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The Senate met at 12 noon, on the expiration of the recess, and was called to order by the Honorable MARK KELLY, a Senator from the State of Arizona.

PRAYER

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

Let us pray.

Eternal God, our bulwark of safety, we worship You.

Though confronted by challenges, we continue to bless Your Name at all times. May our praises to You continually reside in our mouths with reverence. We speak of Your mercies that are new each day as we celebrate Your great faithfulness.

Lord, continue to manifest Your steadfast love to those who place their hope in You. Continue to use our Senators for Your glory. Continue to be our shelter from the storm.

We pray in Your matchless Name. Amen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Presiding Officer led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

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

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,

Washington, DC, September 30, 2023.

To the Senate:

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

appoint the Honorable MARK KELLY, a Senator from the State of Arizona, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATTY MURRAY,
President pro tempore.

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

RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

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

CONCLUSION OF MORNING BUSINESS

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Morning business is closed.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

SECURING GROWTH AND ROBUST LEADERSHIP IN AMERICAN AVIATION ACT—Continued

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 3935, which the clerk will report.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 3935) to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes.

Pending:

Schumer (for Murray) amendment No. 1292, in the nature of a substitute.

Schumer amendment No. 1293 (to amendment No. 1292), to add an effective date.

Schumer motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with instructions, Schumer amendment No. 1294, to add an effective date.

Schumer amendment No. 1295 (to (the instructions) amendment No. 1294), to modify the effective date.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator from Vermont.

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

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

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

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

REMEMBERING DIANNE FEINSTEIN

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I rise today in joining a number of my colleagues to pay tribute to the legacy of Senator Dianne Feinstein.

In the last couple of days since her unfortunate passing, much has been said about my friend Dianne. She was a trailblazer who helped pave the way for generations of women seeking public office. As the first female mayor of San Francisco, she was elected to the Senate in 1992, the so-called Year of the Woman, and she helped triple the number of female Senators from two to six. Think about that. That was just in 1992. Although we still have a long way to go as we march toward true representation in this body, today there are four times that many women sitting in this Chamber, and, as many of them have already noted from the floor, it is in part because of the legacy of Dianne Feinstein.

Dianne was propelled into office because she believed in the power of public service to improve people's lives. It is why, having witnessed the devastating effect of gun violence firsthand—literally coming up on the murder of then-Supervisor Harvey Milk—she was such a champion of gun safety.

Believing that weapons of war had no place on our streets, she authored and shepherded into law the assault weapons ban. Although I acknowledge that

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my own record on this issue has been somewhat complicated, I am convinced that this country would be far better and would be far safer if that assault weapons ban was restored today.

In this and so many other ways, Senator Feinstein was long ahead of the curve. She was a lifelong champion of equality, civil rights, immigrants, and the gay community. She was proud to call herself an environmentalist long before that term was even used.

Much has been said about her legacy on these issues, but as the current chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, I want to call particular attention to her leadership on national security.

Let me cite right now that I have been in pretty regular contact with my dear friend, the former chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, the former Senator from North Carolina, Richard Burr, who also wanted, through me, to express his condolences as well.

Among her many firsts, Senator Feinstein was the first woman to chair the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence. She served as chairman from 2009 to 2015 and vice chairman from 2015 to 2017.

During her time as chair of the committee, the Senator led the drafting and subsequent enactment of six consecutive authorization bills following a 6-year span where we didn't do the IAA. These bills are crucial tools to exercise oversight of the U.S. intelligence community. They authorize funding for intelligence activities and add or amend legislation affecting the IC.

But perhaps one of her greatest legacies was her unflinching investigation into the brutal detention and interrogation methods used by the CIA in the aftermath of the 9/11 attacks.

As part of that report, which, I can tell you as a member of the committee at that point, without her persistence, her diligence, would not have gone through, as a part of that effort, the report that came out of her investigation into CIA methods was a report that—committee staff examined more than 6.3 million pages of records. They wrote a 6,700-page report, backed up by 38,000 footnotes, and eventually released a public, 500-page, declassified, executive summary detailing a host of brutal practices used against detainees, without—and this was hard for those of us who supported the IC—without yielding actionable intelligence to prevent terrorist attacks.

In doing so—again, I was a witness to this—Chairman Feinstein went toe-to-toe with the CIA, went toe-to-toe with Presidents of two different parties and others who were determined to bury that part of the CIA's history. She made sure that we had a full reckoning.

I joined the committee in 2011, 2 years into Dianne's tenure as chair. From her, I learned about both the intel, the necessity that this committee be independent, that it needs to

be bipartisan, and that our role in oversight was critically important.

In so many ways, I am proud of the fact that under Senator Burr and now under my tenure as leadership, we call ourselves the Senate Intelligence Committee—the most bipartisan, fully functioning committee not only in the Senate but in the whole Congress.

On a personal note, I remember—and I have such greater appreciation for this now—when I was the new guy on the committee, I sat at the far end of the dais. My particular interests were in satellites and overhead. Whenever we had a hearing on the essential role that NGA, NRO, and other Agencies play, in terms of overseeing the oversight of our satellite imagery, and the fact that I felt we were sometimes investing way too much in legacy systems, Dianne would always let me go the extra minute, 2 minutes, 3 minutes in terms of my questioning. That is a type of courtesy and understanding that I have tried to emulate in my role as chairman.

Sometimes, at the end of a long hearing, if you are the guy or the gal at the end of the dais in your chair, you like things to be wrapped up fairly quickly. She was always courteous. She was always understanding. She allowed me the lane where I slowly developed some level of expertise. And I stand here today proud of my work on that committee.

But I learned so much from her about how to operate—how to operate with integrity, how to operate in a bipartisan fashion, and with always the eye on the ball that the work that the men and the women of the intelligence community does is absolutely critical. But it is also equally critical for those of us in Congress who are entrusted with the oversight responsibility of that community that we do our job as well.

Like so many of my colleagues, we have lost a mentor. I lost a friend, and the Senate has lost a giant.

I yield the floor.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator from Virginia.

CONTINUING RESOLUTION

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, thank you for the courtesy of allowing me to speak again. I just spoke about Dianne Feinstein.

Later today, the House is potentially acting on legislation. One of the things Dianne was always clear-eyed about was our national security threats and the challenges posed by autocratic nation-states like Russia. I implore my friends in the House—a House that just this week, by a vote of 330-plus, said they did not want to walk away from Ukraine, our commitment at this moment, our military support, our diplomatic support, our State Department support at this critical junction in this world.

Well, in a crass, crass move, Republican House leadership is not only trying to remove all assistance for Ukraine but literally trying to prevent our Defense Department, our State De-

partment, and other Agencies from transferring already-existing funds to those necessary areas that are going to be most in jeopardy if we walk away from Ukraine at this moment in time. I implore those who have said time and again that we need to stand up for Ukraine not to walk away at this moment in time.

The truth is, what happens today, as European elections over the next few weeks with forces that are not in support of democracy's continued fight against the autocracy that Putin represents, the brutal dictatorship that Putin represents—they will be watching.

I hope that we stand firm, as so many of us in this body alone, north of 85 Senators, have come to the floor at one point or another or in voting have said they want to stand with the people of Ukraine in their strong fight. We are going to have to address that question later today as we sort through these final hours before the imminent and totally avoidable shutdown happens at midnight tonight.

I yield the floor.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senator from Washington.

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I come to the floor this afternoon to urge my colleagues to keep moving this bipartisan CR forward and remind them that this isn't the be-all, end-all of legislating this year. I really appreciate the efforts, including considering a different message in this bill.

I have a message for everyone who still wants this bill to do a little bit more. This is not the last bill this Congress is ever going to pass, but it is how we avoid a devastating shutdown. The issue that the Senator from Virginia just talked about in terms of making sure we are strong—not just here at home, but across the globe—I can assure you, whatever other issue you care about, whether it is childcare or the border or farmers or schools or air travel or rural healthcare or veterans, you name it—a government shutdown is not going to make it better. It will hurt our families. It will hurt our economy, and it will hurt our national security. And, by the way, it is going to be more expensive than just keeping things open.

That is why the first order of business for all of us, no matter what you care about, has to be getting our bipartisan CR passed. Once we take care of priority No. 1 and keep the lights on, we can and we obviously will keep talking about how to deal with the pressing challenges of childcare, the border, natural disasters, and more. And we can get back to passing our 12 bipartisan appropriations bills to provide full-year funding.

Let's get this done so we can avoid a complete disaster for families and get back to making progress on all the other issues we all care about. I urge my colleagues to vote yes on the motion to invoke cloture on the substitute.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Ms. WARREN). The Senator from Oregon.

Mr. MERKLEY. Madam President, the bill that we will be voting on shortly reflects intense bipartisan collaboration here in the Senate, the type of collaboration that we need to see a lot more of in this institution.

I share a lot of credit—let me put it differently. I thank the coleads, Senator MURRAY and Senator COLLINS, for working so hard to get all the appropriation bills out of committee and finding a path forward for us to make sure that, with the CR, we can keep the government open.

It doesn't have things in it that I would like—a lot more disaster aid for folks around the country, a lot more support for Ukraine. But I think it represents exactly the type of modest package that is appropriate at this moment, while, as the chair of Appropriations pointed out, we will continue to work together in the month to come to pass the actual appropriation bills.

The issue that I am very concerned about on the House side right now is that they are taking and putting together a package that has no support for Ukraine and that bans the administration from moving funds throughout the Defense Department and the State Department to be able to support Ukraine.

If you want China and Russia being No. 1 and No. 2 in the world, then that would be the path to go. If you want to have dictatorships, authoritarian governments crush democracy, then that would be the way to go.

But I want our vision of a republic, our vision of a democracy, our vision of a state that has freedom of speech and freedom of assembly to be able to be the model that expands freedom in this world.

Let's support this package before us, and let's support a package that has both disaster aid and aid for Ukraine.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Indiana.

QUORUM CALL

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Mr. BRAUN. I object.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The objection is heard.

The clerk will continue to call the roll.

