As the city of Highland Park celebrates its 100th anniversary, I am honored to ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing its residents, businesses, and elected officials who continue grassroots efforts toward revitalizing a community which has such significance to Michigan history as well as to the Nation. I wish the city of Highland Park continued growth and prosperity in the years ahead.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The President pro tempore (Mr. HATCH) announced that on today, December 5, 2018, he had signed the following enrolled bill, which was previously signed by the Speaker of the House:

H.R. 1207. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 306 River Street in Tilden, Texas, as the "Tilden Veterans Post Office".

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-7333. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition and Sustainment), transmitting, pursuant to law, the quarterly exception Selected Acquisition Reports (SARs) as of September 30, 2018 (OSS-2018-1371); to the Committees on Armed Services; and Appropriations.

EC-7334. A communication from the Acting Principal Director, Defense Pricing and Contracting, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Sunset of Provision Relating to the Procurment of Certain Goods" ((RIN0750-AJ71) (DFARS Case 2018-D007)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2018; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7335. A communication from the Acting Principal Director, Defense Pricing and Contracting, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of DFARS Clause 'Surge Option'" ((RIN0750-AJ87) (DFARS Case 2018-D025)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2018; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7336. A communication from the Acting Principal Director, Defense Pricing and Contracting, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Documentation for Interagency Contracts" ((RIN0750-AK27) (DFARS Case 2018-D073)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2018; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-7337. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2018 Required Amendments List for Qualifed Retirement

Plans" (Notice 2018–91) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 28, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7338. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Tick-Borne Disease Working Group 2018 Report to Congress"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7339. A communication from the Chairman of the United States International Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Agency Financial Report for fiscal year 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7340. A communication from the Acting Commissioner of the Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018 and the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7341. A joint communication from the Chairman and the General Counsel, National Labor Relations Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General Semiannual Report for the period of April 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7342. A communication from the Administrator of the General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7343. A communication from the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7344. A communication from the Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's Performance and Accountability report for fiscal year 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7345. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Competition and Infrastructure, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Hearing Aid-compatable Mobile Handsets" ((WT Docket No. 17-228) (FCC 18-167)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-7346. A communication from the Board Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2017 annual report on the Farm Credit System; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7347. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Oxytetracycline; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9986-87) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 30, 2018; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-7348. A communication from the Chairman, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Strategic Plan for fiscal years 2018-2022; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7349. A communication from the General Counsel of the Federal Housing Finance Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Miscellaneous Federal Home Loan Bank Operations and Authorities—Financing Corporation Assessments Final Rule" (RIN2590-AA99) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 3, 2018; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7350. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule - Transferred OTS Regulations Regarding Fiduciary Powers of State Savings Associations and Consent Requirements for the Exercise of Trust Powers" (RIN3064-AE23) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 3, 2018; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7351. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule - Rules of Practice and Procedure (2019 and Future Adjustments to Civil Money Penalties)" (RIN3064-AE75) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 3, 2018; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-7352. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances; Withdrawal" (FRL No. 9986-74) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 3, 2018; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-7353. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2018 National Pool" (Rev. Proc. 2018-55) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7354. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Notice: Tier 2 Tax Rates for 2019" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7355. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safe Harbor for Certain Infrastructure Trades or Businesses under Section 163(j)" (Rev. Proc. 2018-59) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7356. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interim Guidance and Request for Comments on Income Tax Withholding from Wages and from Retirement and Annuity Distributions" (Notice 2018-92) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2018; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-7357. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program for 2018; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-7358. A communication from the Chief of Negotiations and Restructuring, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notification that the Corporation has issued an order partitioning the Teamsters Local 805 Pension and Retirement Plan pursuant to section 4233 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended; to the Committees on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; and Finance.

