

Yazoo Planters Cotton Gin and Yazoo County Development Foundations. He also served our State and Nation as a commissioned officer in the Mississippi National Guard.

I am pleased to join the people throughout my State in commending Harry Simmons, Jr., and sharing our appreciation with his wife, Shirley, and their children, Emily and Katy, and grandson, Miller, as the 82nd annual meeting of the Delta Council membership convenes in June.●

RECONIZING JEROME D. MACK MIDDLE SCHOOL

● Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Mr. President, today I am honored to congratulate the Jerome D. Mack Middle School, in Las Vegas, NV, for earning the School Innovation and Change Award, SICA. On June 1, 2017, a representative of the National Principals Leadership Institute will join with Mack Middle School to recognize this achievement formally to a gathering of 700 parents, students, and teachers.

This award recognizes Mack Middle School's principals, teachers, staff, and students for their efforts to embrace new and innovative strategies for educational improvement. To win this award, Mack Middle School submitted a competitive application to the National Principal Leadership Institute that included a school profile, a school changes story, documents supporting those changes, a reflection of innovation, a sustainability plan for how a \$10,000 award would be used, and a description of community building.

Earning this award is no easy feat. In its improvement efforts, Mack Middle School has seen many upgrades in technology and pedagogy that mark demonstrable change. Every student now receives a laptop computer, and all assignments are completed on a virtual classroom portal. Students are taught to critically self-assess their own abilities and have learned to improve their skills to new levels of mastery. Their principal is a nationally board certified teacher and a nationally accredited principal mentor. Ten of their teachers attend national board certification classes, and approximately 390 of their students will earn high school credits this year. All this to say Mack Middle School is more than deserving of this award.

Moreover, these changes have positively affected the campus dynamic as teachers are excited about their work and students take charge of their education plans. More community center than a school, Mack Middle School has become a hub where parents and students alike partake in use of the school's athletic fields and even the school's Wi-Fi signal. In an area that is too often marred by high crime and poverty, the school stands as a beacon of what is possible when teachers are engaged in their community and where parents take an active role in their students' lives. Mack Middle School is

an inspiration for East Las Vegas and the greater Nevada community.

I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Jerome D. Mack Middle School for their hard work, innovative approaches to education, and their efforts to improve educational outcomes for students in East Las Vegas.●

TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM "BILL" AUSMUS

● Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, this week, I have the distinct honor of recognizing William "Bill" Ausmus of Hardin, a World War II Army veteran who celebrated his 100th birthday earlier this month. Bill has been involved with a variety of community organizations in Big Horn County for many years, helping countless Montanans along the way. His accomplishments are something we can all celebrate.

After his World War II military service concluded, Bill spent almost seven decades serving in his local American Legion Post 8 and remained in an active capacity with the post into his nineties. His professional vocation was serving as the Big Horn County surveyor and, for a time, the assessor. These vital positions afforded him the opportunity to interact with and provide useful help to many in his local community. Bill developed a reputation for accuracy and customer service in his professional work. He was also integral in the formation of his local Methodist Church and is known for his volunteerism and generous donations to community projects and causes.

The longevity of his many endeavors and willingness to help others along the way serves as an inspiration to us all. When looking back through the history of Big Horn County during the past century, it is clear that Bill has been key contributor. Congratulations, Bill, on your recent 100th birthday, and thank you for your service.●

TRIBUTE TO CLAIRE ALISON

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Claire Alison, an intern in my Washington, DC, office for all of the hard work she has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Claire is a graduate of El Camino Real Charter High School in Los Angeles, CA. Currently, she is attending California State University, Northridge, where she is majoring in history. Claire is a dedicated worker who has been committed to getting the most out of her experience.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Claire Alison for all of the fine work she has done and wish her continued success in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO JOSEPH SCHATZ

● Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, today I recognize Joseph Schartz, an intern in my Washington, DC office for all of the

hard work he has done for me, my staff, and the State of South Dakota.

Joseph is a graduate of South Dakota State University in Brookings, SD, having earned a degree in journalism. Currently, he is attending the Georgetown University McCourt School of Public Policy, where he is pursuing his master's in public policy. Joseph is a dedicated worker who has been committed to getting the most out of his experience.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Joseph Schartz for all of the fine work he has done and wish him continued success in the years to come.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

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

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

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.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:34 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, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 467. An act to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to ensure that each medical facility of the Department of Veterans Affairs complies with requirements relating to scheduling veterans for health care appointments, to improve the uniform application of directives of the Department, and for other purposes.

H.R. 624. An act to restrict the inclusion of social security account numbers on Federal documents sent by mail, and for other purposes.

H.R. 953. An act to amend the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to clarify Congressional intent regarding the regulation of the use of pesticides in or near navigable waters, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1293. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to require that the Office of Personnel Management submit an annual report to Congress relating to the use of official time by Federal employees.

H.R. 2052. An act to amend the Uniform Code of Military Justice to prohibit the wrongful broadcast or distribution of intimate visual images.

The message further announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 14. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for an event to celebrate the birthday of King Kamehameha I.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 11:58 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 375. An act to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 719 Church Street in Nashville, Tennessee, as the "Fred D. Thompson Federal Building and United States Courthouse".

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. HATCH).

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The President pro tempore (Mr. HATCH) announced that on May 24, 2017, he had signed the following enrolled bill, which was previously signed by the Speaker of the House:

H.R. 366. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Under Secretary for Management of the Department of Homeland Security to make certain improvements in managing the Department's vehicle fleet, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 467. An act to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to ensure that each medical facility of the Department of Veterans Affairs complies with requirements relating to scheduling veterans for health care appointments, to improve the uniform application of directives of the Department, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 953. An act to amend the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to clarify Congressional intent regarding the regulation of the use of pesticides in or near navigable waters, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 1293. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to require that the Office of Personnel Management submit an annual report to Congress relating to the use of official time by Federal employees; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 2052. An act to amend the Uniform Code of Military Justice to prohibit the wrongful broadcast or distribution of intimate visual images; to the Committee on Armed Services.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 624. An act to restrict the inclusion of social security account numbers on Federal documents sent by mail and for other purposes.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. BARRASSO, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 512. A bill to modernize the regulation of nuclear energy (Rept. No. 115-86).

S. 692. A bill to provide for integrated plan permits, to establish an Office of the Municipal Ombudsman, to promote green infrastructure, and to require the revision of financial capability guidance (Rept. No. 115-87).

By Mr. CORKER, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 176. A resolution commemorating the 50th anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem.

By Mr. CORKER, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 722. A bill to impose sanctions with respect to Iran in relation to Iran's ballistic missile program, support for acts of international terrorism, and violations of human rights, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. CORKER for the Committee on Foreign Relations.

*Scott P. Brown, of New Hampshire, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to New Zealand, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Independent State of Samoa.

Nominee: Scott Philip Brown.

Post: Ambassador New Zealand and the Independent State of Samoa.

Nominate: April 25, 2017.

(The following is a list of all members of my immediate family and their spouses. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

1. Self: \$250, 6/23/14, McFadden for Senate; \$250, 8/27/15, Friends of Kelly Ayotte Committee.

Contributions as Chairman of the Peoples Seat PAC, Fiscal Responsibility PAC Converted to SCOTT PAC (attached hereto as Attachment "1" Incorporated herein as Attachment "1")

2. Spouse: Gail M. Brown, None.

3. Children and Spouses: Ayla M. Brown, none; Arianna S. Brown-Hendry, none.

4. Parents: Judith A. Brown, none; C. Bruce Brown—Deceased.

5. Grandparents: Bertha C. Rugg—Deceased; Philip N. Rugg—Deceased.

6. Brothers and Spouses: Bruce W. Brown—estranged, no contact or information available.

7. Sisters and Spouses: Lee Ann Riley, none; Robyn L. Brown, none.

8. Attachment "1": All PAC's including Fiscal Responsibility PAC, S. Brown, Chair—Recipient name, Disburse date, amount: Mike Sullivan for U.S. Senate Committee, 4/11/2013, \$875.00.

Friends of John Thune, 5/10/2013, \$500.00.

Gabriel Gomez for Senate, 5/10/2013, \$1,000.00.