The legislative clerk continued to call the roll, and the following Senators entered the Chamber and answered to their names:

Braun	King	Schatz
Brown	Markey	Schumer
Cortez Masto	Merkley	Warner
Duckworth	Murray	Warren
Hyde-Smith	Padilla	Whitehouse
Kelly	Reed	

[Quorum No. 2]

The PRESIDING OFFICER. A quorum is not present.

The majority leader.

MOTION TO INSTRUCT

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I move to instruct the Sergeant At Arms to request the presence of absent Senators, and I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There is a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) is necessarily absent.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senator is necessarily absent: the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. SCOTT).

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 49, nays 48, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 246 Leg.]

YEAS—49

Baldwin	Hickenlooper	Rosen
Bennet	Hirono	Sanders
Blumenthal	Kaine	Schatz
Booker	Kelly	Schumer
Brown	King	Shaheen
Cantwell	Klobuchar	Sinema
Cardin	Lujan	Smith
Carper	Manchin	Tester
Casey	Markey	Van Hollen
Coons	Menendez	Warner
Cortez Masto	Merkley	Warnock
Duckworth	Murphy	Warren
Durbin	Murray	Welch
Fetterman	Ossoff	Whitehouse
Gillibrand	Padilla	Wyden
Hassan	Peters	
Heinrich	Reed	

NAYS—48

Barrasso	Fischer	Murkowski
Blackburn	Graham	Paul
Boozman	Grassley	Ricketts
Braun	Hagerty	Risch
Britt	Hawley	Romney
Budd	Hoeven	Rounds
Capito	Hyde-Smith	Rubio
Cassidy	Johnson	Schmitt
Collins	Kennedy	Scott (FL)
Cornyn	Lankford	Sullivan
Cotton	Lee	Thune
Cramer	Lummis	Tillis
Crapo	Marshall	Tuberville
Cruz	McConnell	Vance
Daines	Moran	Wicker
Ernst	Mullin	Young

NOT VOTING—2

Scott (SC)	Stabenow
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(Mr. OSSOFF assumed the Chair.)

(Mr. HICKENLOOPER assumed the Chair.)

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. OSSOFF). A quorum is present.

The majority leader.

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote, and I lay it on the table.

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

RECESS SUBJECT TO THE CALL OF THE CHAIR

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask that the Senate stand in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 3:55 p.m., recessed subject to the call of the Chair and reassembled at 8:10 p.m. when called to order by the President pro tempore.

SECURING GROWTH AND ROBUST LEADERSHIP IN AMERICAN AVIATION ACT—Continued

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The majority leader is recognized.

CLOTURE MOTIONS WITHDRAWN

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the cloture motions with respect to substitute amendment No. 1292 and the underlying bill, H.R. 3935, be withdrawn.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2024 AND OTHER EXTENSIONS ACT—MOTION TO PROCEED

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I ask that it be in order to make a motion to proceed to H.R. 5860.

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

Mr. SCHUMER. I move to proceed to H.R. 5860, which was received from the House and is at the desk.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

Motion to proceed to H.R. 5860, a bill making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2024, and for other purposes.

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I know of no further debate on the motion.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Is there further debate?

If not, the question is on agreeing to the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2024 AND OTHER EXTENSIONS ACT

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 5860) making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2024, and for other purposes.

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I now ask unanimous consent there be up to 5 minutes for debate, equally divided, between the two leaders or their designees; that upon the use or yielding back of time, the Senate vote on passage of H.R. 5860 with 60 affirmative votes required for passage and with no amendments or motions in order to the bill prior to the vote on passage.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

The majority leader is recognized.

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I have very good news for the country. Democrats and Republicans have come

to an agreement, and the government will remain open. We will have avoided a shutdown.

Bipartisanship, which has been the trademark of the Senate, has prevailed, and the American people can breathe a sigh of relief. But this is a bridge CR. Leader MCCONNELL and I have agreed to continue fighting for more economic and security aid for Ukraine. We support Ukraine's efforts to defend its sovereignty against Putin's aggression.

So thank you, thank you to my colleagues on both sides of the aisle for their excellent work. The bipartisanship here in the Senate set the tone for today's result, and I hope it sets the tone for the future.

I yield the floor.

RECOGNITION OF THE MINORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Republican leader is recognized.

Mr. MCCONNELL. Madam President, with just a few hours to spare, the Senate is now in a position to prevent a harmful and unnecessary government shutdown.

As I have said for weeks, the clearest path forward has been to pass a straightforward, short-term funding extension that gives us time to continue a number of important discussions about outstanding priorities, from securing supplemental relief for victims of natural disasters to restoring security and sanity at the southern border that the Biden administration has dragged into chaos, to putting stronger restraints on the President's reckless spending to supplying Ukraine with even more of the lethal assistance it needs to repel Russia's invasion.

On that particular point, most Senate Republicans remain committed to helping our friends on the frontlines, to investing more heavily in American strength that reinforces our allies, and deterring our top strategic adversary, China.

I am confident the Senate will pass further urgent assistance to Ukraine later this year. But let's be clear. The alternative to our action today, an entirely avoidable government shutdown, would not just pause our progress on these important priorities, it would actually set them back. And in the process, it would saddle the people we represent with unnecessary hardships.

So I am glad our colleagues in the House have taken action on a continuing resolution that keeps critical government functions going at their current rates of operation.

Passing this measure and keeping the lights on will allow us to return our attention to making headway on full-year appropriations our colleagues have been working on, literally, for months. And it will give us the flexibility to meet urgent supplemental priorities both at home and abroad.

Therefore, I would urge our colleagues to join me in supporting this important step in the right direction.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will read the title of the bill for the third time.

The bill was ordered to a third reading and was read the third time.

VOICE ON H.R. 5860

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The bill having been read the third time, the question is, Shall the bill pass?

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) is necessarily absent.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senator is necessarily absent: the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. SCOTT).

The result was announced—yeas 88, nays 9, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 247 Leg.]

YEAS—88

Baldwin	Grassley	Reed
Barrasso	Hassan	Ricketts
Bennet	Hawley	Risch
Blumenthal	Heinrich	Romney
Booker	Hickenlooper	Rosen
Boozman	Hirono	Rounds
Britt	Hoeven	Rubio
Brown	Hyde-Smith	Sanders
Budd	Johnson	Schatz
Cantwell	Kaine	Schumer
Capito	Kelly	Scott (FL)
Cardin	Kennedy	Shaheen
Carper	King	Sinema
Casey	Klobuchar	Smith
Cassidy	Lankford	Sullivan
Collins	Lujan	Tester
Cooms	Lummis	Thune
Cornyn	Manchin	Tillis
Cortez Masto	Markey	Tuberville
Cotton	McConnell	Van Hollen
Cramer	Menendez	Warner
Crapo	Merkley	Warnock
Daines	Moran	Warren
Duckworth	Mullin	Welch
Durbin	Murkowski	Whitehouse
Ernst	Murphy	Wicker
Fetterman	Murray	Wyden
Fischer	Ossoff	Young
Gillibrand	Padilla	
Graham	Peters	

NAYS—9

Blackburn	Hagerty	Paul
Braun	Lee	Schmitt
Cruz	Marshall	Vance

NOT VOTING—2

Scott (SC)	Stabenow
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The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order requiring 60 votes for the passage of this bill, the bill is passed.

The bill (H.R. 5860) was passed.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The majority leader is recognized.

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, it has been a day full of twists and turns, but the American people can breathe a sigh of relief. There will be no government shutdown. Democrats have said from the start that the only solution for avoiding a shutdown is bipartisanship, and we are glad that Speaker MCCARTHY has finally heeded our message.

In the end, more Democrats supported this bill in the House than Republicans, proving bipartisanship was the best answer all along.

I want to thank my colleagues here in the Senate, especially our appropri-

ators, the Presiding Officer and SUSAN COLLINS and Leader MCCONNELL.

Our bipartisan work in the Senate set the tone for the bill we are about to pass. Our bipartisanship made this possible and showed the House that they had to act.

We will keep the government open for 45 days with a clean CR at current funding levels, and we avoided all of the extreme, nasty, and harmful cuts MAGA Republicans wanted. No 30 percent cuts across the board; no 30 percent cuts to things like healthcare, to the Social Security Administration, to the nutrition programs for kids; full reauthorization of the FAA until December 31; and the poison pill amendments, of which there were scores—MAGA-inspired riders—were all removed from the bill. After trying to take our government hostage, MAGA Republicans won nothing.

So one more time, it is good Speaker MCCARTHY finally—finally—heeded our message that bipartisanship was and is and remains the only way. He could have made this decision weeks ago.

Now, I have said from day one, this is a bridge CR, a temporary solution, not the final destination. We will not stop fighting for more economic and security assistance for Ukraine. Majorities in both parties support Ukraine aid, and doing more is vital for America's security and for democracy around the world. But this CR is still very good news for the American people.

Today, MAGA extremists have failed, bipartisanship has prevailed, and both parties have come together to avert a shutdown.

Once again, thank you to Leader MCCONNELL, Appropriations Chair PATTY MURRAY, Vice Chair SUSAN COLLINS, and Members on both sides of the aisle who came together.

Today's CR would not have been possible without the Senate's good work. The Senate showed that bipartisanship was the only way, and the same will be true again in 45 days.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I move to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 319.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The question is on agreeing to the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of James C. O'Brien, of Nebraska, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (European and Eurasian Affairs).

CLOTURE MOTION

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. 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 Executive Calendar No. 319, James C. O'Brien, of Nebraska, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (European and Eurasian Affairs).

Charles E. Schumer, Robert Menendez, Benjamin L. Cardin, Sheldon Whitehouse, Christopher A. Coons, Jeanne Shaheen, Richard J. Durbin, Gary C. Peters, Richard Blumenthal, Christopher Murphy, Robert P. Casey, Jr., Edward J. Markey, Alex Padilla, Chris Van Hollen, Jeff Merkley, Margaret Wood Hassan, Peter Welch.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I move to proceed to legislative session. The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The question is on agreeing to the motion. The motion was agreed to.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I move to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 176.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The question is on agreeing to the motion. The motion was agreed to.

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of Brendan Abell Hurson, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland.