EC-7359. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Health Resources and Services Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "340B Drug Pricing Program Ceiling Price and Manufacturer Civil Monetary Penalties Regulation; Effective Date Change" (RIN0906-AB19) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 29, 2018; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7360. A communication from the Correspondence and Regulations Specialist, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Elimination of Internal Agency Process for Implementation of the Federally-Facilitated User Fee Adjustment" ((RIN0938-AT93) (CMS-9917-F)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 3, 2018; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-7361. A communication from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Veterans Affairs' Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7362. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7363. A communication from the Administrator of the Small Business Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report from the Office of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7364. A communication from the Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Inspector General and a Management Report for the period from April 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7365. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller), transmitting, pursuant to law, the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the Department of Defense Agency Financial Report for fiscal year 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7366. A communication from the Acting Chief Financial Officer, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Agency Financial Report for fiscal year 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7367. A communication from the President and CEO, Inter-American Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Foundation's Annual Management Report for fiscal year 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7368. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the Department's Agency Financial Report for fiscal year 2018; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7369. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's fiscal year 2018 Annual Financial Report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-7370. A communication from the Solicitor General, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, an opinion of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida (United States v. Pryor); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-7371. A communication from the Federal Liaison Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "International Trademark Classification Changes" (RIN0651-AD32) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 3, 2018; to the Committee on the Judiciary. EC-7372. A communication from the Regu-

EC-7372. A communication from the Regulation Policy Development Coordinator, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Per Diem Paid to States for Care of Eligible Veterans in State Homes" (RIN2900-AO88) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 3, 2018; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-7373. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Taking and Importing Marine Mammals; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to the U.S. Navy Training and Testing Activities in the Atlantic Fleet Training and Testing Study Area" (RIN0648-BH06) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 3, 2018; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-309. A resolution adopted by the Senate of the State of New Jersey urging the United States Congress and the President of the United States to take certain actions to ensure that a woman can freely make reproductive health decisions and access reproductive health care, including abortion; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 96

Whereas, Reproductive health is a critical component of a woman's overall health, and a woman's freedom to make reproductive decisions is vital to her safety, well-being, economic opportunity, and ability to participate equally in society; and

Whereas, Abortion is a part of women's health care; and

Whereas, In 1973, the Supreme Court of the United States determined, in the landmark case of *Roe* v. *Wade*, 410 *U.S.* 113 (1973), that a woman's decision to have an abortion is protected by the U.S. Constitution; and

Whereas, In 1992, and again in 2016, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the right of women to access an abortion without undue burden; and

Whereas, More than 70 percent of Americans, including a majority of individuals from all major political parties, support access to abortion; and

Whereas, When it comes to the most important personal decisions in life, such as whether and when to become a parent, it is vital that a woman be able to make that decision for herself, based on what is best for her and her family, and it is further essential that the woman be provided with equal access to abortion and other reproductive health care, regardless of where she lives, how much money she makes, or her insurance or immigration status; and

Whereas, Judge Brett Kavanaugh, who has recently been nominated for a post on the U.S. Supreme Court, has a history of ruling to impose and uphold limits on a woman's ability to access safe and legal abortion, and his potential appointment to the Supreme Court therefore poses a serious threat to women's reproductive rights; and

Whereas, The protections affirmed by the Supreme Court in the landmark *Roe* v. *Wade* case, and in subsequent cases, are now at risk, and the future of access to safe and legal reproductive health care, including abortion, is on the line; and

Whereas, As a state, New Jersey has made great strides in supporting women's health care by restoring funding for family planning services, and ensuring Medicaid coverage for reproductive health care, including abortion; and

Whereas, New Jersey supports women's rights and women's health by facilitating full access to all reproductive health care, including abortion, and the State is opposed to federal measures or initiatives that will reduce women's rights or endanger women's health, in this regard, including the imposition of restrictions on insurance coverage for abortion, and the appointment of judges who are likely to impose limits on women's rights and their access to reproductive health care: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of New Jersey:

1. This House respectfully opposes efforts by the federal government to restrict or limit a woman's right and ability to access the full range of reproductive services, including abortion.

2. This House respectfully opposes any nominee to the United States Supreme Court who is not committed to upholding a woman's right to reproductive health care, including equitable access to abortion.

3. This House respectfully calls upon the Congress and President of the United States to reject or revoke the nomination of Judge Brett Kavanaugh and any other Supreme Court nominee who would move to limit the rights of women to access the full panoply of reproductive services, including abortion.

4. This House further urges the Congress and President of the United States to remove any existing restrictions on access to abortion, including restrictions on insurance coverage for women who are enrolled in public insurance programs.

5. Copies of this resolution, as filed with the Secretary of State, shall be transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the President and Vice President of the United States, the Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States Senate, the Speaker and Minority Leader of the United States House of Representatives, and every member of Congress elected from this State.

SENATE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 96

Replace preamble to read:

Whereas, Reproductive health is a critical component of a woman's overall health, and a woman's freedom to make reproductive decisions is vital to her safety, well-being, economic opportunity, and ability to participate equally in society; and