

a consulting firm specializing in political campaigns. During this period, Ed demonstrated his political talent, which eventually led to his appointment as Senator PAUL Laxalt's chief of staff in 1981. Upon his arrival in Washington, DC, Ed took on an exceptionally challenging role, serving as both the Senator's chief of staff and his press secretary. Yet, despite it all, Ed carried out his role with enormous skill, tenacity, and dedication.

During his time on Capitol Hill, Ed never forgot where he came from. He strongly prioritized hiring Nevadans, for both full-time positions and internships. Additionally, Senator Laxalt's close relationship with President Ronald Reagan gave Ed the opportunity to ensure that Nevadans were also hired in the administration. Ed was dedicated to ensuring that Nevadans have a seat at the table when big decisions are being made, and his efforts became a springboard for many of Nevada's future leaders in government and business.

By the time Ed concluded his time on Capitol Hill, he had become a respected figure in Washington with friends on both sides of the aisle. Ed received a number of Presidential appointments. In 1985, President Reagan appointed him to the Advisory Committee for Trade Negotiations, gathering private sector input on trade policy. In 1988, he was appointed to the Pennsylvania Avenue Development Corporation, where he was responsible for beautifying the avenue's stretch between the U.S. Capitol and the White House.

Following a successful 12 years in Washington, Ed and his wife JoAnn returned to Reno. Back in Nevada, he put his extensive political talent to work, lobbying the State legislature on behalf of clients such as UNR, UNLV, the Harry Reid Environmental Center, and many more. He also continued his support for UNR, regularly attending games at Mackay Stadium and speaking at journalism classes, where he inspired countless students to pursue national media. In recognition of his contributions to the university, he was made a lifetime member of the UNR Foundation Board of Trustees, and he received a Professional Achievement Award from the school in 2012.

Ed passed away on August 23, 2026, with his family and loved ones by his side. He is survived by his daughter Shelly, son Branan, four grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews. Ed was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 42 years JoAnn, who passed away in March of 2006. In later years, he found joy and companionship with my mother Joanna Cortez.

Throughout my time knowing Ed, he was always dedicated to putting Nevada first and holding conversations with everyone, no matter their political party or background. I know he will be missed by his family, loved ones, and everyone who has had the honor of knowing him.●

RECOGNIZING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF TRUCKEE MEADOWS

● Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Madam President, I rise today to recognize a significant milestone for the Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows, a nonprofit organization dedicated to caring for infants, youth, and teens across northern Nevada for the last 50 years. Founded in 1976 as the Truckee Meadows Boys' Club with just one location in the center of town, BGCTM has grown to become a second home to nearly 14,500 youth in more than 55 locations across northern Nevada.

During visits over the years, I have had the privilege of witnessing firsthand the club's dedication to not only providing a safe environment for kids to go before and after school and during school breaks, but also to creating an atmosphere encouraging growth and development beyond the traditional classroom setting.

Originally introduced to the Reno Sparks community as a place for boys to play organized sports, attend special events, receive tutoring, or join a leadership society, the club was created as a positive outlet for boys to direct their energy and promote the overall development of a young person. In 1983, the club officially expanded to welcome girls to the organization, and they formally became known as the Boys & Girls Club of Truckee Meadows.

Over the years, BGCTM has continued to grow immensely in size, membership, and the number of activities offered to youth of all ages. Take for example the creation of BGCTM's first early learning center. Opened in 2008 to serve infants through age 5, it has since evolved into an array of nine early learning locations spread across northern Nevada.

Another example is the growth of BGCTM's athletic programming serving youth of all skill levels, like the Reno Ballers Basketball Program, which first launched in 1996 and still operates today as a premier sports league for families searching for low-cost, high-quality skill development.

In addition to introducing a wide variety of new programs and options for families over the last 50 years, BGCTM has never shied away from the challenge of serving children and families throughout every corner of our State. Pushing well beyond the boundaries of the Truckee Meadows, the club expanded services to our State's rural communities in 2008 and has since grown to operate clubhouses and school sites throughout Fernley, Ely, Tonopah, Lovelock, and Winnemucca—in addition to the many sites across Washoe County.

BGCTM also has a long history of going above and beyond to answer the call of families most in need in our region, serving up to 600,000 meals to youth every year, providing upwards of 90,000 bus rides to club locations, delivering gifts and family meals during the holiday season, and never turning away

a family for an inability to pay the membership fee. Furthermore, the club offers parenting classes to help foster healthy family structures, provides accessible mental health services to families and staff through their Bright Futures Wellness Center, creates in-house workforce training opportunities to help youth develop their employability skills, and even administers college scholarships to students pursuing higher education. Of course, this work isn't done alone, and BGCTM has an extensive track record of collaborating with partners across our community to further enrich the programs and family services they offer.

This drive to serve our community is fueled by an incredibly dedicated staff across northern Nevada, spearheaded for nearly 31 years by Chief Executive Officer Mike Wurm who has been the catalyst for so much of the growth BGCTM has seen under his leadership. The club is also fortunate to benefit from a deeply involved board of directors and young leaders committee, regularly earning awards for their 100 percent giving status. For each of these reasons and more, BGCTM continues to serve as a model to Boys & Girls Clubs across the county, and I am grateful for their tireless work to support families across the Silver State.

Enabling all young people to reach their full potential as productive, caring, and responsible citizens is certainly no small feat, but it is a mission BGCTM has always taken in stride. Even during the COVID-19 pandemic, the club remained open to support the children of essential workers and extended their daily hours, yet another example of BGCTM answering the call when our community needed them most. The club has cemented its legacy as an organization leading the charge on serving children and families across our region. I look forward to our continued work together, in addition to celebrating their achievements for many years to come.●

RECOGNIZING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF GET OUTDOORS NEVADA

● Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Madam President, I rise today to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Get Outdoors Nevada, a nonprofit organization based in southern Nevada.

For 25 years, Get Outdoors Nevada has provided education and facilitated community volunteer services. Originally founded as the Outside Las Vegas Foundation, in 2018, it became Get Outdoors Nevada and broadened its mission to support all of Nevada's outdoor experiences. They have connected over 218,000 people of all ages and backgrounds to the outdoors by providing opportunities to experience, learn about, and care for Nevada's natural and urban outdoor spaces. Since 2012, the nonprofit has hosted 933 volunteer events, raised \$2.5 million, and coordinated 82,897 hours of volunteer service.

The 25th anniversary is the perfect opportunity to celebrate how the organization has advanced environmental education, community volunteer efforts, and local outreach. Their hands-on impact can be seen across southern Nevada, from supporting habitat restoration in the Mojave Desert to working to preserve the Avi Kwa Ame National Monument. By planting hundreds of trees and native plants, they continue to directly nurture local wildlife and enhance our community's biodiversity.

In partnership with Nevada's public land agencies, just last year, they were able to collect 15,056 pounds of trash, engage 3,035 volunteers, and coordinate 7,204 hours of service. Beyond community cleanups, they directly connect local students and teachers to southern Nevada's unique ecosystems through their "Learning in Nature" program, which offers classroom programs and outdoor field trips. These tailored educational sessions explore vital topics ranging from local biodiversity and pollinator conservation to career paths in environmental fields. Ultimately they continue to work toward a world where everyone has access to, benefits from, and cares for our shared outdoor spaces.

As we celebrate 25 years of Get Outdoors Nevada, I want to recognize all of their dedicated staff and leadership who have passionately advocated for outdoor exploration and preservation in Nevada. Their work has brought the entire community together to preserve our public lands through volunteer work and education. I also want to thank Alan O'Neill, who founded the Outside Las Vegas Foundation and served as its first executive director for his work to make this milestone possible and his lifetime commitment to our public lands.

I am proud to celebrate this important anniversary. Thank you to Get Outdoors Nevada for their immense time and dedication given to Nevada over the last 25 years. Their work is vital to conserving Nevada's public lands so they can be enjoyed by all for years to come.●

REMEMBERING JEREMY CAMPBELL

● Mr. CRAPO. Madam President, I honor and remember the life of Jeremy Campbell, the brother of Brendan Campbell, a dedicated member of my staff.

As we approach the anniversary of Jeremy's death on October 27, 2025, we are reminded of his goodness and love that were hallmarks of Jeremy's life.

Jeremy enjoyed being outdoors: riding dirt bikes, hunting, fishing, and playing baseball. He spent many weekends at motocross tracks and enjoyed working on race cars with his dad and friends. He spent time working in his yard and mowing the grass for his mom. Jeremy also liked boat rides, golfing, and spending time with his dad.

