress and administration after January 20 to be able to start next year with next year's work rather than having to start next year with this year's work. Let's get this year's work done. Let's get it done now. Let's send the bill to the President that the House and Senate have agreed on, and let's get back to looking at these bills in the right way at the right time.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Tennessee.

VETERANS DAY

Mrs. BLACKBURN. Madam President, when most Americans think of the sacrifices that our veterans made in the name of defending freedom, they think of those brave men and women running toward the danger. We are grateful that, in their hearts, they have that desire, but as anyone who knows or has worked with veterans knows, they also make sacrifices that really never bubble to the surface or come to our attention. Not only do they sacrifice their own safety, they give up their personal independence, the comforts of home, their relationships with friends and family, their spouses, and their children.

Think about what an extraordinary decision they have made—that the safety and security of their fellow countrymen is worth more than losing those precious days. They have made that choice. They put that service and that sacrifice in front of their desires, in front of the desires of their family. They are, indeed, called to serve.

These are the people whom we should be looking to for comfort and inspiration during difficult times. They really do have experience in that category. They have made those sacrifices, and they have made those choices knowing that it wouldn't be easy and knowing that they may not come home, but, when they do come home, that sometimes it is tough. It is tough to get back in that groove of where you were, to rekindle those relationships.

Our younger veterans, in particular, were painfully aware of this when they put on the uniform. But do you know what? They still made that choice to serve.

Here in the Senate, we have backed legislation that really has made things easier for so many of our veterans.

When I was in the House, I was honored to help shepherd passage of the VA MISSION Act, and I was grateful to see that receive bipartisan support here in the Senate. It has, indeed, streamlined many of the processes in the VA healthcare system.

Last month, I introduced a bill to provide doula services to improve maternal health outcomes for our female veterans, a population that every single month continues to increase.

Back in August, I introduced a bill that will allow our K2 veterans to obtain the special health screenings they need to check for cancer and other illnesses caused by exposure to toxic substances in Uzbekistan.

In fact, this has been a great year for veteran support. We have passed—or are very close to passing—legislation that will improve and simplify doctor-patient relationships, recordkeeping, and mental health services, and will make those and other important benefits more accessible to our veterans and their families.

If you are not already supporting these efforts, I encourage my colleagues to support this legislation.

As the week draws to a close, I would encourage everyone to seek out veterans' stories and to internalize the knowledge that the sacrifices they made were for us. There is so much we can learn from those who have served. There is so much that they have done to help preserve our way of life and our freedoms. It is so much that they have done for the values and the institutions—things that really do transcend politics.

I reached out to many of our veterans this week and had great conversations and heard from veterans online.

I heard from William, a Tennessean who proudly served in the Air Force. He said his service was "the best decision of his entire life."

I also heard from Greg, who served as a C-130 crew chief in theatre during Desert Storm. He put off his college education when he was asked to serve.

And I would be remiss if I did not recognize the veterans who are currently serving in our office: Dana Magneson, John Clement, Jay Strobino, Dr. Karen Summar, and Paris Cervantes.

I thank each and every one of them for their service and for the continued work that they do on behalf of all Tennesseans. These brave men and women represent the hope of a nation and our promise to the rest of the world that, no matter what, the United States stands ready and willing to answer the

I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SASSE). The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

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

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

CORONAVIRUS

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. President, I have come to the floor again today to talk about the need for us, as a Congress, to come together to address this coronavirus pandemic. We have an unprecedented healthcare and economic crisis right now, and it is important for us to figure out what we can do, what we can agree on, and then move forward.

Since this pandemic began back in March, I am told I have come to the floor now 17 separate times to urge my colleagues to work together on a bipartisan basis to try to put together legislation that will enable us to respond effectively and in a focused way to the COVID-19 crisis.

We had some early successes. Remember the CARES Act that was passed back in March. That was 8 months ago—8 months ago. Really, for the last 6 months, we haven't passed anything to address this crisis. Yet the crisis has ebbed and flowed, and, right now, unfortunately, it is at an all-time high in my State of Ohio.

I have been frustrated that we can't have that same sense of urgency and willingness to work together as we had during those first couple of months of the coronavirus pandemic. It seemed to have disappeared as we entered election season; didn't it? So, as we got closer and closer to the election, there was more and more divide and inability to come together. Now we need to get back to that sense of bipartisanship—I would even say nonpartisanship in so much of this—and cooperation for the good of our country.

It is getting worse, as I said, in my State of Ohio and around the country, and I believe we can make a difference, and that is important. There are things we can do at the Federal level that would help.

Right now, we are averaging in this country over 100,000 new cases per day. That is double the rate from just 1 month ago—double the rate from 1 month ago. It was predicted as it got colder and people were inside more. The third wave has arrived.

In Ohio, the number of daily new cases has risen every day for the past month. Just last night, Ohio Governor Mike DeWine reported nearly 6,000 new cases in the last 24-hour period, compared to 1,000 cases per day that the

State experienced just at the beginning of October.

Unfortunately, it is not just about new cases. We are seeing increases in hospitalizations. We are seeing increases in patients that are in the ICU units. We are seeing increases, sadly, in fatalities. We need to do more to help this economy, too, because the economy, as the pandemic has worsened, has begun to slow.

Initially, we had impressive economic growth—no question about it—but it has begun to slow at a time when the economy is still down 10 million jobs since February. Think about that. We are still 10 million jobs short from where we were in February. What we really don't want is for those 10 million people to become long-term unemployed, who may never reenter the workforce. That is why it is important to act and act now.

Unemployment claims, which were going down, by the way, seem to have more or less flattened in most States, including Ohio. Ohio's unemployment rate, we are told, for the most recent month we have data for, which is September, was still above 8 percent. I think it is better now, but it is still way too high.

And, of course, certain sectors of the economy, like hospitality, travel, and entertainment, are really struggling badly, with no end in sight, as some States begin to reimplement these stricter social distancing measures, and some States are even putting back in place closures. So, if you are in the hospitality business, entertainment business, or travel business, you are concerned right now. To counter the spread of the virus, these closures are also going to have a terrible economic impact on businesses and on families.

These dangerous trends are putting people's lives and livelihoods at risk if we can't start to reverse them. And, again, it has been 6 months since we came together in any kind of a package and 8 months since the CARES package.

I believe there are some in Congress, including, I believe, the Speaker of the House, who were not interested in seeing a comprehensive package passed before the election. They thought it would be good politics, I guess, for President Trump. I don't know. Looking at the results of the election, I think it might have been just the opposite.

But the point is that the election is now behind us. So if that was the reason, let's forget that. Let's get something done here. Let's get this partisan gridlock off the docket on this issue, and let's focus on what is good for the American people. This is what is called the lameduck session of Congress. So that is a good time to do it. We are past the election, and the new Congress hasn't come on yet. Let's work together in good faith toward a Federal response that is focused and targeted, and we can find some common ground here.

I believe the best path forward is very close to what has been embodied in some of these more targeted proposals, including ones that we have put on the floor repeatedly here since way back in August. These bills are inclusive of some of the most important bipartisan priorities, like providing needed funding for vaccine and therapy development and like replenishing the successful PPP program for small businesses. It was included in the CARES Act, by the way, but it expired back in August. So, on August 9, the Paycheck Protection Program, or PPP, actually expired. So for these struggling small businesses, they have nowhere to turn.

How about providing funding to the schools? That is bipartisan. How about making sure that we have folks who are able to come together to help ensure that we have adequate funding for this exciting new vaccine development that we are hearing about? Anyway, when we have tried to bring these to the floor, the other side has blocked even entering into a debate about it.

Instead, Democrats have insisted on the House-passed Heroes Act, which passed in May, with almost no Republican support, which makes a bunch of controversial changes to policy unrelated to coronavirus—repealing State and local tax deductions to benefit mostly wealthy Americans and making unprecedented changes to immigration laws. What do these policies have to do with coronavirus? Nothing.

At a time of unprecedented deficits and debt, it makes those changes with a pricetag of \$3.5 trillion. And some say: Well, the Speaker is now down to \$2.4 trillion. Folks, whatever that number is, it is going to be unprecedented. We never had anything that expensive pass the Congress. It is at a time, again, when we have the highest deficit we have ever had. And our debt, as a percent of our GDP, sadly, is now 100 percent of our GDP, which it hasn't been since World War II.

We are past the contentious election season now. So let's put aside the politics and let's build a targeted, bipartisan coronavirus bill based on what we all agree works and what we agree really is needed in the face of a rapidly spreading virus.

Here are a few examples of what we can do. First, our next coronavirus response package should have the Healthy Workplace Tax Credit, which basically says: We all want people to get back to work, back to school, and back to the hospitals. But let's do it safely. This would really help the bars, the restaurants, the salons, the gyms, the bowling alleys, and other businesses to reopen safely and stay open by basically compensating them for the purchase of hand sanitizers. PPE like face shields and gloves, and for the reconfiguration of their workplaces with plexiglass, as we are seeing, and for other measures to allow for social distancing

As businesses prepare to winterize their outdoor spaces in order to prevent the spread of COVID, this payroll tax credit that is in this legislation would help offset those costs and help businesses stay open. It is just what we need to help keep our economy afloat.

This is, I think, the sweet spot. I think everyone agrees, I hope, that we should go back to work, go back to school, go back to the hospitals, and so on, but we need to do it safely. That is what this does. Shouldn't that be bipartisan? Even nonpartisan?

Second, we should invest heavily in testing and contact tracing so that States are better equipped to respond to the surge of outbreaks. Republicans and Democrats alike know that fast and accurate tests are critical to stopping the spread of this disease and getting people more comfortable going back to shopping, going back to work, going back to school, and going back to a more normal life.

The targeted bill, again, that we introduced last month that Democrats blocked had \$16 billion set aside for testing and tracing. We could use those resources right now in Ohio. I spoke to Governor DeWine earlier this week. We want the money for testing. We need it. Let's pass it now.

Third, we also need help to continue the development of these treatments and these vaccines as quickly as possible. The recent news of a potential vaccine by Pfizer with a 90-percent efficacy is really promising, but we can't take our foot off the gas on this. If we cannot address the underlying healthcare challenge with the coronavirus, we are going to be stuck playing defense against this disease for a long time.

The targeted bill from last month included \$37 billion for vaccine development and distribution and \$20 billion for therapies, which I think are really good starting points for us to at least debate what the final number should be. But let's help right now to ensure we don't slow down the vaccines and the therapies and be sure the distribution works.

In the face of a virus that seems like it is getting more and more out of hand every day, these three proposals are examples—the tax credit for safely reopening businesses, money for improved testing and tracing, and money for vaccine and therapy development. These all seem like commonsense ideas. I don't see any reason why a majority in this Chamber can't come together and build a bipartisan response based on these kind of simple policies.

Whatever we do, we can't afford to delay any longer. American lives are at stake, and we are in danger of losing ground where we gained it on the coronavirus, as this third wave threatens my home State of Ohio and our country. Let's not wait any longer. Let's come together and once again get something done that helps the people whom we represent.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mrs. HYDE-SMITH). The Senator from Pennsylvania

ROSIE THE RIVETER CONGRES-SIONAL GOLD MEDAL ACT OF

Mr. CASEY. Madam President, I rise today to urge this body to pass H.R. 1773, the Rosie the Riveter Congressional Gold Medal Act. This bill would honor the American women who joined the workforce in support of the war effort during World War II.

Millions of women dedicated themselves to strengthening our Nation and answered the call to action by joining the workforce and learning new jobs. Many of these women built the vehicles, the weaponry, and the ammunition that were critical to the war effort. Whether they worked on assembly lines, addressed the troops' medical needs, or tended to ships and farms, Rosies ensured the country continued functioning during the war while often serving as the primary caretakers for their children.

These Rosie the Riveters rose to the challenge and set a powerful example both to working women and for all Americans. Rosies not only faced gender-based discrimination, but Rosies of color fought racial discrimination, all while manufacturing planes, ships, tanks, weapons, jeeps, and everything else that was needed to defeat the enemy in World War II.

Today, their example continues to inspire generations to embody the "We can do it" spirit. The Rosies are among our Nation's greatest living heroines. They deserve recognition and formal commendation for their service to our country while they are still with us.

The Rosies who are still alive are in their nineties, and we need to honor them now. The House version of the Rosie the Riveter Gold Medal Act passed a year ago on November 13, 2019, by unanimous consent and with broad bipartisan cosponsorship. The Senate version, S. 892, which I introduced last year, has 76 cosponsors, including 36 Republicans, as well as all 26 women serving in the Senate of both parties.

This body has already made clear its overwhelming support for the bill. Each State contributed to the war effort, and each State has Rosies awaiting this award

I would like to tell you about a Rosie the Riveter from my home State of Pennsylvania. I will just put up a poster of a picture of her. As I said, she is a Pennsylvanian. Her name is Mae Krier of Levittown, PA, Bucks County, Southeastern Pennsylvania. Mae worked in a Boeing factory where she helped make B-17 and B-29 warplanes as a teenager during World War II. Mae is now 94 years old and has been working to recognize and honor her fellow Rosies—not for years; she has been working on this for decades.

Mae is a patriot. And Mae is now serving her country yet again during another crisis. She has spent the better part of this year making face masks for those who need them. These polka-dot masks are reminiscent of the bandanna worn by the woman in the famous "We Can Do It" poster.

Mae is the embodiment of the "We Can Do It" spirit. For over 70 years, from the Boeing assembly line where she worked to her sewing machine today, Mae has devoted herself to the betterment of the Nation.

She and her fellow Rosies have earned this Congressional Gold Medal. Many of Mae's friends—her fellow Rosies—have passed away without the recognition that they are worthy of. Thousands more are eagerly awaiting the passage of this bill, in addition to the families of the Rosies who have died.

This honor has already been delayed for far too long. I urge my colleagues to pass this important, time-sensitive legislation.

So, Madam President, as if in legislative session, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be discharged, and the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 1773.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 1773) to award a Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the women in the United States who joined the workforce during World War II, providing the aircraft, vehicles, weaponry, ammunition and other material to win the war, that were referred to as "Rosie the Riveter", in recognition of their contributions to the United States and the inspiration they have provided to ensuing generations.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to proceeding?

There being no objection, the committee was discharged, and the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. CASEY. I ask unanimous consent that the bill be considered read a third time and passed and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bill (H.R. 1773) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

Mr. CASEY. Thank you.

NOMINATION OF AILEEN MERCEDES CANNON

Mr. SCOTT of Florida. Madam President, I rise today to support the confirmation of Aileen Mercedes Cannon to serve as a U.S. District Court Judge for the Southern District of Florida. Ms. Cannon has a distinguished record of public service, during which she has demonstrated a firm commitment to upholding the United States Constitution and respecting the rule of law. She began her legal career as a law clerk for Judge Steven Colloton on the Eighth Circuit United States Court of Appeals and has served with the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Florida since 2013. I am confident that she will continue to serve the Southern District of Florida well once she is confirmed to the bench, and I am proud to support her confirmation today.

Mr. CASEY. 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.

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

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

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR—Continued

Mr. TOOMEY. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the vote begin now.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, all postcloture time has expired.

The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the Cannon nomination?

Mr. TOOMEY. I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senators are necessarily absent: the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER), the Senator from Indiana (Mr. BRAUN), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. BURR), the Senator from Georgia (Mrs. LOEFFLER), the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN), the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. PAUL), the Senator from Idaho (Mr. RISCH), the Senator from Alaska (Mr. SULLIVAN), and the Senator from Indiana (Mr. YOUNG).

Further, if present and voting, the Senator from Indiana (Mr. YOUNG) would have voted "yea" and the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) would have voted "yea."

