

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

RECOGNIZING THE NEW BERN
AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

• Mr. BUDD. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the New Bern Area Chamber of Commerce on its 125th anniversary.

Since its founding in 1899, the New Bern Area Chamber of Commerce has played a vital role in promoting small businesses, tourism, and all that New Bern has to offer.

New Bern has a rich history as North Carolina's second oldest town. It once served as the first capital of our great state. New Bern is also widely known as the birthplace of Pepsi-Cola. The community boasts a thriving downtown with vibrant restaurants and small businesses. It is a true gem in Eastern North Carolina thanks to the continual efforts of organizations like the New Bern Area Chamber of Commerce.

As a small business owner and member of the United States Senate Committee on Small Business, I know that chambers of commerce are one of the greatest assets to smaller towns and rural communities. I appreciate the efforts that President & CEO Kevin Roberts and his entire team make daily to help ensure New Bern continues to thrive.

Mr. President, please join me in congratulating the New Bern Area Chamber on their 125th anniversary. I can say with certainty that this organization will remain a pillar in the community for decades to come.●

125TH ANNIVERSARY OF
NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

• Ms. WARREN. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize Northeastern University, on the occasion of its 125th anniversary.

Northeastern University began as the Boston YMCA Evening Institute for Young Men in 1898, established to meet the industry's emergent need for skilled workers in the vocational trades. Today, Northeastern is a global research university and a recognized leader in experiential lifelong learning that integrates real-world experience with education, research, and innovation. Launched over a century ago, Northeastern's signature cooperative education—co-op—model now spans every continent and more than 3,500 employer partners where students work, study, and research.

With an R1 Carnegie classification, the university's research enterprise, focused broadly on the domains of health, security, and sustainability, as well as cutting-edge fields like artificial intelligence and robotics, wireless technology, and the life sciences, has quintupled during the past 15 years and pushed the bounds of scientific discovery. Since 2011, Northeastern has embarked on an ambitious expansion across the United States, Canada, and

the United Kingdom. Today, Northeastern's global university system comprises 13 sites, making it the only U.S. research university with comprehensive campuses on both coasts and a leader in preparing graduates with global experience.

The university's success extends beyond learning and discovery to intercollegiate athletics, as reflected, most recently, by the Huskies' sweep of the 2023 men's and women's Beanpot ice hockey tournaments for a record sixth time.

Northeastern counts a long and proud tradition of partnership with the Nation's armed forces that includes a U.S. Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps—ROTC—unit, extensive collaboration in defense and homeland security research, and a nationally recognized student veterans organization dedicated to helping returning veterans transition to higher education and achieve professional career success.

On the 125th anniversary of its founding, the university's investments in entrepreneurship, women's empowerment, civic engagement, public art, and sustainability have made an extraordinary contribution to the economic and social fabric of the city of Boston, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the United States, and the world. They are a credit to the nearly 300,000 Northeastern alumni living, working, and making a difference in communities around the globe.

On the occasion of this milestone, I am proud to recognize Northeastern University.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

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

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

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.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:05 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, 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. 443. An act to direct the Secretary of Labor to train certain employees of Department of Labor how to effectively detect and assist law enforcement in preventing human trafficking during the course of their official duties, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1240. An act to transfer administrative jurisdiction of certain Federal lands from the Army Corps of Engineers to the Bu-

reau of Indian Affairs, to take such lands into trust for the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2882. An act to reauthorize the Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Trust Fund, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2997. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to Mesa County, Colorado, certain Federal land in Colorado, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4051. An act to direct the Secretary of Commerce to establish a task force regarding shark depredation, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4385. An act to extend authorization of the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991.

H.R. 5009. An act to reauthorize wildlife habitat and conservation programs, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 1238(b)(3) of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (22 U.S.C. 7002), as amended, 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 United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission for a term expiring on December 31, 2025: Mr. Cliff Simms of Birmingham, Alabama.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 1238(b)(3) of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act of Fiscal Year 2001 (22 U.S.C. 7002), as amended, the Minority Leader appoints the following individual to the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission: Mr. Jonathan Nicholas Stivers of Falls Church, Virginia.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 1238(b)(3) of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act of Fiscal Year 2001 (22 U.S.C. 7002), the Minority Leader appoints the following member to the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission: Mr. Leland Miller of Alexandria, Virginia. As previously agreed, because of the change in Congress and the presumed statutory intent of the Commission, I am appointing Mr. Miller on behalf of the Speaker.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 443. An act to direct the Secretary of Labor to train certain employees of Department of Labor how to effectively detect and assist law enforcement in preventing human trafficking during the course of their official duties, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H.R. 1240. An act to transfer administrative jurisdiction of certain Federal lands from the Army Corps of Engineers to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, to take such lands into trust for the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

H.R. 2997. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to Mesa County, Colorado, certain Federal land in Colorado, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 4051. An act to direct the Secretary of Commerce to establish a task force regarding shark depredation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 4385. An act to extend authorization of the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 5009. An act to reauthorize wildlife habitat and conservation programs, and for other purposes.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. PETERS, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

H.R. 292. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 24355 Creekside Road in Santa Clarita, California, as the "William L. Reynolds Post Office Building".

H.R. 996. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3901 MacArthur Blvd., in New Orleans, Louisiana, as the "Dr. Rudy Lombard Post Office".

S. 2143. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 320 South 2nd Avenue in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, as the "Staff Sergeant Robb Lura Roling Post Office Building".

S. 2274. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 112 Wyoming Street in Shoshoni, Wyoming, as the "Dessie A. Bebout Post Office".

H.R. 2379. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 616 East Main Street in St. Charles, Illinois, as the "Veterans of the Vietnam War Memorial Post Office".

S. 2717. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 231 North Franklin Street in Greensburg, Indiana, as the "Brigadier General John T. Wilder Post Office".

S. 3267. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 410 Dakota Avenue South in Huron, South Dakota, as the "First Lieutenant Thomas Michael Martin Post Office Building".

S. 3357. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5120 Derry Street in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, as the "Hettie Simmons Love Post Office Building".

S. 3419. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1765 Camp Hill Bypass in Camp Hill, Pennsylvania, as the "John Charles Traub Post Office".

S. 3639. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2075 West Stadium Boulevard in Ann Arbor, Michigan, as the "Robert Hayden Post Office".

S. 3640. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 155 South Main Street in Mount Clemens, Michigan, as the "Lieutenant Colonel Alexander Jefferson Post Office".

H.R. 3944. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 120 West Church Street in Mount Vernon, Georgia, as the "Second Lieutenant Patrick Palmer Calhoun Post Office".

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. CRUZ (for himself, Mr. HAGERTY, and Mr. ROUNDS):

S. 3735. A bill to prohibit the Securities and Exchange Commission from finalizing, implementing, or enforcing a proposed rule with respect to conflicts of interest associated with the use of predictive data analytics by broker-dealers and investment advisers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. BOOKER):

S. 3736. A bill to strengthen Federal data collection regarding the teacher and principal workforce; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. 3737. A bill to direct the Attorney General to conduct a study on animal cruelty, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself, Mr. VANCE, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. YOUNG, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. BROWN, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. SMITH, Mr. PETERS, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. CASEY):

S. 3738. A bill to reauthorize the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself and Mr. BOOKER):

S. 3739. A bill to establish due process requirements for the investigation of intercollegiate athletics, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. TILLIS, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. CASSIDY, and Ms. HASSAN):

S. 3740. A bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to reauthorize the residential substance use disorder treatment program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina (for himself, Mr. SCHMITT, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. RISCH, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. BRAUN):

S. 3741. A bill to prohibit the Secretary of Health and Human Services from restricting funding for pregnancy centers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. KAINE (for himself and Mr. YOUNG):

S. 3742. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to establish a community college and career training grant program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE (for himself, Mr. SCHATZ, Ms. SMITH, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. WARREN, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. BUTLER, and Mr. WELCH):

S. 3743. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to treat transfers of appreciated property to certain tax-exempt organizations the same as transfers of appreciated property to political organizations; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. MARSHALL:

S. Res. 543. A resolution to express the sense of the Senate regarding the constitutional right of State Governors to repel the dangerous ongoing invasion across the United States southern border; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mr. DAINES, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. LUJÁN, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Ms. SINEMA, Ms. WARREN, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. SMITH, Mr. HEINRICH, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BENNET, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. THUNE, Mr. MORAN, Mrs. FISCHER, and Mr. KELLY):

S. Res. 544. A resolution designating the week beginning February 5, 2024, as "National Tribal Colleges and Universities Week"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 109

At the request of Mr. CARDIN, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. CASEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 109, a bill to amend title XXI of the Social Security Act to prohibit lifetime or annual limits on dental coverage under the Children's Health Insurance Program, and to require wraparound coverage of dental services for certain children under such program.

S. 133

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. SCHMITT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 133, a bill to extend the National Alzheimer's Project.

S. 140

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 140, a bill to combat organized crime involving the illegal acquisition of retail goods for the purpose of selling those illegally obtained goods through physical and online retail marketplaces.

S. 270

At the request of Mr. BOOKER, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 270, a bill to improve protections for meatpacking workers, and for other purposes.

S. 502

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 502, a bill to amend the Animal Health Protection Act with respect to the importation of live dogs, and for other purposes.

S. 793

At the request of Mr. LUJÁN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 793, a bill to amend title XVIII of