

in aggression and belligerence toward women.

Some have said that Judge Kavanaugh deserves the benefit of the doubt and that unless Dr. Ford's account can be proven, he should be confirmed, but that confuses the issue. No one is entitled to be on the Supreme Court. The burden should be on Judge Kavanaugh to show he is fit for the job.

Now the Republicans' hired gun prosecutor, whom they hid behind while Dr. Ford was questioned, has published a memo in which she concludes that she could not bring a case based on the evidence heard at the second hearing. Frankly, this conclusion is meaningless. I am sure that in her previous job as a specialist in sex crimes, she would never have proceeded to a trial before an investigation, and she would not have excluded key witnesses. There was no investigation. Key witnesses were not called. I hope this is not the way she would prepare a case.

I have said many times that Democrats didn't need to manufacture reasons to oppose Judge Kavanaugh's elevation to the Supreme Court. Based on his record, his opinions and dissents, his academic writings, and his speeches, I have concluded that he will not be a fair and objective Justice of the Supreme Court. His views on reproductive rights, Native rights, on legal protections for workers, consumers, and the environment, not to mention his very broad views of Presidential protections, are all of deep concern to me.

Now that we have heard Dr. Ford's account and have seen Judge Kavanaugh's angry and combative reaction, it is evident that he should not serve and should not be confirmed to the Supreme Court. We can do better, and the American people deserve better.

I yield the floor.

#### SPORTS MEDICINE LICENSURE CLARITY ACT OF 2017

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, as in legislative session, the Senate will resume consideration of the House message to accompany H.R. 302, which the clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

House message to accompany H.R. 302, a bill to provide protections for certain sports medicine professionals who provide certain medical services in a secondary State.

Pending:

McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill.

McConnell motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate to the bill, with McConnell amendment No. 4026 (to the motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate), to change the enactment date.

McConnell amendment No. 4027 (to amendment No. 4026), of a perfecting nature.

McConnell motion to refer the House message to accompany the bill to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation,

with instructions, McConnell amendment No. 4028, to change the enactment date.

McConnell amendment No. 4029 (the instructions (amendment No. 4028) of the motion to refer), of a perfecting nature.

McConnell amendment No. 4030 (to amendment No. 4029), of a perfecting nature.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Nevada.

#### LAS VEGAS MASS SHOOTING

Ms. CORTEZ MASTO. Mr. President, 1 year has passed since 58 lives were cut short at the Route 91 Harvest Music Festival. Those wounded and killed that night had come together to have fun, to relax, and to celebrate their love of country music with their friends and families in my hometown of Las Vegas. Instead of a celebration, terror rained down on them that night.

As Nevadans woke up to the news of what happened, many like me were shocked and heartbroken. We asked, how could this happen?

I will never forget going to the family reunification center, where families were looking for their loved ones or were waiting for calls from the coroner, and I will never forget the parents I spoke to moments before their learning that their daughter, Melissa, didn't make it.

In the weeks following the 1 October massacre, Las Vegas demonstrated that we are a tight-knit family who rallies together in times of need. We heard stories of incredible bravery at the scene of the attack—a husband who died to protect his wife on the night they were celebrating their 23rd wedding anniversary; a former marine who turned a truck into a makeshift ambulance and drove more than two dozen people to the hospital; a couple who provided CPR to victims as bullets rained down; a mother who went into mamma bear mode and used her body as a shield to protect her children; hundreds of concert-goers who risked their lives while carrying fellow concert-goers to safety.

All of our firefighters and police officers in Southern Nevada, including the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, the Clark County School District Police, the Las Vegas Fire Department, and the Clark County Fire Department, deserve our utmost thanks for their bravery on the night of the attack. They, along with American Medical Response, MedicWest Ambulance, Community Ambulance, the University Medical Center, Sunrise Hospital and Medical Center, the Valley Health System, Dignity Health, and all of the first responders in Southern Nevada, went above and beyond the call of duty.

On October 1, many of these brave men and women ran toward the bullets, putting their lives in grave danger because they knew it was the only way to save people in need. Nurses and doctors worked all through the night, not just on October 1 but for months afterward to care for the wounded.

Before dawn had even broken on October 2, people in Las Vegas, Reno, and

throughout the State had formed lines at blood banks. Many of the lines were so long they stretched out the door and around the block. The staff at United Blood Services worked tirelessly to process the donations and get the blood supply to our area hospitals.

In the weeks that followed, Las Vegas held candlelight vigils. They donated food, coffee, water, and blankets to help the survivors and the victims' families. They constructed beautiful memorials that still stand as a testament to those taken and to provide healing to every person impacted by events of that night.

The Red Cross and the Department of Veterans Affairs stepped in to bring mobile units to our hospitals.

The FBI and the Nevada Victims of Crime Program helped grieving families secure funds to cover funeral and travel costs.

