

promote the well-being of all, seeking to build bridges that will foster unity and belonging.

As we stand witness to this inauguration, we hold fast to the faith, to our faith, and the goodness of each of us and the possibility of change.

We trust that with Your guidance, O God, our Nation can move forward to a future filled with promise, prosperity, and understanding.

And, finally, we lift our hearts in gratitude for the beloved parents of President Trump. Without Mary and Fred Trump, this day would never be the miracle that has just begun. From their place in Heaven, may they shield their son from all harm by their loving protection and give him the strength to guide our Nation along the path that will make America great again.

Let us go forth now with these words of President Trump's emblazoned on our hearts: As long as we have pride in our beliefs, courage in our convictions, and faith in our God, then we will not fail.

We stand tall. We stand proud because we are Americans. And Americans kneel to God and to God alone.

Amen.

(Applause.)

MUC EDWARDS. Ladies and gentlemen, please remain standing for our national anthem.

(Performance of the national anthem by Christopher Macchio, the Naval Academy Glee Club, the Armed Forces Chorus, and the United States Marine Band.)

(The inaugural ceremony was concluded at 12:58 p.m.)

#### LETTERS OF RESIGNATION

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the letters from Senator RUBIO regarding his resignation from the Senate be printed in the RECORD.

The letters follow:

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

U.S. SENATE,

Washington, DC, January 20, 2025.

Hon. J.D. VANCE,

Vice President of the United States,  
Washington, DC.

MR. VICE PRESIDENT: I have enclosed a letter of resignation, addressed to the Governor of Florida, announcing my resignation from the office of U.S. Senator effective January 20, 2025. As the President of the U.S. Senate, I bring this letter to your attention.

Sincerely,

MARCO RUBIO,

U.S. Senator.

U.S. SENATE,

Washington, DC, January 20, 2025.

Hon. RON DESANTIS,

Governor of the State of Florida,  
Tallahassee, FL.

DEAR GOVERNOR DESANTIS: This is to advise you that I hereby resign as U.S. Senator for the State of Florida effective January 20, 2025 in order to assume the responsibilities of U.S. Secretary of State. It has been an honor

and privilege to represent the State of Florida for the last 14 years in the U.S. Senate.  
Sincerely,

MARCO RUBIO,  
U.S. Senator.

#### BORN-ALIVE ABORTION SURVIVORS PROTECTION ACT—Motion to Proceed

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I move to proceed to Calendar No. 4, S. 6.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the motion.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

Motion to proceed to Calendar No. 4, S. 6, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit a health care practitioner from failing to exercise the proper degree of care in the case of a child who survives an abortion or attempted abortion.

#### CLOTURE MOTION

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I send a cloture motion to the desk for the motion to proceed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

#### CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to Calendar No. 4, S. 6, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit a health care practitioner from failing to exercise the proper degree of care in the case of a child who survives an abortion or attempted abortion.

John Thune, Steve Daines, John Kennedy, Jim Justice, James E. Risch, Tim Sheehy, Mike Crapo, Deb Fischer, Tommy Tuberville, Rick Scott of Florida, Pete Ricketts, Katie Britt, Ted Budd, Roger F. Wicker, Mike Rounds, Roger Marshall, Eric Schmitt.

Mr. THUNE. And I ask consent that the mandatory quorum call be waived.

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

#### ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2025

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 11 a.m. on Tuesday, January 21; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and morning business be closed; further, upon the conclusion of morning business, the Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to Calendar No. 4, S. 6; finally, that the Senate recess from 12:30 to 2:15 p.m. to allow for weekly conference meetings.

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

#### ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 11 A.M. TOMORROW

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

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:53 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, January 21, 2025, at 11 a.m.

#### NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

##### DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

SCOTT BESSENT, OF SOUTH CAROLINA, TO BE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.

##### DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

PAMELA BONDI, OF FLORIDA, TO BE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

##### DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

DOUGLAS BURGUM, OF NORTH DAKOTA, TO BE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR.

##### DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

LORI CHAVEZ-DEREMER, OF OREGON, TO BE SECRETARY OF LABOR.

##### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

DOUGLAS COLLINS, OF GEORGIA, TO BE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.

##### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

SEAN DUFFY, OF WISCONSIN, TO BE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION.

##### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

PETER HEGSETH, OF TENNESSEE, TO BE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE.

##### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

ROBERT F. KENNEDY, JR., OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

##### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

HOWARD LUTNICK, OF NEW YORK, TO BE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE.

##### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

LINDA MCMAHON, OF CONNECTICUT, TO BE SECRETARY OF EDUCATION.

##### DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

KRISTI NOEM, OF SOUTH DAKOTA, TO BE SECRETARY OF HOMELAND SECURITY.

##### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

BROOKE ROLLINS, OF TEXAS, TO BE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE.

##### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MARCO RUBIO, OF FLORIDA, TO BE SECRETARY OF STATE.

##### DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

ERIC TURNER, OF TEXAS, TO BE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.

##### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

CHRISTOPHER WRIGHT, OF COLORADO, TO BE SECRETARY OF ENERGY.

##### OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE

TULSI GABBARD, OF HAWAII, TO BE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE.

##### EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

JAMIESON GREER, OF MARYLAND, TO BE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE, WITH THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY.

##### SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

KELLY LOEFFLER, OF GEORGIA, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION.

##### CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

JOHN RATCLIFFE, OF TEXAS, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY.

##### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ELISE STEFANIK, OF NEW YORK, TO BE THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE UNITED NATIONS, WITH THE RANK AND STATUS OF AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY, AND THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

ELISE STEFANIK, OF NEW YORK, TO BE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE SESSIONS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE UNITED NATIONS DURING HER TENURE OF SERVICE AS REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE UNITED NATIONS.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

RUSSELL VOUGHT, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

LEE ZELDIN, OF NEW YORK, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

KEITH BASS, OF TEXAS, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, VICE LESTER MARTINEZ-LOPEZ.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

JAYANTA BHATTACHARYA, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH, VICE MONICA M. BERTAGNOLLI, RESIGNED.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

JAMES BISHOP, OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO BE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, VICE NANI A. COLORETTI, RESIGNED.

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

FRANK BISIGNANO, OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY, VICE MARTIN O'MALLEY, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

TODD BLANCHE, OF FLORIDA, TO BE DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL, VICE LISA O. MONACO, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ADAM BOEHLER, OF TENNESSEE, TO BE SPECIAL PRESIDENTIAL ENVOY FOR HOSTAGE AFFAIRS.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

SAMUEL BROWN, OF NEVADA, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR MEMORIAL AFFAIRS, VICE MATTHEW T. QUINN.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

WALTER CLAYTON, OF NEW YORK, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE DAMIAN WILLIAMS.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

ELBRIDGE COLBY, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR POLICY, VICE COLIN HACKETT KAHL, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MONICA CROWLEY, OF NEW YORK, TO BE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL, AND TO HAVE THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR DURING HER TENURE OF SERVICE, VICE RUFUS GIFFORD, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

HARMEET DHILLON, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, VICE KRISTEN M. CLARKE, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

DANIEL DRISCOLL, OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO BE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY, VICE CHRISTINE ELIZABETH WORMUTH, RESIGNED.

MICHAEL DUFFY, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR ACQUISITION AND SUSTAINMENT, VICE WILLIAM A. LAPLANTE, JR., RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

TROY EDGAR, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF HOMELAND SECURITY, VICE JOHN K. TIEN, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

MICHAEL FAULKENDER, OF MARYLAND, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY, VICE ADEWALE O. ADEYEMO, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

STEPHEN FEINBERG, OF NEW YORK, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, VICE KATHLEEN HOLLAND HICKS, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

DAVID FINK, OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION, VICE AMITABHA BOSE, RESIGNED.