Kirk for Senate, 5/10/2013, \$1,000.00.

New Hampshire Republican State Committee, 10/24/2013, \$5,000.00.

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Scott County Republican Central, 11/11/2013, \$500.00.

The Addivola Committee, 11/20/2013, \$1,000.00.

Friends of Frank Guinta, 11/21/2013, \$1,000.00.

Texans for Senator Cornyn Inc., 11/21/2013, \$2,500.00.

Daugaard for South Dakota, 11/21/2013, \$1,500.00.

Tisei Congressional Committee, 12/9/2013, \$1,000.00.

Hampstead Town Republican Committee, 12/9/2013, \$500.00.

Pat Roberts for US Senate Inc, 1/8/2014, \$2,500.00.

Massachusetts Citizens for Jobs, 1/8/2014, \$5,000.00.

New Hampshire Republican State Committee, 2/24/2014, \$5,000.00.

Collins for Senator, 3/11/2014, \$2,500.00.

Friends of Frank Guinta, 3/11/2014, \$4,000.00.

Friends of John McCain Inc, 3/11/2014, \$5,000.00.

Friends of John Thune, 3/11/2014, \$5,000.00.

Friends of Kelly Ayotte, 3/11/2014, \$5,000.00.

Committee To Elect House Republicans, 3/11/2014, \$1,000.00.

New Hampshire Republican State Committee, 3/11/2014, \$5,000.00.

Senate Republican Majority PAC, 3/11/2014, \$5,000.00.

Belknap County Republican Committee, 3/13/2014, \$1,000.00.

Carroll County NH Republican Committee, 3/13/2014, \$1,000.00.

Cheshire County Republican Party, 3/13/2014, \$1,000.00.

Committee To Elect House Republicans, 3/13/2014, \$4,000.00.

Concord Republican City Committee, 3/13/2014, \$1,000.00.

Coos County Republican Committee, 3/13/2014, \$1,000.00.

Derry Republican Committee, 3/13/2014, \$1,000.00.

Grafton County Republican Committee of New Hampshire, 3/13/2014, \$1,000.00.

Hillsborough County Republican Committee, 3/13/2014, \$1,000.00.

Manchester Republican Committee, 3/13/2014, \$1,000.00.

Merrimack Republican Committee, 3/13/2014, \$1,000.00.

Nashua Republican City Committee, 3/13/2014, \$1,000.00.

Rockingham County Republican Committee, 3/13/2014, \$1,000.00.

Strafford County Republican Committee, 3/13/2014, \$1,000.00.

Sullivan County Republican Committee, 3/13/2014, \$1,000.00.

New Hampshire for Scott Brown, 3/26/2014, \$5,000.00.

New Hampshire for Scott Brown, 3/26/2014, \$5,000.00.

Merrimack County Republican Committee, 3/26/2014, \$1,000.00.

Debicella for Congress, 4/22/2014, \$1,000.00.

Friends of Kelly Ayotte, 4/23/2014, \$2,500.00.

Rockingham County Republican Committee, 5/5/2014, \$1,000.00.

Grafton County GOP, 5/19/2014, \$400.00.

New Hampshire Sheriff's Association, 6/9/2014, \$500.00.

Bedford Republican Committee, 8/12/2014, \$210.00.

Hillsborough County Republican Committee, 9/5/2014, \$200.00.

Friends of Kelly Ayotte Inc., 4/27/2015, \$2,500.00.

Georgians for Isakson, 6/23/2015, \$2,500.00.

Friends of John McCain, 6/25/2015, \$2,000.00.

Fiscal Responsibility PAC, 6/30/2015, \$4,837.00.

Kasich for America, 8/27/2015, \$1,000.00.

NH Republican Party Federal, 8/31/2015, \$5,000.00.

Ron Johnson for Senate, 8/31/2015, \$2,500.00.

Jasper for NH Committee, 9/23/2015, \$1,000.00.

Carly for President, 9/25/2015, \$1,000.00.

Friends of Pat Toomey, 9/25/2015, \$5,000.00.

Huckabee for President, Inc., 9/25/2015, \$1,000.00.