Our military community stepped in to provide critical support as well. Airmen from Nellis Air Force Base were present at the concert on the night of the shooting and helped evacuate attendees. Nellis medical professionals treated victims and helped saved lives while the military spouse community collected basic necessities for the survivors and the victims' families.

Providers at the Las Vegas-based Behavioral Bilingual Services were instrumental in addressing immigration and language barriers for so many immigrant survivors.

The Clark County staff at the Vegas Strong Resiliency Center has been there for survivors every step of the way, advocating on their behalf and helping them find new jobs, getting them compensation for lost wages, and getting them the mental health care they need.

Airlines like Allegiant and Southwest and medical providers like Valley Health Systems, Medic West, and American Medical Response helped defray costs for the victims and their families.

St. Rose Dominican Hospitals said that they would not bill or require payment from any of the victims they treated, and United Health waived cost-sharing for victims so that they could get treatment for months after the tragedy with no out-of-pocket costs.

The generosity didn't end there. People from all over the world donated more than \$31 million to pay for basic necessities, medical bills, and funeral costs for the victims and their families.

One year has passed since the events of October 1, 2017. I know for many in our community of Las Vegas, and for the hundreds of survivors, it feels as though they have been forgotten, but please know—please know—the survivors and those who were taken will never be forgotten.

We will always hold the names and stories of everyone affected by this tragedy in our hearts and in our minds. In Las Vegas, we are still healing. We

are still grieving for the family members who are no longer with us—for sisters, brothers, mothers, fathers, cousins, nieces, nephews, aunts, and children we will never see again. We are still grieving for the survivors, whose lives will never be the same.

I don't believe perfect healing is possible, but I do believe we can learn to adjust to the searing pain of tragedy. We do it through remembrance.

Through remembrance, the people we love are never truly gone, as long as we are around to say their names or share a memory of them. Through remembrance, the people and families who are still healing from their wounds are shown the love and comfort of our community.

Today, in remembrance of that awful night 1 year ago, let's give thanks for the bravery and dedication of our first responders. Let's continue to do everything we can to support those who are still struggling to recover from the emotional and physical wounds they sustained on October 1.

Fifty-eight innocent lives ended on October 1, but thousands more were changed forever. We must keep the survivors in our minds and in our hearts as they heal from their injuries, both visible and invisible, and get back on their feet.

The Davis family lost their daughter Neysa on the night of the shooting. Neysa's dream was that her three sons would graduate from college. They decided that the best way to heal their family and their community was to start an organization dedicated to fulfilling Neysa's dream. I thank the Davis family for their resilience and their generosity.

We must follow the Davis family's example and continue to come together as a community. We must come together, not just in Las Vegas but all throughout Nevada to bring healing, peace, and hope to everyone who was affected.

Tonight, at 6:30 p.m., the city of Las Vegas will host a ceremony at the Las Vegas Community Healing Garden to dedicate a new remembrance wall. I encourage everyone back home to try to attend this event or simply take a moment to pause and reflect in honor of the victims and their families.

In a few moments, I will read the names of everyone who was killed so that their names will be reserved in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD.

May God bless the city of Las Vegas, the State of Nevada, and everyone affected by this tragedy.

Today, we remember Austin Cooper Meyer, 24 years of age from Sparks, NV; Brennan Lee Stewart, 30, North Las Vegas, NV; Cameron Lee Robinson, 28, Las Vegas, NV; Charleston Hartfield, Henderson, NV, 34 years of age; Eric Steven Silva, 21 years old, Las Vegas, NV; Laura Anne Shipp, 50, Las Vegas, NV; Neysa Christine Tonks, 46, Las Vegas, NV; Quinton Joe Robbins, 20, Henderson, NV; Adrian Allan Murfitt, 35, Anchorage, AK; Dorene An-

