

Catherine Todd Bailey, a daughter of John Harvey and Clystia Martell Todd, now makes her home in Louisville. A native of Carroll County, Cathy carried the Todd family's tradition of service with her to Kentucky and later onto the world stage, serving as U.S. Ambassador to Latvia.

For a family to maintain its connection to the same land for a century and a half is a remarkable achievement. It represents perseverance through changing times, devotion to family, and a determination to pass something meaningful from one generation to the next.

I congratulate Cathy Bailey, Marlene Todd Stout, and the entire Todd family as they celebrate 150 years of the Todd Family Farm and the enduring legacy their family has built in Indiana, Kentucky, and across our Nation.●

TRIBUTE TO MARVIN BARNES

● Mr. RISCH. Madam President, the Gem State is made strong by the hardworking, dedicated, and selfless actions of Idahoans. Across our State, hundreds of thousands of veterans, first responders, volunteers, and public servants go above and beyond for the communities they call home. These people are pillars of our State and are essential to keeping Idaho the best place to live, work, and raise a family. Through my Idaho Service Spotlight, I recognize these exceptional Idahoans whose service and leadership have made a lasting impact on the Gem State. Today, I am pleased to recognize Marvin Barnes as an Idaho Service Spotlight recipient for the month of September 2026.

Following in the footsteps of his father and uncles, Marvin joined the Air Force in 1962. Throughout his military career, Marvin earned numerous awards for his courage, dedication, and professionalism, including three Meritorious Service Medals and the Air Force Commendation Medal. Even after retiring from Active Duty in 1982, Marvin continued to serve his country as a recruiter. During the Vietnam war, Marvin was part of a two-man team tasked with developing Air Force Medical Corps recruiting and later trained enlisted airmen and officers as a master instructor in the Air Force School of Applied Aerospace Sciences.

Today, Marvin resides in Twin Falls with his wife Kathy and remains deeply committed to serving the community. An active member of Joining Forces Magic Valley, he provides support and fellowship to local veterans and their families. Whether it is helping a veteran obtain a vehicle so they could commute to work or securing heat for the home of a veteran's widow, Marvin is always ready to step up for a military family in need.

Marvin's efforts extend far beyond the veteran community. He has been instrumental in the success of Mustard Seed Ministries, a local nonprofit which offers food, clothing, and finan-

cial assistance to Magic Valley residents. He also uses his talent for 3D printing to give back, creating and gifting items to nurses, doctors, special needs children, and anyone facing hardship.

Faith has long been at the heart of Marvin's service. Recently, in the aftermath of a tragic shooting in Twin Falls, he was among the many individuals who gathered to support, console, and pray with their neighbors. While Marvin does not keep track of his good deeds, his kindness, compassion, and generosity are well known throughout the Magic Valley.

On behalf of the people of Idaho, I thank and congratulate Marvin for being selected as an Idaho Service Spotlight recipient for the month of September 2026. You reflect the very best of our State, and Idaho is stronger because of your actions.●

TRIBUTE TO MICHELLE MARTINEZ

● Mr. RISCH. Madam President, the Gem State is made strong by the hardworking, dedicated, and selfless actions of Idahoans. Across our State, hundreds of thousands of veterans, first responders, volunteers, and public servants go above and beyond for the communities they call home. These people are pillars of our State and are essential to keeping Idaho the best place to live, work, and raise a family. Through my Idaho Service Spotlight, I recognize these exceptional Idahoans whose service and leadership have made a lasting impact on the Gem State. Today, I am pleased to recognize Michelle Martinez as an Idaho Service Spotlight recipient for the month of August 2026.

For almost a decade, Michelle Martinez has been the director of the Melba Valley Senior Center. Every month, she and her team serves more than 45,000 pounds of food to over 1,200 families in the form of hot nutritious meals and the facility's pantry. While her role is specific to the senior center, Michelle offers food and positive social interaction to anyone in the community in need.

