

## APPOINTMENT

The presiding officer. The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 96-114, as amended, appoints the following individual to the Congressional Award Board: the Honorable BEN RAY LUJÁN of New Mexico vice the Honorable JOE MANCHIN of West Virginia.

## NATIONAL OSCEOLA TURKEY DAY

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 134, which is at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 134) designating March 15, 2025, as "National Osceola Turkey Day".

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. THUNE. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to; the preamble be agreed to; and that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 134) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

## ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2025

Mr. THUNE. I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 25; that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate be in a period of morning business with Senators permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes each; and that notwithstanding rule XXII, the cloture motions filed on Friday, March 14, ripen at 12 noon; further, that at 12 noon, the Senate vote on cloture on the Kratsios nomination, and following the cloture vote, the Senate recess until 2:15 p.m. to allow for the weekly conference meetings; and that at 2:15 p.m., if cloture is invoked, the Senate vote on confirmation of the Kratsios nomination; finally, if any nominations are confirmed during Tuesday's session, the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table and the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M.  
TOMORROW

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:14 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, March 25, 2025, at 10 a.m.

## NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

HERSCHEL WALKER, OF GEORGIA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS.

STACEY FEINBERG, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE GRAND DUCHY OF LUXEMBOURG.

KENNETH HOWERY, OF TEXAS, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE KINGDOM OF DENMARK.

RICHARD BUCHAN III, OF FLORIDA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE KINGDOM OF MOROCCO.

DAVID PERDUE, OF GEORGIA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

CALLISTA GINGRICH, OF FLORIDA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE SWISS CONFEDERATION, AND TO SERVE CONCURRENTLY AND WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION AS AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE PRINCIPALITY OF LIECHTENSTEIN.

KIMBERLY GUILFOYLE, OF FLORIDA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO GREECE.

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

ALEX ADAMS, OF IDAHO, TO BE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR FAMILY SUPPORT. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, VICE JANUARY CONTRERAS.

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MELISSA ARGYROS, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF LATVIA.

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE  
ADMINISTRATION

GREGORY AUTREY, OF FLORIDA, TO BE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION, VICE MARGARET VO SCHAUS, RESIGNED.

FEDERAL MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY  
ADMINISTRATION

DEREK BARRS, OF FLORIDA, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE FEDERAL MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY ADMINISTRATION, VICE ROBIN MEREDITH COHN HUTCHESON.

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

BILL BAZZI, OF MICHIGAN, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF TUNISIA.

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

BRYAN BEDFORD, OF INDIANA, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION FOR THE TERM OF FIVE YEARS, VICE MICHAEL G. WHITTAKER, RESIGNED.

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

THOMAS BELL, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE INSPECTOR GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, VICE CHRISTI A. GRIMM.

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

LYNDA BLANCHARD, OF ALABAMA, TO BE U.S. REPRESENTATIVE TO THE UNITED NATIONS AGENCIES FOR FOOD AND AGRICULTURE, WITH THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR.

## FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

MICHELLE BOWMAN, OF KANSAS, TO BE VICE CHAIRMAN FOR SUPERVISION OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE MICHAEL S. BARR, RESIGNED.

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

LEO BRENT BOZELL III, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA.

HOWARD BRODIE, OF FLORIDA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND.

## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

JOHN BUSTERUD, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR, OFFICE OF SOLID WASTE, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, VICE PETER C. WRIGHT.

## NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

CRYSTAL CAREY, OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD FOR TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE JENNIFER ANN ABRUZZO.

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

BRIAN CHRISTINE, OF ALABAMA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, VICE RACHEL LELAND LEVINE, RESIGNED.

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MICHAEL DESOMBRE, OF ILLINOIS, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE (EAST ASIAN AND PACIFIC AFFAIRS), VICE DANIEL J. KRITENBRINK.

## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

MICHAEL DODD, OF INDIANA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (NEW POSITION)

OFFICE OF SURFACE MINING RECLAMATION AND ENFORCEMENT

LANNY ERDOS, OF OHIO, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF SURFACE MINING RECLAMATION AND ENFORCEMENT, VICE LANNY ERDOS.

## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

KAREN EVANS, OF WEST VIRGINIA, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY FOR MANAGEMENT, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, VICE CLAIRE M. GRADY.

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ARTHUR FISHER, OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA.

AMER GHALIB, OF MICHIGAN, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE STATE OF KUWAIT.

MELINDA HILDEBRAND, OF TEXAS, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF COSTA RICA.

## DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

JULIE HOCKER, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF LABOR, VICE TARYN MACKENZIE WILLIAMS, RESIGNED.

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MICHEL ISSA, OF FLORIDA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE LEBANESE REPUBLIC.

MICHAEL KAVOUKJIAN, OF FLORIDA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE KINGDOM OF NORWAY.

PETER LAMELAS, OF FLORIDA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC.

BENJAMIN LEON, JR., OF FLORIDA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE KINGDOM OF SPAIN, AND TO SERVE CONCURRENTLY AND WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION AS AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE PRINCIPALITY OF ANDORRA.

JENNIFER LOCETTA, OF FLORIDA, TO BE ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FOR SPECIAL POLITICAL AFFAIRS IN THE UNITED NATIONS, WITH THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR.

## EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

ANDREA LUCAS, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION FOR A TERM EXPIRING JULY 1, 2030. (REAPPOINTMENT)

## DEPARTMENT OF STATE

NICHOLAS MERRICK, OF TEXAS, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE CZECH REPUBLIC.

DANIEL NEWLIN, OF FLORIDA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF COLOMBIA.

JARED NOVELLY, OF MISSOURI, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO NEW ZEALAND, AND TO SERVE CONCURRENTLY AND WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION AS AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE INDEPENDENT STATE OF SAMOA.

ROMAN PIPKO, OF FLORIDA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA.

JOSEPH POPOLO, OF TEXAS, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE KINGDOM OF THE NETHERLANDS.

## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

MICHAEL POWERS, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, VICE KATHLEEN S. MILLER, RESIGNED.

FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION

MARCO RAJKOVICH, JR., OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF SIX YEARS EXPIRING AUGUST 30, 2030. (REAPPOINTMENT)

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

LUIGI RINALDI, OF NEW YORK, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE ORIENTAL REPUBLIC OF URUGUAY.

THOMAS ROSE, OF FLORIDA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF POLAND.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

MICHAEL RUTHERFORD, OF FLORIDA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION. (NEW POSITION)

BRENT SADLER, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE MARITIME ADMINISTRATION, VICE ANN CLAIRE PHILLIPS, RESIGNED.

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION

JONATHAN SNARE, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION FOR A TERM EXPIRING APRIL 27, 2029, VICE AMANDA WOOD LAIHOW, TERM EXPIRED.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

KATHERINE SUTTON, OF ILLINOIS, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, VICE MICHAEL LOUIS SULMEYER, RESIGNED.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

BRYAN SWITZER, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A DEPUTY UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE (ASIA, TEXTILES, INVESTMENT, SERVICES, AND INTELLECTUAL

PROPERTY), WITH THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR, VICE SARAH BIANCHI.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

ADAM TELLE, OF MISSISSIPPI, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY, VICE MICHAEL LEE CONNOR.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

DEREK THEURER, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY, VICE JONATHAN DAVIDSON.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

CHRISTINE TORETTI, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE KINGDOM OF SWEDEN.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

USHA-MARIA TURNER, OF OKLAHOMA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, VICE JANE TOSHIKO NISHIDA, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

EDWARD WALSH, OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO IRELAND.

WILLIAM WHITE, OF NEW YORK, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE KINGDOM OF BELGIUM.

MERIT SYSTEMS PROTECTION BOARD

JAMES WOODRUFF II, OF FLORIDA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE MERIT SYSTEMS PROTECTION BOARD FOR THE TERM OF SEVEN YEARS EXPIRING MARCH 1, 2032, VICE RAYMOND A. LIMON, TERM EXPIRED.

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

*To be lieutenant general*

LT. GEN. CHRISTOPHER C. LANEVE

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate March 24, 2025:

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

JOHN PHELAN, OF FLORIDA, TO BE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

CHRISTOPHER LANDAU, OF MARYLAND, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE.

WITHDRAWAL

Executive Message transmitted by the President to the Senate on March 24, 2025 withdrawing from further Senate consideration the following nomination:

LEO BRENT BOZELL III, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR GLOBAL MEDIA, VICE AMANDA BENNETT, RESIGNED, WHICH WAS SENT TO THE SENATE ON MARCH 10, 2025.