

Young of Stillwater Valley, Cody Hanson of Sweet Grass Hills, Lane Lerum of Sweet Grass Hills, Dylan Postma of Sweet Grass Hills, Raelynn Hagan of Three Forks, Enola McDonald of Three Forks, Ashley Rauser of Three Forks, Taylor Rochford of Three Forks, Ayden Anderson of Twin Bridges, Cole Escott of Twin Bridges, Aaron Grabil of Twin Bridges, Ashleigh Guinnane of Twin Bridges, Brooke Mehlhoff of Twin Bridges, Kenna Millhouse of Twin Bridges, Joseph Peterson of Twin Bridges, Wyatt Day of Victor, Teasha Johnson of Victor, Anna Slivka of Winifred.●

#### RECOGNIZING SUNSHINE PEANUT COMPANY

● Mr. RUBIO. Mr. President, as chairman of the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize a small business that exemplifies the unique American entrepreneurial spirit. It is my privilege to honor a Florida small business that has worked so diligently to expand opportunity within their community, proving that small businesses are the backbone of our economy and the heartbeat of Main Street. This week it is my privilege to honor Sunshine Peanut Company of Jacksonville, FL, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Founded in 2005, Sunshine Peanut Company is Florida's only peanut butter producer and processes more than 10 million pounds of peanut butter each year. Sunshine Peanut Company, owned by CEO Jeff Turbeville and his brother David, completes every phase of production, from roasting to packaging, entirely in house.

Focusing on competitive cost, high quality, and timely delivery and with the help of the Jacksonville Small Business Development Center, Sunshine Peanut Company has become a leader in the peanut processing industry. Through the utilization of their Small Business Administration HUBZone certification, Sunshine Peanut Company has been awarded contracts to sell their high-quality peanut butter to hospitals, schools, universities, and correctional facilities.

Sunshine Peanut Company's work with the Florida Department of Corrections goes far beyond just supplying peanut butter. Jeff employs a number of rehabilitated offenders, and David, a former police officer, understands firsthand the criminal justice system and the support that parolees need. Jeff takes his role as an employer and community sponsor seriously, and his dedication to provide dignified work to the members of his community that need it the most is an outstanding example of community support. Sunshine Peanut Company's efforts have resulted in reduced recidivism and increased opportunity within his community.

Jeff's efforts and Sunshine Peanut Company's success has not gone unnoticed. He was recently honored as the 2019 Florida Small business Person of

the Year by the Small Business Administration. This distinction is awarded to an entrepreneur who represents diversity, hard work, and perseverance. Jeff's commitment to both his company and his community have made him a clear choice for this award. He will be honored this year in Washington, DC, at the beginning of National Small Business Week.

Sunshine Peanut Company is a great example of how dignified work can lead to community engagement and business expansion, while changing lives for the better. I commend Jeff and the Sunshine Peanut Company on their dedication to their community and am honored to name them as the Senate Small Business of the Week. I wish them good luck and look forward to watching their continued growth and success.●

#### RECOGNIZING TREASURE COUNTY

● Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize one of Montana's smallest but greatest counties.

Treasure County in southcentral Montana celebrates its 100th anniversary this year. "Montana's Hidden Treasure," Treasure County is bordered by the Yellowstone River and contains rolling hills, pastures, and sugar beet farms.

It is also home to some of Montana's most unique buildings, including the Yucca Theatre in Hysham, a 1931 Spanish Mission-style beauty that David and Jim Manning built to give residents hope during the Great Depression.

The folks in Treasure County are used to fighting for recognition. At the time of its inception, neighboring counties thought the citizens were trying to syphon tax revenue from larger counties surrounding it.

But the residents of Treasure County were adamant their county be recognized, and in 1919, Hysham was named the county seat.

Since, Treasure County has been home to thousands of farmers, ranchers, Montana's longest serving legislator, and even NASA astronaut Frank Borman, as well as the deer, antelope, pheasants, geese, turkeys, grouse, sage hens, and ducks that have called this area home for millennia and that add to the natural splendor of this beautiful place.