Mr. SCHUMER. I announce that the Connecticut Senator from BLUMENTHAL), the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN), the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ), the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS), the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. SCHATZ), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN), the Senator from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA), the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW), the Senator from Montana (Mr. TESTER), and the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITE-HOUSE) are necessarily absent.

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

The result was announced—yeas 56, nays 21, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 228 Ex.]

YEAS-56

NAYS-21

Baldwin	Gillibrand	Reed
Bennet	Hirono	Schumer
Booker	King	Smith
Brown	Klobuchar	Udall
Cardin	Markey	Van Hollen
Casey	Merkley	Warren
Duckworth	Peters	Wyden

NOT VOTING-23

Alexander	Loeffler	Shaheen
Blumenthal	Menendez	Sinema
Braun	Moran	Stabenow
Burr	Murray	Sullivan
Cantwell	Paul	Tester
Durbin	Risch	Whitehouse
Harris	Sanders	Young
Heinrich	Schatz	roung

The nomination was confirmed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the motion to reconsider is considered made and laid upon the table and the President will be notified immediately of the Senate's action.

The majority leader.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I move to proceed to legislative session.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I move to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 892.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of Kristi Haskins Johnson, of Mississippi, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi.

CLOTURE MOTION

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Kristi Haskins Johnson, of Mississippi, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi.

Mitch McConnell, Mike Crapo, Tom Cotton, David Perdue, Mike Rounds, Pat Roberts, Cindy Hyde-Smith, Kevin Cramer, Lindsey Graham, Thom Tillis, Tim Scott, James E. Risch, Michael B. Enzi, John Cornyn, Roger F. Wicker, John Thune, John Boozman.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I move to proceed to legislative session.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I move to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 891.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of Benjamin Joel Beaton, of Kentucky, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Kentucky.

CLOTURE MOTION

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Benjamin Joel Beaton, of Kentucky, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Kentucky.

Mitch McConnell, Mike Crapo, Tom Cotton, David Perdue, Mike Rounds, Pat Roberts, Cindy Hyde-Smith, Kevin Cramer, Lindsey Graham, Thom Tillis, Tim Scott, James E. Risch, Michael B. Enzi, John Cornyn, Roger F. Wicker, John Thune, John Boozman.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I move to proceed to legislative session

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I move to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 760.

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

The motion was agreed to.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of Judy Shelton, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the unexpired term of fourteen years from February 1, 2010.

CLOTURE MOTION

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Judy Shelton, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the unexpired term of fourteen years from February 1, 2010.

Mitch McConnell, John Thune, Marsha Blackburn, Joni Ernst, Pat Roberts, John Cornyn, Lindsey Graham, Deb Fischer, Tim Scott, Lamar Alexander, Kevin Cramer, Mike Braun, John Hoeven, Mike Crapo, Michael B. Enzi, John Boozman, Thom Tillis.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

 $\mbox{Mr.}$ McCONNELL. Madam President, I move to proceed to legislative session.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I move to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 862.

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

The motion was agreed to.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of Toby Crouse, of Kansas, to be United States District Judge for the District of Kansas.

CLOTURE MOTION

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Toby Crouse, of Kansas, to be United States District Judge for the District of Kansas.

Mitch McConnell, James E. Risch, Joni Ernst, Marsha Blackburn, Mike Crapo, James Lankford, Thom Tillis, Roy Blunt, Roger F. Wicker, Pat Roberts, Mike Rounds, John Cornyn, John Hoeven, Jerry Moran, Lamar Alexander, Mike Braun, David Perdue.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I move to proceed to legislative session.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I move to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 566.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of Stephen A. Vaden, of Tennessee, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade.

CLOTURE MOTION

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Stephen A. Vaden, of Tennessee, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade.

Mitch McConnell, Cindy Hyde-Smith, Thom Tillis, John Thune, Mike Crapo, Mike Rounds, Steve Daines, Kevin Cramer, Richard Burr, John Cornyn, Shelley Moore Capito, Todd Young, John Boozman, David Perdue, James E. Risch, Lindsey Graham, Roger F. Wicker.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I move to proceed to legislative session.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I move to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 894.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of Kathryn Kimball Mizelle, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.

CLOTURE MOTION

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Kathryn Kimball Mizelle, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.

Mitch McConnell, Chuck Grassley, Mike Crapo, Shelley Moore Capito, John Cornyn, Cindy Hyde-Smith, Steve Daines, Mike Lee, Ron Johnson, Thom Tillis, Richard Burr, Pat Roberts, Cory Gardner, Tom Cotton, John Boozman, John Hoeven, Lindsey Graham.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I move to proceed to legislative session.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I move to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 893.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of Taylor B. McNeel, of Mississippi, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi.

CLOTURE MOTION

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Taylor B. McNeel, of Mississippi, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi.

Mitch McConnell, Mike Crapo, Tom Cotton, David Perdue, Mike Rounds, Pat Roberts, Cindy Hyde-Smith, Kevin Cramer, Lindsey Graham, Thom Tillis, Tim Scott, James E. Risch, Michael B. Enzi, John Cornyn, Roger F. Wicker, John Thune, John Boozman.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Texas.

CORONAVIRUS

Mr. CORNYN. Madam President, the world is celebrating major developments in the global race for a vaccine. All year, since this pandemic hit, our greatest scientific minds have been working around the clock to develop a vaccine that will finally bring the pandemic and the crisis associated with it to an end. Researchers are testing dozens of vaccines in the hope of finding at least one that can stop the spread of the virus, which has claimed more than 1.2 million lives worldwide and nearly 240,000 here in the United States alone.

Early data from Pfizer's vaccine trial gives us a lot of reasons to be hopeful when the company announced on Monday that its vaccine was more than 90 percent effective in preventing the discase. For reference, standard flu vaccines for the seasonal flu are typically 40 to 60 percent effective, so 90 percent is a big deal. This breakthrough is a testament to the ingenuity and the near-universal commitment to trying to find a vaccine that will eliminate the threat of this pandemic, and it is a sign of hope for all people around the world.

Later this month, once Pfizer has collected the recommended 2 months of safety data, the company plans to request emergency authorization for the vaccine from the Food and Drug Administration. By the end of the year, it will have manufactured enough doses to immunize 15 to 20 million people. Congress has made tremendous investments in the development of therapeutics and of vaccines through the CARES Act, and I am incredibly proud of the men and women who have led this fight on the frontlines, including in my State of Texas.

During preclinical trials over the summer, scientists at the Texas Biomedical Research Institute in San Antonio tested the Pfizer vaccine on monkeys, with impressive results. Dr. Deepak Kaushal, who oversaw the study, said they saw a 100-percent protection rate in the monkeys that were given the Pfizer vaccine.

Once it was ready for human trials, hundreds of Texans volunteered to be vaccinated. Nearly 200 patients from Austin have participated in the study. The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston has enrolled more than 500 participants at its three sites in Galveston, League City, and Clear

Lake City, and hundreds more in the Dallas-Forth Worth area have volunteered to be part of the trial.

One of those Texans is a woman named Andrea Lucia, who received her first dose of the vaccine from a clinic in Keller, TX, in late September and returned for the second dose 3 weeks later. Like other volunteers in a double-blind study, where half gets a placebo and the other half gets the vaccine. Andrea doesn't know if she received the vaccine or not, but every week, she is asked if she has any symptoms. Andrea said she will have occasional followup appointments over the next year and a half, and once the vaccine becomes publicly available, she will find out if she received it already through the clinical trials.

I thank Andrea and the thousands of men and women like her who have volunteered to test these vaccines in the ongoing clinical trials. They have risked their own health to ensure the world can access a safe and effective vaccine as quickly as possible and, of course, subject to the determination by the Food and Drug Administration that it is safe and effective.

Of course, none of this would be possible without the brilliant researchers, scientists, doctors, and nurses who sprinted at full speed in the race for this vaccine for months on end. America is proud of their heroic work, and we will keep cheering them on and supporting their work as the race for a vaccine continues.

END-OF-YEAR PRIORITIES

Madam President, finally, while the election updates have dominated headlines over the last week or so, the work of the 116th Congress is far from being finished.

As I mentioned yesterday, my top priority is to pass another coronavirus relief package. We need to ensure that our researchers and scientists have the resources they need to continue to make progress on the therapeutics and eventual vaccine and the money and the logistical organization needed to deploy the vaccine once it is finally approved. I suspect that there will not just be one vaccine but, hopefully, multiple vaccines available.

We also need to make sure that our ongoing economic recovery keeps trending in the right direction.

While addressing this pandemic should be our top priority, we can't take our eyes off of other threats. Over the last few months, I have been working with a bipartisan group of Senators and others in the House to advance legislation to address our vulnerabilities in one of our most critical supply chains. This is one of the most significant lessons this virus has taught us—the vulnerability of some critical supply chains. One of those is for semiconductors.

Regardless of how much the average consumer knows about semiconductors, these chips, these integrated circuits, are everywhere. They are in the technology for everything, including our cell phones to the advanced weapons systems that support our national security and defense. Yet, for all of the ways our dependence on products that use semiconductors has grown, so has our vulnerability, because the U.S. production of these chips has declined over the last two decades. It will come as no surprise that other countries have stepped in to fill the void.

China has gone from manufacturing zero semiconductors to manufacturing 16 percent of the world's supply. You can bet it doesn't plan to stop there. China is preparing to invest another \$1.4 trillion in semiconductor technologies. If you are looking for a reason that this is so dangerous, just look at the personal protective equipment shortages we faced at the start of this pandemic. The need was so high that hospitals asked the public to help boost their supplies. They took donations from folks who had extra boxes of N95 masks in their garages, and they took gloves from salons that had closed their doors to help in the mitigation efforts.

We didn't reach that point because of there being a lack of preparation by hospitals but, rather, because of our reliance—our dependence, if you will—on other countries, notably China, to produce this medical gear. It has been a wake-up call and a reminder that we need to take action today to protect our most critical supply chains from similar vulnerabilities. If we are going to regain lost ground in semiconductor manufacturing, it is going to require a strategic investment by the Federal Government.

That is where the legislation I introduced with our colleague, the senior Senator from Virginia, Senator WARNER, comes in, which is called the CHIPS for America Act. It creates a Federal incentive program, through the Department of Commerce, to encourage semiconductor manufacturing in the United States. This will, we hope, help to stimulate domestic advanced semiconductor manufacturing and boost both our national security and our global economic competitiveness.

We worked hand in glove with Senator COTTON from Arkansas and with Senator Schumer, the Democratic leader, in drafting an amendment that was adopted by the whole Senate by a vote of 96 to 4 in the national defense authorization bill. So, as you can see, this is a priority for both the Republicans and the Democrats in the House and in the Senate, and I am optimistic that it will head to the President's desk with the full National Defense Authorization Act in the coming weeks. Yet this just means we are halfway there

The next step is funding. I am working with colleagues on both sides to ensure we can provide the full funding for this legislation and finally restore American leadership in semiconductor manufacturing. This is key to our long-term national security and economic

competitiveness, and it will be one of my top priorities in the coming weeks as the Senate prepares to consider appropriations bills.

It is no longer possible for us just to leave this sort of laissez-faire free market economics. Our competitors—notably, Communist China—are investing billions of dollars in everything from 5G to artificial intelligence, to quantum computers. They don't have to go through a democratic or constitutional process like we do in order to appropriate money for that purpose.

I just think it is time for us to rethink and maybe reset the way we view our vulnerabilities and our need to be competitive and, indeed, to win that competition with countries like Communist China, which do not play by the same set of rules as we do.

Before the end of the year, I also hope we can get another piece of legislation across the finish line called the Jenna Quinn Law, which is the ultimate example of noncontroversial, consensus legislation. Senator HASSAN of New Hampshire is my partner on this particular bill. It is named for an inspiring Texan who is one of more than 42 million adult survivors of child sexual abuse nationwide. Sadly, these victims often stay silent for months, years, or some for even a lifetime, and as a result, they and countless other victims continue to be subjected to abuse.

Jenna has devoted her life to interrupting this cycle. She was the driving force behind a State law in Texas which requires training for teachers and caregivers and other adults who work with children on how to prevent, recognize, and report child sexual abuse. The signs of child sexual abuse are unique from other forms of child abuse, and correctly identifying these signs is integral to bringing children out of an abusive situation.

After our State law passed in 2009, one study found educators reported child sexual abuse at a rate almost four times greater after training than they did before training. It was one of the first child sexual abuse prevention laws in the United States to mandate such training, and now more than half of the States have adopted some form of Jenna's Law.

Well, you might ask, if the States are passing these laws, why would we need to pass one here at the Federal level? Many States that have required training simply don't have funding for these programs. The Jenna Quinn law, when we pass it out of the House and it is signed by the President, will change that. It will allow the Department of Health and Human Services to make grants to be used for specialized training for students, teachers, and caregivers to learn how to identify, safely report, and hopefully prevent future child sexual abuse. It encourages States without similar laws to implement innovative programs to address child sexual abuse.

The Jenna Quinn Law passed the Senate unanimously here in September, and common sense would lead you to think it would pass in the House quickly and land on the President's desk without delay. Unfortunately, common sense doesn't always prevail here in Washington. Some in the House have chosen to hold this lifesaving legislation in an effort to advance a partisan bill that has no chance of passing in the Senate.

That is what many people hate about this place—holding hostage a consensus, bipartisan, child sexual assault victim prevention bill to help advance another partisan bill that has no chance of passing. We all know that an all-or-nothing approach here in Washington and particularly in Congress leaves you in the end with nothing. And when it comes to something as grave and consequential as child sexual abuse, that should not be an option.

As I have said before, this is a bipartisan bill that received unanimous support here in the Senate.

I have worked with several House Democrats on this legislation, including Congresswoman Susan Wild, who is the lead sponsor, and Congresswoman Haley Stevens, both of whom are members of the committee that has so far not even taken up the bill in the House. I have also been joined by two fellow Texans—Congressmen Michael McCaul and Ron Wright—who have seen the incredible impact Jenna's Law has had in our State.

I hope our Democratic colleagues will push back on their leaders who are basically dragging their feet on this legislation and get it passed so we can save lives.

As families have isolated at home during the pandemic, signs of abuse have been harder and harder to identify. Teachers, education professionals, and other support staff at schools, like busdrivers, are responsible for more than half of the child sexual abuse reports, but obviously, if our children aren't going to the classroom, those reports are declining.

With children at home during the pandemic—out of sight from their teachers and other adults who would otherwise see them on a routine basiswe have seen a 40-percent decrease in reports compared to the same time last year. Well, normally, that would be great news. Any reduction in reports of child sexual abuse would be great news. But based on everything we know about the stresses and circumstances created by this pandemic and the fact that the children have to be in school to get identified as being a victim, this reduction in reports is distressing for all the obvious reasons. It is just not being identified or reported like it should be.

The need to pass this legislation to help our most vulnerable escape the cycle of abuse has never been greater. So I would urge all of our colleagues and particularly our House colleagues to pass the Jenna Quinn Law without

delay so we can get it to the President's desk so we can provide the help victims of child sexual abuse need as soon as possible.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Virginia.

2020 ELECTIONS

Mr. KAINE. Madam President, on November 9, 2016, I had one of the most memorable experiences of my life.

I stood on a hotel stage in New York City and, as my party's nominee for Vice President, introduced Secretary Hillary Clinton to address her supporters and the Nation for a concession speech. The polls in the Western United States had just been closed for about 10 hours, and it was a mere 8 hours after news organizations had called the 2016 election for Donald Trump.

Hillary Clinton had made history. She was the first woman nominee of a major party for President, and she had won the popular vote by millions of votes.

She was also deeply concerned about the election itself. Candidate Donald Trump had openly solicited help from a foreign adversary to win the election. While the dimensions of the foreign misinformation campaign were not yet fully clear, the Nation's intelligence community had publicly warned that a foreign country was active in efforts to undermine Secretary Clinton's candidacy and create chaos and division in the American electorate.

But Hillary Clinton was and is a patriotic American. She knew that she was behind by nearly 77,000 votes in the key States of Pennsylvania, Michigan, and Wisconsin. She knew that it was highly unlikely that recounts would change any of those three deficits in any appreciable way.

I watched Secretary Clinton struggle with the war between her personal feelings and her earnest search for what was right for the country, and I struggled with those same feelings. I was proud of Secretary Clinton when she walked to a microphone and said these words:

Last night, I congratulated Donald Trump and offered to work with him on behalf of our country. I hope that he will be a successful president for all Americans. This is not the outcome we wanted or we worked so hard for and I'm sorry that we did not win the election for the values we share and the vision we hold for our country.

We have seen that our nation is more deeply divided than we thought. But I still believe in America and I always will. And if you do, then we must accept this result and then look to the future. Donald Trump is going to be our next president. We owe him an open mind and the chance to lead.

Our constitutional democracy enshrines the peaceful transfer of power and we don't just respect that, we cherish it.

It takes a strong moral compass to quickly set aside personal disappointment and choose country over your own personal feelings. Hillary Clinton demonstrated leadership that day.

I take the floor today to ask why Donald Trump won't put the country over his personal feelings, but I particularly want to ask my Republican Senate colleagues: Why won't you ask the President of your party to do the right thing and put the interests of the country over personal or partisan pursuits?

It is now 9 days after election day. It is 5 days since all major news organizations called the Presidential election for Joe Biden and KAMALA HARRIS. Donald Trump is now behind in the popular vote by more than 5 million votes, and that number is rising. Some suggest that the ultimate margin will be closer to 7 million votes. Donald Trump is behind in the key States of Pennsylvania, Michigan, and Wisconsin—not by the 77,000-vote margin of 4 years ago but by nearly 220,000 votes, and that number is going up every day. Donald Trump has lost two other key States that he won in 2016-Georgia and Arizona. Yet how is President Trump acting? Like a spoiled child.

But it is not just a childish refusal to concede a loss; in his weakness, he is willing to speak and act in ways destructive to our democracy. He has not reached out to President-Elect Biden. He has not conceded. He and his White House team are instructing Federal agencies not to cooperate with the Biden transition. He is not allowing congressionally appropriated moneys to be used by the Biden transition. He is spreading unfounded rumors about voter fraud or irregularities without meaningful evidence. He is trashing hard-working election officials—even Republican officials—with his baseless claims. As reported yesterday by Militarv.com, his legal team is even branding as fraudulent ballots sent in by American service men and women and their families.

Just as ominous, President Trump is starting a purge of officials at the Pentagon, beginning with the firing of Defense Secretary Mark Esper. The officials the President is now jamming into short-term acting roles at the Pentagon include some who are unqualified and some who even Republican members of the Senate Armed Services Committee have previously determined are unfit to serve. These actions send a message of chaos and instability to adversaries around the world at the very time when the United States should be trying to send a message of calm and order.

It is futile to ask President Trump to put country over his personal interests. He has not been willing to do that. But I do ask my Senate Republican colleagues: Won't you concede that the country has elected a new President? Won't you speak out against baseless claims of voter fraud that whip up dangerous division at home, demean hardworking election officials, and paint an embarrassing picture of the United States around the world? Won't you demand that the Trump administration allow the Biden transition team the resources that we in Congress have provided to assist in that important task?

Won't you ask the President to avoid massive firings or other personnel actions in the lameduck period that heighten the sense of American instability? Won't you stand up for the proposition that peaceful transfers of power are a sacred part of our American heritage?

I recently took a look at comments that I made on the floor at this very spot on February 4. I was worried then, but my comments read even more frightening now. I stood here to explain my vote for impeachment. I said then:

"Unchallenged evil spreads like a virus. We have allowed a toxic President to infect the Senate and warp its behavior. An acquittal will lead to worse behavior."

The acquittal of this President has led to worse behavior. He is willing to demean our democracy in the eyes of the world because he is too weak to acknowledge that he lost an election. But there is still time for the Senate to be the adult leaders that this Nation so badly needs. Patriotic and mature leadership will not come from the President or the administration. The Senate must provide it.

And in the Senate, at this moment, strong Republican leadership to condemn President Trump's foolishness is key. When we Democrats stand up against the President, it makes little difference. We just get discounted by the President and his supporters. They are quickly forming a dangerous "Lost Cause" mythology about a stolen election. Every single Member of this Chamber knows that the myth that is being perpetrated is a lie. But some people will fall for the myth unless Republicans are willing to stand up and call out the lie.

The next 10 weeks are filled with peril. With COVID cases rising, hospitalizations increasing, deaths tragically multiplying, and people and businesses still suffering, we should be laser-focused on crushing this virus and rebuilding the American economy. The United States does not have the luxury to engage in conspiracy theories and multiple bogus election challenges.

To my colleagues, especially my Republican colleagues, the Nation needs the Senate right now to send a message of calm transition to a new administration. Please put our country first.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.
The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SCOTT of Florida). The clerk will call the roll

The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

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

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

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. BLUNT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate

proceed to legislative session and 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.

(At the request of Mr. Schumer, the following statement was ordered to be printed in the RECORD.)

VOTE EXPLANATION

• Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I was necessarily absent for roll call vote No. 227, motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Aileen Mercedes Cannon to be a Judge for the Southern District of Florida. Had I been present for the vote, I would have voted nay.

Mr. President, I was necessarily absent for roll call vote No. 228, confirmation of the nomination of Aileen Mercedes Cannon to be a Judge for the Southern District of Florida. Had I been present for the vote, I would have voted nay.

(At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the following statement was ordered to be printed in the RECORD.)

VOTE EXPLANATION

• Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, I was absent due to a family health matter requiring my attention when the Senate voted on vote No. 227 on the motion to invoke cloture on Executive Calendar No. 863, Aileen Mercedes Cannon, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida. On vote No. 227, had I been present, I would have voted yea.

Mr. President, I was absent due to a family health matter requiring my attention when the Senate voted on vote No. 228 on confirmation of Executive Calendar No. 863, Aileen Mercedes Cannon, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida. On vote No. 228, had I been present, I would have voted yea.

(At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the following statement was ordered to be printed in the RECORD.)

VOTE EXPLANATION

• Ms. HARRIS. Mr. President, I was absent, but had I been present I would have voted no on rollcall vote No. 177, the motion to invoke cloture on Executive Calendar No. 812, of David W. Dugan, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois.

Mr. President, I was absent, but had I been present I would have voted no on rollcall vote No. 178, the motion to invoke cloture on Executive Calendar No. 813, Stephen P. McGlynn, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois.

Mr. President, I was absent, but had I been present I would have voted no on rollcall vote No. 179, the confirmation of Executive Calendar No. 812, of David W. Dugan, of Illinois, to be United

States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois.

Mr. President, I was absent, but had I been present I would have voted no on rollcall vote No. 180, the confirmation of Executive Calendar No. 813, Stephen P. McGlynn, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois.

Mr. President, I was absent, but had I been present I would have voted no on rollcall vote No. 222, the motion to invoke cloture on Executive Calendar No. 890, Amy Coney Barrett, of Indiana, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

BUDGET SCOREKEEPING REPORT

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, I rise to submit to the Senate the budget scorekeeping report for November 2020. This is my fourth scorekeeping report since I filed the deemed budget resolution for fiscal year 2021 on May 4, 2020, as required by the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2019, BBA19. The report compares current-law levels of spending and revenues with the amounts agreed to in BBA19. In the Senate, this information is used to determine whether budgetary points of order lie against pending legislation. The Republican staff of the Budget Committee and the Congressional Budget Office, CBO, prepared this report pursuant to section 308(b) of the Congressional Budget Act, CBA. The information included in this report is current through November 6, 2020.

Since I filed the last scorekeeping report on September 10, 2020, two measures with significant enforceable budgetary effects have been enacted. The first measure, the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 and Other Extensions Act, P.L. 116-159, continued funding for all 12 annual appropriations bills through December 11, 2020, and extended or modified numerous surface transportation, healthcare, nutrition and commodities, veterans' health and benefits, and immigration programs and policies. The authorizing nonemergency provisions of the bill, which were scored to the Finance (Division C), Agriculture (Division D), and Veterans' Affairs (Division E) committees, would increase the deficit \$97.6 billion in fiscal year 2021, \$7.1 billion over fiscal year 2021-2025, and \$8.4 billion over fiscal year 2021-2030. The bill passed the Senate by a vote of 84-10.

The second measure, the Extension of the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act, P.L. 116–164, extended preferential duty treatment for certain apparel items produced in the Caribbean Basin through fiscal year 2030. It also extended the date through which certain customs user fees and merchandise processing fees may be collected from September 30, 2029, to October 21, 2029. CBO estimated the bill would decrease revenue by \$299 million over the fiscal year 2021–2030 period, but the fee extensions would reduce direct outlays by \$435 million in fiscal year 2030. On net,

the bill would reduce deficits by \$136 million over the fiscal year 2021–2030 budget window. This bill cleared the Senate by unanimous consent and was charged to the Finance Committee.

Budget Committee Republican staff prepared Tables A-D.

Table A provides the amount by which each Senate authorizing committee exceeds or falls below its allocations for budget authority and outlays under the fiscal year 2021 deemed budget resolutions. This information is used for enforcing committee allocations pursuant to section 302 of the CBA. As the table shows, five committees are currently out of compliance with their allocations. The Finance Committee's fiscal year 2021 breach is the largest for this recording period and primarily stems from Division C, title V of P.L. 116-159, which provided accelerated and advanced payments to Medicare providers. CBO estimated that these advanced payments would be recouped in future years.

Table B provides the amount by which the Senate Committee on Appropriations is below or exceeds the statutory spending limits. This information is used to determine points of order related to the spending caps found in sections 312 and 314 of the CBA. Appropriations for fiscal year 2021, displayed in this table, show that the Appropriations Committee is currently compliant with spending limits for fiscal year 2021. As of this filing, no full-year annual appropriations bills have been enacted and figures displayed represent advanced and permanent appropriations previously provided as well as full-year anomalies from the most recently enacted continuing resolution. Notably, P.L. 116-159 provided a fullyear annual appropriation of \$13 million for costs associated with the upcoming Presidential inauguration in January. This appropriation is categorized as nonsecurity and has been charged to the Financial Services and General Government subcommittee.

Table C displays figures related to the limit on the use of changes in mandatory programs, CHIMPs, in appropriations bills. This \$15 billion CHIMP limitation for fiscal year 2021 is found in section 207 of BBA19. The Appropriations Committee is currently in compliance with this limit.

Table D provides the amount of budget authority enacted for fiscal year 2021 that has been designated as either for an emergency or for overseas contingency operations—OCO—pursuant to section 251 (b)(2)(A) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended. Funding that receives either of these designations results in cap adjustments to enforceable discretionary spending limits. There are no limits on either emergency or OCO spending; however, any Senator may challenge the designation with a point of order to strike the designation on the floor. No new budget authority with either of these designations has been enacted for fiscal year 2021.

In addition to the tables provided by Budget Committee Republican staff, I am submitting CBO tables which I will use to enforce budget totals approved by Congress.

For fiscal year 2021, CBO annualizes the effects of the last continuing resolution, which provides funding through December 11, 2020. For the enforcement of budgetary aggregates under section 311 of the CBA, the Budget Committee historically excludes temporary funding. As such, the current law levels, which exclude the temporary effects of the continuing resolution, are \$1,079.0 billion and \$569.6 billion in budget authority and outlays, respectively, below allowable levels, Tables 1 and 2. This spending room will be spent down as regular appropriations bills are enacted for the budget year. Revenues exceed assumed levels by \$267 million, \$1.4 billion, and \$2.8 billion over the fiscal year 2021, fiscal year 2021-2025, and fiscal year 2021-2030 periods, respectively. Social Security levels are at the levels assumed by the fiscal year 2021 deemed budget.

CBO's report also provides information needed to enforce the Senate Pay-As-You-Go, PAYGO, rule, table 3. This rule is enforced under section 4106 of the 2018 budget resolution. The Senate PAYGO scorecard currently shows enacted deficit increases in every enforceable window. The largest debit on the scorecard is \$17.1 billion over the fiscal year 2020–2030 period. The deficit increases caused by the authorizing provisions of the most recently enacted continuing resolution were excluded from the PAYGO scorecard pursuant to a direction in that law.

This submission also includes a table tracking the Senate's budget enforcement activity on the floor since the enforcement filing on May 4, 2020. No points of order have been raised since my September report.

All years in the accompanying tables are fiscal years.

I ask unanimous consent that the accompanying tables be printed in the RECORD.

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

TABLE A.—SENATE AUTHORIZING COMMITTEES—ENACTED DIRECT SPENDING ABOVE (+) OR BELOW (-) BUDGET RESOLUTIONS

[In millions of dollars]

	2021	2021- 2025	2021- 2030
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry			
Budget Authority	8,418	10,002	12.089
Outlays	8.261	9,676	
Armed Services	0,201	0,070	11,102
Budget Authority	0	0	0
Outlays	ň	ň	Õ
Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs	· ·	· ·	·
Budget Authority	0	1	21
Outlays	0	7	21
Commerce, Science, and Transportation	U	7	21
Budget Authority	0	0	0
	0	0	0
Outlays Energy and Natural Resources	U	U	U
	2.820	14.420	19.410
Budget Authority			
Outlays	310	5,870	17,280
Environment and Public Works			
Budget Authority	0	Ü	Ü
Outlays	0	0	0
Finance			
Budget Authority	89,738	373	-432

TABLE A.—SENATE AUTHORIZING COMMITTEES—ENACTED DIRECT SPENDING ABOVE (+) OR BELOW (-) BUDGET RESOLUTIONS—Continued

[In millions of dollars]

	2021	2021- 2025	2021- 2030
Outlays	89,644	-1,116	- 435
Foreign Relations Budget Authority	0	0	0
Outlays	Õ	0	0
Homeland Security and Governmental Af-	v	Ū	·
Budget Authority	0	0	0
Outlays	0	0	0
Judiciary			
Budget Authority	0	0	0
Outlays	0	0	0
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions		0	
Budget Authority	0	0	0
Outlays	U	U	U
Budget Authority	0	0	0
Outlays	ň	ŏ	Ů
Intelligence	•		
Budget Authority	0	0	0
Outlays	0	0	0
Veterans' Affairs			_
Budget Authority	13	- 86	7
Outlays	13	-86	7
Indian Affairs	0	0	0
Budget Authority Outlays	0	0	0
Small Business	U	U	U
Budget Authority	0	0	0
Outlays	ŏ	ő	Ö
Total			
Budget Authority	100,989	24,713	31,095
Outlays	98,228	14,348	28,335

This table is current through November 6, 2020. This table tracks the spending effects of enacted legislation compared to allowable levels for authorizing committees. Initial allocations for the 2021, 2021–2025, and 2021–2030 periods can be found in the Chairman's May 4, 2020 filing in the Congressional Record.

TABLE B.—SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE— ENACTED REGULAR DISCRETIONARY APPROPRIATIONS ¹

[Budget authority, in millions of dollars]

	202	1
	Security ²	Nonsecurity ²
Statutory Discretionary Limits	671,500	626,500
Amount Provided by Senate App	ropriations Subcom	nmittee
Agriculture, Rural Development, and		
Related Agencies	0	7
Commerce, Justice, Science, and Re-		
lated Agencies	0	0
Defense	45	0
Energy and Water Development	0	0
Financial Services and General Govern-		
ment	0	13
Homeland Security	0	9
Interior, Environment, and Related		
Agencies	0	0
Labor, Health and Human Services,	0	24.070
Education, and Related Agencies	0	24,679
Legislative Branch	U	1
and Related Agencies	0	83,233
State, Foreign Operations, and Re-	U	03,233
lated Programs	0	0
Transportation and Housing and Urban	·	
Development, and Related Agencies	0	4,400
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Current Level Total	45	112,342
Total Enacted Above (+) or Below		
(—) Statutory Limits	− 671,455	− 514,158

This table is current through November 6, 2020.

