

REMEMBERING GEORGE M.
LEADER

• Mr. CASEY. Mr. President, as this year ends, I wish to remember and honor George M. Leader, a former Governor of Pennsylvania, who passed away on May 9, 2013. Throughout his life, Governor Leader worked to give voice to the voiceless and protect some of the most vulnerable Pennsylvanians.

Governor Leader was raised on his parents' poultry farm and educated in a one room schoolhouse before going on to study philosophy, economics and political science at Gettysburg College. He served in the Navy during World War II and returned to open a chicken hatchery in York County, PA. He got his start in politics serving on the York County Democratic Committee then winning a seat vacated by his father to the State Senate. In 1954, he decided to run for Governor and won that election becoming, at age 37, the second youngest Governor in Pennsylvania.

While in office, Governor Leader enacted the Industrial Development Authority in 1956 which provided State financing in order to attract new and diverse industries. The program attracted 71 new businesses and created 12,000 new jobs within the first 30 months. Governor Leader also championed civil rights in all forms. He created the Fair Employment Practices Council to police employment discrimination, and fought for William and Daisy Meyers' family when they were threatened for moving into a white neighborhood. He required Pennsylvania schools to educate children with disabilities, which raised the enrollment by 250,000. He created the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry's Vocational Rehabilitation Center, which was the first facility in the country that provided rehabilitation and job training for people with disabilities. He also established the State Office of Aging and began the inspection of nursing homes.

Governor Leader left office in 1959, but that did not end his service to the people of Pennsylvania. He established Leader Health Care Organization and later Country Meadows and Providence Place Retirement Communities to provide high quality retirement services for our older citizens.

Hubert Humphrey once said that the moral test of government is how it treats those in the dawn of life, those in the twilight of life and those in the shadows of life. Governor Leader not only passed this test, he set a standard for other elected officials to follow. My thoughts are with the Leader family during this holiday season and we thank George Leader for his life of service to our Commonwealth and our country.●

MARIAN UNIVERSITY CYCLING
TEAM

• Mr. DONNELLY. Mr. President, today, I wish to applaud the Marian

University Knights on earning USA Cycling's No. 1 collegiate cycling team ranking for the 2012–2013 season, as well as winning the USA Cycling Collegiate Division I Track, Cyclo-cross, BMX, and road national championships during the 2012–2013 season.

Marian University established its cycling program in 1992. The program is committed to competing at the highest level and developing strong character in each team member through academic and athletic excellence. Since the inception of its competitive cycling program, the Marian University Knights have won 23 national championship titles in road, cyclo-cross, BMX, and track cycling.

Head coach Dean Peterson and his staff work tirelessly to promote the university's goals by bringing team-focused concepts to a sport that traditionally emphasizes the individual. The "Knights on Bikes" team includes both male and female student-athletes who travel together as a team during each season and to every national championship. In addition, Marian University has an indoor cycling center where even the coldest Midwest winter cannot prevent them from regularly training together.

The Marian University cycling team works to give back to the local and national cycling community as well as the Indianapolis area. Student-cyclists are required to contribute 10 hours each semester to community service. They work with the community in a variety of ways, including hosting informal riding clinics, cycling for charity, and participating in campus volunteer opportunities.

Congratulations to head coach Dean Peterson, assistant coach Nate Keck, athletic director Steve Downing, and all the student-cyclists on winning the USA Cycling Collegiate Division I road, track, and cyclo-cross national championships in 2012, and winning the road, track and cyclo-cross national championships again and for the first time the BMX national championship in 2013. In addition, congratulations to University president Daniel J. Elsener, executive vice president and provost Thomas J. Enneking, the Marian University student body, alumni, and friends. On behalf of the citizens of Indiana, I congratulate the Marian University Knights on the triumph of their competitive cycling program, and I wish them continued success in the future.●

MARIAN UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL
NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

• Mr. DONNELLY. Mr. President, today, I wish to congratulate the Marian University Knights on winning the 57th Annual National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, NAIA, Football National Championship in 2012.

Marian University established its football program in 2006 and has since committed itself to competing at the highest level both academically and

athletically. In 2011, the Marian Knights played well enough to be one of the final four teams in the NAIA championship tournament. In 2012, the Knights made it to the championship game, where they won 30–27 victory in overtime.

Congratulations to former head coach Ted Karras, Jr. and his entire coaching staff, athletic director Steve Downing, and all of the student athletes on winning the 57th annual NAIA Football National Championship on December 13, 2012. In addition, congratulations to university president Daniel J. Elsener, executive vice president and provost Thomas J. Enneking, the Marian University student body, alumni and friends.

On behalf of the citizens of Indiana, I sincerely congratulate the Marian University Knights on their successful football program, and I wish them continued success in the future under the new leadership of head football coach Mark Henninger.●

REMEMBERING CHARLIE ROOS

• Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. President, today I wish to remember an extraordinary journalist and Coloradan, Charlie Roos. Charlie was a journalist and editorialist for some 60 years at the Denver Post and the Rocky Mountain News. He was a man of exceptional character, strong opinions and great wit—in short, he was a true Westerner. His writing was fair and objective, and he sought to hold all public officials accountable, no matter their political affiliations. This made his politics difficult to pigeonhole; he favored good governance and public service over partisanship.

Charlie grew up in Hiawatha, KS, and served our country during World War II. Following the war he went to Kansas University and graduated with Phi Beta Kappa honors. In 1946, his beloved wife Liza and daughter Mary moved with him to Denver where Charlie began his journalism career with the Denver Post. After many years covering State and national politics for the Post, he moved to the Rocky Mountain News where he remained until its closing in 2009. At the Rocky, Charlie served multiple roles including as a Washington, D.C., correspondent, political editor and weekly columnist. He continued to write about local and national politics on a personal blog until his death on August 27 of this year.

He is survived by a daughter, Mary Roos Catton; sons, Billy and Bob Roos; grandchildren, Jane Johnson, Megan Feltes, Jasmine Hartman and Charlie Roos; and great grandchildren, Jordan and Mason Johnson; Samantha, Kyle and Asher Hartman; and Joe and Naomi Roos.

Charlie was a loyal and devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather. He was also a dedicated journalist, with a passion for reporting and telling the truth to the people of

Colorado. Charlie loved politics, and he believed in a higher standard for those who hold the public's trust. His writing was steeped in the history of Colorado and the Nation, which helped make his columns touchstones in our political dialogue. Like many in this country, he was disappointed in recent years at the vitriol and extremism that has crept into our debates. He bemoaned the decline of respectful opposition. Colorado lost a wise voice with the passing of Charlie Roos. Many, including myself, lost a mentor. But we should use his example to remind ourselves that the American people deserve the best that we can give. Our actions will always be measured against the high bar he set.

I ask that my colleagues join me in remembering Charlie Roos for his passion for reporting, his political wisdom and his dedication to Colorado. He will be missed.●

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message from the President of the United States was communicated to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGE REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate a message from the President of the United States submitting a nomination which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

(The message received today is printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 11:25 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker pro tempore has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 185. An act to designate the United States courthouse located at 101 East Pecan Street in Sherman, Texas, as the "Paul Brown United States Courthouse".

H.R. 2251. An act to designate the United States courthouse and Federal building located at 118 South Mill Street, in Fergus Falls, Minnesota, as the "Edward J. Devitt United States Courthouse and Federal Building".

H.R. 3588. An act to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to exempt fire hydrants from the prohibition on the use of lead pipes, fittings, fixtures, solder, and flux.

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

ENROLLED BILL AND JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

At 4:31 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker pro tempore has signed the following enrolled bill and joint resolution:

H.R. 1402. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain expiring provisions of law, and for other purposes.

H.J. Res. 59. Joint resolution making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2014, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bill and joint resolution were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. LEAHY).

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bills were read the first time:

S. 1859. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions, and for other purposes.

S. 1881. A bill to expand sanctions imposed with respect to Iran and to impose additional sanctions with respect to Iran, 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-3962. A communication from the Director, Issuances Staff, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prior Label Approval System: Generic Label Approval" (RIN0583-AC59) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2013; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3963. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Food Additive Regulations: Incorporation by Reference of the Food Chemicals Codex, 7th Edition" (Docket No. FDA-2010-F-0320) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2013; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3964. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pendimethalin; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9904-04) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2013; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3965. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endothal; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9902-4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2013; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3966. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tall Oil, Polymer with Polyethylene Glycol and Succinic Anhydride Monopolyisobutylene derivs.; Tolerance Exemption" (FRL No. 9903-19) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2013; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3967. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Mandipropamid; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9903-57) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2013; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

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EC-3968. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Indoxacarb; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9903-92) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2013; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3969. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13405 with respect to Belarus; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3970. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" ((44 CFR Part 64) (Docket No. FEMA-2013-0002)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2013; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3971. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Regulations, Office of Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Housing Administration (FHA) Risk Management Initiatives: New Manual Underwriting Requirements" (RIN2502-AJ07) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 19, 2013; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3972. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Qualified Mortgage Definition for HUD Insured and Guaranteed Single Family Mortgages" (RIN2502-AJ18) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2013; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3973. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards" (RIN2502-AI71) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2013; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3974. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Electric Reliability Organization Proposal to Retire Requirements in Reliability Standards" (Docket No. RM13-8-000) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2013; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3975. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Regional Reliability Standard BAL-002-WECC-2-Contingency Reserve" (Docket No. RM13-13-000) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 18, 2013; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3976. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Oregon; Revised Format of 40 CFR Part 52 for Materials Incorporated by Reference" (FRL No. 9900-70-