CLOTURE MOTION

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. 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 Executive Calendar No. 176, Brendan Abell Hurson, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland.

Charles E. Schumer, Richard J. Durbin, Raphael G. Warnock, Mazie Hirono, Jeanne Shaheen, Elizabeth Warren, Catherine Cortez Masto, Margaret Wood Hassan, Jack Reed, Mark Kelly, Tammy Duckworth, Chris Van Hollen, Amy Klobuchar, Jeff Merkley, Alex Padilla, John Fetterman, Robert P. Casey, Jr., Sherrod Brown.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

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

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The question is on agreeing to the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I move to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 264.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The question is on agreeing to the motion. The motion was agreed to.

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of Susan Kim DeClercq, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan.

CLOTURE MOTION

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SCHATZ). 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 Executive Calendar No. 264, Susan Kim DeClercq, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan.

Charles E. Schumer, Debbie Stabenow, Margaret Wood Hassan, Mark Kelly, Jack Reed, John W. Hickenlooper, Elizabeth Warren, Tammy Duckworth, Jeff Merkley, Richard J. Durbin, Jeanne Shaheen, Benjamin L. Cardin, Mazie K. Hirono, Tina Smith, Edward J. Markey, Tim Kaine, Tammy Baldwin.

Mr. SCHUMER. Finally, I ask unanimous consent that the mandatory quorum calls for the cloture motions filed today, September 30, be waived.

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

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate consider the following nominations en bloc: Calendar Nos. 252 and 254; that the Senate vote on the nominations en bloc without intervening action or debate; that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table; and that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's actions.

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

The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of Brendan Carr, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2023 (Reappointment); and Geoffrey Adam Starks, of Kansas, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2022 (Reappointment)?

The nominations were confirmed en bloc.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate consider the following nominations: all nominations placed on the Secretary's desk in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy; that the nominations be confirmed en bloc; that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate; that no further motions be in order to any of the nominations; and that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's actions.

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

The nominations considered and confirmed are as follows:

NOMINATIONS PLACED ON THE SECRETARY'S DESK

IN THE AIR FORCE

PN465 AIR FORCE nomination of David M.P. Spittler, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 27, 2023.

PN886 AIR FORCE nominations (7) beginning HEATHER A. BODWELL, and ending CHRISTIAN L. WILLIAMS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 25, 2023.

PN887 AIR FORCE nominations (28) beginning EGLON AUBYN ANGEL, and ending THOMAS H. WEST, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 25, 2023.

PN889 AIR FORCE nomination of Martin J. Slovinsky, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 25, 2023.

PN949 AIR FORCE nomination of Jason E. Little, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN982 AIR FORCE nomination of Joanne M. Whitlock, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN983 AIR FORCE nomination of Freddy R. Orellana, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN1030 AIR FORCE nomination of Melissa L. Hull, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 19, 2023.

PN1031 AIR FORCE nomination of Alicia C. Pallett, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 19, 2023.

PN1033 AIR FORCE nomination of Joshua N. Young, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 19, 2023.

IN THE ARMY

PN401 ARMY nomination of Robert M. McTighe, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 14, 2023.

PN402 ARMY nomination of Edward B. Sauter, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 14, 2023.

PN403 ARMY nomination of Joan E. Sommers, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of March 14, 2023.

PN508 ARMY nomination of Abraham N. Osborn, which was received by the Senate

and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 17, 2023.

PN509 ARMY nomination of Amanda E. Harrington, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 17, 2023.

PN510 ARMY nomination of Lee W. Doggett, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 17, 2023.

PN519 ARMY nominations (166) beginning ELI S. ADAMS, and ending D012613, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 17, 2023.

PN520 ARMY nominations (162) beginning DREW Q. ABELL, and ending G010339, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 17, 2023.

PN521 ARMY nominations (112) beginning ROMAINE M. AGUON, and ending D017105, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 17, 2023.

PN522 ARMY nominations (16) beginning MICHAEL L. ARNER, and ending MARK M. YEARY, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of April 17, 2023.

PN614 ARMY nomination of Robert K. Furtick, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 4, 2023.

PN615 ARMY nomination of Joseph A. McCarthy, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 4, 2023.

PN790 ARMY nomination of Vegas V. Coleman, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 21, 2023.

PN895 ARMY nominations (59) beginning MATTHEW C. AILSTOCK, and ending 0002350680, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 25, 2023.

PN896 ARMY nomination of Russell W. Forkin, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 25, 2023.

PN897 ARMY nomination of Jessica L. Godsey, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 25, 2023.

PN909 ARMY nomination of Matthew F. Dabkowski, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 27, 2023.

PN910 ARMY nomination of Archie L. Bates, III, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 27, 2023.

PN911 ARMY nomination of Jason S. Hawksworth, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 27, 2023.

PN912 ARMY nominations (5) beginning PAUL A. BARNETT, JR., and ending ROBERT P. MASON, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 27, 2023.

PN950 ARMY nominations (11) beginning LARRY K. CREEL, and ending AUDLEY S. SALMON, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN951 ARMY nominations (5) beginning ALFRED L. BOOKER, JR., and ending MELISSA L. WARDLAW, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN952 ARMY nominations (2) beginning CHRISTOPHER J. HANKEY, and ending JENNIFER M. JAEGER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN953 ARMY nomination of Chris R. Larsen, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN954 ARMY nominations (11) beginning CHRISTOPHER J. CALVANO, and ending ALFREDO E. URDANETA, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN955 ARMY nominations (16) beginning RYAN S. CASPER, and ending BENJAMIN J. WEITZEL, JR., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN956 ARMY nomination of Eugene S. Johnson, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN957 ARMY nominations (2) beginning BRIAN V. CRUPI, and ending NATHAN C. PARRISH, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN958 ARMY nominations (2) beginning DANIEL J. MCINTYRE, and ending KELLEY A. PETERSON, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN984 ARMY nominations (22) beginning ANGELA M. ALLMER, and ending BARBARA J. WEBSTER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN985 ARMY nominations (28) beginning CHARLES S. BENNER, and ending LARRY T. WILSON, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN986 ARMY nominations (29) beginning APOLLA A. BENITO, and ending SEO Y. YANG, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN987 ARMY nominations (38) beginning MARVIN W. ASHFORD, JR., and ending MATTHEW B. WOODS, IV, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN988 ARMY nominations (29) beginning CHRISTINE C. AN CAJAS, and ending KIRK A. YEGERLEHNER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN989 ARMY nominations (115) beginning JESSICA M. ALARCON, and ending 0002901370, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN990 ARMY nominations (191) beginning OLUMUYIWA G. ADESOYE, and ending ZHENG W. ZOU, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN991 ARMY nominations (79) beginning RICHARD T. AHLSTROM, and ending 0002535729, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN992 ARMY nominations (22) beginning TAYLOR A. ALTON, and ending SARAH M. WAIBELWARNER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN993 ARMY nomination of Matthew W. P. Burgoon, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN994 ARMY nomination of Tyler J. Bradley, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN1034 ARMY nominations (6) beginning AMANDA R. CAMPEAU, and ending CHARLES V. SLIDER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in

the Congressional Record of September 19, 2023.

PN1035 ARMY nominations (13) beginning BRIAN J. ALLEN, and ending DAVID A. WORTHY, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 19, 2023.

PN1036 ARMY nominations (4) beginning KRISTA L. BARTOLOMUCCI, and ending BRENDAN J. MAYER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 19, 2023.

PN1037 ARMY nomination of David A. Boudreaux, Jr., which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 19, 2023.

PN1038 ARMY nomination of Arthur A. Blain, IV, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 19, 2023.

PN1039 ARMY nomination of James A. Favuzzi, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 19, 2023.

PN1040 ARMY nomination of Bryan A. Shipman, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 19, 2023.

PN1041 ARMY nomination of Peter D. Helzer, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 19, 2023.

PN1042 ARMY nominations (6) beginning STEPHEN L. BOSSIER, and ending STEPHEN M. WARREN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 19, 2023.

IN THE MARINE CORPS

PN708 MARINE CORPS nomination of Michael S. McLeod, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of May 30, 2023.

PN782 MARINE CORPS nomination of Bradley C. Fromm, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 12, 2023.

PN855 MARINE CORPS nomination of Ryan J. Nowlin, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 12, 2023.

PN959 MARINE CORPS nomination of Cale D. Magnuson, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

IN THE NAVY

PN913 NAVY nomination of Douglas E. Cole, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 27, 2023.

PN914 NAVY nomination of Schadaq Torres, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 27, 2023.

PN915 NAVY nomination of Augustine R. Wilson, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 27, 2023.

PN916 NAVY nomination of Haney D. Hong, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 27, 2023.

PN917 NAVY nomination of Dylan S. Maya, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 27, 2023.

PN960 NAVY nominations (3) beginning DAVID J. BROWN, and ending RENO R. PERRYMAN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN961 NAVY nominations (35) beginning JONATHAN W. ALEXANDER, and ending LEOTRA L. WEST, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN962 NAVY nominations (56) beginning VINCENZO G. ALBERICO, and ending CORI

R. WALLACE, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN963 NAVY nominations (203) beginning RACHEL S. ABRAHAM, and ending ALTON J. ZURLOHAVEY, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN964 NAVY nominations (50) beginning CHARLES D. BALL, III, and ending COLIN N. ZOOK, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN965 NAVY nominations (124) beginning CHRISTOPHER B. ABEL, and ending JUSTIN B. WOODS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN966 NAVY nominations (69) beginning MARK ADJEL, and ending ASHLY L. WISNIEWSKI, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN967 NAVY nomination of Kevin L. Jackson, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN968 NAVY nominations (28) beginning JASON R. ARANT, and ending STEPHEN E. VELTHUIS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN969 NAVY nominations (28) beginning MICHAEL A. BERL, and ending CHRISTOPHER M. WILLICH, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN970 NAVY nominations (227) beginning ADRIAN ACEVESHURTADO, and ending MICHAEL T. WYNGARDEN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN971 NAVY nominations (164) beginning JENNIFER T. ADCOCK, and ending DANIEL S. ZIMMER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN972 NAVY nominations (63) beginning MATTHEW C. ANDERSON, and ending ILI YUAN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN973 NAVY nomination of Albetro Alshabazz, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN974 NAVY nominations (24) beginning KEES A. ANDERSON, and ending TOBY G. VIA, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN975 NAVY nominations (45) beginning ASIA M. ALLISON, and ending HEATHER L. WILLIS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN976 NAVY nominations (27) beginning SKYLER S. BARGER, and ending MICHAEL P. WATROL, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN977 NAVY nominations (1060) beginning JEREMY T. AARON, and ending JONATHAN E. ZURITA, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 6, 2023.

