

I am proud of the fact that we did pass, in the Defense Authorization bill, an amendment 96 to 4 to begin the effort to reduce the vulnerability in our supply chain. That is an example of the kind of thing that I think we need to do more of and which I am proud to be a part of.

Well, I know Republicans have a long list of priorities, just as our Democratic colleagues do, but we still have a couple of months before the end of this Congress, and we need to find a way to work together in the best interest of the American people. The lights don't go out on the 116th Congress until January 3, which means we still have some time.

I believe that over the last 2 years—notwithstanding what you hear in the media, which tends to focus on those narrow areas where we disagree the most and does not focus on the areas where we worked cooperatively together because they, by definition, don't make news—we have actually accomplished a lot for the country, and I will have more to say about that in the coming days.

For now, I want to talk about the biggest remaining item on our to-do list and, that is an additional coronavirus relief package.

Texas has just hit the unenviable milestone of 1 million confirmed COVID-19 tests. More than 19,000 Texans have lost their lives due to this virus, and our healthcare providers in some parts of the State are still struggling to keep up with the cases that end up going into the hospital. As we head into the winter months, experts are telling us that things will get worse before they get better. It is part of the seasonal impact of a virus like this.

While we will continue to do our duty as individuals—wash our hands, mask when we can't socially distance, and the things we have learned to do, such as to stay home if you are sick—it is clear we are not through with this virus yet, even though we were delighted to hear some of the prospects for a vaccine in the not-too-distant future.

In the meantime, we still need to make sure that the assistance that we started in the first four bipartisan bills we passed, that we continue that assistance both on the healthcare front and on the economic front until we fully recover.

The researchers and scientists who have been developing a vaccine over the last months have been making tremendous progress, and we need to invest in their continued success. Once the vaccine is actually approved as safe and effective by the FDA, the logistics of getting it distributed across the country, prioritizing, I hope, the most vulnerable Americans—those in nursing homes and assisted living facilities and those with underlying chronic illnesses—that is an enormous logistical challenge, and it is going to cost money.

At the same time, we need to make sure that our economic recovery continues and that means we need to continue to safely reopen our economy, just as our school children and our college students have transitioned from a virtual educational experience back into the classroom slowly but surely.

The unemployment rate in October dipped at 6.9 percent. Now, that is still a far cry from the 3.5 percent unemployment we had before the virus hit, but it is the lowest we have seen since the pandemic began, and we need to make sure we don't backslide into the double digits.

Well, we know with the pendency of the election, after we passed the CARES Act in late March, we tried, I think it was, four times to pass a more targeted bill. We spent roughly \$3.8 trillion in the first four pieces of legislation, and many of us—me included—felt like we needed to do more but on a targeted basis. The Speaker said, well, \$3 trillion was her pricetag. We offered a half a trillion dollars in additional targeted relief, to which she replied, “Nothing is better than something,” which made me do a double take. I always thought that something was better than nothing, not “nothing was better than something.”

Regardless of that, now that the election, by and large—at least, certainly, for Congress—is behind us, we need to address those people who still need help. I hope our Democratic colleagues will join us and not force the country to wait 2 more months. There is too much on the line.

So I want to conclude by thanking the people of my State for the opportunity to continue to fight for them here in the U.S. Senate, and now I am happy to get back to work with all of my colleagues to deal with this unfinished business.

I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. COONS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

REMEMBERING MARY “ELAINE” MANLOVE AND LAMBERT “WAYNE” MANLOVE, EDWARD MICHAEL RUSH, JR., PASTOR LOTTIE MAE LEE-DAVIS, AND GLORIA IGNUDO CORROZI

Mr. COONS. Mr. President, 2020 has been a difficult year for so many. We have lost far too many mothers and fathers, sons and daughters, sisters and brothers, neighbors and friends.

My own heart and the hearts of many in Delaware grew heavier this week as we said goodbye in Delaware to a whole series of friends, folks who had long been champions of our community, folks who were exactly the sort of peo-

ple who helped build and sustain community.

I am grateful for the privilege of the floor to speak for a few minutes about the legacy of these lions of Delaware, these folks who were giants of service and who gave their hearts to us.

On Monday, we said goodbye to Elaine and Wayne Manlove, who were loved by so many, and I rise first to pay tribute to them—some of the most special people I have ever known.