I wish to honor Treasure County and all its people, to congratulate them on 100 great years. I know the next 100 will be even better.●

#### TRIBUTE TO ANDY SILINS

● Ms. WARREN. Mr. President, I would like to offer my congratulations to Mr. Andy Silins as he retires from the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, where he has served as the general secretary treasurer since 2000. He began his distinguished career in the U.S. Marine Corps and served honorably during the

Vietnam war. He furthered his commitment to service through his decades of work in the labor movement, fighting to ensure all of our workers get a fair shot at economic opportunity and respect, dignity, and a voice on the job. He joined the Carpenters Union Local 67 in 1968, and in 1979, the Boston District Council of Carpenters elected him as the general agent and executive secretary. He was elected the council's president in 1989 before moving on to work with the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America. His dedication to the labor movement helped the Carpenters secure good jobs, fair wages, and strong safety standards for its members. In addition to his labor efforts, he was one of the founders of First Trade Union Savings Bank and also served as a board member of the Massachusetts Housing Authority. I once again offer my gratitude to Andy Silins for his lifelong commitment to America's working families, for all he has done for workers across the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for his tireless fight to strengthen our labor unions. I congratulate him on his retirement and wish him the best of luck in the next chapter.●

#### 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

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

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

#### PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

NOTICE OF THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO SOUTH SUDAN THAT WAS DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 13664 OF APRIL 3, 2014—PM 8

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report, which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

*To the Congress of the United States:*

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within 90 days before the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the

emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13664 of April 3, 2014, with respect to South Sudan, is to continue in effect beyond April 3, 2019.

The situation in and in relation to South Sudan, which has been marked by activities that threaten the peace, security, or stability of South Sudan and the surrounding region, including widespread violence and atrocities, human rights abuses, recruitment and use of child soldiers, attacks on peacekeepers, and obstruction of humanitarian operations, continues to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. For this reason, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13664 with respect to South Sudan.

DONALD J. TRUMP.  
THE WHITE HOUSE, April 1, 2019.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

##### ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2019, the Secretary of the Senate, on March 29, 2019, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker had signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 863. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the grade and pay of podiatrists of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

##### ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The President pro tempore (Mr. GRASSLEY) announced that on today, April 1, 2019, he has signed the following enrolled bill, which was previously signed by the Speaker of the House:

S. 863. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the grade and pay of podiatrists of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

#### ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, April 1, 2019, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 863. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the grade and pay of podiatrists of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

#### 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-809. A communication from the Acting Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of General Curtis M. Scaparrotti, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-810. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Disclosure of Financial and Other Information by FDIC-Insured State Nonmember Banks" (RIN3064-AE65) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2019; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-811. A communication from the Director of Legislative Affairs, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Loans in Areas Having Special Flood Hazards" (RIN3064-AE50) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2019; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-812. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Loans in Areas Having Special Flood Hazards" (RIN3133-AE64) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2019; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-813. A communication from the Board of Trustees, National Railroad Retirement Investment Trust, transmitting, pursuant to law, the annual management report relative to its operations and financial condition for fiscal year 2018; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-814. A communication from the Acting Commissioner, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's fiscal year 2018 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-815. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; Potomac River, Montgomery County, MD" ((RIN1625-AA87) (Docket No. USCG-2017-0448)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-816. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Delaware River, Philadelphia, PA" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2019-0122)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-817. A communication from the Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Delaware River, Philadelphia, PA" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2019-0109)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 27, 2019; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:

Special Report entitled "History, Jurisdiction, and a Summary of Activities of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources During the 115th Congress" (Rept. No. 116-25).

By Mr. ALEXANDER, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:

Special Report entitled "Report on Legislative Activities of the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions" (Rept. No. 116-26).

By Mr. ENZI, from the Committee on the Budget, without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 12. An original concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2020 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2021 through 2024.

By Mr. RUBIO, from the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, without amendment:

S. 771. A bill to amend section 21 of the Small Business Act to require cyber certification for small business development center counselors, and for other purposes.

By Mr. RUBIO, from the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 772. A bill to require an annual report on the cybersecurity of the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. ROBERTS for the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

\*Heath P. Tarbert, of Maryland, to be Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

\*Heath P. Tarbert, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring April 13, 2024.

\*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself, Mr. TESTER, Mr. KING, and Ms. HARRIS):

S. 961. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand eligibility for the refundable credit for coverage under a qualified health plan; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANDERS (for himself, Ms. HARRIS, Ms. WARREN, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 962. A bill to provide funding for Federally qualified health centers and the National Health Service Corps; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself, Mr. TILLIS, and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 963. A bill to amend the Trademark Act of 1946 to provide for the registration of marks consisting of the flag, coat of arms, or other official insignia of the United States, any State or municipality, or any foreign nation; to the Committee on the Judiciary.