

both Trapper and Tom had the knowledge, background, and expertise to launch Alcom in early 2006.

When the company opened its doors, it employed just a handful of people but sold 105 of its trailers to dealers on its first day of operation. Business continued to stay strong, and within a year, Alcom was using all 46,000 available square feet at the mill. Facing a dilemma that could have easily forced their company out of State, Trapper and Tom instead chose to utilize a \$1.1 million SBA loan guarantee to move into an expanded, 70,000 square foot facility in the Winslow Industrial Park. In part because of the expansion, Alcom now employs 80 and is slated to complete \$18 million in sales in 2010. The company sells its trailers to 200 dealers throughout the United States and Canada. Additionally, the company's 5-year plan anticipates the company having 196 employees and \$44 million in sales in 2013, an incredible measurement of the company's success and growth.

The ability of Alcom to grow and thrive during such difficult economic times is a testament to the dedication and commitment of Trapper Clark and Tom Sturtevant, who vividly represent America's entrepreneurial spirit. Indeed, Alcom is truly one of our Nation's shining small business success stories, and has quickly become a nationwide leader in the design and manufacturing of recreational aluminum trailers. I am proud that Maine is home to such a vibrant and resilient firm, and I am optimistic for the company's future prospects. Once again, I congratulate Trapper and Tom for being exceptional models for Maine and the Nation, and I wish them and everyone at Alcom all the best for many more successful years to come.●

#### TRIBUTE TO DEREK JOHNSON

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize Derek Johnson, son of Wayne and Nancy Johnson, of Aberdeen, SD. Derek will graduate from Aberdeen Central High School on May 23, 2010.

Derek has a very unique and touching story. He has overcome much adversity to become the positive role model and impressive young leader he is today. While playing for the Aberdeen Central Golden Eagles' high school football team in the fall of 2007, Derek suffered a serious injury that would change life as he knew it. After much contemplation and several extensive surgeries, Derek's lower left leg was amputated. Throughout his struggles, and the long painful recovery process, Derek maintained a positive attitude and steadfast work ethic that served as an inspiration to his teammates, classmates, the community, and entire State of South Dakota.

In March 2009, Derek's invincible attitude and courageous spirit were highlighted when he was selected as one of seven nationwide regional winners of

the National High School Spirit of Sport Award. This award, selected by the National Federation of State High School Associations, is presented to high school athletes, coaches, administrators, managers and trainers that best exemplify the ideals of the positive spirit of sport.

Perhaps nothing embodied Derek's spirit more than when he returned to the athletic field this past school year. He returned to the football team to provide encouragement for his teammates. Through his hard work and determination, he was also able to compete as part of the Aberdeen Central Golden Eagles' varsity wrestling team. As a reflection of his athletic talent and perseverance, Derek earned eighth place in the South Dakota Class A Wrestling Championships.

Throughout his high school career, Derek has served as a shining example and genuine role model. I want to thank Derek for being such a positive influence on all of the lives he has touched and wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors. On behalf of the Aberdeen community, the entire State of South Dakota, and all of us here serving in the U.S. Congress, I am pleased to extend my sincere congratulations to Aberdeen Central's Derek Johnson. This young South Dakotan will continue to be a true hero and inspiration. He has made us all very proud. Congratulations.●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, 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 nominations which were referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

#### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 9:38 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1514. An act to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to reauthorize the juvenile accountability block grants program through fiscal year 2014.

H.R. 2136. An act to establish the Honorable Stephanie Tubbs Jones Fire Suppression Demonstration Incentive Program within the Department of Education to promote installation of fire sprinkler systems, or other fire suppression or prevention technologies, in qualified student housing and dormitories, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2546. An act to ensure that the right of an individual to display the Service Flag on residential property not be abridged.

H.R. 5099. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15 South Main Street in Sharon, Massachusetts, as the "Michael C. Rothberg Post Office".

H.R. 5139. An act to provide for the International Organizations Immunities Act to be extended to the Office of the High Representative in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the International Civilian Office in Kosovo.

H.R. 5220. An act to reauthorize the Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act of 2004, to provide assistance to Best Buddies to support the expansion and development of mentoring programs, and for other purposes.

#### ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

The PRESIDENT pro tempore (Mr. BYRD) announced that he had signed the following enrolled bills, which were previously signed by the Speaker of the House:

S. 1782. An act to provide improvements for the operations of the Federal courts, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5014. An act to clarify the health care provided by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs that constitutes minimum essential coverage.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 1514. An act to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to reauthorize the juvenile accountability block grants program through fiscal year 2014; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 2136. An act to establish the Honorable Stephanie Tubbs Jones Fire Suppression Demonstration Incentive Program within the Department of Education to promote installation of fire sprinkler systems, or other fire suppression or prevention technologies, in qualified student housing and dormitories, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H.R. 2546. An act to ensure that the right of an individual to display the Service flag on residential property not be abridged; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 5099. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15 South Main Street in Sharon, Massachusetts, as the "Michael C. Rothberg Post Office"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 5220. An act to reauthorize the Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act of 2004, to provide assistance to Best Buddies to support the expansion and development of mentoring programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

#### 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-5893. A communication from the Acting Administrator, Rural Business-Cooperative Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance Program" (RIN0570-AA71) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 18, 2010; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5894. A joint communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller)

and the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a multiyear procurement that is being sought for F/A-18E/F and EA-18G aircraft in fiscal year 2010 through fiscal year 2013; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5895. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency with respect to Iran that was originally declared in Executive Order 12170 on November 14, 1979; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5896. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Individual Fishing Quota Program; Correction" (RIN0648-AY37) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 13, 2010; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5897. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Emergency Fisheries Closure in the Gulf of Mexico Due to the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill" (RIN0648-AY87) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 14, 2010; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5898. A communication from the Division Chief of Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Visitor Services" (RIN1004-AD96) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 18, 2010; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5899. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: NUHOMS HD System Revision 1" (RIN3150-AI75) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 14, 2010; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5900. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed amendment to a manufacturing license agreement for the export of defense articles, including, technical data, and defense services to Israel for the manufacture of components for the TF33, J52, and F100 aircraft engines in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5901. A communication from the Secretary of the Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the export to the People's Republic of China of items not detrimental to the U.S. space launch industry; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5902. A communication from the Deputy Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the activities of the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5903. A communication from the Vice President, Congressional and Public Affairs, Millennium Challenge Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Millennium Challenge Corporation's actual performance during fiscal year 2009; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5904. A communication from the Administrator of the General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the General Services Administration's Fiscal Year 2011 Capital Investment and Leasing Program; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. INHOFE:

S. 3388. A bill to protect the rights under the second amendment to the Constitution of the United States of members of the Armed Forces and civilian employees of the Department of Defense by prohibiting the Department of Defense from requiring the registration of privately-owned firearms, ammunition, or other weapons not stored in facilities owned or operated by the Department of Defense, and by prohibiting the Department of Defense from infringing on the right of individuals to lawfully acquire, possess, own, carry, or otherwise use privately owned firearms, ammunition, or other weapons on property not owned or operated by the Department of Defense; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mrs. HAGAN:

S. 3389. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to exempt individuals who receive certain educational assistance for service in the Selected Reserve from limitations on the receipt of assistance under Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program for additional service in the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself, Ms. MRKULSKI, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. KERRY, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. CASEY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. SANDERS, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. DODD, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. AKAKA, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 3390. A bill to end the discrimination based on actual or perceived sexual orientation or gender identity in public schools, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 3391. A bill to provide for accelerated revenue sharing of Outer Continental Shelf revenues to promote coastal resiliency among Gulf producing states; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 3392. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to evaluate the significance of the Newtown Battlefield located in Chemung County, New York, and the suitability and feasibility of its inclusion in the National Park System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio:

S. 3393. A bill to provide for extension of COBRA continuation coverage until coverage is available otherwise under either an employment-based health plan or through an American Health Benefit Exchange under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 3394. A bill to establish the veterans' business center program, to improve the programs for veterans of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. UDALL of Colorado (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. BURRIS, and Ms. STABENOW):

S. 3395. A bill to provide cost-sharing assistance to improve access to the markets of foreign countries for energy efficiency products and renewable energy products exported by small- and medium-sized businesses in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

## SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. Res. 536. A resolution designating June 1, 2010, as "Declaration of Conscience Day" in commemoration of the 60th anniversary of the landmark "Declaration of Conscience" speech delivered by Senator Margaret Chase Smith on the floor of the United States Senate; considered and agreed to.

## ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 292

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 292, a bill to repeal the imposition of withholding on certain payments made to vendors by government entities.

S. 334

At the request of Mr. LUGAR, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 334, a bill to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the products of Moldova.

S. 504

At the request of Mr. ROBERTS, the names of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. CARPER), the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN), the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. FRANKEN), the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND), the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE), the Senator from Nebraska (Mr. JOHANNIS), the Senator from Delaware (Mr. KAUFMAN), the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) and the Senator from Kentucky (Mr. MCCONNELL) were added as cosponsors of S. 504, a bill to redesignate the Department of the Navy as the Department of the Navy and Marine Corps.

S. 632

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. RISCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 632, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require that the payment of the manufacturers' excise tax on recreational equipment be paid quarterly.

S. 752

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota