

Support Our Local Heroes promotion, which raised donations to purchase needed equipment for first responders across Vinton and La Porte City. After losing a friend to cancer, Corey organized the "Volkswagen Beetle Cruise" to honor his friend, an avid car enthusiast, while also raising money for the American Cancer Society. Tootsie's also sponsors Eastern Iowa Pink Heals, which raises money for cancer research. The shop is also a member of the Vinton Unlimited Chamber of Commerce, which supports economic development. The team will celebrate their 13th business anniversary early next year.

Tootsie's Ice Cream & More has curated a menu with high-quality food, ice cream, and more and become an important community gathering place. I want to congratulate Corey, his family, and the entire team at Tootsie's Ice Cream & More for their dedication to providing unforgettable experiences to families and patrons in the Vinton and La Porte City communities. I look forward to seeing their continued growth and success in Iowa.●

RECOGNIZING THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ASBESTOS DISEASE AWARENESS ORGANIZATION

● Mr. MERKLEY. Mr. President, as a long-standing advocate for public health and environmental protection, I commend the Asbestos Disease Awareness Organization (ADAO) for its 20 years of unwavering dedication to ending asbestos-caused disease and to protecting Americans from the devastating effects of asbestos exposure.

Since 2004, ADAO has been an indispensable partner in our efforts to reform toxic substance regulations and ban asbestos in the United States. Their work has been instrumental in shaping critical, lifesaving legislation, including the Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act, which amended the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) in 2016.

ADAO's commitment to science-based advocacy and policy reform has been crucial in educating lawmakers, the public, and regulatory agencies about the ongoing dangers of asbestos exposure, of which there is no safe level, and in keeping the issue at the forefront of our national health agenda. Their work has brought stakeholders together to make real change.

ADAO has played a pivotal role in the development and promotion of the Alan Reinstein Ban Asbestos Now Act. Since 2017, my distinguished colleague from Oregon Representative SUZANNE BONAMICI and I have been proud to introduce this critical legislation. Named in honor of ADAO's founder Linda Reinstein's late husband Alan, it represents our shared commitment to finally and fully ban asbestos in the United States.

Congratulations to the entire ADAO community on 20 years of lifesaving advocacy.

Your dedication inspires us all as we work toward a United States free from the threat of asbestos.●

RECOGNIZING ANDERSON'S BODY AND GLASS

● Mr. RISCH. Mr. President, as a member and former chairman of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each month I recognize and celebrate the American entrepreneurial spirit by highlighting the success of a small business in my home State of Idaho. Today, I am pleased to honor Anderson's Body and Glass as the Idaho Small Business of the Month for September 2024.

Anderson's Body and Glass opened in 1985 in American Falls when Delane Anderson was 24 years old. Now owned and operated by Delane, his wife Laura, and son Greg, the repair shop has served residents in American Falls, Rockland, Aberdeen, and Pocatello for nearly four decades. Throughout the years, Delane and Laura's four children have all taken turns working at the shop. Today, their dedicated team of seven employees prioritizes superior quality and exceptional customer service. Their mission is to make customers' collision repair experience as pleasant as possible by charging only for necessary services at an affordable price. From collision repair to windshield replacements, customers appreciate the peace of mind Anderson's gives them and the prompt attention that enables them to get back on the road as quickly as possible.

Anderson's puts a high premium on engaging with both business and community circles. They have previously been recognized as a Business of the Year by the American Falls Chamber of Commerce, inducted into the American Falls Education Foundation Hall of Fame, and received the Outstanding Community Service Award from Power County.

Congratulations to the Andersons and all of the employees at Anderson's Body and Glass on their selection as the Idaho Small Business of the Month for September 2024. Thank you for serving Idaho as small business owners and entrepreneurs. You make our great State proud, and I look forward to your continued growth and success.●

REMEMBERING BOB PAVLOVICH

● Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, today I would like to honor the life and service of a distinguished Montanan and veterans advocate: Bob Pavlovich.

Bob is a native son of Butte who graduated from Butte High School in 1947 and enlisted in the Army immediately after. He was deployed in the Pacific at the end of World War II as a member of the 18th Engineer Construction Company, building facilities as part of atomic bomb testing.

Upon returning home after his service, Bob opened the Met Tavern in Butte in 1951, bringing Montanans to-

gether for 50 years. He continued his public service in the Montana State House which he was first elected to in 1978 and where he would serve Butte residents for 20 years.

As a Montana legislator, Bob was a fierce advocate for veterans. He led legislation in 1993 to build a veterans nursing home in southwest Montana, but at the request of a legislator from Glendive, Bob amended his legislation to place the veterans nursing home in eastern Montana with one request: that they continue working on a veterans home for southwest Montana.

And Bob kept pushing towards his goal for the next 20 years, working with veterans and officials like myself to ensure that the project had State and Federal funding. Finally, in 2019, the Southwest Montana Veterans Home broke ground and officially opened 2 years later. Bob was a force leading the decades-long fight to build this home, and it was a great privilege of mine to work with him on this project. Through this home, his work for southwest Montana veterans will be felt for generations to come.

Today, it is my honor to commemorate Bob's incredible service to our country as a veteran, public servant, and steadfast champion for veterans. On behalf of myself and a grateful nation, I commend Mr. Pavlovich for his lifetime of serving Montana and extend our deepest appreciation to him and his family. His exemplary service in the Army and career in public service is what makes our country the greatest in the world and Montana the Last Best Place. He is a true patriot who has made Montana proud, and we owe him a deep debt of gratitude.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

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

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

In executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from one 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 12:56 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 bill, without amendment:

S. 1608. An act to provide for the expansion of the Starr-Camargo Bridge near Rio Grande City, Texas, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 510. An act to require the United States Governor of, and the United States Executive Director at, the International Monetary Fund to oppose an increase in the weight of the Chinese renminbi in the Special Drawing Rights basket of the Fund, and for other purposes.

H.R. 554. An act to deter Chinese aggression towards Taiwan by requiring the Secretary of the Treasury to publish a report on financial institutions and accounts connected to senior officials of the People's Republic of China, to restrict financial services for certain immediate family of such officials, and for other purposes.

H.R. 820. An act to direct the Federal Communications Commission to publish a list of entities that hold authorizations, licenses, or other grants of authority issued by the Commission and that have certain foreign ownership, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1157. An act to provide for the authorization of appropriations for the Countering the People's Republic of China Malign Influence Fund, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2864. An act to amend the Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Act of 2019 to provide for the addition of certain equipment and services produced or provided by DJI Technologies to the list of covered communications equipment or services published under such Act, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4741. An act to require the development of a strategy to promote the use of secure telecommunications infrastructure worldwide, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5245. An act to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to require certain congressional notification prior to entering into, renewing, or extending a science and technology agreement with the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6513. An act to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to confirm the requirement that States allow access to designated congressional election observers to observe the election administration procedures in congressional elections.

H.R. 6606. An act to amend the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 relating to the statement of policy.

H.R. 6614. An act to amend the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 relating to licensing transparency.

H.R. 7089. An act to authorize the Diplomatic Security Services of the Department of State to investigate allegations of violations of conduct constituting offenses under chapter 77 of title 18, United States Code, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7151. An act to amend the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 to provide for expedited consideration of proposals for additions to, removals from, or other modifications with respect to entities on the Entity List, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7159. An act to bolster United States engagement with the Pacific Islands region, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7404. An act to require annual reports on counter illicit cross-border tunnel operations, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7589. An act to direct the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information, to conduct a study of the national security risks posed by consumer routers, modems, and devices that combine a modem and router, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7592. An act to direct the Librarian of Congress to promote the more cost-effective, efficient, and expanded availability of the Annotated Constitution and pocket-part supplements by replacing the hardbound versions with digital versions.

H.R. 7593. An act to enhance the authority of the Director of the Congressional Re-

search Service to obtain information directly from agencies of the Federal government.

H.R. 7686. An act to amend the Research and Development, Competition, and Innovation Act to clarify the definition of foreign country for purposes of malign foreign talent recruitment restriction, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7701. An act to require the imposition of sanctions with respect to any foreign person that knowingly participates in the construction, maintenance, or repair of a tunnel or bridge that connects the Russian mainland with the Crimean peninsula.

H.R. 8152. An act to amend the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 to provide for control of remote access of items, and for other purposes.

H.R. 8333. An act to prohibit contracting with certain biotechnology providers, and for other purposes.

H.R. 8631. An act to prohibit the Secretary of Homeland Security from procuring certain foreign-made batteries, and for other purposes.

H.R. 8663. An act to require the Science and Technology Directorate in the Department of Homeland Security to develop greater capacity to detect, identify, and disrupt illicit substances in very low concentrations.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following resolution:

H. Res. 1427. Resolution relative to the death of the Honorable William J. Pascrell, Jr., a Representative from the State of New Jersey.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 510. An act to require the United States Governor of, and the United States Executive Director at, the International Monetary Fund to oppose an increase in the weight of the Chinese renminbi in the Special Drawing Rights basket of the Fund, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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