

and military police soldiers in the Army, I believe there is no one more qualified for this role. I express my gratitude to Major General Bonner for his dedicated service to the soldiers and families of the Fort Leonard Wood community and extend my best wishes for his future endeavors. I would also like to extend a warm welcome to MG Christopher Beck, who will assume command tomorrow. I am committed to continuing my support for the Fort Leonard Wood community and those who train there.●

#### TRIBUTE TO MARC ROECKER

● Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize an outstanding constituent from Missouri, Mr. Marc Roecker. Marc is CEO and general manager of Laclede Electric Cooperative, headquartered in Lebanon, MO, and will be retiring from this position at the end of May. For nearly 42 years, Marc has been a leader in Rural Electric Cooperatives both in Iowa and Missouri.

Over the past 10 years as CEO and general manager, Marc has overseen a significant amount of growth, implemented many technological improvements, and helped navigate the twists and turns of the economy, and he has done it all with a steady hand. He has been a great leader and a great friend of the Ozarks region.

In his community, Marc was selected to serve on the Fort Leonard Wood Institute and Sustainable Ozarks Partnership at Fort Leonard Wood. These groups are focused on fostering the region's continued commitment to national defense and advocating for local and regional development initiatives, as well as the sustainment and growth of Fort Leonard Wood. Marc is a strong advocate for supporting the men and women who serve our country in the Armed Forces, both past and present.

Leading up to his retirement, Marc has been asked what he will miss the most. In response, he says he will miss the people he has met over the years: members, employees, board directors, and colleagues alike. He said there is something very special about being a part of an electric cooperative and working with people who are so committed to serving their members.

Laclede Electric Cooperative and the Ozarks region are incredibly grateful for Marc's dedication to the electric industry and Rural Electric Cooperatives. His selfless service to his community is an incredible example of citizenship, and they are all fortunate to call him a neighbor and friend. I ask my Senate colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Marc Roecker, and I wish him the best in his much-deserved retirement.●

#### TRIBUTE TO ABIGAIL JOHNSON

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Abigail Johnson, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all of

the hard work she has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota over the past several months.

Abigail is a graduate of Roosevelt High School in Sioux Falls, SD. Currently, she is attending the University of South Dakota in Vermillion, SD, where she is pursuing degrees in political science and psychology. She is a hard worker who has been dedicated to getting the most out of her internship experience.

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

#### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

##### ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

At 12:05 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled joint resolution:

H.J. Res. 42. Joint resolution disapproving the action of the District of Columbia Council in approving the Comprehensive Policing and Justice Reform Amendment Act of 2022.

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

At 12:23 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 bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2494. An act to make the assault of a law enforcement officer a deportable offense, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3091. An act to allow Federal law enforcement officers to purchase retired service weapons, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 114(b) of the John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development Act (2. U.S.C. 1103), and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, the Speaker appoints the following individual on the part of the House of Representatives to the Board of Trustees for the John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development for a term of 6 years: Mr. Trent Kelly of Saltillo, Mississippi.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 2494. An act to make the assault of a law enforcement officer a deportable offense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 3091. An act to allow Federal law enforcement officers to purchase retired service weapons, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### 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-1224. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Ledprona (CAS# 2433753-68-3) for Use in or on Potato; Temporary Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 10947-01-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1225. A communication from the Acting Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Aspergillus Flavus Strain AF36; Amendment to an Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 10871-01-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1226. A communication from the Acting Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cyflufenamid; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 10880-01-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1227. A communication from the Acting Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fomesafen; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 10908-01-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1228. A communication from the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Implementing Interagency Working Group (IWG) Recommendations on Improving the Consultation Process Required Under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act for Pesticide Registration and Registration Review"; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1229. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting a legislative proposal to amend Sections 3232 and 3212 of the National Nuclear Security Administration Act to transfer cybersecurity responsibilities from the Department of Energy's National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) Office of Defense Nuclear Security to the NNSA Administrator; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1230. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting a legislative proposal that would make it a federal crime to knowingly interfere with the transport of atomic weapons and special nuclear material, nuclear weapons components, or restricted data in the custody of Nuclear Materials Couriers; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1231. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13413 with respect to the Democratic Republic of the Congo; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1232. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13067 with respect to Sudan; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1233. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on

the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13303 with respect to the stabilization of Iraq; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1234. A communication from the Senior Congressional Liaison, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Facilitating the LIBOR Transition Consistent with the LIBOR Act (Regulation Z)" (RIN3170-AB19) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2023; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1235. A communication from the Senior Congressional Liaison, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fair Debt Collection Practices Act (Regulation F); Time-Barred Debt" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2023; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1236. A communication from the Chair and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to Angola; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1237. A communication from the Chair and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bank's annual report on its operations for fiscal year 2022; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1238. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the continuation of the national emergency with respect to the actions of the Government of Syria that was declared in Executive Order 13338 of May 11, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

### PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

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

POM-19. A joint memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of Washington respectfully urging the United States Congress to pass and the President of the United States to sign H.R. 3339 or similar legislation; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

#### SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 8001

Whereas, The American society of civil engineers in its 2021 infrastructure report card rated the current state of infrastructure in the United States at C-minus and indicated that \$6.1 trillion would be needed to restore the nation's infrastructure to a state of good repair; and

Whereas, The American society of civil engineers stated that newer projects and over \$2.62 trillion worth of corrective projects are currently unfunded, and the remaining projects are not adequately funded; and

Whereas, Congress took step forward in 2021 passing the Infrastructure Improvement and Jobs Act, providing \$1.2 trillion in transportation investments, but it does not come close to meeting the current need reported by the American society of civil engineers; and

Whereas, The American society of civil engineers' Seattle, Tacoma-Olympia, and Inland Empire sections in 2019 rated the current state of infrastructure in Washington at C, with drinking water, roads, transit, stormwater, and wastewater receiving a rating of C-minus or worse; and

Whereas, Washington's cities, counties, ports, and business associations in a 2019 re-

port identified more than \$222 billion in infrastructure needs throughout Washington including highways, bridges, freight rail, ports, airports, rural broadband, and energy; and

Whereas, Washington needs financing capacity to build 21st Century infrastructure, including high-speed rail, renewable energy conversion, public housing, and other projects, but many new and visionary projects will not be able to secure funding through traditional commercial investment banking processes and will remain unfunded; and

Whereas, A new national infrastructure bank could directly aid in fostering an economic recovery and build necessary infrastructure projects; and

Whereas, U.S. Representative Danny Davis on May 19, 2021, introduced legislation in Congress, H.R. 3339, to establish a new \$5 trillion national infrastructure bank authorized to invest solely in infrastructure projects; and

Whereas, The new national infrastructure bank is modeled on four previous institutions created, respectively, by Presidents George Washington, John Quincy Adams, Abraham Lincoln, and Franklin D. Roosevelt, which helped spur massive economic growth; and

Whereas, The new national infrastructure bank would be funded through a repurposing of existing treasury debt, as was done previously in the United States, and would require no new federal spending; and

Whereas, The new national infrastructure bank could directly finance much of our nation's infrastructure, in partnership with state and local officials, and lead to the re-employment of people who have lost their jobs during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

Whereas, The new national infrastructure bank will supplement, not supplant, the good work of the Infrastructure Improvement and Jobs Act and allow us to fully invest in our future while creating an estimated 25 million new jobs paying Davis-Bacon wages; and

Whereas, The new national infrastructure bank would ensure project labor agreements for all projects and buy American provisions also while awarding a significant number of contracts to disadvantaged business enterprises and mandating large-scale minority hiring; and

Whereas, The new national infrastructure bank is expected to grow the economy by four to five percent each year; and

Whereas, Some 14 state legislatures and numerous county and city governments have introduced or passed resolutions in support of the new national infrastructure bank, and it has been endorsed by organizations including the national association of counties, the U.S. high-speed rail association, the national Latino farmers and ranchers, the national congress of black women, the national federation of federal employees, the public banking institute, the American sustainable business council, the national association of minority contractors, and many others;

Now, Therefore, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that Congress pass and the President sign H.R. 3339 or similar legislation.

Be it *Resolved*, That copies of this Memorial be immediately transmitted to the Honorable Joseph R. Biden, Jr., President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and each member of Congress from the State of Washington.

### 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. VANCE (for himself and Ms. WARREN):

S. 1670. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to improve the TRICARE program for certain members of the Retired Reserve of the reserve components; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. BENNET (for himself and Mr. WELCH):

S. 1671. A bill to establish a new Federal body to provide reasonable oversight and regulation of digital platforms; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HAGERTY (for himself, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. MARSHALL, Ms. LUMMIS, and Mr. JOHNSON):

S. 1672. A bill to require officers and employees of the legislative and executive branches to make certain disclosures related to communications with information content providers and interactive computer services regarding restricting speech; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. STABENOW, and Mr. CASSIDY):

S. 1673. A bill to amend title XVIII to protect patient access to ground ambulance services under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. COTTON (for himself, Mr. RISCH, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BUDD, Mr. RICKETTS, Mr. HAGERTY, Mr. ROUNDS, and Mr. CRUZ):

S. 1674. A bill to provide for better security and accountability with respect to the strategic and non-strategic nuclear arsenals of the Russian Federation and the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. WELCH (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 1675. A bill to amend the Agricultural Act of 2014 with respect to the Acer access and development program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Ms. HIRONO (for herself, Mr. SUL-LIVAN, and Mr. SCHATZ):

S. 1676. A bill to amend the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 to provide mandatory funding from the Commodity Credit Corporation for reimbursement payments to geographically disadvantaged farmers and ranchers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. CASEY, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Ms. WARREN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. SMITH, Mr. WELCH, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. SANDERS, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. HIRONO, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. KAINE, Mr. BROWN, and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 1677. A bill to secure the Federal voting rights of persons when released from incarceration; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KING (for himself and Mr. CRAMER):

S. 1678. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to reauthorize the high technology program of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. ROUNDS):

S. 1679. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to postpone tax deadlines and reimburse paid late fees for United