This table excludes spending pursuant to adjustments to the discretionary spending limits. These adjustments are allowed for certain purposes in section 25(b)(2) of BBEDCA.

2 Security spending is defined as spending in the National Defence had

² Security spending is defined as spending in the National Defense budget function (050) and nonsecurity spending is defined as all other spending.

TABLE C.—SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE—EN-ACTED CHANGES IN MANDATORY SPENDING PROGRAMS (CHIMPS)

[Budget authority, millions of dollars]

	2021
CHIMPS Limit for Fiscal Year 2021	15,000
Senate Appropriations Subcommittees	
Agriculture, Rural Development, and Related Agencies Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Defense	0 0 0
Energy and Water Development	0
Homeland Security	0
lated Agencies	0

TABLE C.—SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE—EN-ACTED CHANGES IN MANDATORY SPENDING PROGRAMS (CHIMPS)—Continued

[Budget authority, millions of dollars]

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[Budget authority, millions of dollars]

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[Budget authority, millions of dollars]

20	021		2021		2021
Legislative Branch	0	Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies	0	Total CHIMPS Above(+) or Below(-) Budget Resolution	-15,000
Agencies	0	Current Level Total	0	This table is current through November 6, 2020.	

TABLE D.—SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE—ENACTED EMERGENCY AND OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS SPENDING

[Budget authority, millions of dollars]

Emergency and Overseas Contingency Operations Designated Spending	2021			
	Emergency		Overseas Contingency Operations	
	Security 1	Nonsecurity ¹	Security 1	Nonsecurity 1
Current Level Total	0	0	0	0

This table is current through November 6, 2020.

¹ Security spending is defined as spending in the National Defense budget function (050) and nonsecurity spending is defined as all other spending.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,

U.S. CONGRESS,

Washington, DC, November 12, 2020.

Hon. MIKE ENZI,

Chairman, Committee on the Budget,

U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.
DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The enclosed report shows the effects of Congressional action on the fiscal year 2021 budget and is current through November 6, 2020. This report is submitted under section 308(b) and in aid of section 311 of the Congressional Budget Act, as amended.

The estimates of budget authority, outlays, and revenues are consistent with the allocations, aggregates, and other budgetary levels printed in the Congressional Record on May 4, 2020, pursuant to section 205 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2019 (Public Law 116-37).

Since our last current level dated September 4, 2020, the Congress has cleared and the President has signed the following legislation that has significant effects on budget authority, outlays, or revenues in fiscal year

Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 and Other Extensions Act (Public Law 116-159):

Extension of the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act (Public Law 116-164). Sincerely,

PHILLIP L. SWAGEL.

Enclosure.

TABLE 1.—SENATE CURRENT LEVEL REPORT FOR SPEND-ING AND REVENUES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021, AS OF NOVEMBER 6, 2020

[In billions of dollars]

	Budget Resolution	Current Level	Current Level Over/Under (—) Resolution
On-Budget			
Budget Authority	3.832.2	4.032.8	200.6
Outlays	4.008.8	4.152.6	143.8
Revenues	2,800.4	2,800.6	0.3
Off-Budget		,	
Social Security Outlays a	1,016.3	1,016.3	0.0
Social Security Revenues	1,001.1	1,001.1	0.0

Source: Congressional Budget Office.

TABLE 2.—SUPPORTING DETAIL FOR THE SENATE CURRENT LEVEL REPORT FOR ON-BUDGET SPENDING AND REVENUES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021, AS OF NOVEMBER 6, 2020 [In millions of dollars]

	Budget Authority	Outlays	Revenues
Previously Enacted * b c			
Revenues	n.a.	n.a.	2,800,378
Permanents and other spending legislation	2,509,325	2,416,968	n.a.
Authorizing and Appropriation legislation		811,012	0
Offsetting receipts	1,029,908	-1,030,145	n.a.
Total, Previously Enacted	1,479,417	2,197,835	2,800,378
Enacted Legislation			
Authorizing Legislation.			
Paycheck Protection Program Flexibility Act of 2020 (P.L. 116—142) c			
Emergency Aid for Returning Americans Affected by Coronavirus Act (P.L. 116–148) c			
Great American Outdoors Act (P.L. 116–152)		310	
The Ryan Kules and Paul Benne Specially Adaptive Housing Improvement Act of 2019 (P.L. 116–154)		11	282
Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 and Other Extensions Act (P.L. 116–159) c		97,907	– 15
Extension of the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act (P.L. 116–164)			- 15
Subtotal, Authorizing Legislation	100,989	98,228	267
Appropriation Legislation	10	104	
Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 and Other Extensions Act (P.L. 116–159) d	13	124	
Subtotal, Appropriation Legislation	13	124	0
Continuing Resolution Continuing Resolution			
Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 and Other Extensions Act (P.L. 116–159) ab		713,351	0
Entitlements and Mandatories	1,172,808	1,143,371	0
Total Current Level be		4,152,588	2,800,645
Total Senate Resolution®		4,008,797 143,791	2,800,378 267
Current Level Over Senate Resolution Current Level Under Senate Resolution		145,791 n.a.	207 n.a.
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Senate Current Level c	n.a.	n.a.	35.726.855
Senate Resolution		n.a.	35,724,078
Current Level Over Senate Resolution	n.a.	n.a.	2.777
Current Level Under Senate Resolution		n.a.	n.a.

Source: Congressional Budget Office.

a.a. en of applicable; PLL = public law; — — excluded from current level.

a Sections 1001–1004 of the 21st Century Cures Act (P.L. 114–255) require that certain funding provided for 2017 through 2026 to the Department of Health and Human Services—in particular the Food and Drug Administration and the National Institutes of Health—be excluded from estimates for the purposes of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (Deficit Control Act) and the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 (Congressional Budget Act). Therefore, the amounts shown in this report do not include \$474 million in estimated outlays.

b For purposes of enforcing section 311 of the Congressional Budget Act in the Senate, the aggregate spending and revenue levels for 2021 published in the Congressional Record on May 4, 2020, by the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget pursuant to section 205 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2019 (P.L. 116–37) do not include budget authority, outlays, or revenues for off-budget amounts. As a result, amounts in this current level report do not include those items.

Current level excludes budgetary effects designated as an emergency pursuant to section 4112 of H. Con. Res. 71 (115th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018. As a result, this report excludes \$68,534 million in budget authority, \$72,977 million in outlays, and all revenue effects stemming from legislation enacted before the Chair of the Senate Committee on the Budget published aggregate spending and revenues for fiscal year 2021 in the Congressional Record on May 4, 2020. It also excludes the budgetary effects of other laws, enacted this session, which were designated as emergency requirements in accordance with section 4112 of H. Con. Res. 71. Those amounts are as follows:

[&]quot;Excludes administrative expenses paid from the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund of the Social Security Administration, which are off-budget, but are appropriated annually.

	Budget Authority	Outlays	Revenues
Paycheck Protection Program Flexibility Act of 2020 (P.L. 116–142) Emergency Aid for Returning Americans Affected by Coronavirus Act (P.L. 116–148) Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 and Other Extensions Act (P.L. 116–159)	0 1 - 50	0 1 - 39	- 8,091 0 0
Total	-49	- 38	- 8,091

a Includes the budgetary effects of nontemporary provisions that were included in division A of the Continuing Appropriations Act. 2021 and Other Extensions Act (P.L. 116-159).

Section 205 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2019 requires the Chair of the Senate Committee on the Budget to publish the aggregate spending and revenue levels for fiscal year 2021; those aggregate levels were first published in the Congressional Record on May 4, 2020. The Chair of the Senate Committee on the Budget has the authority to revise the budgetary aggregates for the budgetary effects of certain revenue and spending measures pursuant to the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 and H. Con. Res. 71 (115th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018, as updated by the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2019:

	Authority	Outlays	Revenues
Original Aggregates Printed on May 4, 2020: Revisions:	3,832,200	4,008,705	2,800,378
Adjustment for Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 and Other Extensions Act (P.L. 116–159)	0	92	0
Revised Senate Resolution	3,832,200	4,008,797	2,800,378

TABLE 3.—SUMMARY OF THE SENATE PAY-AS-YOU-GO SCORECARD AS OF NOVEMBER 6, 2020 [In millions of dollars]

	2020	2021	2020- 2025	2020- 2030
Beginning Balance a	0	0	0	0
Paycheck Protection Program Flexibility Act of 2020 (H.R. 7010, P.L. 116–142) d Uyghur Human Rights Policy Act of 2020 (S. 3744, P.L. 116–145) Emergency Ald for Returning Americans Affected by Coronavirus Act (S. 4091, P.L. 116–148) d Hong Kong Autonomy Act (H.R. 7440, P.L. 116–149) A bill to extend the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Program of the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes (S. 4148, P.L. 116–150)	*	*	*	*
Emergency Aid for Returning Americans Affected by Coronavirus Act (S. 4091, P.L. 116–148) d				
Hong Kong Autonomy Act (H.R. 7440, P.L. 116–149) A bill to extend the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Program of the Department of Homeland Security and for other nurnoses (S. 4148, P.L. 116–150)	0	0	-1 *	-7 *
The Great American Outdoors Act (H.R. 1957, P.L. 116–152)	0	310	5,870	17,280
The Great American Outdoors Act (H.R. 1957, P.L. 116–152) The Ryan Kules and Paul Benne Specially Adaptive Housing Improvement Act of 2019 (H.R. 3504, P.L. 116–154) Safeguarding America's First Responders Act of 2020 (S. 3607, P.L. 116–157) Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 and Other Extensions Act (H.R. 8337, P.L. 116–159) •	1	11	- 93 *	0
Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 and Other Extensions Act (H.R. 8337, P.L. 116–159) °	*	*	*	*
Extension of the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act (H.R. 991, P.L. 116–164) Merrill's Marauders Congressional Gold Medal Act (S. 743, P.L. 116–170)	0	15	80	- 136 *
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Defending the Integrity of Voting Systems Act (S. 1321, P.L. 116–179) America's Conservation Enhancement Act (S. 3051, P.L. 116–188) A bill 10 amend the Klamath Basin Water Supply Enhancement Act of 2000 to make certain technical corrections. (S. 3758), P.L. 116–191)	0	*	*	*
A bill to amend the Mamath Basin water supply Enhancement Act of 2000 to make certain technical corrections. (S. 3736), P.L. 116–191)	U			
	1	336	5,856	17,137
Impact on Deficit	1	336	5,856	17,137
Total Change in Outlays Total Change in Revenues	1	321 15	5,781 — 75	16,866 - 271

Source: Congressional Budget Office.

- \$500 000 and \$500 000: -— = excluded from PAYGO scorecard

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 a On May 4, 2020, the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget reset the Senate's Pay-As-You-Go Scorecard to zero for all fiscal years.

 b The amounts shown represent the estimated effect of the public laws on the deficit.

Excludes off-budget amounts.

d All amounts in this Act are designated as emergency requirements pursuant to section 4112(a) of H. Con. Res. 71 (115th Congress).

The budgetary effects of division B and each succeeding division of this Act are excluded from the Senate's PAYGO Scorecard pursuant to section 4501 of that act. The remaining amounts in division A are insignificant.

ENFORCEMENT REPORT OF POINTS OF ORDER RAISED SINCE THE FY 2021 ENFORCEMENT FILING

Vote	Date	Measure	Violation	Motion to Waive	Result
118	June 15, 2020	S. Amdt. #1617, Great American Outdoors Act, to H.R. 1957	4106(a)-Senate-Pay-As-You-Go Violation 1	Sen. Gardner (R-CO)	68-30, waived

¹ Senator Enzi raised a point of order against the measure pursuant to section 4106(a) of H. Con. Res. 71, the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2018, because the amendment would increase on-budget deficits.

WORLD DAY OF REMEMBERANCE FOR ROAD TRAFFIC VICTIMS

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. President, November 15, 2020, will mark the 25th World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims, commemorating the millions of people killed and injured on the world's roads. It is also a day to thank emergency responders for their role in saving lives; to reflect on the impact of road traffic deaths and injuries on families and communities; and to draw attention to the need for improved legislation, awareness, infrastructure, and technology to save more families from the tragedy of losing a loved one.

More than 1 million people die from road crashes every year, and tens of millions are seriously injured. Road traffic crashes are the No. 1 killer of young people aged 15-29 and the eighth leading cause of death among all people worldwide. Rochelle Sobel, President of the Association for Safe International Road Travel, highlighted the gravity of this issue and the imperative to fix it: "Every 27 seconds, somewhere in the world, a person dies in a road crash."

On the 25th anniversary of World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims, it is important to remember the history and recommit to the goals of this day. It was initiated in 1995 as the European Day of Remembrance and quickly spread around the globe to countries in Africa, South America, and Asia. In 2005, the United Nations General Assembly adopted Resolution 60/2, recognizing November 15 as the World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims. Since that time, the observance of this day has continued to spread to a growing number of countries on every continent.

This year, the stated goals of World Day of Remembrance 2020 include remembering all people killed and seriously injured on the roads, acknowledging the crucial work of the emergency services, advocating for better support to road traffic victims and their families, and promoting evidencebased actions to prevent and eventually stop further road traffic deaths and injuries.

Indeed, the day has become an important moment to focus international attention on this preventable epidemic and as an advocacy tool in global efforts to reduce road casualties. As a result of the growing awareness and global call to action that World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims has generated, in September 2020, the United Nations passed a resolution declaring the years 2021 to 2030 a new Decade of Action for Road Safety. The declaration affirms the UN's commitment to work vigorously to implement a new, ambitious agenda to halve road crash deaths by 2030.

Additionally, the United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 3.6 calls governments and their stakeholders, including NGOs and private citizens, to address the personal, medical, and financial burdens associated with road traffic deaths and injuries.

The devastation of losing a child, parent, sibling, partner, friend, caregiver, or caretaker; the struggle of having to care for a permanently disabled loved one, these are incalculable. Road traffic crashes are preventable, and so we owe it to our communities to work together so that the hopes and dreams of our loved ones are not shattered on the roads of the United States and the

world. We must all take action to prevent these avoidable tragedies and save lives.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO SHERIE ALLEN

• Mr. LEE. Mr. President, today I offer my recognition of the service of Sherie Allen to Utah mothers and children. Adopted in Lancaster, CA, in 1965, around 3 months of age, Sherie was raised in a home that frequently and openly discussed her adoption. This experience instilled a passion to serve those in need of love and home.

Sherie's late husband also understood the goodwill in adoption, and together, they formed a family with eight children, four biological and four adopted. Of her four adopted children, one now lives in assisted living, two have graduated college with bachelor's degrees in biology, and the other is a high school student. Sherie and her late husband were also foster parents, providing love and care for many children before those children were placed into their forever homes and families.

In February of 2019, Sherie started Ohana Beginnings where she now serves as CEO and executive board chair. Ohana Beginnings offers support for expectant mothers facing an unplanned pregnancy who choose to marry, place their baby for adoption, or single parent. The organization's Taking Flight Initiative offers services that include housing, food, clothing, medical care, therapeutic services, and academic support. This initiative is individually designed to fit the unique circumstances of the expectant or parenting mother to set her up for future success.

This September, the Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute— CCAI-honored Sherie and other outstanding individuals who have demonstrated a commitment to improving the lives of children in need of permanent, loving homes. Sherie's work and dedication toward serving the needs of expectant mothers and children has earned her the Angels in Adoption Honoree award. Sherie is a powerful advocate for pro-family values and has committed her time, gifts, and resources to strengthening families, helping young mothers, and protecting babies through Ohana Beginnings.

RECOGNIZING IDAHO SEWING FOR SPORTS

• Mr. RISCH. Mr. President, as a member and former chairman of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each month I recognize and celebrate the American entrepreneurial spirit by highlighting the success of a small business in my home State of Idaho. Today I am pleased to honor Idaho Sewing for Sports in Grangeville as the Idaho Small Business of the month for November 2020.

Idaho Sewing for Sports—ISS—is a manufacturer of custom padding and coverings for ski resorts and summer recreation destinations throughout the globe. In 1986, founders Gail and Will Williams returned from a business trip to Canada and found themselves in Grangeville, ID. It was during this stop they were captivated by its natural beauty, lifestyle, and community. As a result of this experience, the Williams decided to relocate their family and business to Grangeville, where it has operated for nearly 25 years.

ISS has developed a reputation for producing high-quality custom coverings for lift seats, wall and tower paddings, zip lines, and other resort infrastructure. Since its relocation to Idaho, ISS has grown to be one of the largest custom padding manufacturers in America. While the Williams have since retired from the business' day-to-day operations, their son Gunther and his wife Joy now manage the business.

In addition to operating a successful business, ISS has been integral to aiding the community's COVID-19 relief efforts. As a board member of the Svringa Hospital in Grangeville, Gunther Williams learned that the hospital was experiencing a shortage of gowns and masks. In response, Gunther jumped into action and directed his staff to coordinate with the hospital to develop medical grade gowns and masks. Syringa Hospital supplied ISS with the patterns it needed to produce the gowns and provided surgical blankets to produce masks. Through their heroic collaboration, ISS produced thousands of gowns and masks at cost that were distributed to hospitals and first responders throughout the country.

Congratulations to Gunther, Joy, and all of the hard-working employees of Idaho Sewing for Sports on being selected as the Idaho Small Business of the Month for November 2020. Your commitment to service and community is humbling, and you make our great State proud. I look forward to your continued growth and success.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Ridgway, 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-5833. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of the national emergency with respect to Sudan as declared in Executive Order 13067 of November 3, 1997; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5834. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency originally declared in Executive Order 13413 of October 27, 2006, with respect to the situation in or in relation to the Democratic Republic of the Congo; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5835. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; End-Stage Renal Disease Prospective Payment System, Payment for Renal Dialysis Services Furnished to Individuals with Acute Kidney Injury, and End-Stage Renal Disease Quality Incentive Program" (RIN0938-AU08) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 3, 2020; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5836. A communication from the Co-Chair, Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report presenting the 2020 recommendations to inform the National Plan to Address Alzheimer's Disease; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5837. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fiscal Year 2019 Report on the Preventive Medicine and Public Health Training Grant Program"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5838. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the implementation of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 for fiscal year 2019; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5839. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-442, "General Election Preparations Temporary Amendment Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5840. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-442, "Protecting Businesse and Workers from COVID-19 Temporary Amendment Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5841. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-444, "Sexual Assault Victims' Rights Clarification Temporary Amendment Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5842. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-442, "Election Worker Residency Requirement Waiver Temporary Amendment Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5843. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-447, "Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Support Clarification Temporary Amendment Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

fairs. EC-5844. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-448, "Low Income Housing Tax Credit TOPA Exemption for Transfers of Interest Temporary Amendment Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5845. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-449, "Rent Control Housing Database Deadline Extension Temporary Amendment Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5846. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-459, "Certificate of Assurance Moratorium Temporary Amendment Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5847. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-460, "Government Grant Transparency Amendment Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5848. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-442, "RPP Voluntary Exclusion Temporary Act of 2020; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5849. A communication from the Secretary of the Senate, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the receipts and expenditures of the Senate for the period from April 1, 2020 through September 30, 2020, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 12, 2020; ordered to lie on the table.

EC-5850. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-462, "Student Activity Fund Theatrical and Music Performance Expenditures Temporary Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5851. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-463, "Eviction Notice Moratorium Temporary Amendment Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5852. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-465, "Arts and Humanities Capital Funding Temporary Amendment Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5853. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-466, "Local Business Enterprise Clarification Temporary Amendment Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5854. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-464, "Public Space Maintenance Temporary Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5855. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-468, "Low Income Housing Tax Credit TOPA Exemption for Transfers of Interest Amendment Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5856. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-469, "Lorraine H. Whitlock Elementary School Designation Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5857. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-470, "Hannah Hawkins Way Designation Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5858. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-471, "Big Brown Bat Official State Mammal Designation Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5859. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-472, "Diverse Emerging Fund Managers and Reporting Requirements Amendment Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5860. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-473, "Bloomingdale Historic District Targeted Historic Preservation Assistance Amendment Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5861. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23–474, "New Howard University Hospital and Redevelopment Tax Abatement Amendment Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

EC-5862. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 23-467, "Care for LGBTQ Seniors and Seniors with HIV Amendment Act of 2020"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5863. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, Executive Office for Immigration Review, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Procedures for Asylum and Bars to Asylum Eligibility" (RIN1125–AA87) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 26, 2020; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5864. A communication from the Agency Representative, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Trademark Classification Changes" (RIN0651-AD49) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2020; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5865. A communication from the Chief Financial Officer of the National Tropical Botanical Garden, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to an audit of the Garden for the period from January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2019; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-5866. A communication from the Secretary, Maritime Administration, Depart-

ment of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Admission and Training of Midshipmen at the United States Merchant Marine Academy; Amendment Providing an Emergency Waiver for Scholastic Requirements" (RIN2133-AB92) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 2, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5867. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Video Description: Implementation of the Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010" ((FCC 20–155) (MB Docket No. 11–43)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 3, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5868. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of Economics and Analytics, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishing a 5G Fund for Rural America" ((GN Docket No. 20-32) (FCC 20-150)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 3, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5869. A communication from the Assistant Chief Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials: Response to an Industry Petition to Reduce Regulatory Burden for Cylinder Requalification Requirements" (RIN2137-AF30) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October, 26 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5870. A communication from the Assistant Chief Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials: Adoption of Miscellaneous Petitions to Reduce Regulatory Burdens" (RIN2137-AF33) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 26, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5871. A communication from the Assistant Chief Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials: Editorial Corrections and Clarification to Hazardous Materials Regulations (49 CFR Parts 171 to 180) and PHMSA Program and Procedural Regulations" (RIN2137-AF43) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 26, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5872. A communication from the Assistant Chief Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials: Response to an Industry Petition to Reduce Regulatory Burden for Cylinder Requalification Requirements" (RIN2137-AF30) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 26, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5873. A communication from the Assistant Chief Counsel for Regulatory Affairs,

Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hazardous Materials: Editorial Corrections and Clarification to Hazardous Materials Regulations (49 CFR parts 171 to 180) and PHMSA Program and Procedural Regulations (49 CFR parts 105 to 110)" (RIN2137-AF43) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 26, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-248. A resolution adopted by the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan condemning Azerbaijan's Coordinated Offensive in Nagorno-Karabakh and denouncing Turkish interference in the conflict, and urging the United States Department of State to work with the Co-Chairs of the Minsk Group and the Governments of Armenia, Azerbaijan, and the Republic of Artsakh to achieve long-lasting and peaceful resolution to this conflict; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

House Resolution No. 319

Whereas, Nagorno-Karabakh, also known as Artsakh, is a territory located in the South Caucasus region that has historically been populated by ethnic Armenians and is governed by the Republic of Artsakh; and

Whereas, The people of Artsakh overwhelmingly voted to support independence. On December 10, 1991, despite continued violence against the people of Artsakh, a popular referendum proclaiming an independent republic took place during the disintegration of the Soviet Union. Under the watchful eye of more than 50 international observers, and in full compliance with international standards for a free and fair election, more than 80 percent of eligible voters cast a ballot, and the measure passed with 98 percent in favor. On January 6, 1992, the democratically elected Parliament of Artsakh adopted the Declaration of Independence of the Nagorno-Karabakh Republic: and

Whereas, The State of Michigan supported the recognition of the independence of the Republic of Artsakh with the passage of Senate Resolution 99 of 2017; and

Whereas, Since September 27, 2020, Azerbaijan has engaged in the most significant military operation along the line of contact with Nagorno-Karabakh since the signing of the cease-fire agreement between Azerbaijan and Armenia in 1994. This attack follows increasingly aggressive rhetoric and destabilizing actions on the part of Azerbaijan President Ilham Aliyev's government towards Nagorno-Karabakh and Armenia, including a July 2020 Defense Ministry threat to bomb Armenia's Metsamor Nuclear Power Plant; and

Whereas, Azerbaijan's ongoing military offensive, which includes the shelling of Stepanakert, Nagorno-Karabakh's most densely populated city with a population of 55,200, has resulted in the deaths of dozens of civilians and wounded hundreds. The conflict has resulted in the deaths of at least 84 Nagorno-Karabakh service members: and

Whereas, Both Armenia and Azerbaijan have declared martial law, mobilized their armed forces, and called up reserve forces; and

Whereas, According to multiple news reports, Azerbaijan's military actions in Nagorno-Karabakh may be part of a planned

military operation. The conflict follows joint military exercises conducted by Turkey and Azerbaijan in August 2020. News accounts state that in weeks prior to Azerbaijan's military operation, Turkey recruited mercenaries from Syria and has facilitated their deployment to Azerbaijan. Additionally, the Armenian Foreign Ministry claims that Turkey is operating F-16 fighter jets in the region and shot down an Armenian Su-25 fighter jet in Armenian airspace, killing the pilot; and

Whereas, The conflict has the potential to escalate into proxy warfare among regional powers, including Turkey, and to further entrench the conflict and threaten peace and stability in the region. The United States, France, and Russia serve as co-chairs of the Minsk Group tasked with finding a peaceful solution to the Nagorno-Karabakh conflict. The co-chairs have urged a cease-fire and advised the parties to return to substantive negotiations as soon as possible. The European Union and the United Nations support a peaceful resolution and immediate cease-fire: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we condemn Azerbaijan's coordinated offensive in Nagorno-Karabakh and denounce Turkish interference in the conflict; and be it further

Resolved, That we urge the United States Department of State to work with the cochairs of the Minsk Group and the governments of Armenia, Azerbaijan, and the Republic of Artsakh to achieve a long-lasting and peaceful resolution to this conflict; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, the United States Secretary of State, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and members of the Michigan congressional delegation.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following letter from the Secretary of the Senate, which was ordered to lie on the table:

Washington, DC, November 11, 2020.

Hon. MICHAEL R. PENCE,

President of the United States Senate.

SIR: I have the honor to submit a full and complete statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Senate, showing in detail the items of expense under proper appropriations, the aggregate thereof, and exhibiting the exact condition of all public moneys received, paid out, and remaining in my possession from April 1, 2020 to September 30, 2020, in compliance with Section 105 of Public Law 88–454, approved August 20, 1964, as amended.

Sincerely,

Julie E. Adams, Secretary of the Senate.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. HAWLEY:

S. 4893. A bill to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to provide for the establishment of election integrity measures by States and to prohibit ballot harvesting in Federal elections; to the Committee on Rules and Administration. By Mr. MANCHIN (for himself and Mr. CRAMER):

S. 4894. A bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to improve health care coverage under vision and dental plans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. PERDUE (for himself and Mrs. LOEFFLER):

S. 4895. A bill to establish a Bipartisan Advisory Committee to analyze the integrity and the administration of the 2020 general election for Federal office; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. LEE:

S. 4896. A bill to authorize certain Federal departments to enter into contracts to carry out existing authorities to protect United States facilities from unmanned aircraft; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. WICKER (for himself, Ms. Cantwell, Mrs. Fischer, and Ms. Duckworth):

S. Res. 768. A resolution expressing support for the designation of the week of September 20 through September 26, 2020, as Rail Safety Week in the United States, and supporting the goals and ideals of Rail Safety Week to reduce rail-related accidents, fatalities, and injuries; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. SMITH (for herself, Ms. Col-LINS, Mr. KING, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. DUR-BIN, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. VAN HOLLEN):

S. Res. 769. A resolution recognizing October 2020 as "National Principals Month"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. BALD-WIN, 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. COT-TON. Mr. CRAPO. Mr. CRUZ. Mr. DAINES, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. Enzi, Ms. Ernst, Mrs. Feinstein, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. GARDNER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASS-LEY, Ms. HARRIS, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. HEINRICH, Ms. HIRONO, Mrs. Hyde-Smith. Mr. Inhofe. Mr. Johnson, Mr. Jones, Mr. Kaine, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KING, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. Lankford, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Lee, Mrs. Loeffler, Mr. Manchin, Mr. Ms. Markey, Mr.McConnell, MENENDEZ. McSally. Mr. Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. MORAN, Ms. Mur.-KOWSKI, Mr. MURPHY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. PAUL, Mr. PERDUE, Mr. PETERS, Mr. PORTMAN, Mr. REED, Mr. RISCH, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Romney, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SASSE, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mrs. SHA-HEEN, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SINEMA, Ms. SMITH, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. Tester, Mr. Thune, Mr. Tillis, Mr. Toomey, Mr. Udall, Mr. Van HOLLEN, Mr. WARNER, Ms. WARREN, Mr. Whitehouse, Mr. Wicker, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. YOUNG):

S. Res. 770. A resolution honoring the life of Mark Andrews, former United States Senator for the State of North Dakota; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. SMITH (for herself, Mr. HOEVEN, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. ERNST, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 771. A resolution designating October 2020, as "National Co-op Month" and commending the cooperative business model and the member-owners, businesses, employees, farmers, ranchers, and practitioners who use the cooperative business model to positively impact the economy and society; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Ms. HARRIS):

S. Res. 772. A resolution congratulating the Los Angeles Lakers for winning the 2020 National Basketball Association Championship; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Ms. HARRIS):

S. Res. 773. A resolution congratulating the Los Angeles Dodgers for winning the 2020 Major League Baseball World Series; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 1015

At the request of Ms. Klobuchar, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. Booker) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1015, a bill to require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to review and make certain revisions to the Standard Occupational Classification System, and for other purposes.

S. 1263

At the request of Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. Bennet) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1263, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish an interagency task force on the use of public lands to provide medical treatment and therapy to veterans through outdoor recreation.

 $S.\ 3020$

At the request of Ms. Baldwin, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. Stabenow) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3020, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into contracts with States or to award grants to States to promote health and wellness, prevent suicide, and improve outreach to veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 4007

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4007, a bill to amend the Trade Act of 1974 to modify the eligibility requirements for the Generalized System of Preferences to strengthen worker protections and to ensure that beneficiary developing countries afford equal rights and protection under the law, regardless of gender, and for other purposes.

S. 4572

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. Wyden) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4572, a bill to amend title 38,

United States Code, to provide for a presumption of service connection for certain diseases associated with exposure to toxins, and for other purposes.

S. 4657

At the request of Ms. ERNST, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mrs. BLACKBURN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4657, a bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to designate one week each year as "Buddy Check Week" for the purpose of outreach and education concerning peer wellness checks for veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 4661

At the request of Mr. Cotton, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. Kennedy) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4661, a bill to authorize the President to posthumously award the Medal of Honor to Alwyn C. Cashe for acts of valor during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

S. 4717

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mrs. CAPITO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4717, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to streamline enrollment of certain Medicaid providers across State lines, and for other purposes.

S. 4791

At the request of Mr. VAN HOLLEN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4791, a bill to provide for a Community-Based Emergency and Non-Emergency Response Grant Program.

S. 4795

At the request of Ms. Rosen, the names of the Senator from Maine (Mr. King) and the Senator from Idaho (Mr. Risch) were added as cosponsors of S. 4795, a bill to require the Secretary of Energy to establish a voluntary Cyber Sense program to test the cybersecurity of products and technologies intended for use in the bulk-power system, and for other purposes.

S. 4872

At the request of Mr. Rubio, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. Braun) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4872, a bill to prohibit the trading of the securities of certain Communist Chinese military companies on a national securities exchange, and for other purposes.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 768—EX-PRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE DESIGNATION OF THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 20 THROUGH SEP-TEMBER 26, 2020, AS RAIL SAFE-THE TYWEEK IN UNITED STATES, AND SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF RAIL SAFETY WEEK TO REDUCE RAIL-RELATED ACCIDENTS, FATALI-TIES, AND INJURIES

Mr. WICKER (for himself, Ms. CANT-WELL, Mrs. FISCHER, and Ms. DUCKWORTH) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 768

Whereas the first Rail Safety Week was held from September 24 through September 30, 2017, by the national education safety nonprofit Operation Lifesaver, the Department of Transportation, and other organizations;

Whereas Rail Safety Week was launched to raise awareness about the need for increased education on how to be safe around highwayrail grade crossings and railroad tracks and to highlight efforts to further reduce collisions, injuries, and fatalities;

Whereas highway-rail grade crossing and trespassing accidents constituted approximately 97 percent of all rail related fatalities during 2019;

Whereas since 2005-

(1) the number of public crossings has decreased by 8 percent; and

(2) the number of gates at public crossings has increased by 36 percent;

Whereas in 2019, 49 percent of all grade crossing collisions and 65 percent of all fatal grade crossing collisions occurred at gated crossings:

Whereas preliminary Federal statistics indicate that 2,228 highway-grade crossing collisions occurred in the United States in 2019, resulting in 299 deaths and the injury of another 822 individuals;

Whereas many collisions between trains and motor vehicles or pedestrians could have been prevented by increased education, engineering, and enforcement:

Whereas Operation Lifesaver, the foremost public information and education program on rail safety, administers a public education program about grade-crossing safety and trespassing prevention;

Whereas during Rail Safety Week, from September 20 through 26, and throughout the year, everyone is encouraged to take added caution as motorists or pedestrians approach tracks or trains:

Whereas the United States, Canada, and Mexico will concurrently observe Rail Safety Week; and

Whereas this important observance should lead to greater safety awareness and a reduction in highway-rail grade crossing crashes and pedestrian and railroad incidents: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate-

- (1) supports the designation of Rail Safety Week;
- (2) expresses strong support for—
- (A) the goals and ideals of Rail Safety Week: and
- (B) efforts to reduce rail-related accidents, fatalities, and injuries; and
- (3) encourages the people of the United States—
- (A) to participate in Rail Safety Week events and activities; and
- (B) to educate themselves and others on how to be safe around railroad tracks.

SENATE RESOLUTION 769—RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 2020 AS "NATIONAL PRINCIPALS MONTH"

Ms. SMITH (for herself, Ms. Collins, Mr. King, Ms. Hirono, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Braun, Mr. Roberts, Mr. Boozman, and Mr. Van Hollen) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 769

Whereas the National Association of Secondary School Principals, the National Association of Elementary School Principals, and

the American Federation of School Administrators have declared October 2020 to be "National Principals Month";

Whereas principals are educational visionaries, instructional and assessment leaders, disciplinarians, community builders, budget analysts, facilities managers, and administrators of legal and contractual obligations;

Whereas principals work collaboratively with teachers and parents to develop and implement clear missions, high curriculum standards, and performance goals;

Whereas principals create school environments that facilitate great teaching and learning and continuous school improvement:

Whereas principals demonstrate leadership and play important roles in meeting the needs of students, families, and communities while responding to the coronavirus pandemic:

Whereas the vision, actions, and dedication of principals provide the mobilizing force behind any school improvement effort; and

Whereas the celebration of National Principals Month would honor elementary school, middle school, and high school principals and recognize the importance of principals in ensuring that every child has access to a high-quality education: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate-

- (1) recognizes October 2020 as "National Principals Month";
- (2) honors the contributions of principals in elementary schools, middle schools, and high schools in the United States; and
- (3) supports the goals and ideals of National Principals Month.

SENATE RESOLUTION 770—HON-ORING THE LIFE OF MARK AN-DREWS, FORMER UNITED STATES SENATOR FOR THE STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Mr. HOEVEN (for himself, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. ALEXANDER, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. Barrasso, Mr. Bennet, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, 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. CRAPO, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. DAINES, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. ENZI, Ms. ERNST, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. GARDNER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. HARRIS. Ms. Hassan, Mr. Hawley, Mr. Hein-RICH, Ms. HIRONO, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. Inhofe, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Jones, Mr. Kaine, Mr. Kennedy, Mr. King, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. Lee, Mrs. Loeffler, Mr. Manchin, Mr. Markey, Mr. McConnell, Ms. McSally, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. MORAN, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. Murphy, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Paul, Mr. Perdue, Mr. Peters, Mr. Portman, Mr. Reed, Mr. Risch, Mr. Roberts, Mr. ROMNEY, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. Rubio, Mr. Sanders, Mr. Sasse, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. SCHUMER, 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. UDALL, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WARNER, Ms. WAR-

REN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WICKER, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. YOUNG) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 770

Whereas, on May 19, 1926, Mark Andrews was born in Fargo, North Dakota;

Whereas Mark Andrews was a cadet at the United States Military Academy in West Point, New York, from 1944 until 1946, when he received a disability discharge;

Whereas Mark Andrews graduated from North Dakota State University in 1949;

Whereas Mark Andrews began his career as a farmer in the Red River Valley when he served as an operator of a cattle feeding lot, and subsequently served in numerous agriculture-related positions throughout the State of North Dakota, including serving as—

- (1) a member of numerous farmer organizations:
- (2) the Director of the Garrison Conservancy District from 1955 until 1964; and
- (3) the president of the North Dakota Crop Improvement Association:

Whereas Mark Andrews ran for Governor of North Dakota in 1962 and, during a special election in 1963, was elected as a member of the House of Representatives, a position he held until 1981;

Whereas, on January 3, 1981, Mark Andrews was sworn in as a United States Senator from North Dakota, serving until January 3, 1987; and

Whereas Mark Andrews, during his time as a Senator, was known for his steadfast support for numerous issues, including—

- (1) issues affecting the men and women who served in the Armed Forces of the United States:
- (2) issues affecting the agricultural producers, including farmers and ranchers, in the State of North Dakota and throughout the United States;
- (3) water issues, including the Garrison Diversion; and
- (4) issues affecting Tribal communities, particularly during his time serving as Chairman of the Select Committee on Indian Affairs of the Senate from 1983 to 1987: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved. That—

- (1) the Senate—
- (A) has heard with profound sorrow and deep regret the announcement of the death of Mark Andrews, former member of the United States Senate from the State of North Dakota; and
- (B) 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 Mark Andrews; and
- (2) when the Senate adjourns today, it stand adjourned as a further mark of respect to the memory of Mark Andrews.

SENATE RESOLUTION 771—DESIG-NATING OCTOBER 2020, AS "NA-TIONAL CO-OP MONTH" AND COMMENDING THE COOPERATIVE BUSINESS MODEL AND THE MEMBER-OWNERS, BUSINESSES. EMPLOYEES, FARMERS, RANCH-ERS, AND PRACTITIONERS WHO USE THE COOPERATIVE BUSI-NESS MODEL TO POSITIVELY IM-PACT THE ECONOMY AND SOCI-

Ms. SMITH (for herself, Mr. Hoeven, Ms. Baldwin, Mr. Grassley, Ms.

ERNST, and Mr. WYDEN) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. Res. 771

Whereas, during the global COVID-19 pandemic, cooperatives have taken extraordinary steps to serve their member-owners and communities:

Whereas a cooperative-

- (1) is a business that is owned and governed by its members, who are the individuals who use the business, create the products of the business, or manage the operation of the business; and
 - (2) operates under the 7 principles of—
 - (A) voluntary open membership;
 - (B) democratic control;
 - (C) owner economic participation;
 - (D) autonomy and independence;
 - (E) education, training, and information;
 - (F) cooperation among cooperatives; and
 - (G) concern for community;

Whereas cooperative entrepreneurs can be found in almost every economic sector of the United States, throughout all 50 States and territories, and in every congressional district of the United States:

Whereas cooperatives help farmers increase incomes and become more resilient to economic business cycles by working together to plan and prepare for the future, while contributing significantly to the economic activity in the agriculture and food markets of the United States;

Whereas the roughly 1,800 agricultural cooperatives in the United States operate more than 8,000 facilities, employ \$96,000,000,000 worth of assets, and generate nearly \$204,000,000,000 in business annually:

Whereas the majority of the 2,000,000 farmers in the United States belong to an agricultural cooperative;

Whereas agricultural cooperatives offer members the opportunity to access commodity value-added profits throughout the handling, processing, and distribution chains;

Whereas member-owners of agricultural cooperatives are dedicated to providing the highest quality product for consumers;

Whereas agricultural cooperatives add significant benefits to the economic well-being of rural areas of the United States by providing more than 250,000 jobs with annual wages totaling more than \$8,000,000,000;

Whereas agricultural cooperatives provide resources to their member-owners, such as low-cost supplies, effective marketing, and services:

Whereas farmer members of agricultural cooperatives have the opportunity to pool resources and reinvest profits into the communities of the farmer members;

Whereas the principles of cooperation and the cooperative business model help smallholder farmers organize themselves and gain access to local and global markets, training, improved inputs, and aggregated sales and marketing;

Whereas the cooperative business model provides farmers ownership over their economic decisions, a focus on learning, and a broader understanding of environmental and social concerns;

Whereas the cooperative business model has been used throughout the history of the United States to advance civil rights and to help ensure that all individuals have equal access to economic opportunity;

Whereas the comprehensive global food security strategy established under section 5 of the Global Food Security Act of 2016 (22 U.S.C. 9304) (commonly known as "Feed the Future") and the Cooperative Development Program of the United States Agency for International Development use cooperative principles and the cooperative business

model to advance international development, nutrition, resilience, and economic security:

Whereas the Interagency Working Group on Cooperative Development—

(1) is an interagency group that is coordinated and chaired by the Secretary of Agriculture to foster cooperative development and ensure coordination with Federal agencies and national and local cooperative organizations that have cooperative programs and interests; and

(2) as of the date of introduction of this resolution, had organized 4 meetings;

Whereas the bipartisan Congressional Cooperative Business Caucus unites Members of Congress to—

(1) create a better-informed electorate and a more educated public on the important role that cooperatives play in the economy of the United States and the world;

(2) promote the cooperative business model, because that model ensures that consumers have access to high-quality goods and services at competitive prices and costs that improve the lives of individuals, families, and their communities; and

(3) address and correct awareness challenges among the public and within the Federal Government relating to what cooperatives look like, who participates in cooperatives, where cooperatives are located, and why individuals choose cooperatives;

Whereas the Bureau of the Census, as part of the 2017 Economic Census, asked each business if the business was organized as a cooperative, and the responses of businesses yielded both quantitative and qualitative data on the effects and importance of cooperatives across the economy of the United States:

Whereas, throughout rural areas of the United States, many utility service providers operate as cooperatives and are tasked with the delivery of public services, such as electricity, water, telecommunications, and broadband, in areas where investor-owned utility companies typically do not operate;

Whereas utility cooperatives have innovated to meet the evolving needs of their member-owners and help rural individuals in the United States prosper;

Whereas, in the financial services sector, cooperatives, including credit unions, farm credit banks, and other financing organizations that lend to cooperatives, provide numerous benefits to the member-owners of those cooperatives;

Whereas member-owners of cooperatives vote in board elections, and earned profits cycle back into cost-saving programs or return as dividend payments;

Whereas purchasing and shared service cooperatives allow independent and franchise businesses to thrive;

Whereas food cooperatives range in size from small, local buying clubs to multi-store regional giants that compete with chain stores with locations across the United States:

Whereas, in the housing sector, housing cooperatives and resident-owned communities in which members own the building or land—

- (1) are an alternative to conventional rental apartments, manufactured home parks, and condominiums; and
- (2) empower each resident with ownership and responsibility;

Whereas housing cooperatives have roots dating to the late 1800s and are increasingly becoming a housing alternative for students at colleges throughout the United States;

Whereas shared equity housing cooperatives are a critical option for preserving long-term, affordable housing;

Whereas cooperatives allow residents of manufactured home communities to collectively purchase the land on which they live, providing stability and the opportunity to self-govern:

Whereas, as of 2019, not less than 1,000 manufactured home communities were resident-owned, accounting for approximately 2 percent of all manufactured home communities:

Whereas the growth of worker cooperatives in the United States is allowing more workers to own and have greater control over their businesses:

Whereas many small businesses convert to cooperatives when faced with closure or a buyout, ensuring the business can continue to serve its community; and

Whereas the cooperative business model allows business owners to retire and transfer business ownership to employees or consumers, protecting local ownership and supporting local communities: Now, therefore, he it.

Resolved, That the Senate-

- (1) designates October 2020 as "National Co-op Month";
- (2) commends the cooperative business model for—
- (A) its contributions to the economy;
- (B) the jobs it creates; and
- (C) its positive impacts on local communities;

(3) expresses confidence in, and support for, cooperatives to continue their successes: and

(4) will be mindful in crafting legislation that affects business models that are not the cooperative business model so that the legislation does not adversely affect the cooperative business model.

SENATE RESOLUTION 772—CON-GRATULATING THE LOS ANGE-LES LAKERS FOR WINNING THE 2020 NATIONAL BASKETBALL AS-SOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIP

Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Ms. HARRIS) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. Res. 772

Whereas, on October 11, 2020, the Los Angeles Lakers (referred to in this preamble as the "Lakers") defeated the Miami Heat with a score of 106-93 in game 6 of the 2020 National Basketball Association (referred to in this preamble as the "NBA") Championship Finals;

Whereas, during the 2020 NBA playoffs, the Lakers defeated the Portland Trailblazers, the Houston Rockets, the Denver Nuggets, and the Miami Heat on the way to a 16-5 overall record;

Whereas the victory by the Lakers marks the record-tying 17th NBA Championship of the franchise;

Whereas every member of the 2019-2020 Lakers team played a key role in the record-tying championship, including—

- (1) Kostas Antetokounmpo;
- (2) Avery Bradley;
- (3) Devontae Cacok;
- (4) Kentavious Caldwell-Pope:
- (5) Alex Caruso;
- (6) Quinn Cook;
- (7) Anthony Davis;
- (8) Jared Dudley;
- (9) Danny Green;
- (10) Talen Horton-Tucker;
- (11) Dwight Howard;
- (12) LeBron James; (13) Kyle Kuzma;
- (14) Javale McGee;
- (15) Markieff Morris;
- (16) Raion Rondo:
- (17) JR Smith; and (18) Dion Waiters;

Whereas the entire Lakers organization, including owner Jeanie Buss, general man-

ager Rob Pelinka, and head coach Frank Vogel, deserves congratulations for continuing the excellence of the franchise;

Whereas the Lakers overcame an unprecedented season stemming from the coronavirus pandemic, including a shutdown that lasted more than 3 months and 95 days inside the NBA "bubble";

Whereas Lebron James was named Most Valuable Player of the NBA Finals for the fourth time, averaging 29.8 points, 11.8 rebounds, and 8.5 assists per game, while shooting 59.1 percent from the field per game;

Whereas the entire Lakers team and organization honored the legacy of Lakers legend Kobe Bryant by winning the 2020 NBA Championship, showing "Mamba Mentality" throughout the playoffs; and

Whereas, although fans of the Lakers could not be in the arena to cheer on their team, Lakers Nation was vital in showing unmatched support for the team on the way to an NBA Championship: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

- (1) congratulates the Los Angeles Lakers for winning the 2020 National Basketball Association Championship;
- (2) recognizes the historic achievement of the entire Los Angeles Lakers organization, including the players, coaches, and staff, for a victorious season after a truly unprecedented year in the National Basketball Association; and
- (3) directs the Secretary of the Senate to transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution
- (A) the head coach of the Los Angeles Lakers, Frank Vogel, and the 2019–2020 Los Angeles Lakers team;
- (B) the owner of the Los Angeles Lakers, Jeanie Buss; and
- (C) the general manager of the Los Angeles Lakers, Rob Pelinka.

SENATE RESOLUTION 773—CON-GRATULATING THE LOS ANGE-LES DODGERS FOR WINNING THE 2020 MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL WORLD SERIES

Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Ms. HARRIS) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. Res. 773

Whereas, on October 27, 2020, the Los Angeles Dodgers (referred to in this preamble as the "Dodgers") defeated the American League Champions, the Tampa Bay Rays, by 3–1 to win the 2020 Major League Baseball World Series in 6 games;

Whereas this marks the seventh World Series championship for the Dodgers franchise and their 6th title since City Council Member Rosalind Wyman helped bring the Dodgers to Los Angeles in 1958;

Whereas, during the 2020 playoffs, the Dodgers defeated the Milwaukee Brewers, the San Diego Padres, the Atlanta Braves, and the Tampa Bay Rays en route to winning the World Series;

Whereas after being down 3 winning games to 1 loss in the 2020 National League Championship Series to the Atlanta Braves, the Dodgers showed true heart and grit by coming back to win the series;

Whereas the Dodgers have won the National League pennant in 3 of the last 4 years;

Whereas the Dodgers completed the shortened 2020 regular season with an impressive overall record of 43-17 to finish first in the National League West Division and with the best regular season record in baseball;

Whereas the opponent of the Dodgers in the 2020 World Series, the Tampa Bay Rays, showed true sportsmanship and respect for

Whereas every member of the 2020 Dodgers roster played a key part in winning a World Series during this unprecedented season, including-

- (1) Pedro Baéz;
- (2) Austin Barnes;
- (3) Matt Beaty;
- (4) Cody Bellinger;
- (5) Mookie Betts;
- (6) Walker Buehler;
- (7) Dylan Floro;
- (8) Tony Gonsolin;
- (9) Victor González;
- (10) Brusdar Graterol;
- (11) Enrique Hernández;
- (12) Kenley Jansen;
- (13) Joe Kelly;
- (14) Clayton Kershaw;
- (15) Adam Kolarek;
- (16) Dustin May;
- (17) Max Muncy; (18) Jake McGee;
- (19) Joc Pederson;
- (20) AJ Pollock;
- (21) Edwin Ríos;
- (22) Corey Seager;
- (23) Will Smith;
- (24) Chris Taylor;
- (25) Blake Treinen;
- (26) Justin Turner;
- (27) Julio Urías; and
- (28) Alex Wood;

Whereas Dodgers shortstop Corey Seager-(1) was named Most Valuable Player for

the 2020 World Series; and (2) batted .400 with 2 home runs, 5 runs bat-

ted in, and 6 walks; Whereas Dodgers ace pitcher Clayton Kershaw finished the 2020 postseason with a 2.93 earned run average in 5 starts, including going 2-0 in the World Series with a 2.31

Whereas first-year Dodger Mookie Betts played a central role in the 2020 World Series victory for the Dodgers, including hitting a home run and scoring the go-ahead run in Game 6:

Whereas the City of Los Angeles is now "Titletown, USA" after winning both the 2020 World Series and the 2020 National Basketball Association Championship only 16 days apart:

Whereas Dodgers legend and the "voice of baseball" Vin Scully said it best: "What a year. What a season. What a team."; and

Whereas Dodgers fans never stopped supporting the team throughout the unprecedented 2020 pandemic season, playing a key role in motivating their team to victory: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate-

- (1) congratulates the Los Angeles Dodgers for winning the 2020 Major League Baseball World Series:
- (2) recognizes the unprecedented nature of the 2020 baseball season and the commitment of the Los Angeles Dodgers to bringing the Commissioner's Trophy to Los Angeles; and
- (3) respectfully directs the Secretary of the Senate to transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to-
- (A) the chairman and controlling owner of the Los Angeles Dodgers, Mark Walter;
- (B) the president of the Los Angeles Dodgers, Stan Kasten; and
- (C) the manager of the 2020 Los Angeles Dodgers, Dave Roberts.

RESOLUTIONS DISCHARGED

Mr. BLUNT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the appropriate committees be discharged and

the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of the following resolutions, en bloc: S. Res. 716, S. Res. 717, S. Res. 746, S. Res. 764, S. Res. 765, S. Res. 766, and S. Res. 767.

There being no objection, the committees were discharged, and the Senate proceeded to consider the resolutions, en bloc.

Mr. BLUNT. I know of no further debate on the measures, en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. If there is no further debate, the question is on agreeing to the resolutions, en bloc.

The resolutions (S. Res. 716, S. Res. 717, S. Res. 746, S. Res. 764, S. Res. 765, S. Res. 766, and S. Res. 767) were agreed to, en bloc.

Mr. BLUNT. I ask unanimous consent that the preambles be agreed to en bloc and that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table, all en bloc.

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

The preambles were agreed to, en

(The resolutions (S. Res. 716 and S. Res. 717) with their preambles) are printed in the RECORD of September 24, 2020, under "Submitted Resolutions.")

(The resolution S. Res. 746, with its preamble, is printed in the RECORD of October 5, 2020, under "Submitted Resolutions.")

(The resolutions S. Res. 764, S. Res. 765, S. Res. 766, and S. Res. 767, with their preambles, are printed in the RECORD of October 26 (legislative day of October 19), 2020, under "Submitted Resolutions.")

RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED TODAY

Mr. BLUNT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the en bloc consideration of the following Senate resolutions, which were submitted earlier today: S. Res. 768, S. Res. 769, S. Res. 770, S. Res. 771, S. Res. 772, and S. Res.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolutions,

Mr. BLUNT. I know of no further debate on the measures, en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. If there is no further debate, the question is on agreeing to the resolutions, en bloc.

The resolutions (S. Res. 768, S. Res. 769, S. Res. 770, S. Res. 771, S. Res. 772, and S. Res. 773) were agreed to, en bloc.

Mr. BLUNT. I ask unanimous consent that the preambles be agreed to en bloc and that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table, all en bloc.

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

The preambles were agreed to, en

(The resolutions, with their preambles, are printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

Mr. BLUNT. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

PRESIDING OFFICER. The The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

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

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

ORDERS FOR MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2020

Mr. BLUNT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 3 p.m. on Monday, November 16; further, that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and morning business be closed; further, that following leader remarks, the Senate proceed to executive session and resume consideration of the Johnson nomination; and further, that notwithstanding rule XXII, the cloture motions filed during today's session of the Senate ripen at 5:30 p.m. on Monday.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2020, AT 3 P.M.

Mr. BLUNT. Mr. 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. 770 as a further mark of respect for the late Mark Andrews, former Senator of the State of North Dakota.

There being no objection, the Senate at 4:34 p.m., adjourned until Monday, November 16, 2020 at 3 p.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be vice admiral

REAR ADM. JEFFREY W. HUGHES

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be lieutenant colonel

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$To\ be\ colonel$

MIRIAM A. KRIEGER

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT AS PERMANENT PROFESSORS AT THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY IN THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 9433(B) AND 9436(A):

To be colonel

JEAN P. PELTIER TARA L. VILLENA

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be colonel

ANDREW C. SINELLI

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE $10, \mathrm{U.S.C.}, \mathrm{SECTION} \ 12203:$

To be colonel

PHILLIP J. ARMSTRONG

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be colonel

TONY D. NGUYEN

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

$To\ be\ colonel$

MATTHEW B. HARRISON

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT AS PERMANENT PROFESSOR AT THE UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY IN THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 7433(B) AND 7436(A):

To be colonel

MICHAEL S. SCIOLETTI

IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be commander

MICHAEL A. AJAO
ART A. AMBROSIO
SHALIMAR J. ANDREWS
MICHAEL J. ANNEN
DAMON M. ARMSTRONG
DANIELLE M. BARNES
RYAN C. BARTLE
KEVIN M. BERNSTEIN
NIKUNJ A. BHATT
MAUER BISCOTTI III
JASON B. BRILL JASON B. BRILL JOHN M. BURGER ANDREW S. CAMARATA ERIC T. CARROLL ANDREW S. CAMARATA
ERIC T. CARROLL
SUZANNE D. CLAYTON
CHRISTOPHER A. COCHRAN
GLEN A. COOK
WILLIAM A. CRONIN
MOHENISH K. DAUGHTRY
CHRISTINE A. DEFOREST
JONATHAN R. DETTIMER
JILLIAN M. DORSAM
CICELY A. DYE
RACHEL M. ELLIS
CHRISTIAN E. ESQUIVEL
MATTHEW P. FEIST
HUCKELBERRY A. FINNE
GAVIN W. FORD
GABRIEL T. GIZAW
STEVEN M. GLERUM
REYNALDO GOMEZ
AARON J. GONZALEZ
MATHEW R. GUGGENBILLER
JONATHAN L. HALBACH MATHEW R. GUGGENBILL
JONATHAN L. HALBACH
DAVID M. HANRAHAN
ROBERT S. HANSON
CURTIS L. HARDY
KEVIN S. HART
JAMES A. HARTWELL
AMIE L. HARVEY
SARAH D. HODGES SARAH D. HODGES SCOTT P. HOPKINS ADAM R. HORN ADAM K. HORN
DANIEL S. HWANG
JOHANES M. ISMAWAN
MICHAEL L. JACKSON
MARC T. JOHANNSEN
SUMMANTHER A. KAVIRATNE SUMMANTHER A. KAVIRA JOHN E. KEHOE KEVIN D. KEITH EAMON C. KELEHER TAMARA L. KEMP CHRISTOPHER M. KNAUS MATTHEW W. KOHAN MICHAEL A. LEE MATTHEW W. KOHAN
MICHAEL A. LEE
LOUIS R. LEWANDOWSKI
RADHAMES E. LIZARDO
DONALD J. LUCAS, JR.
MARGARET E. MACCLARY
CLIFFORD M. MADSEN
EDWIN MANLEY, JR.
GORDON T. MARKHAM
BLAKE A. MARVIN
BRENDAN J. MCCLUNEY
VICTORIA S. D. MCDONALD
APRIL L. MCGILL
ANNE E. MCLENDON
MARGRETTE M. MOORE
SAMIR T. MUKHERJEE
KENNETH E. NEEDHAM
KRISTINA W. OCONNOR
ROBERT J. OLDT III
JARED M. PATTON

ASHLEY B. PENN
LINDSEY M. PRESCHER
LANGAN P. ROBBINS
KEITH M. ROXO
NADINE H. RUTH
ROBERT P. RUTTER, JR.
BERANDI L. SAKAI
STEVEN B. SAPIDA
DUSTIN J. SCHUETT
STEPHENIE A. SCULLY
VIKAS SHRIVASTAVA
JAMES G. SLOTTO
CHARLES T. SMARK
KARL A. SODERLUND
JOSEPH SPINELLI
PAUL A. STICKELS
SARAH B. STURGILL
RANDY K. SULAVER
DANIEL D. TARMAN
BRENDON G. TILLMAN
DENISE R. TORBERT
VISONG TRING
ERIC H. TWERDAHL, JR.
DIEGO A. VICENTE
BRIAN R. VINCENT
JOSEPH V. VO, JR.
JUDD A. WHITING
MATTHEW C. WILLETT
LAWRENCE L. WILLIAMS, JR.
RAQUEL T. WILLIAMS
BRYAN E. WOOLDRIDGE, JR.
THE FOLLOWING NAMED OF

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be commander

NATALIE R. BAKAN
JARED C. BECK
ERIC L. BISCHOFF
JOSEPH G. R. BOICE
CHRISTOPHER D. BRADLEY
JOSEPH F. CAREY
SARA A. CHILCUTT
THOMAS G. COOPER
TRACY A. DANTONIO
CATTLIN D. DARCEY
ROHIT K. DAVE
KRISTEN M. ESTRADA
CHRISTOPHER M. HANSON
AARON G. HASSELL
JASON L. HICKS
JEFFREY T. HOYLE
STEPHEN B. HUTTON
SHAWNA L. JACKSON
DORIS K. LAM
JAMES C. M. LISH
EVAN P. MOODY
ANDREW J. PAKCHOIAN
DAVID G. QUINTERO
NICOLE M. REDDOUT
BLAKE M. ROSACKER
PAUL M. RUSSELL
JULIE K. SUGUITAN
CHRISTOPHER E. VERZOSA

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be commander

JAMES P. ADWELL
GARTH W. ALDRICH
JOSEPH A. BAUGH
DAVID G. BENNETT
WILLIAM A. BLAIR, JR.
STEPHANIE C. CLAPPER
KAARIN E. COLE
GABRIEL N. DEFANG
MATTHEW R. ENGLISH
JOHN J. FRASER
JOSEPH M. FROMKNECHT
HONG GAO
JINAKI S. GOURDINE
LINDA D. HAVENS
SHANI K. HENRY
HANNAH L. HOOTEN
BRITTANY J. JANSEN
KENNETH R. JENKINS
SANDEEP KUMAR
JAMES A. LAGGER
JESSE D. LOCKE
ROBERT P. B. NEVINS
JACOB N. J. NORRIS
OLUSEGUN A. OLABODE
EUGENE D. OSBORN
MICHAEL D. OSWORN
MICHAEL D. OSWORN
MICHAEL D. OSWORN
MICHAEL D. GOMANOWSKI
FRANCINE SEGOVIA
CHAD M. THOEMKE
JONE L. TILLMAN
KIRSTEN E. VESEYOLAH
PETER B. WALKER
ANDREW J. WENNE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be commander

BRYAN C. BARLETTO NATASHA T. BODE CHRISTINA R. CAETANO ERIK A. CARLSON JASON W. CONNORS ROSS S. ERICSON
CHRISTOPHER M. FLETCHER
KYLE FRALICK
TRACY L. HARP
CARA A. HOY
NICHOLAS J. KADLEC
DAYTON A. KRIGBAUM
DANIEL B. LEARY
GREGORY W. MANZ
ANDREW D. MURRAY
ELIZABETH A. OCONNOR
JENNIFER M. PIKE
AYANA B. PITTERSON
MARK T. RASMUSSEN
CHRISTOPHER M. REINTJES
MATTHEW R. SONN
NICHOLAS B. STAMPFLI
AARON D. WALDO
KEVIN M. WALKER
DAVID W. WARNING

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be commander

COLLEEN L. ABUZEID
MARTIN L. BOESE
EDWARD R. CAVANAUGH
KATHERINE M. GELENTER
JENNIFER L. GOODRIDGE
MONICA L. HALL
JUDY O. HANHILA
ROSE C. JOLLY
SONYA L. MCKAY
BRENDA S. MORGAN
RACHEL E. NEWNAM
COLBY J. OQUIN
JESSICA M. ORZECHOWSKI
HEATHER Y. PURCELLMULLINS
HARLEY R. RAGLE III
APRIL L. REAVES
TERI R. RYALS
JULIE M. SCHAUB
STACY M. STATS
ERIC T. TOBIN
KIMBERLY A. VESEY
CHRISTOPHER R. WEISS
LILLIAN W. WHITE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be lieutenant commander

BRIAN B. TOUPIN

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be lieutenant commander

JENNIFER L. RHINEHART

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be lieutenant commander

BRANDON E. CLARK

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be commander

CHRISTOPHER L. ALLEN
LINDSAY R. ANDERSON
JACOB T. BAKER
JATAN BASTOLA
JENNIFER M. BIBY
GEORGE M. BICK
REYNALDO R. CABANA III
LUPEI CHOU
MICHAEL J. COLLINS
VAUGHN B. COOPER
JOSEPH M. COZART
HEIDI M. DAVIS
JAMES A. DAVIS
JUSTIN T. DEVOE
RYAN P. DIPAOLO
MICHAEL B. DIPROSPERO
BLAKE M. DREMANN
MATTHEW E. DUNCAN
CRAIC T. DZIEWIATKOWSKI
JEFFGERARD C. FERNANDEZ
HEATHER M. FLORES
MELISSA S. FLYNN
JAMES L. FOSTER
CASEY J. GILLETTE
MELISSA A. GONZALES
JEREMY A. GRENNAN
MARK A. GUNTER
ADAM L. HAMILTON
JOSHUA R. HARDING
JASON E. HARNISH
RICHARD P. HARTL
BRIGHARD P. HARTL
BRIGHARD P. HARTL
BRIAN H. HAYS
NATHAN T. HAYWARD
MICHAEL C. HOCKETT, JR.
LUKE J. HODGES
ALEJANDRA HOLCH
RYAN Z. RIUGHES
SAMUEL A. HULL
MICHAEL D. KEY
JONATHAN M. KRENZ
SUNEET KUNDRA

MICHAEL D. LABBE
RAYMOND J. LANCLOS III
JOSHUA L. G. LANGHORNE
QUENTIN E. LEASE
CHRISTOPHER M. LEBEL
HEATHER E. K. LEE
SOHNHWA LEE
JONATHAN B. LEUNG
DAVID S. LEWIS
ANDREW C. LOVGREN
JASON P. MARKS
JAMES R. MARSH
ANNE P. MAZUREK
CHARLES E. MCCANDLESS
GREGORY T. MCCLEERY
ANDREW S. MIKESELL
MATTHEW L. MILLER
HOWARD A. MILLIGAN
JOSHUA M. MILLINER
ALEXANDER S. MOLNAR
STEPHANIE C. MONTANO
JASON A. MONTS
BENJAMIN G. MUNIZ III
ARTHUR C. NELSONWILLIAMS
ERIC J. NEWSOME
RAYMOND D. OBRIEN
JOHN A. OLABODE
ROEL K. OROZCO
ISAAC J. ORTMAN
JONATHAN P. PAGNUCCO
BRADY R. PETERS
MATTHEW C. POSS
JACOB M. PRENTISS
DOMINIC M. RAIGOZA
JOHN J. RENQUIST
PETER RIESTER
LEANNE R. RILEY
WILLIAM D. M. ROMPS
MANUEL ROSAS
CHRISTOPHER M. SANDS
MATTHEW J. SCHAEFER
JAN D. SCHOTMAN
JOHN R. SECRIST
JASON A. SHAW
GINA M. SLABY
JOSEPH A. SMUTZ
FREDERICK M. STAINES
RYAN R. STICKEL
GARRETT D. STONE
CINDY SUAREZVILLAFANE
JOHN R. SUMCE
SEAN M. TETER
MICHAEL B. VALLE
JULIO A. VARGAS
KURT A. WELDAY, JR.
JACOB T. WHITELEY
JONNTE E. WILLIAMSON

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be commander

RAYNARD ALLEN
DONALD A. BAKER III
AUTUMN E. BUTLERSAEGER
KIMBERLY CAIN
GENEVIEVE M. F. CLARK
JASON M. CONSTANTINE
DAVID S. DEESE
DAVID L. DUPREY
CALVIN B. GARDNER, SR.
GLENN W. ORRIS
BRYAN E. PURVIS
JOHN C. RUDD
ROBERT A. SLAUGHTER
PAUL L. SMITH
MARLIN WILLIAMS
THE FOLL OWING, NAMED OF

EDWARD P. WINDAS

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

$To\ be\ commander$

TO be CO
JAMES G. ANGERMAN
CHRISTIAN J. AUGER
MICHAEL T. AUGUSTYN
NICHOLAS C. BROWN
JOHN F. CASILIO
BRIAN W. CHRISTNER
THOMAS J. DILL
DANE C. ELLES
EDWARD A. FOSSON
JAMES R. W. GALLOWAY
DALLAS A. GIPSON
CRYSTINE M. GOOD
SHAWN C. GORMAN
DANIEL J. B. GUTIERREZ
KATHRYN A. GUTIERREZ
HILLIP R. HAMROCK
CARL A. HANSEN
MICHAEL R. HIGHTOWER
BENJAMIN E. KALISH
JOHN D. KVANDAL
ROBERT W. LEFTWICH
MATTHEW J. LENZER
KIMBERLY I. MAZUR
ROBERT W. LEFTWICH
MATTHEW J. LENZER
KIMBERLY I. MAZUR
ROBERT E. MCCHAREN
SETH T. MCGUIRE
JAMES B. MCKELVIE
MATTHEW R. MILKOWSKI
SANDRANELL L. MOERBE

RACHAEL M. MUSSER
STEVEN H. PARKS
JEFFREY D. PATTON
ROSS A. PENROD
JEREMY R. POTTS
AUSTIN A. RASBACH
JOHN V. RUGGIERO
MARCUS A. SANCHEZ
CHRISTOPHER A. SANDMEL
TYLER R. SCHARAR
JASON A. SCHECHTER
JEREMY M. SCHWARTZ
JAMES O. SHAMBLEY
RILEY W. SMITH
ROBERT M. SYRE
RYAN W. THRUN
JOSHUA A. TURNER
BILLY D. WOODWARD
CHESTER J. WYCKOFF
JOSEPH M. ZUKOWSKY

IN THE SPACE FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be lieutenant colonel

ISRAEL ABENSUR
TIMOTHY S. ANDERSON
JONATHAN R. AREHART
DANIEL H. BOYD
JASON WAYNE BULLOCK
BRENT W. BURGE
MARION M. CARTER
JASON JOEL CASEY
EDWARD G. CHANDLER
CHARLES D. COOK
ROBERT H. COPLEY
ARYAN L. DALE
JESSE O. DIAZ
CAITLIN B. DIFFLEY
LEILANI V. DISTASO
JESSE G. DOLL
TYLER E. ESKE
RICHARD K. FANCHER
JOSHUA M. FAUSTMAN
APRIL FOLEY
ALLAN G. FONSECA
JAIME E. GARCIA
THEODORE A. GIVLER
RICHARD C. GRIMBERG, JR.
ALLEXANDER HAU
KATHERINE C. HEBNER
MATTHEW D. KNEPPER
JEFFREY D. KOCH
DEANE L. LAKE
PAUL G. LAND
KEVON P. LAZARE
ROBERT J. LERNER
URI Y. MANDELBAUM
JOSHUA M. MCCULLION
WILLIAM C. MGGILLIVRAY
RANDALL G. MERCER
STEVEN R. MERCER
COLIN D. MIMS
CHRISTINE T. PASUN
DONALD T. PERROTTA
JOSEPH MARTIN PICARIELLO
DAVID J. RAHL
PAUL E. ROGERS
JUSTIN A. ROQUE
DOUGLAS B. RUYLE
ERIN E. G. SALINAS
MICHAEL J. SANDERS
MICHAEL J. TRETT
SCOTT P. VOTH
BENJAMIN C. SZUTAR
MARSHALL LEE TILLIS
MICHAEL A. TRETT
SCOTT P. VOTH
GEOFFREY H. WALKER
ROBERT O. WRAY
STEPPEN P. ZIEGENFUSS
DEVIN LEE ZUFELT

IN THE COAST GUARD

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD RESERVE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203(A):

To be captain

ROBERT A. BISANG
LYNN R. CAPUANO
GREGORY A. DUNCAN
JOSEPHINE K. HERON
WILLIAM J. KNITZ
NEAL P. KITE
JEFFREY W. KUCK
KEVIN P, LAVERY
SARA S. PLATT-MOSER
PAUL J. ROONEY
NAN O. SILVERMAN-WISE
SCOTT H. WOLLAND

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD RESERVE TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203(A):

To be captain

RICHARD A. HOWELL SCOTT C. TOVES THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR PROMOTION IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 14, U.S.C., SECTION 212(E), INCLUDING THOSE RESERVE OFFICERS WHO ARE TO BE APPOINTED AS PERMANENT COMMISSIONS OFFICERS PURSUANT TO 14 U.S.C., SECTION 2101.

To be lieutenant commander

To be lieute
BENJAMIN S. AARONSON
KAYLA J. ABRUZZESE
HILLARY R. ADAMS
MICHAEL J. AHLIN
KATHERINE L. AHRENS
KARL N. ALEJANDRE
WILLIAM A. ALLEN HI
JESSICA P. ANDERSON
LARS D. ANDELSON
LARS D. ANDELSON
LARS D. ANDELSON
LARS D. ANDELLES
JOHNSTON G. ARIAIL
MATTHEW A. ARNOLD
WADE E. ARNOLD
JACOB L. AULNER
ERIC P. BALCUNAS
MECHELLE N. BALL MECHELLE N. BALL ZACHARY N. BALLARD NATHAN D. BARNES NATHAN D. BARNES
JOHN B. BARRETT
MARIE C. BAXTER
JOHN W. BEAL
SAMUEL H. BEAUCHAMP III
STEVEN A. BECKER
KIMBERLY A. BEINNER
JEFFREY M. BEINDER
PATRICK G. BENNETT
JAMES F. BERRY
KYLE BERTOLUZZI
ALBERT D. BLAISDELL
SCOTT W. BOCK ALBERT D. BLAISDELL
SCOTT W. BOCK
TAMMY BOLIN
THEODORE J. BORNY
DAVID T. BOURBEAU
ZACHARY T. BOWERS
GREGORY V. BREDARIOL
JOHN J. BRIGGS
JUSTIN P. BROOKS
REBECCA J. BROOKS
ALEXANDER J. BROWN
SAMUEL T. BROWN
JASON E. BROWNLEE
GREGORY W. BUKATA
DANIEL J. BURKE
MICHAEL J. BURKE
MICHAEL J. BURKE
MICHAEL J. CARMAN
THOMAS D. CARMAN MICHAEL G. CARMAN THOMAS D. CARMAN JASON A. CARTER TIMOTHY J. CASSEL NYREL S. CEDERSTROM LAURENCE S. CHEN FRANCIS C. CHESKE JOSEPH C. CHEVALIER JAMES T. CHRISTY IRVING A. CINTRON CHARLES J. CLARK CHRISTOPHER C. CLARK MIAH A. CLAY CHRISTOPHER C. CLARI MIAH A. CLAY RICHARD K. COLEMAN MEGAN D. CONCEPCION KATHLEEN A. CONWAY ANDREW W. CORWELL MICHELLE A. COSENZA JESSE A. CREMEANS TANYA M. CUPRAK DILANE, D. M. CHERDRY TANYA M. GUPRAK
BRIAN E. DAUGHERTY
JAMES T. DAUGHERTY
BENJAMIN C. DAVNE
LENNIE R. DAY, JR.
LAURA A. DELGADO
ANDREW T. DENNING
NICHOLAS G. DERENZO
ZACHABY R. DIETZ ZACHARY B. DIETZ SEAN D. DIGEORGE NAMON R. DIMITROFF DANIEL F. DOUGHERTY BRIAN R. DOYLE JONATHAN B. DUFFETT ASHLEY E. DUFRESNE BRIAN A. DYKENS BRANDON M. EARHART NATHANIEL L. EICHLER AMUEL H. ENGLAND LAWTON K. ENNIS ALAINA M. FAGAN CORY P. FAGAN MICHAEL B. FARRIS MICHAEL B. FARRIS
DUSTIN S. FAUX
JENNIFER A. FERREIRA
MICAH K. FIGUEIRA
JACQUELINE T. FITCH
WILLIAM J. FITZGERALD III
JESSICA FLENNOY
JENNIFER B. FLOWERS
COLLEEN K. FOLEY JENNIFER B. FLOWERS
COLLEEN K. FOLEY
ANTHONY J. FOSS
RYAN M. FOX
PATRICK B. FRAIN, JR.
COLETUN A. FRANK
PETER J. FRANSON
DANIEL A. FRITZ
ANNA E. FUNK
DAVID A. GAGNON DAVID A. GAGNON SEAN R. GAJEWSKI JESSICA M. GALARZA

AARON M. GARNIER AARON M. GARNIER ROBERT M. GARRIS MARVIN J. GATES AMANDA L. GAVELEK AMY E. GAYMAN ALLICE V. GHOLSON ADAM M. GIBBS ADAM M. GIBBS
CURTIS A. GOOKIN
PAUL C. GRACEY
SPENCER W. GRINNELL
JENNA H. GROSS
ZACHARY T. GROSS
KENNETH W. HALL
SCOTT D. HANDLIN
BRADLEY S. HANOVER
JASON M. HARNER
JILLIAN B. HARNER
NICHOLAS J. HATHAWAY
RAYMOND J. HEBERLIG
KEITH C. HEINE RAYMOND J. HEBERLIG KEITH C. HEINE JASON D. HELSABECK STEPHEN P. HENDERSON CRAIG A. HERMILLER KARISSA L. HERNANDEZ NICHOLAS D. HERNDON GREGORY R. HERSH STEPHEN A. HILLS JILLIAN M. HOFFMAN RAVEN R. HOLM WALTER C. HUTCHINS JARED R. HYLANDER NICHOLAS S. IANNARONE JARED R. HYLANDER
MICHOLAS S. IANNARONE
AKANINYENE A. INYANG
DANIEL J. IPPOLITO
JOHN R. JASKOT
WESLEY C. JONES
PAUL R. JUNGHANS
PARISH M. KALEIWAHEA
SHAWN P. KARASEVICZ
LAUREN K. KEEFE
JORDAN C. KELLAM
BRENDEN V. KELLEY
DAVID KENT
KEVIN C. KINSELLA
GEORGE C. KOLUMBIC
ERIC R. KOLWICZ
JARED W. KORN
GARY R. KUEHN III
ANGEL M. KWOK
ANTHONY P. LABOY
DANIEL J. LAGDON
JONATHAN M. LANG NICHOLAS S. IANNARONE DANIEL J. LAGDON
JONATHAN M. LANG
AMBER L. LARSON
MICHAEL R. LAURENCE
MARK C. LEAHEY
JEREMIAH J. LEGGETT
HARRY LEHMAN III
MIHAI LETA
ETHAN S. LEWALLEN
PETER C. LEWIA
STEFAN A. LEWIS
QUENTIN L. LONG, JR
CARL A. LUXHOJ
ABBIE E. LYONS
THOMAS A. MACA
STEPHEN MACOMBER
MANUEL MADDOX MANUEL MADDOX ELISE V. MAHER MIGUEL A. MALDONADO LUCAS W. MANCINI LUCAS W. MANCINI
SEAN M. MARCH
MELISSA M. MARTINELLI
JOHN J. MAST
BRENDAN C. MATTINA
JAMES MCCORMACK
ARTHUR J. MCCROHAN
ZACHARY W. MCCUNE
HAYLEY J. MCELROY
MATTHEW J. MCKENNEY
MICHELLE R. MCNALLY
IAN P. MCPHILLIPS
MATTHEW K. MEACHAM IAN P. MCPHILLIPS
MATTHEW K. MEACHAM
KURTIS D. MEES
WILLIAM W. MENDENHALL
MATTHEW C. MERICAL
TREET A. MEYERS
ALLISON G. MIDDLETON
CAROLINE E. MILLER
DAIL J. MULLER CAROLINE E. MILLER
PAUL J. MILLIKEN
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