

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) and the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) are necessarily absent.

The result was announced—yeas 50, nays 48, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 110 Leg.]

YEAS—50

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

NAYS—48

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

NOT VOTING—2

Feinstein	Shaheen
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The joint resolution (S. J. Res. 9) was passed, as follows:

S. J. RES. 9

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Congress disapproves the rule submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service relating to “Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Lesser Prairie-Chicken; Threatened Status With Section 4(d) Rule for the Northern Distinct Population Segment and Endangered Status for the Southern Distinct Population Segment” (87 Fed. Reg. 72674 (November 25, 2022)), and such rule shall have no force or effect.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Ms. HASSAN). Under the previous order, the Senate will resume executive session.

VOTE ON HSU NOMINATION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the Hsu nomination?

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from California (Mrs. FEIN-

STEIN) and the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) are necessarily absent.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senators are necessarily absent: the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CRAMER) and the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. HAGERTY).

Further, if present and voting, the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. HAGERTY) would have voted “nay.”

The result was announced—yeas 53, nays 43, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 111 Ex.]

YEAS—53

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

NAYS—43

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

NOT VOTING—4

Cramer	Hagerty
Feinstein	Shaheen

The nomination was confirmed.

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

CLOTURE MOTION

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

The bill clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Executive Calendar No. 125, LaShonda A. Hunt, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

Charles E. Schumer, Richard J. Durbin, Brian Schatz, John W. Hickenlooper, Margaret Wood Hassan, Gary C. Peters, Mark Kelly, Jack Reed, Tammy Duckworth, Christopher Murphy, Sheldon Whitehouse, Catherine Cortez Masto, Mazie Hirono, Benjamin L. Cardin, Jeanne Shaheen, Tammy Baldwin, Angus S. King, Jr., Alex Padilla, Robert Menendez, Michael F. Bennet.

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

The question is, Is it the sense of the Senate that debate on the nomination of LaShonda A. Hunt, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, shall be brought to a close?

The yeas and nays are mandatory under the rule.

The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS), and the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) are necessarily absent.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senator is necessarily absent: the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CRAMER).

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 54, nays 42, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 112 Ex.]

YEAS—54

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

NAYS—42

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

NOT VOTING—4

Cramer	Sanders
Feinstein	Shaheen

The PRESIDING OFFICER. On this vote, the yeas are 54, the nays are 42.

The motion is agreed to.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of LaShonda A. Hunt, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The majority leader.

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate be in a period of morning business,

with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

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

RECOGNIZING PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYEES IN OREGON

Mr. WYDEN. Madam President, as the second week of May is Public Service Recognition Week, I wish to recognize the honorable public employees who work tirelessly to provide outstanding service to Oregonians. These men and women, who serve our Nation as Federal, State, Tribal, county, and local government employees work hard to support Oregonians and make our State and our country a great place to live. I would like to acknowledge the important work that public servants do, and I will give just a few examples to illustrate how valuable public service work is.

The Oregon Farm Service Agency is dedicated to helping local Oregon farmers with assistance when they face financial risk or a natural disaster, as well as providing funding for conservation programs. Thanks to the efforts of employees at the Oregon Farm Service Agency, countless farmers and their families have been able to sustain their livelihoods through hard times. Oregonians are fortunate to have such committed public servants in the Oregon Farm Service Agency.

I would also like to honor the many public service employees that work at the Oregon Social Security offices. Their professionalism and courtesy in serving Oregonians is commendable. Without this work, numerous families could miss out on vital benefits. My staff and I also appreciate these offices' assistance in answering our inquiries on behalf of constituents. The replies we receive have helped me help hundreds of people across Oregon.

Turning to another Agency, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration—NOAA—Office for Coastal Management is making a difference in Oregon in countless ways. For example, NOAA's program on Oregon coastal and estuarine land conservation is vital for the preservation of Oregon's famous beaches. NOAA also helps with research on environmental challenges that Oregon communities might soon face and has partnerships with Oregon's Confederated Tribes to create opportunities for environmental education.