PN995 NAVY nominations (129) beginning CRYSTAL R. AANDAHL, and ending JAIME M. YORK, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN996 NAVY nominations (22) beginning SARAH A. AGUERO, and ending ALEXANDRA M. STORMER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN997 NAVY nominations (66) beginning TEMITOPE O. AYENI, and ending GREGORY A. WOLFFLEY, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN998 NAVY nominations (57) beginning BROOKE T. AHLSTROM, and ending MICHAEL K. YANG, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN999 NAVY nominations (119) beginning MIGUEL M. ALAMPAY, and ending ASHLEY L. ZANDER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN1000 NAVY nominations (49) beginning DERRICK ABSON, and ending RODERICK A. YARD, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN1001 NAVY nominations (35) beginning GERARDO A. ARBULUBARANDIARAN, and ending MARIANOGERARD Y. ZAMORA, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN1002 NAVY nominations (40) beginning BRADLEY A. ALBERS, and ending SEAN E. ZETOONEY, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN1003 NAVY nominations (38) beginning JOSHUA J. AUSTRING, and ending CHRIS L. WILSON, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN1004 NAVY nominations (89) beginning KRISTOFFER M. S. ABONAL, and ending MATTHEW B. ZINGER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN1005 NAVY nominations (66) beginning STEFANI AHSANOV, and ending GERTIAN XHAF A, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN1006 NAVY nominations (14) beginning MOHAMMAD K. BAHADAR, and ending BRANDON T. VITTON, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN1007 NAVY nominations (2) beginning LUKE R. BADEN, and ending GREGORY I. BASIOR, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN1008 NAVY nominations (17) beginning SARAH E. BEEMILLER, and ending COLLEEN M. WILMINGTON, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN1009 NAVY nominations (73) beginning CHARLES A. ALLEN, and ending MARTIN A. ZUBER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN1010 NAVY nominations (8) beginning ERIN M. BACON, and ending CAROLINE A. WEACHTER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN1011 NAVY nominations (12) beginning DAVIS J. ANDERSON, and ending ADAGRAY A. WILLIS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN1012 NAVY nomination of Megan E. Jamison, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN1013 NAVY nominations (8) beginning NATHANIEL B. ALEXANDER, and ending BANSARI SARKAR, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in

the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

PN1014 NAVY nomination of Von H. Fernandes, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 7, 2023.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to legislative session for 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.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 2:57 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 5860. An act making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2024, and for other purposes.

At 8:07 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 5692. An act making supplemental appropriations for fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 9:13 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 5860. An act making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2024, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mrs. MURRAY).

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

H.R. 5692. An act making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes.

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. CASSIDY (for himself and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 3003. A bill to authorize the United States Postal Service to offer identity proofing and identity-related services to the private sector; 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. PADILLA (for himself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. Res. 389. A resolution expressing support for the annual designation of October 1st as "National Latino/a Physician Day"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. HASSAN, and Mr. PETERS):

S. Res. 390. A resolution designating the week of October 1, 2023, through October 7, 2023, as "National Community Policing Week"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. WARNOCK, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. BRAUN, Mrs. BLACKBURN, and Ms. ERNST):

S. Res. 391. A resolution designating the week beginning October 15, 2023, as "National Character Counts Week"; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. HIRONO (for herself and Mr. SCHATZ):

S. Res. 392. A resolution recognizing and honoring the first responders and those who lost their lives in the Maui wildfires in August 2023 that affected thousands of people; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. TILLIS (for himself and Mr. BUDD):

S. Res. 393. A resolution to honor the life and death of Duncan McLaughlin ("Lauch") Faircloth, former Senator for the State of North Carolina; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 1554

At the request of Mr. ROUNDS, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1554, a bill to grant a Federal charter to the National American Indian Veterans, Incorporated.

S. 2180

At the request of Mr. BENNET, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2180, a bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to require the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a small farm EQIP subprogram under the environmental quality incentives program, and for other purposes.

S. 2391

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2391, a bill to reauthorize the National Flood Insurance Program.

S. 2713

At the request of Mr. CASEY, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2713, a bill to amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 and the Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983 to make commodities available for the Emergency Food Assistance Program, and for other purposes.

S. 2835

At the request of Mr. SULLIVAN, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) was added as a co-

sponsor of S. 2835, a bill making continuing appropriations for military pay in the event of a Government shut-down.

S. 2860

At the request of Mr. BENNET, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. 2860, a bill to create protections for financial institutions that provide financial services to State-sanctioned marijuana businesses and service providers for such businesses, and for other purposes.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 389—EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE ANNUAL DESIGNATION OF OCTOBER 1ST AS "NATIONAL LATINO/A PHYSICIAN DAY"

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

S. RES. 389

Whereas the Hispanic or Latino/a population in the United States is estimated to rise from 57,470,000 in 2016 to 111,216,000 by 2060;

Whereas it is estimated that 66 percent of the population growth of the United States from 2016 to 2060 will be comprised of Latino/a;

Whereas, by 2060, Latino/as are estimated to account for more than 1 in 4 persons in the United States and 1 in 3 children in the United States;

Whereas only 6 percent of physicians in the United States are Latino/a;

Whereas the Latino/a population faces significant barriers to medical care, including high poverty, fewer facilities in their communities, and language and cultural barriers;

Whereas research shows that when physicians are of the same ethnicity, culture, and language as their patients, care and outcomes improve;

Whereas Latino/a physicians are integral to the health of the people of the United States;

Whereas the first National Latino/a Physician Day occurred on October 1, 2022, across the United States, supported by multiple national organizations and the Latino/a community, including premedical students, medical students, resident physicians, and attending physicians; and

Whereas the annual designation of October 1st as National Latino/a Physician Day will bring awareness to the benefits that Latino/a physicians bring to the growing Latino/a population and the health of the people of the United States as a whole: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) supports the goal to increase the number of Latino/a physicians in the United States and increase diversity in medicine; and

(2) supports the annual designation of October 1st as "National Latino/a Physician Day".

SENATE RESOLUTION 390—DESIGNATING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 1, 2023, THROUGH OCTOBER 7, 2023, AS "NATIONAL COMMUNITY POLICING WEEK"

Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. HASSAN, and Mr. PETERS) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 390

Whereas police officers are indispensable members of the community who put their lives on the line to protect others;

Whereas promoting strong relationships, founded in trust and mutual respect, between law enforcement officers and the communities they serve helps ensure the safe and effective execution of the law;

Whereas relationships developed through community policing help protect both law enforcement officers and civilians;

Whereas law enforcement officers and communities that work together to address public safety concerns can create lasting solutions to difficult challenges;

Whereas community policing has helped produce reductions in both violent and property crime;

Whereas events in recent years have sparked a nationwide call to improve the interactions between law enforcement officers and the communities they serve, particularly communities of color;

Whereas community policing facilitates peaceful dialogue, capable of fostering understanding and trust, between law enforcement officers and civilians;

Whereas community policing informs the public about the challenges that law enforcement officers face in executing their duties and provides law enforcement officers insight into the concerns of community members;

Whereas a long-term commitment to community policing is necessary to eliminate the underlying causes of crime;

Whereas the advancement of community policing should be supported to ensure that State and local law enforcement agencies have necessary resources; and

Whereas community policing has been recognized as an important tool for improving the relationship between law enforcement officers and the communities they serve: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates the week of October 1, 2023, through October 7, 2023, as "National Community Policing Week"; and

(2) supports community policing and encourages the people of the United States, law enforcement agencies, and elected officials to identify ways in which communities can improve public safety, strengthen relationships, and build trust.

SENATE RESOLUTION 391—DESIGNATING THE WEEK BEGINNING OCTOBER 15, 2023, AS "NATIONAL CHARACTER COUNTS WEEK"

Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. WARNOCK, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. BRAUN, Mrs. BLACKBURN, and Ms. ERNST) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 391

Whereas the well-being of the United States requires that the young people of the United States become an involved, caring citizenry of good character;

Whereas the character education of children has become more urgent, as violence by

and against youth increasingly threatens the physical and psychological well-being of the people of the United States;

Whereas, more than ever, children need strong and constructive guidance from their families and their communities, including from schools, youth organizations, religious institutions, and civic groups;

Whereas the character of a nation is only as strong as the character of its individual citizens;

Whereas the public good is advanced when young individuals are taught the importance of good character and the positive effects that good character can have in personal relationships, in school, and in the workplace;

Whereas scholars and educators agree that individuals do not automatically develop good character and that, therefore, institutions and individuals that influence youth must make conscientious efforts to help young individuals develop the essential traits and characteristics that comprise good character;

Whereas, although character development is, first and foremost, an obligation of families, the efforts of faith communities, schools, and youth, civic, and human service organizations also play an important role in fostering and promoting good character;

Whereas Congress encourages students, teachers, parents, youth, and community leaders to recognize the importance of character education in preparing young individuals to play a role in determining the future of the United States;

Whereas effective character education is based on core ethical values, which form the foundation of a democratic society;

Whereas examples of character are trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, citizenship, and honesty;

Whereas elements of character transcend cultural, religious, and socioeconomic differences;

Whereas the character and conduct of youth reflect the character and conduct of society, and, therefore, every adult has the responsibility to teach and model ethical values and every social institution has the responsibility to promote the development of good character;

Whereas Congress encourages individuals and organizations, especially those that have an interest in the education and training of the young individuals in the United States, to adopt the elements of character as intrinsic to the well-being of individuals, communities, and society;

Whereas many schools in the United States recognize the need, and have taken steps, to integrate the values of their communities into teaching activities; and

Whereas the establishment of "National Character Counts Week", during which individuals, families, schools, youth organizations, religious institutions, civic groups, and other organizations focus on character education, is of great benefit to the United States: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates the week beginning October 15, 2023, as "National Character Counts Week"; and

(2) calls upon the people of the United States and interested groups—

(A) to embrace the elements of character identified by local schools and communities, such as trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship; and

(B) to observe National Character Counts Week with appropriate ceremonies, programs, and activities.