They were killed in a tragic accident literally the day before last Tuesday's election. On that day, we lost two of Delaware's greatest diamonds, Mary “Elaine” Manlove and Lambert “Wayne” Manlove from Hockessin and Ocean View. It was always striking they went not by their first names but by their middle names. They were known as Elaine and Wayne Manlove. These are proud patriots, people dedicated to our State and community who spent decades giving to others.

Elaine I knew best in her role as State elections commissioner and as someone who fought hard here for funding for election security and election systems. The very last time I saw her, she was proudly showing off the brandnew statewide election system in Delaware. She didn't, tragically, get to see the fruits of her labor—the deployment of these new, state-of-the-art digital voting machines. Her many professional achievements in that role: increasing our voter rolls, modernizing machines, bringing elections to the classrooms, carrying off just this last Tuesday a near flawless statewide election. While impressive, it was just a very small part of who Elaine was.

Deeply proud of her Irish heritage, known for her kindness and her generosity, her Irish Catholic faith that she and Wayne shared was a foundation for them and for their family and their lives.

St. Patrick's Day in Wilmington was often the highlight. Elaine was one of the folks who helped organize the annual St. Patrick's Day mass and breakfast—a breakfast that raised money for the St. Patrick Center that serves some of the neediest and most marginalized in Wilmington but a breakfast that was a celebration of the intersection of faith, politics, service, hope, and community.

My own wife Annie worked with Elaine for years in New Castle County government long before her time as the State elections commissioner, and they remained close for years afterward. Annie knew her as the best mom and grandmother and friend to so many people.

Margaret Aitkin, one of Elaine's closest friends, who also served with her and my wife in county government, said:

Elaine never sought the spotlight, and she never tried to be the center of attention—she was like a warm fire that you just gravitated towards. She wasn't the life of the party; she was the reason for the party.

Elaine had a special and giving spirit that had a lasting and transformative

difference on thousands of Delawareans, from Kirkwood Soccer, to the county, to her work for elections, to her deep commitment to her faith, her family, and her community.

Wayne, her husband of 51 years, was a union electrician, a proud member of IBEW Local 313 for 53 years. Wayne loved hosting neighborhood dinners, annual crab feasts, watching his beloved Eagles with family and friends, and confounding his son because he could never get his players straight. He loved sharing the Eagles with all three of his sons.

For Wayne and Elaine, their sons, Matthew, Joe, and Michael, were the beginning, middle, and end. The Sun rose and set on their boys. They took huge delight in sharing stories about them with everyone who would sit still and listen. They did everything it took to put them through college and through parochial education. They sacrificed hugely for their children, and it made a lasting difference in their lives.

Once Elaine and Wayne were your friends, they were always your friends. They brought together people from grade school, high school, from work, and from all different walks of life. They were strongly rooted in and connected to St. Elizabeth's parish, where Elaine was baptized, where they were married, and where they just last year renewed their vows for their 50th wedding anniversary. On Monday, hundreds of us gathered to wish them farewell.

So my condolences, my deep and heartfelt condolences go out to Matthew and Meghan, to Joe, to Michael and Mary, to Elaine's brother Grant and wife Ruth, and their four grandchildren who gave them such joy: Catherine, Elizabeth, Margaret, and Finn.

I am turning now to consider another Delawarean and friend, someone I knew for decades who exemplified character, bravery, and integrity. Mike Rush—Edward Michael Rush, Jr., who passed away late last month in Bear, was someone who always rose to the tasks and challenges at hand—a Marine Corps veteran, a small business owner, a firefighter, a member of the American Legion, a stalwart of his parish, and a great friend.

He was a proud graduate of Salesianum High School and Goldey-Beacom College and a proprietor and leader of a family-owned business, Rush Uniform. He started working there in 1963, and he helped build and lead his family-owned business for decades.

I first really got to know Mike through the Better Business Bureau, where he and his family sponsored an award for ethical behavior by a family-owned business. He sponsored the Edward M. Rush, Sr. Memorial Award.

Mike was also someone whose whole heart was in the fire service. The volunteer fire service in Delaware is one of the backbones of communities up and down our State, and he was a life member of two volunteer fire compa-

nies. He was 50 years with Wilmington Manor, 33 years with Christiana, president of the New Castle County Volunteer Fire Chiefs Association, president of the Delaware Valley Fire Chief's Association, and then, ultimately, while I was county executive, president of the Delaware State Fire Chiefs Association.

Mike was also someone who did the hard work of being a fire school instructor for our State for 30 years. Mike did so much for so many others through his parish, through his fire company, through his training service, and through his service to our Nation in the military. He has earned accolades for his decades of bravery and his commitment to our community.

But more than anything, because I was not able to make it to his service, I wanted to share my condolences and the gratitude of our State and Nation for Mike's wife of 45 years, Winnie; his sisters Barbara and Catherine; his children Megan and Barbara; and his beloved grandson Seamus.

Let me now turn to another anchor of another community in our State and offer greetings and condolences to the family and the beloved of Pastor Lottie Lee-Davis. She was an ordained minister from the east side of Wilmington and a hallmark of resiliency and faith. She was a preacher's daughter, a voice for the voiceless, and a beacon of hope for many.

A friend, Alethea Smith-Tucker, told our Delaware News Journal that it was unending how many people Pastor Davis had touched and encouraged without judgment and without regard. She was the devoted pastor at Be Ready Jesus is Coming Church. She answered the call to serve beyond the confines of the pulpit. She provided housing for single mothers and their children. She led efforts to renovate parks for the community, and she recently garnered funding to build a mixed-use property just a block from her church to provide housing for those in need.

Sadly, that which she launched, she will not get to see come to fruition in this life, but I am confident that Pastor Davis will continue to inspire and engage and move the community of Wilmington, the congregation she helped lead, and the families who will benefit for years to come from her vision and her leadership of this project she just launched. Her legacy will continue to live through her work.

I wanted to give my condolences to her husband Flalandas; to her daughter Amira; and to members of the congregation, family, and friends.

Last, but certainly not least, this past week we lost someone beloved to me and to so many in the Hockessin community, Gloria Ignudo Corrozi. Gloria was a mainstay of one of the landmark couples of our State for decades.

Gloria spent 30 years working at DuPont, and like so many of her generation who had a successful career at Du-

Pont, she also was engaged in lots and lots of other community activities, engagements, and services. She spent a lot of her life also helping the Delaware Chapter of the American Diabetes Association. She served as cochair and raised tens of thousands of dollars year after year after year for this important cause.

But, frankly, her great joy was her family. Her beloved husband of 55 years, Philip Corrozi, was someone who was an incredible mentor and friend to me at work, at home, and in public service. Phil was an elected Republican, chairman of the Budget Committee, leader in our State general assembly, and someone who, with Gloria's tireless affection and support, crafted lasting solutions for our State.

Gloria was a blessing to an incredible network of friends and family, nieces and nephews, all of whom knew her as Aunt Gloria. I had the opportunity to get to know her best in the decade I spent working with Phil at a global manufacturing firm in Delaware. But Phil Corrozi, frankly, was someone who, when he gave his heart to a cause, Gloria was right alongside him and often pushing him. For a woman who never had children of her own, Gloria had so many people who knew her and thought of her as a second mother.

My heart goes out to Gloria's family and friends who, today, gathered at St. Anthony of Padua Church in Wilmington to say their final goodbyes to this gracious, kind, funny, giving, loving, powerful woman, whose witness was an important influence on my life, as well as so many others.

These are just some of the individuals our community has lost this year. Delaware is a State of neighbors, and we all feel these losses profoundly.

There was a strong, common thread amongst those I have just honored and those who have been a gift to our State. I want to return to a powerful message that Joe, Wayne and Elaine Manlove's son, gave in a eulogy just Monday at St. Elizabeth Church. It was funny; it was memorable; it was wide-ranging; it was personal; and it was touching. But at the conclusion, Joe said this. While today is sad and painful and so unexpected for all of us, I want to leave you with this thought: When you leave here today thinking of my parents and feeling the void in your life, do the following—join a civic committee, help organize your kids' Little League, volunteer for something you care about, help a neighbor with a home project, and when some email comes out saying "We need people to help," respond that you are in. Do all of it without a thought of compensation. Do it because it is the right thing to do. Do it because you want to improve the world around you. Do it because there is nothing more powerful than the heart of a volunteer.

That was them, Wayne and Elaine, but that was also Mike and Lottie and Gloria and so many other friends and neighbors who helped weave together

across different backgrounds, different political parties, and different places of origin and different communities—they weaved together a State of neighbors and left a lasting legacy. That legacy is that we love one another as we have been called to do. May we continue to be grateful for their legacies of service and live lives that would make them and their families proud.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. CASSIDY. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Ms. MCSALLY). Without objection, it is so ordered.

HONORING OFFICER MARSHALL WATERS

Mr. CASSIDY. Madam President, I am here today to pay tribute to three brave law enforcement officers in Louisiana who were recently shot in the line of duty, and, sadly, one died. I begin with the man who died.

While on duty, Mangham Police Officer Marshall Waters pulled over a stolen vehicle on October 17. He was shot by the person in the car, who fled the scene and eventually crashed the car. Officer Waters later died from that injury on November 5.

Mangham Police Chief Perry Fleming says that Officer Waters was born a servant. He was a paramedic and previously served as a firefighter in nearby Franklin Parish.

Officer Waters' death will be felt throughout Northeast Louisiana. Throughout his lifetime of service, he truly touched the hearts of many. His community honored him last night with a candlelight vigil. He will be laid to rest later this week.

TRIBUTE TO OFFICER TREVOR ABNEY

Mr. CASSIDY. Madam President, I would also like to recognize New Orleans Police Officer Trevor Abney, who was shot in the face and fortunately has survived.

Officer Abney and Officer Brooke Duncan were on patrol in New Orleans on October 30. Without warning and for no reason, somebody walked by and shot through the window, striking Officer Abney in the face. He was taken to the hospital. He is said to be in good spirits, but, let's face it, you get shot in the face, you have a road of recovery ahead of you. Officer Duncan received a graze wound during the encounter. Fortunately, both officers are expected to do well. Again, the motive for the attack remains unknown, and the suspects are in custody.

These attacks are tragic reminders of the danger that law enforcement officers face every day when they report for duty. They know it. They accept

the risk. Their family accepts the risk. Their children accept the risk. Their spouse accepts the risk. They accept this risk because it serves our greater good.

We owe a debt of gratitude to our law enforcement officers for their willingness to put their lives on the line—even sacrificing it, as Officer Waters did—to keep us safe.

I ask that all join in praying for Officer Waters' family as they grieve his loss, and I ask you to join me in prayer for Officer Abney's recovery. The road ahead will be difficult, but knowing that our country supports them during these partisan times can make the difference.

With that, I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I move to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 863.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The bill clerk read the nomination of Aileen Mercedes Cannon, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

CLOTURE MOTION

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I send a cloture motion to the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The bill 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 nomination of Aileen Mercedes Cannon, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

Mitch McConnell, James E. Risch, Joni Ernst, Marsha Blackburn, Mike Crapo, James Lankford, Thom Tillis, Roy Blunt, Roger F. Wicker, Pat Roberts, Mike Rounds, John Cornyn, John Hoeven, Jerry Moran, Lamar Alexander, Mike Braun, David Perdue.

Mr. McCONNELL. I ask unanimous consent that the mandatory quorum call be waived.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to legislative session to be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

TRIBUTE TO ANDREA GHEZ, AND WOMEN IN SCIENCE

Mr. DURBIN. Madam President, more, perhaps, than any event in our lifetimes, the COVID-19 pandemic has focused our minds on the life-and-death value of scientific research and discovery.

As the entire world waits anxiously for safe, effective, affordable vaccines and medical treatments that can protect us against this deadly virus, the recent announcements of the 2020 Nobel Prizes in science gives us reasons for hope.

While the new Nobel science laureates are not themselves involved in COVID-19 research, collectively, they have found answers to some of the most fundamental questions in science, they have made medical discoveries that have already saved millions of lives worldwide and may one day soon enable us to cure cancer and other deadly diseases.

There is another reason to be hopeful about the 2020 Nobel science laureates. For only the second time in history, women scientists received two of the three Nobel science prizes, for physics and for chemistry. And for the first time ever, two women won a Nobel science award for research they pioneered on their own, without the help of male colleagues. Their achievements underscore why we need to continue clearing hurdles for women and girls as they navigate careers in science, technology, engineering, and math. We can't afford to ignore the scientific potential of half of our society. We need all hands on deck.

Let me tell you about these new Nobel science laureates.

The 2020 Nobel Prize in Chemistry goes to Jennifer Doudna and Emmanuelle Charpentier for their work on CRISPR-Cas9, a revolutionary advancement in biomedical science that enables scientists to edit and change DNA with high precision.

Jennifer Doudna is an American biochemist at the University of California, Berkeley, and Emmanuelle Charpentier is a French microchemist and director of the Max Planck Institute for Infection Biology in Berlin. They are the sixth and seventh women in history to receive the chemistry prize and the first all-women team to receive a Nobel in any science.

In less than a decade since the pair wrote a paper demonstrating the power of CRISPR-Cas9, the technique has