derson, 49, Anchorage, AK; Brett Erin Schwanbeck, 61, Bullhead City, AZ; Andrea Lee Anna Castilla, 28, Santa Ana, CA; Angela Christine Gomez, 20, Riverside, CA; Austin William Davis, 29, Riverside, CA; Bailey Dee Schweitzer, 20, Bakersfield, CA; Brian Scott Fraser, 39, La Palma, CA; Candice Ryan Bowers, 40, Garden Grove, CA; Carrie Rae Barnette, 34, Riverside, CA; Christiana Mae Duarte, 22, Redondo Beach, CA; Christopher Hazencomb, 44, Camarillo, CA; Christopher Louis Roybal, 28, Corona, CA; Dana Leann Gardner, 52, Grand Terrace, CA; Denise Marie Cohen, 58, Carpinteria, CA; Derrick Dean Taylor, 56, Bonita, CA; Hannah Ahlers, 34, Beaumont, CA; Jack Reginald Beaton, 54, Bakersfield, CA; Jennifer Marie Parks, 35, Lancaster, CA; Jennifer Topaz Irvine, 42, San Diego, CA; John Joseph Phippen, 56, Santa Clarita, CA; Jordyn Nicole Rivera, 21, La Verne, CA; Kelsey Breanne Meadows, 28, Taft, CA; Keri Lynn Galvan, 31, Thousand Oaks, CA; Kurt Allen Von Tillow, 55, Cameron Park, CA; Lisa Marie Patterson, 46, Lomita, CA; Melissa Ramirez, 26, Littlerock, CA; Michelle Vo, 32, Marina del Rey, CA; Patricia Mestas, 67, Riverside, CA; Rachael Kathleen Parker, 33, Long Beach, CA; Rocio Guillen, 40, Corona, CA; Sandra Lee Casey, 35, Torrance, CA; Stacey Ann Etcheber, 50, Novato, CA; Susan Marie Smith, 53, Simi Valley, CA; Teresa Kimura, 38, Placentia, CA; Thomas Allen Day, Jr., 54, Corona, CA; Victor Lloyd Link, 55, Aliso Viejo, CA; Calla-Marie Medig, 28, Edmonton Alberta, Canada; Jessica Lynn Klymchuk, 34, Valleyview, Alberta, Canada; Jordan Alan McIlDoon, 23, Maple Ridge, British Columbia, Canada; Tara Ann Roe, 34, Okotuks, Alberta, Canada; Carly Anne Kreibbaum, 33, Sutherland, IA; Rhonda LeRocque, 42, Tewksbury, MA; Stephen Richard Berger, 44, Excelsior, MN; Lisa Romero-Muniz, 48, Gallup, NM; William Winfield Wolfe, Jr., 42, Newburg, PA; James Sonny Melton, 29, Big Sandy, TN; Heather Lorraine Alvarado, 35, Cedar City, UT; Carolyn Lee Parsons, 31, Seattle, WA; and Denise Brenna Burditt, 50, Martinsburg, WV.

To the hundreds injured that night, those still recovering from the scars, visible and invisible, we stand with you. We have not forgotten.

Thank you.

I yield the floor.

#### CLOTURE MOTION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Pursuant to rule XXII, the Chair lays before the Senate the pending cloture motion, which the clerk will state.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

#### CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the standing rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment to H.R. 302, an act to provide protections for certain sports medicine pro-

fessionals who provide certain medical services in a secondary State.

Mitch McConnell, Marco Rubio, Johnny Isakson, Orrin G. Hatch, Lamar Alexander, John Boozman, Jerry Moran, Mike Crapo, Thom Tillis, Roger F. Wicker, Todd Young, John Thune, Tim Scott, Deb Fischer, John Barrasso, Roy Blunt, Cory Gardner.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. By unanimous consent, the mandatory quorum call has been waived.

The question is, Is it the sense of the Senate that debate on the motion to concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment to H.R. 302, an act to provide protections for certain sports medicine professionals who provide certain medical services in a secondary State, and for other purposes, shall be brought to a close?

The yeas and nays are mandatory under the rule.

The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. CORNYN. The following Senators are necessarily absent: the Senator from Arizona (Mr. FLAKE) and the Senator from Nevada (Mr. HELLER).

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) is necessarily absent.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. LANKFORD). Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 90, nays 7, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 219 Leg.]

#### YEAS—90

Alexander	Fischer	Murphy
Baldwin	Gardner	Murray
Bennet	Gillibrand	Perdue
Blumenthal	Graham	Peters
Blunt	Grassley	Portman
Booker	Harris	Reed
Boozman	Hassan	Risch
Brown	Hatch	Roberts
Burr	Heinrich	Rounds
Cantwell	Heitkamp	Rubio
Capito	Hirono	Sanders
Cardin	Hoeven	Sasse
Carper	Hyde-Smith	Schatz
Casey	Inhofe	Schumer
Cassidy	Isakson	Scott
Collins	Johnson	Shaheen
Coons	Jones	Shelby
Corker	Kaine	Smith
Cornyn	Kennedy	Stabenow
Cortez Masto	King	Sullivan
Cotton	Klobuchar	Tester
Crapo	Kyl	Thune
Cruz	Lankford	Tillis
Daines	Leahy	Udall
Donnelly	Manchin	Van Hollen
Duckworth	McCaskill	Warner
Durbin	McConnell	Warren
Enzi	Menendez	Whitehouse
Ernst	Moran	Wicker
Feinstein	Murkowski	Young

#### NAYS—7

Barrasso	Merkley	Wyden
Lee	Paul	
Markey	Toomey	

#### NOT VOTING—3

Flake	Heller	Nelson
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The PRESIDING OFFICER. On this vote, the yeas are 90, the nays are 7. Three-fifths of the Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, the motion is agreed to.

Cloture having been invoked, the motion to refer and the pending amendments thereto fall.

The Senator from Ohio.