

Labor from enforcing the final overtime rule; and

Whereas millions of workers eagerly await a fair day's pay for a hard day's work: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That it is the sense of Congress that the final rule issued on May 23, 2016, by the Secretary of Labor entitled "Defining and Delimiting the Exemptions for Executive, Administrative, Professional, Outside Sales and Computer Employees" (81 Fed. Reg. 32391)—

(1) would provide more than 13,000,000 workers with greater economic security;

(2) was created through the legally valid exercise of the congressionally-delegated authority of the Secretary of Labor under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938; and

(3) should be defended and enforced with due haste.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 21—URGING THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA TO UNCONDITIONALLY RELEASE LIU XIAOBO, TOGETHER WITH HIS WIFE LIU XIA, TO ALLOW THEM TO FREELY MEET WITH FRIENDS, FAMILY, AND COUNSEL AND SEEK MEDICAL TREATMENT WHEREVER THEY DESIRE

Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. CRUZ) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. CON. RES. 21

Whereas Liu Xiaobo has inspired untold numbers of people in the People's Republic of China and globally for his courageous stands for democracy, the protection of human rights, and peaceful change in China;

Whereas, on December 9, 2008, a diverse group of more than 300 Chinese scholars, writers, lawyers, and activists issued Charter 08, a manifesto calling on the Chinese Communist Party to abandon authoritarian rule in favor of democracy, the guarantee of human rights, and the rule of law;

Whereas Liu Xiaobo was one of the original drafters of Charter 08 and was taken into custody one day before the manifesto was released;

Whereas, in December 2009, a Beijing court sentenced Liu Xiaobo to 11 years in prison for "inciting subversion of state power," in part for his role in Charter 08;

Whereas, in recognition of Liu Xiaobo's long and non-violent struggle for fundamental human rights in the People's Republic of China, he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in October 2010;

Whereas Liu Xiaobo's wife, Liu Xia, has been held in extralegal home confinement since October 2010, 2 weeks after her husband's Nobel Peace Prize award was announced, and has reportedly suffered severe health problems over the years which required hospitalization;

Whereas, in May 2011, the United Nations Working Group on Arbitrary Detention issued opinions declaring that the Chinese Government's imprisonment of Liu Xiaobo and the detention of Liu Xia both contravened the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;

Whereas Liu Xiaobo was diagnosed with terminal liver cancer in May 2017 and granted permission to access medical treatment outside of prison, and is currently hospitalized in China;

Whereas, according to news and family reports, Liu Xiaobo's cancer has metastasized

and the Government of the People's Republic of China has refused requests by his family to transfer him to Beijing for medical treatment; and

Whereas Liu Xiaobo currently cannot freely meet with friends and family or seek medical care outside of China: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That Congress—

(1) recognizes Liu Xiaobo for his decades of peaceful struggle for basic human rights and democracy in the People's Republic of China;

(2) urges the Government of the People's Republic of China to unconditionally release Liu Xiaobo, together with his wife Liu Xia, to allow them to freely meet with friends, family, and counsel and seek medical treatment wherever they desire; and

(3) urges the President to seek humanitarian transfer from the People's Republic of China for Liu Xiaobo, together with his wife Liu Xia, so that he can seek medical treatment in the United States or elsewhere overseas.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO OBJECT TO PROCEEDING

I, Senator TAMMY DUCKWORTH, intend to object to proceeding to the nomination of Steven Gill Bradbury, of Virginia, to be General Counsel for the Department of Transportation, dated June 29, 2017.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY,
JULY 3, 2017, AT 6 P.M.

Mr. CORKER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 5:45 p.m., adjourned until Monday, July 3, 2017, at 6 p.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

MATTHEW P. DONOVAN, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE, VICE LISA S. DISBROW, RESIGNED.

ELLEN M. LORD, OF RHODE ISLAND, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE FOR ACQUISITION, TECHNOLOGY, AND LOGISTICS, VICE FRANK KENDALL III.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

CHRISTOPHER CAMPBELL, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY, VICE CYRUS AMIR-MOKRI, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

PETER B. DAVIDSON, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, VICE KELLY R. WELSH, RESIGNED.

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

ROBERT L. SUMWALT III, OF SOUTH CAROLINA, TO BE CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS, VICE CHRISTOPHER A. HART.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BRENDA BURMAN, OF ARIZONA, TO BE COMMISSIONER OF RECLAMATION, VICE ESTEVAN R. LOPEZ.

DOUGLAS W. DOMENECH, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR, VICE ESTHER PUAKELA KIA'AINA.

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

JASON KEARNS, OF COLORADO, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION FOR THE TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 16, 2024, VICE DEAN A. PINKERT, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

LUIS E. ARREAGA, OF VIRGINIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-

COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF GUATEMALA.