SENATE RESOLUTION 392—RECOGNIZING AND HONORING THE FIRST RESPONDERS AND THOSE WHO LOST THEIR LIVES IN THE MAUI WILDFIRES IN AUGUST 2023 THAT AFFECTED THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE

Ms. HIRONO (for herself and Mr. SCHATZ) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 392

Whereas, on August 8, 2023, a series of wildfires, fueled by abnormally strong winds from Hurricane Dora and a high-pressure system in the North Pacific Ocean, broke out on the Island of Maui;

Whereas almost 7,000 acres of land in the Lahaina area in West Maui and the Olinda, Kula, and Pulehu-Kihei areas of Upcountry Maui burned as a result of the wildfires;

Whereas, as of August 2023, the wildfire that occurred in the historic town of Lahaina in West Maui is the deadliest wildfire to have occurred in the United States in more than a century and 1 of the worst natural disasters in the history of Hawaii;

Whereas, as of September 15, 2023, 97 fatalities from the wildfires have been confirmed, and as of September 22, 2023, 22 people remain officially unaccounted for;

Whereas more than 7,000 people have been displaced by the wildfires;

Whereas approximately 2,200 structures have been damaged or destroyed by the wildfires;

Whereas more than 1,900 homes burned down by the wildfires;

Whereas brave people raced into the wildfires to save their community while their own homes burned to the ground;

Whereas nearly 1,000 businesses were destroyed by the wildfires;

Whereas 4 schools were impacted by the wildfires, 1 of which, King Kamehameha III Elementary School, was damaged beyond repair, displacing hundreds of staff members and thousands of students;

Whereas it is estimated that billions of dollars will be necessary to repair the damaged areas in West Maui;

Whereas Lahaina was the one-time capital of the Kingdom of Hawaii and still has great cultural and historical significance, particularly to the Native Hawaiian community;

Whereas additional Federal, State, and local emergency personnel, including law enforcement and medical personnel, coordinated with local authorities and have performed beyond the call of duty in the preservation and protection of human lives;

Whereas hundreds of volunteers gave their time to help ensure that evacuees were sheltered, clothed, fed, and emotionally comforted through the traumatic event; and

Whereas people across the United States and around the world responded with an outpouring of support for the people of Maui: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) honors the people who lost their lives in the deadly wildfires on Maui;

(2) recognizes the efforts and sacrifices of the first responders who risked their lives to respond to the wildfires;

(3) honors the bravery and heroism of the people who have provided assistance and continue to respond to the wildfires;

(4) expresses full support for the communities of West and Upcountry Maui, as those communities focus on recovering and rebuilding areas and communities affected by wildfires;

(5) urges the people and communities of Hawaii and the United States to act dili-

gently in preventing and preparing for wildfires; and

(6) encourages the people of the United States to keep in their thoughts the individuals who have suffered as a result of the wildfires.

SENATE RESOLUTION 393—TO HONOR THE LIFE AND DEATH OF DUNCAN McLAUCHLIN ("LAUCH") FAIRCLOTH, FORMER SENATOR FOR THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

Mr. TILLIS (for himself and Mr. BUDD) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 393

Whereas Duncan McLaughlin Faircloth (referred to in this preamble as "Lauch Faircloth") was born in Sampson County, North Carolina, on January 14, 1928;

Whereas, growing up in a farming family, Lauch Faircloth learned the art and business of farming from his earliest years and eventually owned and operated the farm his family owned;

Whereas Lauch Faircloth quickly established himself as a successful businessman, owning and operating enterprises that included farming, construction, real estate, and automobile dealerships;

Whereas, in his storied public career, Lauch Faircloth served as chairman of the North Carolina Highway Commission, where he oversaw and implemented the establishment of the modern highway system in North Carolina;

Whereas, from 1977 to 1983, Lauch Faircloth served as the Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Commerce, leading efforts to establish North Carolina as a leader in growth and economic development;

Whereas Lauch Faircloth ran in the 1984 election for Governor of North Carolina and survived a plane crash while campaigning for office;

Whereas, on January 3, 1993, Lauch Faircloth was sworn into the Senate, where he served until January 3, 1999;

Whereas Lauch Faircloth was a passionate advocate in the Senate for free enterprise, and championed welfare reforms to get Americans back to work;

Whereas Lauch Faircloth served as Chairman of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, where he helped to save the capital of the United States from bankruptcy and financial ruin; and

Whereas, after his service in the Senate, Lauch Faircloth returned to his home in Clinton, North Carolina, to resume management of his many businesses: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That—

(1) the Senate—

(A) has heard with profound sorrow and deep regret the announcement of the death of Duncan McLaughlin Faircloth (referred to in this resolution as "Lauch Faircloth"), former Member of the Senate; and

(B) respectfully requests that the Secretary of the Senate communicate this resolution to the House of Representatives and transmit an enrolled copy thereof to the family of Lauch Faircloth; and

(2) when the Senate adjourns today, it stands adjourned as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Lauch Faircloth, former Senator for the State of North Carolina.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 1339. Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1340. Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1292 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Mrs. MURRAY) to the bill H.R. 3935, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1341. Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1292 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Mrs. MURRAY) to the bill H.R. 3935, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1342. Mr. LANKFORD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1292 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Mrs. MURRAY) to the bill H.R. 3935, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1343. Mr. LANKFORD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1293 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the amendment SA 1292 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Mrs. MURRAY) to the bill H.R. 3935, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1344. Mr. HAGERTY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1293 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the amendment SA 1292 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Mrs. MURRAY) to the bill H.R. 3935, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1345. Ms. CANTWELL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1292 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Mrs. MURRAY) to the bill H.R. 3935, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 1346. Ms. CANTWELL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1333 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL and intended to be proposed to the amendment SA 1292 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Mrs. MURRAY) to the bill H.R. 3935, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 1339. Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end, add the following:

This Act shall take effect on the date that is 1 day after the date of enactment of this Act.

SA 1340. Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1292 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Mrs. MURRAY) to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 24, line 25, strike "10 days" and insert "9 days".

SA 1341. Mr. SCHUMER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to

amendment SA 1292 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Mrs. MURRAY) to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 18, line 8, strike "November 17" and insert "November 16".

SA 1342. Mr. LANKFORD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1292 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Mrs. MURRAY) to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title I of division B, add the following:

SEC. _____. Notwithstanding section 101, section 401(a) of division F of Public Law 117-328 shall be applied by substituting "lease and may not be used to implement standards for screening and adjudicating asylum claims or exceptions to such standards that contravene the standards set forth in the final rule of the Department of Homeland Security and the Department of Justice entitled 'Circumvention of Lawful Pathways' (88 Fed. Reg. 31314 (May 16, 2023)) until the termination date described in such regulation" for "lease".

SA 1343. Mr. LANKFORD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1293 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER to the amendment SA 1292 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Mrs. MURRAY) to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted:

SEC. _____. Notwithstanding section 101, section 401(a) of division F of Public Law 117-328 shall be applied by substituting "lease and may not be used to implement standards for screening and adjudicating asylum claims or exceptions to such standards that contravene the standards set forth in the final rule of the Department of Homeland Security and the Department of Justice entitled 'Circumvention of Lawful Pathways' (88 Fed. Reg. 31314 (May 16, 2023)) until the termination date described in such regulation" for "lease".

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In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted, insert the following:

SEC. _____. (a) Notwithstanding section 101, the fourth proviso under the heading "U.S. Customs and Border Protection—Operations and Support" in title II of Division F of Public Law 117-328 shall be applied by substituting "\$720,000,000" for "\$800,000,000": *Provided*, That these funds may not be used for onward destination transportation or service-provider-to-service-provider transportation for aliens convicted of criminal offenses or other immigration violations, unless operationally necessary to facilitate a removal.

(b) Notwithstanding section 101, the matter preceding the first proviso under the heading "U.S. Customs and Border Protection—Operations and Support" in title II of Division F of Public Law 117-328 shall be applied by substituting "\$15,510,694,000" for "\$15,590,694,000".

(c) Notwithstanding section 101, the amounts made available for "U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement—Operations and Support" in title II of Public Law 117-328 shall be applied by substituting—

- (1) "\$8,476,305,000" for "\$8,396,305,000"; and
- (2) "\$4,261,786,000" for "\$4,181,786,000".

SA 1345. Ms. CANTWELL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1292 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Mrs. MURRAY) to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of subtitle A of title II of division B, insert the following:

SEC. _____. FEDERAL EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION FOLLOWING AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND EXPIRATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Each employee of the United States Government furloughed as a result of a covered lapse in Airport and Airway Trust Fund expenditure authority shall be paid for the period of the covered lapse, and each excepted employee (as defined in section 1341(c)(1) of title 31, United States Code) who is required to perform work during a covered lapse shall be paid for such work, at the employee's standard rate of pay, at the earliest date possible after the covered lapse ends, regardless of scheduled pay dates, and subject to availability of funds.

(b) USE OF LEAVE.—During a covered lapse in Airport and Airway Trust Fund expenditure authority, each excepted employee who is required to perform work shall be entitled to use leave under any existing authority governing the use of leave by the excepted employee, for which compensation shall be paid at the earliest date possible after the covered lapse, regardless of scheduled pay dates, and subject to the availability of funds.

(c) COVERED LAPSE.—In this section, the term "covered lapse in Airport and Airway Trust Fund expenditure authority" means any lapse in authority to make expenditures from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund that begins on October 1, 2023, and ends on or before the date of enactment of this Act.