Public employees at the NOAA Fisheries office in Oregon also work tirelessly to ensure the conservation of fishery resources, eliminate overfishing, and maintain healthy commercial and recreational fisheries. For Oregon, the NOAA Fisheries office is vital to keeping ecosystems like the Willamette River healthy.

To give one more example, for over 100 years, public employees have worked for the National Park Service in order to maintain national parks, like the beautiful Crater Lake in Or-

egon, and to preserve local history and celebrate local heritage. National Park Service employees also work to provide funding for conservation projects throughout Oregon, making sure that Oregonians and people from all over the country are able to enjoy our State's natural beauty.

It is an honor during Public Service Recognition Week to recognize the wonderful public employees that work day in and day out to help Oregonians. Again, I thank public service employees for their dedication and their service.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

REMEMBERING MR. K-STATE

• Mr. MARSHALL. Madam President, I rise today to honor and celebrate the life and legacy of Mr. Ernie Barrett, synonymously known as Mr. K-State.

Ernie was born in Pratt, KS, on August 27, 1929. He is a proud graduate of Wellington High School, where he led his basketball team to their first State championship in 1947. He was recruited by the likes of the University of Kansas and Oklahoma State, but chose to attend Kansas State University in Manhattan, KS, beginning a lifelong affiliation with the school and town.

During his 3-year collegiate career, K-State won two Big Seven Conference titles in 1950 and 1951. As a First Team All-American for the 1951 season, Ernie led the team to the school's first and only NCAA National Championship game appearance. Ernie earned two degrees from K-State, a bachelor's in physical education and a master's degree in journalism.

He would go on to be selected by the Boston Celtics with the seventh overall pick in the 1951 NBA draft. However, he would not join the Celtics for another 2 years, as he proudly served his Nation in the U.S. Air Force from 1951–53. Despite a yearlong hiatus from professional basketball, Ernie played under legendary head coach Red Auerbach for the 1953–54 and 1955–56 seasons. He was a key contributor to two Celtics teams that reached the Eastern Division finals in both of his professional seasons.

Following his professional basketball career, Ernie came back to K-State as an assistant basketball coach where he helped lead the school to five Big Eight regular season titles in his 6 years as a coach. His service to K-State was not limited to the basketball court, as he would go on to serve as assistant athletics director, director of athletics, university consultant, and director of development throughout his career as a university administrator. A legendary fundraiser and promoter for K-State, his efforts contributed to the development of Bill Snyder Family Stadium, R.V. Christian Track and Field Complex, Bramlage Coliseum, Tointon Family Stadium, Colbert Hills Golf Course, as well as many other projects

that have greatly impacted the students of K-State and the residents of Manhattan, KS.

After 75 years of service to K-State, Ernie passed away on April 21, 2023. His list of accomplishments are endless, and his impact on K-State, and Manhattan, KS, is timeless. There will certainly never be another Mr. K-State.

I now ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life and legacy of Mr. Ernie Barrett, as well as celebrate his tremendous impact on Kansas State University.●

TRIBUTE TO SATOURI ROBINS

• Mr. ROUNDS. Madam President, today I recognize Satouri Robins, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all the hard work she has done on behalf of my office and the state of South Dakota.

Ms. Robins is a graduate of Mission Viejo High School in Mission Viejo, CA. Currently, she is attending New York University, where she studies international relations and French. Ms. Robins is a dedicated and diligent individual who has been devoted to getting the most out of her internship experience. Ms. Robins has been a true asset to my office.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Ms. Robins for all of the work she has done and wish her continued success in the years to come.●

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-1148. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Risk Management, Financial Assurance, and Loss Prevention—Decommissioning Activities and Obligations" ((RIN1082-AA02) (Docket ID BSEE-2020-0016)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1149. A communication from the Biologist of the Branch of Domestic Listing, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for Pearl Darter" (RIN1018-BE55) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1150. A communication from the Biologist of the Branch of Domestic Listing, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Threatened Species Status With Section 4(d) Rule for Bracted Twistflower and Designation of Critical Habitat" (RIN1018-BE44) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1151. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection