

integrity. Let us always remember and emulate the shining example this brave man set for us and honor him for his selfless commitment to serving his fellow citizens. May God welcome Carl home and give comfort to his family and friends.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO ZEESY BRUK

• Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, I am happy to acknowledge a very special little girl from Montana who was named Montana's 2016 Children's Miracle Network Hospitals Champion Child.

Five-year-old Zeesy Bruk is a very courageous little girl who battles GLUT-1 deficiency, which I have learned is a rare genetic metabolic disorder.

Zeesy is a fellow Bozemanite and lives there with her parents—Rabbi Chaim and Chavie Bruk, who are co-directors of Chabad-Lubavitch of Montana and leaders in Montana's Jewish community, and her brother and sister.

Zeesy has been bravely battling this disease all her life, but it took some time—and a lot of determination from her family—to find the right diagnosis. Now, thanks to a dedicated team at Shodair Children's Hospital in Helena, MT, I hear that Zeesy is doing wonderful and facing her diagnosis head on.

During her time as a Champion Child, Zeesy and her parents will travel across the country—serving as an ambassador for the Treasure State and bringing awareness to the various medical challenges facing many young people across our country today.

Thank you to Zeesy and the Bruk family for what you will do as ambassadors for this great State and for what you do every day for Montana's Jewish community. Zeesy, I look forward to following your year as a Champion Child—safe travels and God bless.●

TRIBUTE TO PAUL KANNING

• Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize Paul Kanning of Daniels County, a fourth-generation Montana farmer. This week, Paul testified before the Senate Committee on Appropriations about the importance of assisting veterans find employment opportunities in agriculture.

Paul is the current owner and operator of 103-year-old TomTilda farm, where he produces small grains, pulses, and oilseed crops through no-till, continuous cropping practices. He began his farm career in 2013 following his retirement as an Air Force lieutenant colonel after 20 years of Active-Duty service.

During the hearing, I heard Paul speak about his experiences as a veteran starting a career in the agriculture industry and how programs like those offered through the U.S. Department of Agriculture helped provide

the training and education he needed on the farm. Throughout his career, he has displayed incredible leadership both in our agriculture community and in our Armed Forces.

He is a living success story of a man who has combined his leadership, dedication, and discipline for both defending our country and providing food security for Montanans and our Nation. It was truly an honor to hear Paul testify this week, and I am proud to honor his terrific testimony and hard work for Montana.●

CONGRATULATING ADAM GARCIA

• Mr. HELLER. Mr. President, today I wish to congratulate University of Nevada, Reno, UNR, chief of police services Adam Garcia on being named Police Director of the Year by the National Association of Campus Safety Administrators. It gives me great pleasure to see him receive this prestigious award after years of hard work within the university system and local community.

Police Chief Garcia assumed the role of director at UNR police services in 2001. Since then, he has worked to expand both the size and diversity of police services and create a safe campus environment where students are engaged with the department. Police Chief Garcia spearheaded the development of services for public notification in the event of an active shooter or emergency situation, a service critical to ensuring the safety of UNR students. Due to the great success of police services, Police Chief Garcia has successfully integrated the department into a regional partnership, serving an even greater community. His dedication to keeping students across the UNR campus safe is invaluable to our great State. I am grateful to have someone like Police Chief Garcia leading this incredibly important department.

The Police Director of the Year award is given each year to an individual who goes above and beyond to ensure safety on campus, as well as maintaining a professional and healthy relationship between the department and the university it serves. Without a doubt, Police Chief Garcia's actions warrant only the greatest recognition, including this significant accolade. I am pleased to see Police Chief Garcia recognized on a national level, representing our great State as role model to other departments.

It is the brave men and women who serve in local police departments that keep our communities safe. These heroes selflessly put their lives on the line every day. I extend my deepest gratitude to Police Chief Garcia for his courageous contributions to students across the UNR campus and to the people of Reno. His sacrifice and courage earn him a place among the outstanding men and women who have valiantly put their lives on the line to benefit others.

Throughout his tenure with UNR police services, Police Chief Garcia has

demonstrated professionalism, commitment to excellence, and dedication to the highest standards of UNR police services. I am honored by his service and am proud to call him a fellow Nevadan. Today I ask all of my colleagues to join me in congratulating Police Chief Garcia on receiving this award, and I give my deepest appreciation for all that he has done to ensure safety on the UNR campus. I offer him my best wishes as he continues in his role as police chief.●

RECOGNIZING COMMUNITY HEALTH ALLIANCE'S CENTER FOR COMPLEX CARE

• Mr. HELLER. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize the Community Health Alliance's Center for Complex Care, which offers innovative and complex health care services to those in need. The advanced health care this facility provides is invaluable to northern Nevada, bringing an improved quality of life and well-being to those with chronic health conditions.

The Center for Complex Care is the only facility out of several Community Health Alliance centers located throughout the Truckee Meadows that offers a team-based approach to health care for patients with chronic care conditions. A health care team, consisting of a primary care provider, social worker, care coordinator, psychiatric nurse specialist, medical assistant, clinical pharmacist, and support staff, address both the primary health care and behavioral health care of each patient. This team serves as a singular, collaborative unit in order to make a comprehensive patient assessment. Effective communication within the facility connects the physical, social, and emotional health of patients, creating a better understanding of the patient's needs. Those leading the way at this center stand as role models to our local community, demonstrating a genuine concern for improving the health of Nevadans. The Silver State is fortunate to have a facility like this available to our local community.

In addition to the Center for Complex Care, the Community Health Alliance offers a variety of care options, including pediatric care, women's health care, dental care, behavioral health care, a school-based health center, a supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children, and health care for the homeless. I would like to congratulate this alliance on recently reaching an important milestone, its 20th anniversary. This achievement is well deserved, and I am grateful to have this significant health care resource available to residents across northern Nevada.

Those serving at this center have gone above and beyond to provide high-quality care to Nevadans. Today I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the Community Health Alliance's Center for Complex Care for all it does for the Silver State.●

CONGRATULATING THE AUGUSTANA UNIVERSITY MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM

• Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I wish to congratulate the Augustana University men's basketball team as they celebrate winning their first National Collegiate Athletic Association, NCAA, Division II men's basketball championship.

The Augustana Vikings men's basketball team had an outstanding season, finishing with a school record 34 wins and only 2 losses. Their formidable opponents in the championship game, the Lincoln Memorial Railsplitters, were on a 24-game winning streak before facing Augustana. The first half of the game was close, with the two teams exchanging the lead. The Vikings maintained their lead throughout the entirety of the second half, however, and eventually won 90-81.

The Vikings are coached by Tom Billeter, who has led the Vikings to seven NCAA tournament appearances during his 13-year career with the school. Three senior Vikings players, Alex Richter, Daniel Jansen, and Casey Schilling, were named to the Elite Eight All-Tournament team, and all three scored more than 20 points during the championship game. Richter was named the Most Outstanding Player of the Tournament, and Jansen was recognized as the 2016 National Association of Basketball Coaches' Division II Player of the Year.

On behalf of the State of South Dakota, I am pleased to congratulate the Augustana Vikings men's basketball team on this impressive accomplishment. I commend the players and coaching staff for all of their hard work and wish them the best of luck in future seasons.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Pate, 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 and a withdrawal which were referred to the appropriate committees.

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

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-4991. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division,

Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hexythiazox; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9942-32) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 5, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4992. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pendimethalin; Tolerance Exemptions; Technical Correction" (FRL No. 9943-79) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 30, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4993. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, the quarterly exception Selected Acquisition Reports (SARs) as of December 31, 2015 (OSS-2016-0443); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4994. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Support for Non-Federal Development and Testing of Material for Chemical Agent Defense; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4995. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Readiness), transmitting, pursuant to law, the National Guard and Reserve Equipment Report (NGRER) for fiscal year 2017; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4996. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Army Industrial Facilities Cooperative Activities with Non-Army Entities for Fiscal Year 2015; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4997. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of General Philip M. Breedlove, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4998. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Temporary General License" (RIN0694-AG82) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-4999. A communication from the Senior Counsel, Legal Division, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Operations in Rural Areas Under the Truth in Lending Act (Regulation Z); Interim Final Rule" (RIN3170-AA59) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 30, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5000. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice of the continuation of the national emergency with respect to South Sudan that was declared in Executive Order 13664 of April 3, 2014; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5001. A communication from the Senior Counsel for Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Engraving and Printing, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Conduct on Bureau of Engraving and Printing Property" (31 CFR Part 605) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 5, 2016; to

the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5002. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Assessments" (RIN3064-AE40) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 4, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5003. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's fiscal year 2015 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act); to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-5004. A communication from the Assistant Director for Regulatory Affairs, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Burundi Sanctions Regulations" (31 CFR Part 554) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 4, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5005. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notice of Availability for Plant-Specific Adoption of TSTF-545, Revision 3, 'TS Inservice Testing Program and Clarify SR Usage Rule Application to Section 5.5 Testing'" (NUREG-1430; NUREG-1431; NUREG-1432; NUREG-1433; and NUREG-1434) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 1, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5006. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval and Designation of Areas; MS; Redesignation of the DeSoto County, 2008 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area to Attainment" (FRL No. 9944-74-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 5, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5007. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; Minnesota and Michigan; Revision to 2013 Taconite Federal Implementation Plan establishing BART for Taconite Plants" (FRL No. 9944-22-Region 5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 5, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5008. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; South Carolina; Transportation Conformity Update" (FRL No. 9944-55-Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 5, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5009. 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 Air Quality Implementation Plans; Pennsylvania; Attainment Plan and Base Year Inventory for the North Reading Area for the 2008 Lead National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9944-73-Region 3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 5, 2016; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5010. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division,