SA 1346. Ms. CANTWELL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1333 submitted by Ms. CANTWELL and intended to be proposed to the amendment SA 1292 proposed by Mr. SCHUMER (for Mrs. MURRAY) to the bill H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil

aviation programs, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end, add the following:

(c) USE OF LEAVE.—During a covered lapse in Airport and Airway Trust Fund expenditure authority, each excepted employee who is required to perform work shall be entitled to use leave under any existing authority governing the use of leave by the excepted employee, for which compensation shall be paid at the earliest date possible after the covered lapse, regardless of scheduled pay dates, and subject to the availability of funds.

**MEASURE READ THE FIRST
TIME—H.R. 5692**

Mr. SCHUMER. I understand that there is a bill at the desk, and I ask for its first reading.

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 5692) making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes.

Mr. SCHUMER. I now ask for a second reading and, in order to place the bill on the calendar under the provisions of rule XIV, I object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The objection having been heard, the bill will be read for the second time on the next legislative day.

**MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH
STILLBIRTH PREVENTION ACT**

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be discharged and the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. 2231.

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 2231) to amend title V of the Social Security Act to support stillbirth prevention and research, and for other purposes.

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

Mr. SCHUMER. I further ask unanimous consent that the bill be considered read a third time and passed and the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate.

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

The bill (S. 2231) was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed, as follows:

S. 2231

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Maternal and Child Health Stillbirth Prevention Act”.

SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

Congress finds the following:

(1) According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention—

(A) in the United States, 1 in 175 births are affected by stillbirth each year amounting to approximately 21,000 stillbirths annually;

(B) of the 20,854 reported stillbirths in 2020, over 5,000 were experienced by Black mothers;

(C) the number of stillbirths each year is greater than the number of babies that die during the first year of life;

(D) annual stillbirths are more than ten times the number of annual deaths due to Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS);

(E) stillbirth occurs across all demographics and in otherwise healthy pregnancies. It is most common, however, among women who—

(i) are Black or African American, at two times more likely than White women to have a stillbirth;

(ii) are of lower socioeconomic status;

(iii) are diagnosed with high blood pressure, diabetes, obesity, or other medical conditions;

(iv) are 35 years of age or older;

(v) smoke cigarettes while pregnant;

(vi) have previously experienced pregnancy loss; or

(vii) have multiple pregnancies, for example triplets; and

(F) while the rate of stillbirth has declined since the 1940s due to improvements in maternity care, in recent years, the decline has slowed or halted.

(2) According to a study by researcher Wall-Wieler et al., published in *Obstetrics and Gynecology*, “the risk of severe maternal morbidity among stillbirth deliveries was more than fourfold higher compared with live birth deliveries”.

(3) According to a study by researcher McClure et al., published in the *International Journal of Gynecology and Obstetrics*, “stillbirth was significantly associated with maternal mortality”.

(4) According to a review article by Murphy and Cacciatore, published in *Seminars in Fetal & Neonatal Medicine*, stillbirth has psychological impacts on parents like grief, shame, and guilt and impacts to family functioning and well-being.

(5) Stillbirth, and the disparity in those impacted by stillbirth requires further research, support, and prevention programming.

SEC. 3. CLARIFICATION SUPPORTING PERMISSIBLE USE OF FUNDS FOR STILLBIRTH PREVENTION ACTIVITIES.

Section 501(a) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 701(a)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1)(B), by inserting “to reduce the incidence of stillbirth,” after “among children,”; and

(2) in paragraph (2), by inserting after “follow-up services” the following: “, and for evidence-based programs and activities and outcome research to reduce the incidence of stillbirth (including tracking and awareness of fetal movements, improvement of birth timing for pregnancies with risk factors, initiatives that encourage safe sleeping positions during pregnancy, screening and surveillance for fetal growth restriction, efforts to achieve smoking cessation during pregnancy, community-based programs that provide home visits or other types of support, and any other research or evidence-based programming to prevent stillbirths)”.

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RECOGNIZING AND HONORING THE FIRST RESPONDERS AND THOSE WHO LOST THEIR LIVES IN THE MAUI WILDFIRES IN AUGUST 2023

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 310 and the Senate now proceed to the en bloc consideration of the following Senate resolutions: S. Res. 310; S. Res. 390; S. Res. 391; and S. Res. 392, the Maui wildfire first responders.

There being no objection, the committee for the relevant resolution was discharged, and the Senate proceeded to consider the resolutions en bloc.

Mr. SCHUMER. I ask unanimous consent that the resolutions be agreed to, the preambles be agreed to, and 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 resolution (S. Res. 310) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in the RECORD of July 25, 2023, under “Submitted Resolutions.”)

The resolutions (S. Res. 390, S. Res. 391, and S. Res. 392) were agreed to.

The preambles were agreed to.

(The resolutions, with their preambles, are printed in today’s RECORD (legislative day of September 22, 2023) under “Submitted Resolutions.”)

HONORING THE LIFE AND DEATH OF DUNCAN McLAUCHLIN “LAUCH” FAIRCLOTH

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 393, which is at the desk.

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 393) to honor the life and death of Duncan McLauchlin (“Lauch”) Faircloth, former Senator for the State of North Carolina.

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

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

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

The resolution (S. Res. 393) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD (legislative day of September 22, 2023) under "Submitted Resolutions.")

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2023

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. President, finally, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned under the provisions of S. 393 until 3 p.m. on Tuesday, October 3; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and morning business be closed; that upon the conclusion of morning business, the Senate proceed to executive session to resume consideration of the O'Brien nomination; further, that the cloture motions filed during today's session ripen at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday.

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

ORDER FOR ADJOURNMENT

Mr. SCHUMER. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask that it stand adjourned under the previous order following the remarks of Chairman MURRAY.

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

The President pro tempore.

CONTINUING RESOLUTION

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I have been down here all week, saying again and again that the only way that we are going to avoid a shutdown is with a CR that can get bipartisan support to quickly pass the House and Senate, and we have been working nonstop to pass that commonsense, bipartisan CR that I put together with my colleagues across the aisle.

But, tonight, we had a bill from the House that passed in a bipartisan way, with nearly every House Democrat voting in support, and I am now glad the Senate has been able to pass it, as well, and get it the President's desk for his signature. This bill does not contain the devastating cuts House Republicans were pushing just yesterday. It does not contain the ineffective, partisan border provisions they were demanding. So there were good reasons to vote for it.

First and foremost, it will prevent a senseless government shutdown, one that House Republicans have been pushing us toward for weeks. But this bill also meets the President's full request for disaster relief funds, and that is good and important to so many of

us. It will ensure that our brave Federal firefighters don't see a drastic pay cut, and it maintains current funding levels through November 17.

We know a CR is never a good long-term policy outcome, but it is certainly good to see that some House Republicans have, at least for this moment, given up the fruitless and cruel cuts they were demanding just yesterday. It is good to see some of those Members coming to their senses.

But we also have to be clear about where this bill falls seriously short, why we found ourselves in this moment, and how House Republicans' recklessness has caused so much unnecessary chaos, because let's be clear: There is a lot of work left to do now that we have passed this bill.

First, we have to absolutely do more to support our allies in Ukraine. Dictators across the world are watching. Will we stand with democracy? I say yes. The Senate absolutely will stand with our friends in Ukraine as they continue to defend themselves against Putin's brutal invasion, because continuing to support Ukraine is not just about addressing a humanitarian crisis; it is also about our own national security, what kind of world we want to live in. It is in America's national security interest to send a strong message to dictators like Putin that they cannot just invade a sovereign nation and steamroll democracy wherever and whenever they want.

And let's make sure we are crystal clear about this: There are strong bipartisan supermajorities in both Chambers that have shown they understood that. Just a few days ago, support for Ukraine got over 330 votes in the House—3 in 4 House Members. The United States does not abandon its allies, and the United States will not give Putin a free pass to continue his brutal war of aggression.

I need to make it clear: We are sticking with our allies in Ukraine, and we are not letting up. We are going to make sure we get this done, period. So I will work with all of my colleagues to make certain we stand with Ukraine and deliver the resources in a supplemental we know are so vital at this moment and do it in a timely manner.

I know my vice chair shares that commitment. We both look forward to continuing our efforts and working with many colleagues on both sides of the aisle.

We, of course, also need to take action to address the childcare crisis, especially as the funding cliff makes things even worse for parents, providers, and our economy.

To my Republican colleagues, I am positive you are hearing from your constituents on this. I am ready to work with anyone to make progress here. So please talk to me, and let's work together on that front.

Now, let me also say that there was no reason for it to come this close. House Republicans should have worked with us from the very start. Instead,

they spent weeks entertaining the most extreme ideas from their far right, spending the last week voting on really extreme appropriations bills that would not even, actually, have averted a shutdown—appropriations bills that would deny our servicemembers the ability to get the reproductive care they need in emergencies, severely restricting women's access to medication abortion in every State; bills that would decimate rural communities, eliminate essential resources for our diplomats abroad, and so much more.

And then, just yesterday, they proposed an across-the-board 30-percent cut to virtually all domestic spending. They wanted to gut funding, come Monday, for childcare, support for K-12 schools, law enforcement, heating assistance for families on tight budgets, air traffic controllers, lifesaving cancer research, and much more. Even that proposal, apparently, wasn't enough for the most extreme Members of the House Republican conference, and it went down in flames.

But let's not forget—and I know the American people won't—that the vast majority of House Republicans voted, just yesterday, to gut programs families count on—programs that keep all of us safe—by 30 percent. Needless to say, I am glad to see some of them have, at least for the moment, abandoned those cruel efforts to slash funding for families, with no rhyme or reason.

Now, as we look ahead, I urge my House Republican colleagues to spare us and the American people the unnecessary drama and chaos, and learn to work with your colleagues, not against them.

Look, the Speaker and the President shook hands on a deal. Congress passed it into law. We are going to stick with it. I voted for this bill today with a firm commitment that, here in the Senate, we will not waste any time in moving forward to support our Ukrainian allies and a continued determination to make bipartisan progress on the many issues we need to address.

And, of course, we still need to pass all 12 of our bipartisan appropriations bills so we aren't back here in a few weeks.