He was an example of how to overcome significant challenges with a positive attitude, humor, love, and determination. In 2008, Jeremy suffered a traumatic brain injury following a motocross accident. In response, he demonstrated an unflinching resilience as he worked to re-learn how to walk, talk, and eat, along with many other aspects of daily life. His same love for the outdoors brought him a new love for horse therapy, forging a bond with the horses and his instructors at StableStrides.

Jeremy's parents, siblings, nieces, grandmothers, aunts, uncles, cousins, and the love of his life lost a true, reliable man. His loved ones described him as "kind, caring and patient. Helping people made his heart so full. He inspired everyone who knew him with his positive attitude, humor, and love."

I honor Jeremy's life today as one taken too soon, but one filled with love and purpose throughout his 38 years. Since his passing, many have shared how Jeremy touched their lives, how he lent them a helping hand, how he checked on them, how he made them feel safe and, of course, not alone.

I join the prayers for healing and comfort for Jeremy's family and extend very special condolences to his parents Marty and Sherri: May you find consolation in knowing you helped send forward into our world a son who brought light to others. Jeremy is deeply missed, and his lasting, positive impact is felt in the lives of those who were fortunate to know him. As we honor his life, we mourn his loss and cherish his loving memory.●

TRIBUTE TO BURL BOWLER AND THE DANIELS COUNTY LEADER STAFF

● Mr. DAINES. Madam President, today I have the honor to recognize Burl Bowler and the Daniels County Leader staff as Montanans of the Month.

Burl was born and raised into a generational newspaper family from Scooby, MT. The Bowler family has owned and operated the Daniels County Leader in the northeast corner of Montana for over 100 years. Bowler's tenure with "The Leader" started as a kindergarten with his father, where he would sweep the floors. He eventually made his way up to editor and owner.

Burl is dedicated to his passion as a newspaperman. Every Wednesday, Burl would make the 55-mile drive from Scooby to Wolf Point to pick up the newspaper from the Northern Plains Independent. Due to the changing media landscape, the Daniels County Leader had to shut its doors. After 104 years of publication, the final copy of the Daniels County Leader ran in July.

The Leader helped bring communities of Montana together, from business postings on the front page, to senior spotlight announcements celebrating soon-to-be graduates, to chronicled excerpts of meetings and gath-

erings in town. Burl focused on events happening right at home, bringing the community together through his stories.

I am thrilled to recognize Burl, his family, and all those who worked for the Leader throughout its rich history, for their tremendous contributions in leading the Daniels County newspaper for the past 100 years. It is my distinct honor to recognize Burl Bowler and the Daniels County Leader staff as Montanans of the Month.●

40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TRANSCAER PROGRAM

● Mr. KAINE. Madam President, I would like to recognize the 40th anniversary of the Transportation Community Awareness and Emergency Response, TRANSCAER, program and its contributions to hazardous materials transportation safety and emergency preparedness.

Since its establishment in 1986, TRANSCAER has become a trusted public-private partnership bringing together industry, emergency responders, government agencies, and community stakeholders to advance safety and preparedness nationwide. The program has provided critical training and outreach to hundreds of thousands of emergency responders across the United States and enhanced their ability to respond safely and effectively to hazardous materials incidents. It has also delivered a wide range of training initiatives, including classroom instruction, hands-on exercises, virtual learning, and full-scale drills that reflect real-world response challenges. TRANSCAER has also continued to evolve to address emerging risks associated with hazardous materials, including lithium-ion batteries and alternative fuels, while complementing Federal efforts to enhance our country's emergency response capabilities.

Through the dedication of volunteers, industry leaders, emergency responders, and partner organizations who have contributed their time, expertise, and resources, TRANSCAER has strengthened community resilience by improving coordination, communication, and preparedness before, during, and after hazardous materials transportation incidents. The program reflects the shared commitment of public and private sector partners to protect communities, safeguard the environment, and support those who serve on the frontlines of emergency response. On the 40th anniversary of the program, I would like to once again recognize TRANSCAER for its significant contributions to hazardous materials transportation safety, emergency preparedness, and community resilience, and express my gratitude to the emergency responders, volunteers, industry partners, and organizations who have supported its mission over the past four decades.●