KRISHNA R. URS, OF CONNECTICUT, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF PERU.

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

JEROME M. ADAMS, OF INDIANA, TO BE MEDICAL DIRECTOR IN THE REGULAR CORPS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE, SUBJECT TO QUALIFICATIONS THEREFOR AS PROVIDED BY LAW AND REGULATIONS, AND TO BE SURGEON GENERAL OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE VIVEK HALLEGGERE MURTHY.

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

JANET DHILLON, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION FOR A TERM EXPIRING JULY 1, 2022, VICE JENNY R. YANG, TERM EXPIRING.

NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

WILLIAM J. EMANUEL, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD FOR THE TERM OF FIVE YEARS EXPIRING AUGUST 27, 2021, VICE KENT YOSHIO HIROZAWA, TERM EXPIRED.

NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

GERALD W. FAUTH, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING JULY 1, 2020, VICE HARRY R. HOGLANDER, TERM EXPIRED.

THE JUDICIARY

JOSHUA A. DEAHL, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSOCIATE JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS, VICE ERIC T. WASHINGTON, RETIRED.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE

SUSAN M. GORDON, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE PRINCIPAL DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE, VICE STEPHANIE O'SULLIVAN.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

ERIC S. DREIBAND, OF MARYLAND, TO BE AN ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, VICE THOMAS E. PEREZ, RESIGNED.

FOREIGN SERVICE

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED MEMBERS OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TO BE A FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER, A CONSULAR OFFICER, AND A SECRETARY IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

ANDREW K. ABORDONADO, OF CALIFORNIA

KAREN A. ANTONYAN, OF NEVADA

TOBEI B. ARAI, OF GEORGIA

CLAIRE T. BEA, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

KAREN D. BETTENCOURT, OF CALIFORNIA

BENJAMIN B. CHAPMAN, OF MARYLAND

HEATHER M. CHASE, OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

JOHN T. CHENG, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

BERNARDO A. DIAZ, OF NEW MEXICO

CAROLINA ESALERA, OF FLORIDA

REBECCA E. FARMER, OF WASHINGTON

BENJAMIN M. FEHRMAN, OF NORTH CAROLINA

PAUL R. FLEMING, OF FLORIDA

ERIC W. GROFF, OF WASHINGTON

COLIN B. GUARD, OF WASHINGTON

JULIAN A. HADAS, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

THEODORE L. HO, OF CALIFORNIA

STEPHEN E. HUNEKE, OF FLORIDA

ARIEL R. JAHNER, OF CALIFORNIA

CHRISTOPHER D. JOHNSON, OF NEW YORK

JOSHUA R. JOHNSON, OF CALIFORNIA

BRIANA N. JONES, OF NEW YORK

JEFF JUNG, OF CALIFORNIA

JOHN-MARSHALL KLEIN, OF VIRGINIA

PATRICK E. KOUCHERAVY, OF VIRGINIA

VICKY KU, OF NEW YORK

ADAM M. LEVY, OF MASSACHUSETTS

ANGELO M. MAESTAS, OF WASHINGTON

MARK R. MALONEY, OF VIRGINIA

SHIVA A. MARVASTI, OF CONNECTICUT

AMY R. MONSARRAT, OF VIRGINIA

THERESA L. MUSACCHIO, OF ILLINOIS

DEBRA N. NEGRON, OF VIRGINIA

STEPHANIE K. PARENTI, OF FLORIDA

RACHAEL N. PARRISH, OF FLORIDA

SAPNA K. PATEL, OF TEXAS

SANDRA V. PIZARRO, OF IDAHO

AARON H. PRATT, OF MINNESOTA

ALEKSANDRA RISTOVIC, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

LAUREN B. ROBERTS, OF VIRGINIA

ERIN E. ROBINSON, OF COLORADO

ALEKSEY SANCHEZ, OF FLORIDA

TABITHA J. SNOWBARGER, OF TENNESSEE

RAEJEAN K. STOKES, OF CONNECTICUT

KARLA R. THOMAS, OF WASHINGTON

EMILY J. TIETZE, OF TEXAS

PHILIP C. TISSUE, JR., OF PENNSYLVANIA

DANIEL C. TOWNE, OF CALIFORNIA

LAURA J. TRAVIS, OF VIRGINIA

SARAH M. VAN HORNE, OF CALIFORNIA

JOHN VOLKOFF, OF MARYLAND

LILA F. WADE, OF OREGON

PETER B. WINTER, OF NEW MEXICO

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

BRENDAN CARR, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2018, VICE THOMAS EDGAR WHEELER.

BRENDAN CARR, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS FROM JULY 1, 2018. (REAPPOINTMENT)

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON, OF TEXAS, TO BE UNITED STATES PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE ON THE COUNCIL OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION, WITH THE RANK AND STATUS OF AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY.