

growth and unite community. He tirelessly worked to see his dream of a Utah Shakespeare Festival realized and tirelessly loved his family, his friends, and his community along the way. And as a result, Cedar City has grown, the festival has drawn international praise, and we all benefit from the example he has left behind.

So when times are tough, when work seems monotonous, and when dreams seem far-fetched or far-gone, remember Fred. His story can inspire us all.●

#### TRIBUTE TO MILDRED JANZEN

● Mr. MORAN. Mr. President, I want to congratulate and pay tribute to Mildred Schindler Janzen, a World War II survivor and author of the memoir, "Surviving Hitler, Evading Stalin."

Mildred was born in Great Bend, KS, in 1929 to German parents. Shortly after her birth, her family returned to Germany to take care of the family farm. Growing up in Nazi Germany, World War II completely disrupted Mildred's childhood and her family's life. Mildred and her family were driven away from their home, separated from each other, and forced to become refugees in their own country. As a teenager, Mildred and her family were captured by Russian soldiers, and eventually, her father was led away to never be seen again. After returning to their family farm, she and her mother and brother were displaced once again by Polish soldiers.

Mildred experienced the horrors of World War II and her courage in sharing her story should be commended. After the war and with the help of her American birth certificate, Mildred was able to return to the United States to live with relatives. Back in the United States, Mildred came back to Kansas, to her birthplace. She settled in Ellsworth, KS, where she attended high school, learned English, and worked at a local bank. During her time in high school, Mildred met and married Leon Janzen, and they had four children together: Karen, Kenton, Susan, and Galen.

After sharing her story with many others, Mildred decided to write a memoir. It is her hope that releasing this memoir will help prevent history from repeating itself. Mildred's bravery and resilience is a testament to her strong character. Her choice to rise above past hardships and instead focus on a life filled with happiness, persistence, and love is a prime example of the enduring survivor that Mildred is.

Today, Mildred spends her time gardening, baking, being active within her church and being with family. She embodies a true Kansan: determined, hard-working, and committed to her community.

Mildred, I congratulate you on the release of your memoir and thank you for demonstrating to Kansans and the world your outstanding courage and character. Thank you for telling your story.●

#### RECOGNIZING SOUTHCENTRAL VETERINARY SERVICES

Mr. PAUL. Mr. President, as ranking member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Kentucky small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week, it is my privilege to recognize Southcentral Veterinary Services, a family-owned small business in Bowling Green, KY, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

In 2011, Dr. Eddie Grimes and his wife, Nicole Grimes, founded Southcentral Veterinary Services—SVS—in Bowling Green, KY. Growing up in Warren County, Dr. Grimes and Nicole were childhood friends and both attended Western Kentucky University—WKU—where Dr. Grimes majored in animal science and Nicole studied finance. The couple, high school sweethearts, married after graduating from WKU in 2000. Dr. Grimes went on to earn his doctorate of veterinary medicine from Auburn University and worked as a veterinarian for a few years before moving back to Bowling Green. With Nicole, who had experience in the banking industry, by his side, Dr. Grimes established Southcentral Veterinary Services.

Today, Southcentral Veterinary Services provides exceptional mixed animal care in Warren County, KY. Initially, Dr. Grimes worked out of his truck and provided ambulatory veterinary services; however, the business grew quickly and expanded to a physical location that provides grooming and boarding services, in addition to veterinary care. Being very hands on with the daily operations at SVS, in addition to being co-owners, Dr. Grimes is one of the veterinarians, and Nicole is the human resource manager. Together, they lead a team of more than 10 employees, including a second veterinarian, to meet the animal needs of the community. Since opening its doors, Southcentral Veterinary Services has been recognized by local and industry publications for its outstanding, high-quality veterinary care. Furthermore, for the last 3 years, Southcentral Veterinary Services was recognized as Bowling Green's Best Veterinarian, and in 2020, SVS earned the title of Bowling Green's Best Pet Groomer.

Outside of being business owners, Dr. Grimes and Nicole can be found giving back to their community. Southcentral Veterinary Services has sponsored local youth sports teams and regularly hires local high school and college students, providing training and mentoring to students interested in pursuing a career in veterinary medicine. One of these students is the Grimes' son, Garrett, who works part-time as a veterinary assistant and one day aspires to follow in his father's footsteps becoming a veterinarian himself. Dr. Grimes and Nicole's charitable acts don't stop at mentoring students. Notably, the Grimes established

4AnnieGirl, an organization dedicated to raising awareness of Spinal Muscular Atrophy—SMA—after their second child, Annie, who was born with SMA, passed away from the terminal disease that causes weakness and loss of voluntary muscles. After cherishing 9 precious months with their baby girl, the Grimes sought to help other families affected by this disease by promoting early testing, research, and fundraising to combat SMA through 4AnnieGirl. By hosting speaking engagements and fundraisers, 4AnnieGirl has raised over \$30,000 for SMA research and awareness. To honor Annie's memory, the Grimes family remains committed to raising awareness for SMA and to advocating for more research.

Southcentral Veterinary Services is a remarkable example of the positive role that family-owned small businesses play in their communities. Local veterinary practices, like Southcentral Veterinary Services, form the heart of towns across Kentucky, regularly stepping up to support their communities. Congratulations to Dr. Grimes, Nicole, and the entire team at Southcentral Veterinary Services. I wish SVS the best of luck, and I look forward to watching this small business' continued growth and success in Kentucky.

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

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

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

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

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

#### MEASURES DISCHARGED

The following concurrent resolution was discharged from the Committee on the Budget pursuant to Section 300 of the Congressional Budget Act, and placed on the calendar:

S. Con. Res. 13. A concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2022 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2023 through 2031.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

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

EC-1782. A communication from the Director of the Regulations and Disclosure Law

Division, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Agreement Between the United States of America, the United Mexican States, and Canada (USMCA) Implementing Regulations Related to the Marking Rules, Tariff-rate Quotas, and Other USMCA Provisions" (RIN1515-AE56) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 27, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1783. A communication from the Senior Regulations Writer, Office of Regulations and Reports Clearance, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Flexibility in Evaluating 'Close Proximity of Time' due to COVID 19-Related Barriers to Healthcare" (RIN0960-AI64) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 28, 2021; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1784. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fludioxonil; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 8656-01-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 30, 2021; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1785. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Zeta-Cypermethrin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 8623-01-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 30, 2021; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1786. A communication from the Chairman of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 107th Annual Report of the Federal Reserve Board covering operations for calendar year 2020; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1787. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Removing Profile Drawing Requirement for Qualifying Conduit Notices of Intent and Revising Filing Requirements for Major Hydroelectric Projects 10 MW or Less" ((RIN1902-AF77) (Docket No. RM20-21-000)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 30, 2021; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1788. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting a legislative proposal; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1789. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regulatory Guide (RG) 1.29, Rev 6, Seismic Design Classification for Nuclear Power Plants" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 30, 2021; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1790. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Safety Evaluation of Technical Specifications Task Force Traveler TSTF-577, Revised Frequencies for Steam Generator Tube Inspections" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 30, 2021; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1791. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Reactor Regulation, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Draft Guidelines for

Characterizing the Safety Impact of Issues, Revision 1" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 30, 2021; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1792. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; California; Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 8714-02-Region 9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 30, 2021; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1793. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Missouri; Restriction of Emissions from Lithographic and Letterpress Printing Operations" (FRL No. 8706-02-Region 7) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 30, 2021; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1794. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; California; Placer County Air Pollutions Control District; Open Burning Rules" (FRL No. 8739-02-Region 9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 30, 2021; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1795. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Revision; Limited Approval and Limited Disapproval; California; Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 8689-01-Region 9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 30, 2021; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1796. A communication from the Ombudsman, Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2020 Annual Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1797. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tobacco Products; Required Warnings for Cigarette Packages and Advertisements; Delayed Effective Date" (RIN0910-AI39) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 27, 2021; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1798. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Annual Report to Congress on the Rafael Ramos and Wenjian Lu National Blue Alert Act of 2015; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1799. A communication from the Attorney Adviser, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Positive Train Control Systems" (RIN2130-AC75) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2021; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1800. A communication from the Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled

"COVID-19 Telehealth Program" ((FCC 21-24) (Docket No. WC20-89)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 30, 2021; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1801. A communication from the Associate Administrator for Policy, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Commercial Driver's License Standards, Requirements and Penalties; Exclusively Electronic Exchange of Driver History Record Information" (RIN2126-AC36) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 28, 2021; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

## MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bills were read the first time:

S. 2670. A bill to provide for redistricting reform, and for other purposes.

S. 2671. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide for additional disclosure requirements for corporations, labor organizations, Super PACs and other entities, and for other purposes.

## EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. DURBIN for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Matthew G. Olsen, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

Myrna Perez, of New York, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit.

Jia M. Cobb, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia.

Sarah A.L. Merriam, of Connecticut, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut.

Florence Y. Pan, of the District of Columbia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia.

Karen McGlashan Williams, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

## 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. MENENDEZ (for himself, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. REED, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. PADILLA, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 2616. A bill to create livable communities through coordinated public investment and streamlined requirements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 2617. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to revise the treatment of partnership interests received in connection with the performance of services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself and Mr. CARDIN):