On that note, we need to get moving to the Military Construction-Veterans Affairs, T-HUD, and Ag appropriations minibus that a few of my colleagues—very few of them—have been blocking. I hope both leaders will facilitate the vice chair and I getting back to work on those bills in the next few days. And as we pass short-term CRs, we need to make progress and begin conferring our spending bills with the House to avoid another CR or an omnibus at the end of this year, which I know my colleagues are focused on avoiding.

If we are going to get any of that done, it has to be bipartisan. It is going to involve our being serious and focused on getting our job done to have real results for the American people.

If there is one lesson for House Republicans to take from the absolute

chaos they have caused this past week, it is that partisanship is not a path forward; it is a path to chaos. The only way to avoid a shutdown, the only way to get things done, especially in a divided Congress, is to sit down with the other side and do the hard work of negotiating, talking to one another, not to cave to the most extreme Members of your caucus or go back on your word.

I think most of us have known that from the start. Apparently, Speaker MCCARTHY needed to learn that lesson the hard way. Now it is time for him to show he has truly learned it. I urge him not to retreat back to a partisan corner, not to push for extreme partisan spending bills that go back on the deal he made just a few months ago. If you follow the most extreme Members of your party and go down that same partisan path, they are going to lead you to the same dead end.

The American people need us to move forward. They need us to work together. The senior Senator from Maine and I have 12 bipartisan bills in the Senate. We drafted them after many hearings and serious debate and discussion with Members on both sides of the aisle, and they passed our committee in overwhelming bipartisan votes—unanimous or near-unanimous votes. These are serious bills that can be signed into law.

Let's now leave behind the partisan politics being championed by the loudest voices, who are the farthest on the right, and come together so we can help people and solve problems just like we were sent to do.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Ms. KLOBUCHAR). Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. BENNET. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent to be able to speak without objection.

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

UKRAINE

Mr. BENNET. Madam President, I am sorry that you are having to stay here so late tonight, but I am glad you are in the chair.

I wanted to come down to the floor, now that the vote is done, just to explain the objection that I made earlier today. I am not going to do it at an elaborate length, but I think it is important to say that I was deeply disappointed—as were many people—that the deal to keep the government open did not actually have as part of it continuing funding for Ukraine, which I think is critically important. I think most people in the Senate believe it is critically important.

I objected to proceeding tonight because I thought it was important for us to find a way to send a bipartisan message from this Chamber that that is how we felt.

As I mentioned to the Presiding Officer earlier today, to my caucus earlier today, one of the reasons—or maybe the reason—why this is something that is so important to me is that my mom, who is still alive, was born in Warsaw, Poland, in 1938. She was a Polish Jew.

I couldn't imagine a worse place in the world to be born at that time than where my mom was born. She and her parents and an aunt survived. Everybody else was killed.

As everybody in this Chamber knows—certainly, the Presiding Officer knows—16 million people were killed in Ukraine and in Poland by the Nazis and by Stalin.

My mom cannot believe that she has lived long enough to see another land war break out in Europe. That is what she says to me: I can't believe I lived long enough to see this. I almost can't believe it either because we had gotten used to reliance on our international organizations, the rule of law, the idea that democracy had spread, the idea that capitalism had spread.

There were some people, when the Berlin Wall fell down in the late 1980s, who were writing books about how this was kind of the end of history because the liberal—small “L” liberal, not big “L” liberal—the small liberal order had prevailed. Of course, we know now that wasn't true.

And we know now that there is a contest in the world of at least two very different visions of how a human should organize themselves. We believe in democracy. We believe in the rule of law. We believe in freedom of speech and freedom of the press. Vladimir Putin believes in none of those things. And Xi Jinping believes in none of those things either.

It was an amazing experience for me to sit as a member of the Intelligence Committee and watch Putin make one mistake after another as he contemplated invading Ukraine—something a lot of people believed he wouldn't actually do. I think a lot of Ukrainians thought that he might. I think a lot of Poles thought he might. I think a lot of others living in Eastern Europe were worried that he might actually do it.

I said that he made some fundamental mistakes, and he did make some fundamental mistakes. One was he believed that his army was a lot stronger than it has been. That doesn't mean they don't have serious military capabilities. That doesn't mean that he wouldn't unleash a battlefield of nuclear weapons at the drop of a hat or chemical weapons at the drop of a hat if he felt like he was losing in a way that threatened his regime or threatened him. I certainly am clear-eyed about that. I know the Presiding Officer is and everybody else is.

But his army is a lot more hollowed out than he thought it was. That is

what happens when you are a totalitarian living on top of a totalitarian society. No one actually tells you the truth. No one says: Vladimir Putin, your army has been hollowed out. We have wasted all that money that you asked us to spend on the army through corruption and other kinds of things.

So that was one fundamental mistake. A second fundamental mistake was his failure to understand what the Ukrainian people's reaction would be. We didn't get it all right. Some of our intelligence wasn't right. There were people who were saying that Putin was going to be in Kyiv in 72 hours. There was the feeling that Zelenskyy's government would collapse and that the Russians would have a puppet government in Kyiv.

Instead, what has happened is the Ukrainian people have exhibited more bravery than anybody could have ever asked for. It is astonishing what they have done. And, to me, it is astonishing what they have accomplished.

You hear people in the press these days talking about the stalemate on the frontier or on the battle, on the frontline, as if that is somehow a failure on the part of the Ukrainian people. I see that as exactly the opposite. I see that as an unbelievable achievement by the Ukrainian Armed Forces, by the Ukrainian people, by President Zelenskyy, and by the American taxpayers who have supported this work.

That is the third thing Vladimir Putin didn't count on, was that people all over the free world and democracies all over planet Earth would be so inspired by the courage of the Ukrainian people, would be so inspired by the bravery of the Ukrainian people that they would demand of their elected officials that we do more, do more, do more. That is what people have said in countries all over the world. That, he didn't count on either.

That has been an amazing thing over the last 2 years, after we had a President here who cast a lot of doubt on whether NATO was even something important or whether the rule of law was something important or whether the United States following through on our commitments was even something important. And we have shown that none of that is true, and NATO is stronger today than it has ever been. The transatlantic alliance is stronger today than it has ever been.

We have allies from Europe to Asia who understand what the importance of this fight is. They know that this is not just a fight for Ukraine. They know the Ukrainians aren't just fighting for Ukraine—although, that is an important fight; that is an important battle. They know this is a fight for democracy. This is a fight for the free world.

There is no way that this fight would have been as successful as it has been without U.S. assistance, without U.S. intelligence.

This is one where the good guys have come together in a way that is really

meaningful and in a way that the tyrants in this world, I think, were not expecting.

Our intelligence community certainly thinks that Xi Jinping is now having to think twice and three times and four times about whether or not he is going to invade Taiwan as a result of the success of the Ukrainian people.

President Zelenskyy was here 2 weeks ago, and he told us that, without our support, they would lose. I told my colleagues today that I was standing there with—it was probably—I wasn't as close as you were, Madam President, but I was close. I was just several desks away from where he was standing. And I was thinking to myself—it was in the old Senate Chamber where you didn't need a microphone in the old days and humans were talking to humans. People showed up to have these debates, to have these conversations. And here we were, 100 humans who were in the Senate, who happen to be in the Senate today, and here is this guy, President Zelenskyy, who, until 3 years ago or so—or 4 years ago, maybe—was an actor in his home country in Ukraine and who ran for office almost as a lark because there was so much corruption that he felt like he had an obligation as a citizen to run, to run for President, to try to overcome that corruption.

Then something happened that he probably didn't think was going to happen, which is Putin invaded Ukraine, and the entire weight of the world dropped on President Zelenskyy's head—just a human being, one human being. Not the tallest guy I have ever seen, not the strongest guy I have ever seen—a pretty regular person standing there in his fatigues and the entire weight of the world is on his shoulders.

Our support of the Ukrainian people, because of what they have been willing to do not just for Ukraine but for democracy, has made a huge difference to them and to what President Zelenskyy is trying to accomplish.

Tonight, I did object earlier because I was worried that—I thought it was important for us to make sure we send a clear message that we are not leaving Washington without figuring out how to fund Ukraine; that we are going to spend the next 45 days or so making sure that the United States continues to lead in this effort. No one else in this world can lead here. That is a lesson I have learned from my mom. That is a lesson I have learned from her experience in Warsaw and around Warsaw. Nobody but the United States can lead. We are the only folks who can lead.

President Zelenskyy said we are the only folks who can lead. And we cannot allow our political differences here, our political disputes here, to keep us from delivering the aid that Ukraine needs. We can't do it. And I think there are probably some people who thought, when we left today, that is what we were doing.

I thought it was important for the leadership of the Senate to put out a

statement tonight—Senator SCHUMER and Senator MCCONNELL and several others on each side of the aisle—underscoring that we are going to spend the next 45 days working together to pass a robust Ukraine aid package. And I think that is vitally important. And I hope, in a small way, hopefully, we all had the chance today to think again about how important this is, how important our leadership is, how important our presence here as human beings is.

We are not going to get another chance at this, I suspect. I suspect that we are going to have one chance, and that chance is going to be 45 days from now. And this Chamber, just like President Zelenskyy has done, just like the Ukrainian people have done—he said, in fact: We are giving our lives. All we are asking for is your money.

He is right about that. They are giving their lives. And I think that if we had entered this war or watched this war happen, starting 2 years ago, and we had not supported the Ukrainian people in the way that we have, the world wouldn't have supported them, and they wouldn't have made the extraordinary progress that they have made. And who knows how this could end. We don't know.

It is important for us to stay in this fight and continue to lead. It is important for us to learn the lessons of 16 million people who lost their lives in Eastern Europe, in Poland, in Ukraine, believing that they were dying invisible to the rest of the world. And we can't let that happen again.

Madam President, I would ask unanimous consent that the statement that Senator SCHUMER and Senator MCCONNELL signed tonight be printed in the RECORD.

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

SCHUMER, MCCONNELL, MURRAY, COLLINS, COONS, GRAHAM JOINT STATEMENT ON THE SENATE'S COMMITMENT TO SUPPORTING UKRAINE

“We welcome today's agreement to avoid a harmful and unnecessary shutdown of the federal government.

“Nevertheless, this agreement leaves a number of urgent priorities outstanding. In the coming weeks, we expect the Senate will work to ensure the U.S. government continues to provide critical and sustained security and economic support for Ukraine.