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

PAUL ATKINS, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM EXPIRING JUNE 5, 2026, VICE GARY GENSLER, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

DARIO GIL, OF NEW YORK, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY FOR SCIENCE, DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, VICE GERALDINE RICHMOND, RESIGNED.

PRESTON GRIFFITH, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY OF ENERGY, VICE DAVID CRANE, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

JACOB HELBERG, OF FLORIDA, TO BE AN UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE (ECONOMIC GROWTH, ENERGY, AND THE ENVIRONMENT), VICE JOSE W. FERNANDEZ, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

DUDLEY HOSKINS, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE FOR MARKETING AND REGULATORY PROGRAMS, VICE JENNIFER LESTER MOFFITT, RESIGNED.

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

JARED ISAACMAN, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION, VICE BILL NELSON, RESIGNED.

OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

SCOTT KUPOR, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE KIRAN ARJANDAS AHUJA, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

CHRISTOPHER LANDAU, OF MARYLAND, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE, VICE KURT CAMPBELL, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

LUKE LINDBERG, OF SOUTH DAKOTA, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE FOR TRADE AND FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL AFFAIRS, VICE ALEXIS TAYLOR, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

WILLIAM LONG, OF MISSOURI, TO BE COMMISSIONER OF INTERNAL REVENUE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM EXPIRING NOVEMBER 12, 2027, VICE DANIEL I. WERFEL.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

MARTIN MAKARY, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE COMMISSIONER OF FOOD AND DRUGS, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, VICE ROBERT MCKINNON CALIFF, RESIGNED.

FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

MARK MEADOR, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSIONER FOR THE TERM OF SEVEN YEARS FROM SEPTEMBER 26, 2024, VICE LINA M. KHAN, TERM EXPIRED.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

TROY MEINK, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE, VICE FRANK KENDALL III, RESIGNED.

EMIL MICHAEL, OF FLORIDA, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING, VICE HEIDI SHYU, RESIGNED.

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

JANETTE NESHEIWAT, OF NEW YORK, TO BE MEDICAL DIRECTOR IN THE REGULAR CORPS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE, SUBJECT TO QUALIFICATIONS THEREFOR AS PROVIDED BY LAW AND REGULATIONS, AND TO BE SURGEON GENERAL OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE VIVEK HALLEGGERE MURTHY, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

JAMES O'NEILL, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, VICE ANDREA JOAN PALM, RESIGNED.

MEHMET OZ, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES, VICE CHIQUITA BROOKS-LASURE, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

KASHYAP PATEL, OF NEVADA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION FOR A TERM OF TEN YEARS, VICE CHRISTOPHER A. WRAY, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

JOHN PHELAN, OF FLORIDA, TO BE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY, VICE CARLOS DEL TORO, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

AARON REITZ, OF TEXAS, TO BE AN ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL VICE HAMPTON Y. DELLINGER.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MICHAEL RIGAS, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE FOR MANAGEMENT AND RESOURCES, VICE RICHARD R. VERMA, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

DEAN SAUER, OF MISSOURI, TO BE SOLICITOR GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES, VICE ELIZABETH PRELOGAR, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

RODNEY SCOTT, OF OKLAHOMA, TO BE COMMISSIONER OF U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, VICE CHRIS MAGNUS.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

ABIGAIL SLATER, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, VICE JONATHAN KANTER, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

KEITH SONDERLING, OF FLORIDA, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF LABOR, VICE JULIE A. SU, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

STEPHEN VADEN, OF TENNESSEE, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE, VICE XOCHITL TORRES SMALL, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

DAVID WELDON, OF FLORIDA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION. (NEW POSITION)

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

BRANDON WILLIAMS, OF NEW YORK, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY FOR NUCLEAR SECURITY, VICE JILL HRUBY, RESIGNED.

CONFIRMATION

Executive nomination confirmed by the Senate January 20, 2025:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MARCO RUBIO, OF FLORIDA, TO BE SECRETARY OF STATE.