

For more than four decades, every U.S. President has declared the annual observance of Education and Sharing Day in honor of the anniversary of the Rebbe's birth and in recognition of his contributions to the betterment of education for all people. In 1995, he was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal for his contributions toward education, morality, and acts of charity.

Education and Sharing Day represents an excellent opportunity for us to reflect on the Rebbe's vision and leadership. May we take his teachings to heart.

#### TRIBUTE TO ANTHONY WILLIAMS

Ms. KLOBUCHAR. Mr. President, I rise to recognize Anthony Williams's decades of service with the U.S. Postal Service. Nearly 43 years ago, Mr. WILLIAMS began as a city carrier at the Rice Street Station in St. Paul, MN, and on March 3, 2023, he retired as the Minnesota-North Dakota district manager. During that time, Mr. WILLIAMS supported the Postal Service in its work processing and delivering 425 million pieces of mail each day, including everything from Social Security checks and life-saving prescriptions, to birthday and graduation cards.

When I think about Anthony's time with the U.S. Postal Service, I will always think about his commitment to problem-solving. In the face of polar vortexes, staffing shortages, and a global pandemic, he always found a way to regroup, examine the situation, and do what needed to be done to get Minnesotans and North Dakotans their mail.

While in a practical sense the U.S. Postal Service brings us our letters and packages, as the only organization with the logistical capability to reach every address in the Nation, it also brings our country together. That is the heart of what Anthony did through his decades of service, and I will always be grateful.

I hope that Anthony gets some much deserved rest and time with Cindy in retirement, and if I ever need to reach him, I know he is just a stamp away.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### RECOGNIZING IDAHO NUCLEAR CLEANUP MILESTONE

• Mr. CRAPO. Mr. President, I congratulate the Idaho Environmental Coalition that currently manages cleanup operations at the Idaho National Laboratory, INL, Site and Department of Energy, DOE, Office of Nuclear Energy contractor Battelle Energy Alliance for completing the transfer of all spent nuclear fuel from wet to dry storage more than 9 months ahead of the 1995 Idaho Settlement Agreement milestone. This is the culmination of more than two decades of work by DOE and many partners and contractors. It further reinforces DOE's commitment to meet-

ing its agreements with the State and following through on its promises to the citizens of Idaho.

Importantly, the completion of the wet-to-dry project ahead of schedule means risks are reduced, security is improved, and the environment is better protected earlier, rather than later. Dry spent nuclear fuel storage is considered safer than wet storage, as it reduces proliferation concerns and potential risk to area natural resources. Dry storage of spent nuclear fuel also better prepares it for transport to long-term storage when a permanent repository becomes available.

DOE has now met more than 90 percent of the Idaho Settlement Agreement milestones and more than 97 percent of all regulatory milestones with the State of Idaho. The completion of the wet-to-dry project frees up cleanup resources to further advance the next stages of the nuclear fuels mission. Thank you to all those involved in this momentous achievement, especially the exceptional and highly skilled employees involved in this project, for advancing and accelerating the cleanup at the INL and protecting Idaho's citizens.●

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:49 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Allie, 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. 1093. An act to direct the Secretary of State to submit to Congress a report on implementation of the advanced capabilities pillar of the trilateral security partnership between Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

H.R. 1159. An act to amend the Taiwan Assurance Act of 2020 to require periodic reviews and updated reports relating to the Department of State's Taiwan Guidelines.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 1093. An act to direct the Secretary of State to submit to Congress a report on implementation of the advanced capabilities pillar of the trilateral security partnership between Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 1159. An act to amend the Taiwan Assurance Act of 2020 to require periodic reviews and updated reports relating to the Department of State's Taiwan Guidelines; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

#### 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-783. A communication from the Director of the Regulations Management Division, Rural Utilities Service, Department of Agri-

culture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Electric Program Coverage Ratios Clarification and Modifications" (RIN0572-AC60) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-784. A communication from the Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting the Administration's proposed fiscal year 2024 Budget and Performance Plan; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-785. A communication from the Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's Fiscal Year 2022 Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA) and Privacy Management Report received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-786. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "BLB2 and AMR3 Proteins in Potato; Temporary Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 10776-01-OCSP) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 20, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-787. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Paraffin Waxes and Hydrocarbon Waxes, Carboxypolymethylene Resin, and Paraffin Waxes and Hydrocarbon, Oxidized, Lithium Salts in Pesticide Formulations; Tolerance Exemption" (FRL No. 10783-01-OCSP) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 20, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-788. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pydiflumetofen; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 10195-01-OCSP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-789. 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; Delaware; Removal of Excess Emissions Provisions" (FRL No. 10222-02-OCSP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-790. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Glycerides, Soya Mono- and Di-, Ethoxylated; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 10599-01-OCSP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-791. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a strategic assessment of the Joint Force readiness to accomplish the National Security Strategy (OSS-2023-0263); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-792. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office

of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Supplemental Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Department of Defense" (RIN0790-AL21) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2023; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-793. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 12957 of March 15, 1995, with respect to Iran; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-794. 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 13848 with respect to the threat of foreign interference in or undermining public confidence in United States elections; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-795. 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 13536 with respect to Somalia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-796. A communication from the President and Chair of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the Bank's Annual Performance Plan for fiscal year 2024, and the Annual Performance Report for fiscal year 2022; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-797. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedure for Air Cleaners" (RIN1904-AF26) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2023; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-798. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Water and Science, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Annual Operating Plan (AOP) for Colorado River System Reservoirs for 2023"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-799. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bacteriophage active against *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *syringae*; Bacteriophage active against *Xanthomonas arboricola* pv. *corylina*; Bacteriophage active against *Xanthomonas arboricola* pv. *juglandis*; and Bacteriophage active against *Xanthomonas arboricola* pv. *pruni*; Exemptions from the Requirement of Tolerances" (FRL No. 10544-01-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-800. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modified Potato Acetolactate Synthase (StmALS) in Potato; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 10775-01-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 14, 2023; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. TESTER, from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, without amendment:

S. 326. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a study and clinical trials on the effects of cannabis on certain health outcomes of veterans with chronic pain and post-traumatic stress disorder, and for other purposes.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. REED for the Committee on Armed Services.

Air Force nominations beginning with Col. David J. Berkland and ending with Col. Adrienne L. Williams, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 23, 2023.

Air Force nomination of Col. Corey A. Simmons, to be Brigadier General.

\*Navy nomination of Rear Adm. George M. Wikoff, to be Vice Admiral.

\*Navy nomination of Rear Adm. Frederick W. Kacher, to be Vice Admiral.

Air Force nominations beginning with Col. Sean M. Carpenter and ending with Col. Norman B. Shaw, Jr., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 31, 2023.

Air Force nominations beginning with Col. Kristin A. Hillery and ending with Col. Michelle L. Wagner, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 31, 2023.

Air Force nominations beginning with Brig. Gen. Elizabeth E. Arledge and ending with Brig. Gen. Christopher F. Yancy, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 31, 2023.

Army nomination of Col. Carlos M. Caceres, to be Brigadier General.

\*Navy nomination of Rear Adm. Shoshana S. Chatfield, to be Vice Admiral.

Army nomination of Col. William F. Wilkerson, to be Brigadier General.

Army nomination of Col. Evelyn E. Laptook, to be Brigadier General.

Army nomination of Brig. Gen. Ronald R. Ragin, to be Major General.

Army nominations beginning with Col. Brandon C. Anderson and ending with Col. David J. Zinn, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 16, 2023.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Col. David R. Everly and ending with Col. Robert S. Weiler, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 16, 2023.

Navy nominations beginning with Capt. Walter D. Brafford and ending with Capt. Robert J. Hawkins, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 16, 2023.

Navy nominations beginning with Capt. Amy N. Bauernschmidt and ending with Capt. Forrest O. Young, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 16, 2023. (minus 1 nominee: Capt. Eric J. Anduze)

Navy nominations beginning with Capt. Brian J. Anderson and ending with Capt. Julie M. Treanor, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 16, 2023.

Navy nominations beginning with Rear Adm. (lh) Casey J. Moton and ending with Rear Adm. (lh) Stephen R. Tedford, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 16, 2023.

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. (lh) Rick Freedman, to be Rear Admiral.

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. (lh) Kenneth W. Epps, to be Rear Admiral.

Navy nominations beginning with Rear Adm. (lh) Stephen D. Barnett and ending with Rear Adm. (lh) Jeremy B. Williams, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 16, 2023. (minus 1 nominee: Rear Adm. (lh) Jeffrey J. Czerewko)

Navy nomination of Capt. Frank G. Schlereth III, to be Rear Admiral (lower half).

Navy nominations beginning with Capt. Joshua C. Himes and ending with Capt. Kurtis A. Mole, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 16, 2023.

Navy nominations beginning with Capt. Thomas J. Dickinson and ending with Capt. Dianna Wolfson, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 16, 2023.

Air Force nominations beginning with Brig. Gen. Thomas W. Harrell and ending with Brig. Gen. Jeannine M. Ryder, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 27, 2023.

\*Marine Corps nomination of Lt. Gen. James W. Bierman, Jr., to be Lieutenant General.

Mr. REED. Mr. President, for the Committee on Armed Services I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORDS on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

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

Air Force nomination of Shane K. Doty, to be Colonel.

Air Force nominations beginning with Speight H. Caroon and ending with Teina D. Stallings Lilly, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 13, 2023.

Air Force nomination of Brandi Barnard King, to be Colonel.

Air Force nominations beginning with Daniel S. Mcpherson and ending with Khurram M. Shahzad, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 13, 2023.

Air Force nominations beginning with Matthew J. Andrade and ending with Jill M. Thomas, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 13, 2023.

Air Force nominations beginning with Adam James Cole and ending with Mary Zachariah Kurian, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 13, 2023.

Air Force nominations beginning with Eric K. Wilke and ending with Ned L. Williams, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 13, 2023.

Air Force nominations beginning with Kelli M. Bermudez and ending with Jenny L. Wylie, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 13, 2023.

Air Force nominations beginning with Lisa Carol Giugliano and ending with Ryan Lee Rand, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 13, 2023.

Air Force nominations beginning with Joseph Catalino, Jr. and ending with Meiling C. Taylor, which nominations were received by