“We support Ukraine's efforts to defend its sovereignty against Putin's brazen aggression, and we join a strong bipartisan majority of our colleagues in this essential work. With the eyes of our partners, allies, and adversaries upon us, we keenly understand the importance of American leadership and are committed to strengthening it from Europe to the Indo-Pacific.”

Mr. BENNET. I thank the Presiding Officer for all of your relentless support for the Ukrainian people and President Zelenskyy, and thank you for being there tonight.

I yield the floor.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL TUESDAY,
OCTOBER 3, 2023, AT 3 P.M.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order and pursuant to S. Res. 393, the Senate stands adjourned until 3 p.m. on Tuesday, October 3, 2023, and does so as a further mark of respect to the late Duncan McLaughlin “Lauch” Faircloth, former Senator from the State of North Carolina.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 9:46 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, October 3, 2023, at 3 p.m.

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate September 30, 2023:

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

BRENDAN CARR, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS FROM JULY 1, 2023.

GEOFFREY ADAM STARKS, OF KANSAS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS FROM JULY 1, 2022.

IN THE AIR FORCE

AIR FORCE NOMINATION OF DAVID M.P. SPITLER, TO BE COLONEL.

AIR FORCE NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH HEATHER A. BODWELL AND ENDING WITH CHRISTIAN L. WILLIAMS, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON JULY 25, 2023.

AIR FORCE NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH EGLON AUBYN ANGEL AND ENDING WITH THOMAS H. WEST, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON JULY 25, 2023.

AIR FORCE NOMINATION OF MARTIN J. SLOVINSKY, TO BE COLONEL.

AIR FORCE NOMINATION OF JASON E. LITTLE, TO BE COLONEL.

AIR FORCE NOMINATION OF JOANNE M. WHITLOCK, TO BE MAJOR.

AIR FORCE NOMINATION OF FREDDY R. ORELLANA, TO BE MAJOR.

AIR FORCE NOMINATION OF MELISSA L. HULL, TO BE COLONEL.

AIR FORCE NOMINATION OF ALICIA C. PALLETT, TO BE LIEUTENANT COLONEL.

AIR FORCE NOMINATION OF JOSHUA N. YOUNG, TO BE MAJOR.

IN THE ARMY

ARMY NOMINATION OF ROBERT M. MCTIGHE, TO BE COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATION OF EDWARD B. SAUTER, TO BE COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATION OF JOAN E. SOMMERS, TO BE COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATION OF ABRAHAM N. OSBORN, TO BE COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATION OF AMANDA E. HARRINGTON, TO BE COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATION OF LEE W. DOGGETT, TO BE COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH ELI S. ADAMS AND ENDING WITH D012613, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON APRIL 17, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH DREW Q. ABELL AND ENDING WITH G010339, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON APRIL 17, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH ROMAINÉ M. AGUON AND ENDING WITH D017105, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON APRIL 17, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH MICHAEL L. ARNER AND ENDING WITH MARK M. YEARY, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON APRIL 17, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATION OF ROBERT K. FURTICK, TO BE COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATION OF JOSEPH A. MCCARTHY, TO BE COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATION OF VEGAS V. COLEMAN, TO BE MAJOR.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH MATTHEW C. ALLSTOCK AND ENDING WITH 0002350680, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON JULY 25, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATION OF RUSSELL W. FORKIN, TO BE COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATION OF JESSICA L. GODSEY, TO BE MAJOR.

ARMY NOMINATION OF MATTHEW F. DABKOWSKI, TO BE COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATION OF ARCHIE L. BATES III, TO BE COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATION OF JASON S. HAWKSWORTH, TO BE COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH PAUL A. BARNETT, JR. AND ENDING WITH ROBERT P. MASON,

WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON JULY 27, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH LARRY K. CREEL AND ENDING WITH AUDLEY S. SALMON, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH ALFRED L. BOOKER, JR. AND ENDING WITH MELISSA L. WARDLAW, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH CHRISTOPHER J. HANKEY AND ENDING WITH JENNIFER M. JAEGER, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATION OF CHRIS R. LARSEN, TO BE COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH CHRISTOPHER J. CALVANO AND ENDING WITH ALFREDO E. URDANETA, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH RYAN S. CASPER AND ENDING WITH BENJAMIN J. WEITZEL, JR., WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATION OF EUGENE S. JOHNSON, TO BE COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH BRIAN V. CRUPI AND ENDING WITH NATHAN C. PARRISH, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH DANIEL J. MCINTYRE AND ENDING WITH KELLEY A. PETERSON, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH ANGELA M. ALLMER AND ENDING WITH BARBARA J. WEBSTER, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH CHARLES S. BENNER AND ENDING WITH LARRY T. WILSON, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH APOLLA A. BENITO AND ENDING WITH SEO Y. YANG, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH MARVIN W. ASHFORD, JR. AND ENDING WITH MATTHEW B. WOODS IV, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH CHRISTINE C. ANCAJAS AND ENDING WITH KIRK A. YEGERLEHNER, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH JESSICA M. ALARCON AND ENDING WITH 0002901370, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH OLUMUYIWA G. ADESOYE AND ENDING WITH ZHENG W. ZOU, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH RICHARD T. AHLSTROM AND ENDING WITH 0002535729, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH TAYLOR A. ALTON AND ENDING WITH SARAH M. WAIBELWARNER, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATION OF MATTHEW W. P. BURGOON, TO BE LIEUTENANT COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATION OF TYLER J. BRADLEY, TO BE LIEUTENANT COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH AMANDA R. CAMPEAU AND ENDING WITH CHARLES V. SLIDER, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 19, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH BRIAN J. ALLEN AND ENDING WITH DAVID A. WORTHY, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 19, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH KRISTA L. BARTOLOMUCCI AND ENDING WITH BRENDAN J. MAYER, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 19, 2023.

ARMY NOMINATION OF DAVID A. BOUDREAU, JR., TO BE MAJOR.

ARMY NOMINATION OF ARTHUR A. BLAIN IV, TO BE COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATION OF JAMES A. FAVUZZI, TO BE COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATION OF BRYAN A. SHIPMAN, TO BE COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATION OF PETER D. HELZER, TO BE COLONEL.

ARMY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH STEPHEN L. BOSSIER AND ENDING WITH STEPHEN M. WARREN, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 19, 2023.

IN THE MARINE CORPS

MARINE CORPS NOMINATION OF MICHAEL S. MCLEOD, TO BE MAJOR.

MARINE CORPS NOMINATION OF BRADLEY C. FROMM, TO BE LIEUTENANT COLONEL.

MARINE CORPS NOMINATION OF RYAN J. NOWLIN, TO BE LIEUTENANT COLONEL.

MARINE CORPS NOMINATION OF CALE D. MAGNUSON, TO BE MAJOR.

IN THE NAVY

NAVY NOMINATION OF DOUGLAS E. COLE, TO BE CAPTAIN.

NAVY NOMINATION OF SCHADAQ TORRES, TO BE COMMANDER.

NAVY NOMINATION OF AUGUSTINE R. WILSON, TO BE LIEUTENANT COMMANDER.

NAVY NOMINATION OF HANEY D. HONG, TO BE CAPTAIN.

NAVY NOMINATION OF DYLAN S. MAYA, TO BE LIEUTENANT COMMANDER.

NAVY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH DAVID J. BROWN AND ENDING WITH RENO R. PERRYMAN, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2023.

NAVY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH JONATHAN W. ALEXANDER AND ENDING WITH LEOTRA L. WEST, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2023.

NAVY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH VINCENZO G. ALBERICO AND ENDING WITH CORI R. WALLACE, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2023.

NAVY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH RACHEL S. ABRAHAM AND ENDING WITH ALTON J. ZURLOHAVEY, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2023.

NAVY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH CHARLES D. BALL III AND ENDING WITH COLIN N. ZOOK, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2023.

NAVY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH CHRISTOPHER B. ABEL AND ENDING WITH JUSTIN B. WOODS, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2023.

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NAVY NOMINATION OF KEVIN L. JACKSON, TO BE CAPTAIN.

NAVY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH JASON R. ARANT AND ENDING WITH STEPHEN E. VELTHUIS, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2023.

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NAVY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH ADRIAN ACEVESHURTADO AND ENDING WITH MICHAEL T. WYNGARDEN, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2023.

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NAVY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH MATTHEW C. ANDERSON AND ENDING WITH ILI YUAN, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2023.

NAVY NOMINATION OF ALBETRO ALSHABAZZ, TO BE COMMANDER.

NAVY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH KEES A. ANDERSON AND ENDING WITH TOBY G. VIA, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2023.

NAVY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH ASIA M. ALLISON AND ENDING WITH HEATHER L. WILLIS, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2023.

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NAVY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH SARAH A. AGUERO AND ENDING WITH ALEXANDRA M. STORMER, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.

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NAVY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH JOSHUA J. AUSTRING AND ENDING WITH CHRIS L. WILSON, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.

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NAVY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH STEFANI AHSANOV AND ENDING WITH GERTIAN XHAFIA, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.

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NAVY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH LUKE R. BADEN AND ENDING WITH GREGORY I. BASIOR, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.

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NAVY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH CHARLES A. ALLEN AND ENDING WITH MARTIN A. ZUBER, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.

NAVY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH ERIN M. BACON AND ENDING WITH CAROLINE A. WEACHTER, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.

NAVY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH DAVIS J. ANDERSON AND ENDING WITH ADAGRAY A. WILLIS, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.

NAVY NOMINATION OF MEGAN E. JAMISON, TO BE LIEUTENANT COMMANDER.

NAVY NOMINATIONS BEGINNING WITH NATHANIEL B. ALEXANDER AND ENDING WITH BANSARI SARKAR, WHICH NOMINATIONS WERE RECEIVED BY THE SENATE AND APPEARED IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD ON SEPTEMBER 7, 2023.

NAVY NOMINATION OF VON H. FERNANDES, TO BE CAPTAIN.