Each November, Michelle hosts a community Thanksgiving at the senior center. Alongside a group of volunteers, Michelle makes a home cooked Thanksgiving feast with several turkeys and sides made from scratch. Their delicious offerings attract a large number of local residents, and Michelle makes sure every person that walks through the doors leaves with a full stomach.

Michelle also coordinates the Melba Valley Farmers Market. Originally started to combat isolation during the pandemic, the market creates an environment for members of the community to gather and grow new relationships. In its 6 years of operation, Michelle has watched camaraderie flourish, and she looks forward to the continuation of this project.

Michelle serves her community because she believes that everyone has a

responsibility to make the world a better place. Whether through a smile or a shared laugh, Michelle is proof that even the smallest act can have a significant, meaningful impact on the lives of others. She has, without a doubt, built spaces for people to gather and share those important moments.

On behalf of the people of Idaho, I thank and congratulate Michelle for being selected as an Idaho Service Spotlight recipient for the month of August 2026. You reflect the very best of our state, and Idaho is stronger because of your actions.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

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

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry withdrawals which were sent to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:03 a.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. 2403. An act to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to provide a clear definition of adequate consideration for certain closely held stock, and for other purposes.

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

H.R. 9340. An act to amend the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 to establish a Federal standard relating to the recovery of the full, incremental costs of upgrades that serve large-load customers, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House agreed to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 5334) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow early childhood educators to take the educator expense deduction, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 11:59 a.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 bills and joint resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 6006. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 401 North Elm Street in Tuskegee, Alabama, as the "Tuskegee Airmen Memorial Post Office".

H.R. 7365. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located

at 1225 Kempsville Road in Virginia Beach, Virginia, as the "Colonel Edward Shames Post Office Building".

H.R. 7730. An act to amend title 11, United States Code, to modify certain bankruptcy eligibility requirements, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7834. An act to limit liability for certain entities storing child sexual abuse material for law enforcement agencies, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7890. An act to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to exclude certain instructional approaches from comprehensive literacy instruction, to prioritize certain funds to promote the use of evidence-based literacy instruction and supports aligned to the science of reading, and for other purposes.

H.R. 8193. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 189 East Main Street in Xenia, Ohio, as the "Gil Whitney Post Office Building".

H.R. 9086. An act to amend the Foreign Service Act of 1980 to modify and improve that Act.

H.R. 9191. An act to amend chapter 3 of title 36, United States Code, to designate the American mastodon as the national fossil mammal and the Tyrannosaurus rex as the national fossil dinosaur of the United States, and for other purposes.

H.R. 9497. An act to provide for improvements to the rivers and harbors of the United States, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, and for other purposes.

H.R. 9570. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 117 West Lovett Street in Charlotte, Michigan, as the "Francis C. Flaherty Post Office Building".

H.R. 9576. An act to establish the National Fraud Enforcement Division of the Department of Justice.

H.R. 10326. An act to enhance information-sharing capabilities between Federal law enforcement and State agencies to detect, investigate, and prosecute fraud in certain Federal programs, and to protect individual privacy.

H.J. Res. 213. Joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule issued by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to the "California State Nonroad Engine Pollution Control Standards; Commercial Harbor Craft Regulations; Notice of Decision".

The message further announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 550. An act to provide for the equitable settlement of certain Indian land disputes regarding land in Illinois, and for other purposes.

S. 603. An act to designate the General George C. Marshall House, in the Commonwealth of Virginia, as an affiliated area of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

S. 759. An act to provide for standardization, publication, and accessibility of data relating to public outdoor recreational use of Federal waterways, and for other purposes.

S. 790. An act to redesignate the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper, Wyoming, as the "Barbara L. Cubin National Historic Trails Interpretive Center".

H.R. 3657. An act to amend the Federal Power Act to require the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to annually submit to Congress a report on the status of ongoing hydropower relicensing applications.

H.R. 5334. An act to impose sanctions and other measures with respect to the Russian Federation, as championed by the late Sen-

ator Lindsey O. Graham, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7250. An act to reauthorize the Fort Peck Reservation Rural Water System Act of 2000.

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. GRASSLEY).

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 6006. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 401 North Elm Street in Tuskegee, Alabama, as the "Tuskegee Airmen Memorial Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 7365. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1225 Kempsville Road in Virginia Beach, Virginia, as the "Colonel Edward Shames Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 7890. An act to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to exclude certain instructional approaches from comprehensive literacy instruction, to prioritize certain funds to promote the use of evidence-based literacy instruction and supports aligned to the science of reading, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H.R. 8193. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 189 East Main Street in Xenia, Ohio, as the "Gil Whitney Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 9086. An act to amend the Foreign Service Act of 1980 to modify and improve that Act; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

H.R. 9191. An act to amend chapter 3 of title 36, United States Code, to designate the American mastodon as the national fossil mammal and the Tyrannosaurus rex as the national fossil dinosaur of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 10326. An act to enhance information-sharing capabilities between Federal law enforcement and State agencies to detect, investigate, and prosecute fraud in certain Federal programs, and to protect individual privacy; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

MEASURES DISCHARGED PETITION

(September 17, 2026)

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, hereby direct that the Senate Committee on Judiciary be discharged of further consideration of S.J. Res. 213, a resolution on providing for congressional disapproval of the rule submitted by the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement of the Department of Homeland Security relating to "Establishing a Fixed Time Period of Admission and an Extension of Stay Procedure for Nonimmigrant Academic Students, Exchange Visitors, and Representatives of Foreign Information Media", and, further, that the resolution be immediately placed upon the Legislative Calendar under General Orders.

Richard J. Durbin, Mazie Hirono, Tina Smith, Catherine Cortez Masto, Alex Padilla, Cory A. Booker, Kirsten E. Gillibrand, Lisa Blunt Rochester, Martin Heinrich, Amy Klobuchar, Brian Schatz, Margaret Wood Hassan, Patty

Murray, Bernard Sanders, Jeanne Shaheen, Richard Blumenthal, Michael F. Bennet, Tim Kaine, Tammy Baldwin, Sheldon Whitehouse, Andy Kim, Peter Welch, John W. Hickenlooper, Adam B. Schiff, Tammy Duckworth, Christopher A. Coons, Ron Wyden, Elizabeth Warren, Jeff Merkley, Christopher Murphy, Edward J. Markey, Maria Cantwell, Charles E. Schumer.

MEASURES DISCHARGED

The following joint resolution was discharged from the Committee on the Judiciary, by petition, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 802(c), and placed on the calendar:

S.J. Res. 213. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement of the Department of Homeland Security relating to "Establishing a Fixed Time Period of Admission and an Extension of Stay Procedure for Nonimmigrant Academic Students, Exchange Visitors, and Representatives of Foreign Information Media".

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bills were read the first time:

H.R. 9576. An act to establish the National Fraud Enforcement Division of the Department of Justice.

S. 5438. A bill to ratify and approve all authorizations, permits, verifications, extensions, biological opinions, incidental take statements, and any other approvals or orders issued pursuant to Federal law necessary for the establishment and administration of the Coastal Plain oil and gas leasing program, and for other purposes.

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-4710. A communication from the Clerk of the Board, Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Determining the Appropriate Penalty for Federal Employees Charged With Misconduct" (RIN3124-AA35) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2026; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4711. A communication from the Chairman, Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the Commission's Strategic Plan for 2026-2030; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4712. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief of the Regulatory Management Branch, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Bacillus amyloliquefaciens strain AT-332; Exemption from the Requirement of a Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL No. 13314-01-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 14, 2026; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4713. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 26-314, "Schools First Amendment Act of 2026"; to the Committee on