

Fifth, and maybe most important and most difficult, we need to lead our European allies on fully sanctioning Russia's energy sector. Russia's war machine is funded primarily through energy sales, including natural gas and oil to Europe. Probably the best way to persuade those persuadable in Russia is to cut off those resources, as we are doing here in the United States. It is going to be a lot more difficult for our allies in Europe to do that because many are dependent on Russian energy. But there are many steps the United States and other allies, like Qatar, can take to expand energy production here at home and help our allies abroad. LNG export contracts need to be finalized now and the export and import terminals quickly expanded. And that can be done.

Further, the Treasury Department's announcement that sanctions against Russia's biggest banks, including VTB Bank, do not apply to energy transactions until June 24—June 24 may be too late. That is unacceptable. We need to change that Treasury Department approach to sanctions against those biggest banks and ensure that we are applying them to energy transactions as soon as possible.

I would advocate for a similar approach in how we designated Iranian entities in 2018 when we left JCPOA. We did not issue sanctions waivers to European companies that continued to do business with Iran's economy, and that forced those companies to leave Iran's market, even though European governments weren't particularly supportive of that. That is what happened.

Some countries in Europe have not done enough to diversify their energy future in light of this invasion, which they are now financing, again, through the purchase of Russian gas. It can't be business as usual. We need to figure out a way to stop that revenue.

By the way, there is a connection between the Iran deal and Ukraine. Under the new Iran deal, secondary sanctions will be lifted on the Central Bank of Iran and all other Iranian financial institutions, enabling transactions between Russia and Iran, to include the Central Bank of Russia, Sberbank, and others. In other words, the Iran nuclear deal guarantees that Russia can use a sanctions-free Iran as a sanctions-evasion oasis. This should not stand.

The administration needs to reverse course here. Sanctioning Russia because of the barbaric war in Ukraine and then giving them a pass when it comes to the Iran nuclear deal is contradictory to our foreign policy interests. At the very least, this proposed treaty needs to be submitted to Congress as is required by law so that we can analyze that issue and make a decision.

We need to do more, and we need to do it quickly. I have outlined some of the actions we can take, and we should act fast to let the people of Ukraine know we stand with them. The popular Ukrainian rallying cry “Slava

Ukraini,” when translated into English, is “Glory to Ukraine.” “Slava Ukrainskii,” to which the response is “Glory to the Heroes,” “Heroyam Slava.”

In the midst of this atrocity, there are so many heroes to glorify in Ukraine: the soldiers, professionals, and civilians, alike, doctors and nurses and firefighters and the volunteers who are providing food and water and blankets. We pray for them all. We pray for their families.

Godspeed to the people of Ukraine in their simple and profound quest, a battle for a free and independent Ukraine. We must show the world that America supports that simple quest, that we stand with Ukraine.

I yield the floor.

MORNING BUSINESS

REMEMBERING GARRY J. AUGUSTINE

Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, today I wish to honor the life and service of a decorated veteran, fierce advocate, and great man, Garry Augustine.

As the executive director of the Disabled American Veterans, DAV, from 2013 to 2018 and a 50-year life member, Garry helped shape the legislative landscape for disabled veterans and their families nationwide by advocating before Congress, the White House, and Department of Veterans Affairs.

While Garry is no longer with us, his legacy lives on. On behalf of myself, Congress and my fellow Americans, I would like to extend our deepest gratitude for his life and service to this Nation.

A native son of Cleveland, OH, Garry enlisted in the U.S. Army in August 1969. As a member of the 198th Infantry Brigade in South Vietnam, he served on the Batangan Peninsula. During a combat patrol operation on April 9, 1970, he was severely wounded by a land mine explosion.

After 18 months and multiple surgeries at Walter Reed Medical Army Hospital, Garry returned home to Cleveland, where he continued physical rehabilitation.

Following his time in uniform, Garry's commitment to serving others never faded. In 1978, Garry went on to earn a bachelor's degree with honors from Ohio University and a master's degree in sociology from Cleveland State University in 1983. That same year, he became a life member of DAV Chapter 42 in Mentor, OH.

In Mentor, he served in various positions, including chapter commander and adjutant, and on statewide committees, as well as director of service for the DAV Department of Ohio. He was also selected as one of the Outstanding Young Men of America in 1989.

Along the way, Garry met and married his loving wife Kelly Lambing and

raised two children, Chelsea and Kyle. He was rightfully proud of them, and spoke of them often.

He began his tenure with DAV in 1988 as a hospital service coordinator for the Department of Ohio at the Cleveland Wade Park VA Hospital. That same year, he joined DAV's professional staff as a national service officer apprentice and went on to serve as assistant supervisor and supervisor at the national service office in Cleveland.

Eventually, Garry left this role to help lead DAV's efforts nationwide. He was appointed to assistant national service director at DAV's Washington headquarters in 2002 and then deputy national service director in 2004 and national service director in 2010.

He was named as Washington headquarters executive director in 2013, where he was tasked with overseeing DAV's service and legislative programs and leading DAV's advocacy efforts on behalf of more than 1 million DAV members.

As executive director of DAV, Garry was in charge of an organization that has always been at the forefront of advocating for veterans and securing the resources, healthcare, and benefits veterans have earned. In the position, he was a tireless and successful advocate for VA healthcare reform, expanding caregiver benefits, securing critical resources for veterans' initiatives, modernizing the disability appeals system, and improving VA care and services for women veterans.

As the top Democrat on the Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee and Committee member since 2007, it was a great honor of mine to work with Garry and DAV on countless important pieces of legislation like the Deborah Sampson Act, the Veterans Appeals Improvement and Modernization Act, and the VA MISSION Act.

These bipartisan efforts, many of which were signed into law, serve as a testament to Garry's dedication and leadership on behalf of all veterans. Future generations of veterans will look at these bipartisan reforms and feel the reach of his mission to serve veterans in their communities.

Garry's enduring legacy lives on at DAV, which—thanks to his leadership—continues to be a cornerstone for communities across the Nation.

After three decades of service to DAV, Garry retired as executive director on December 17, 2018, and moved to Maryland's Eastern Shore. Even in his retirement, he continued to use his experience to serve as a strategic adviser on veterans' healthcare technology.

On March 14, 2022, Garry passed away in Washington, DC at the age of 71 years old. He is survived by his wife Kelly, daughter Chelsea, son Kyle, and grandson Austin, and will be laid to rest at Arlington National Cemetery.

It is my honor to recognize Garry's lifetime of service as a soldier, veteran, and leader of DAV—but also as a loving husband and father. On behalf of myself and a grateful nation, I extend my

greatest appreciation for Garry's enduring sacrifices, service, and advocacy on behalf of all veterans. His work will be felt by veterans nationwide for years to come, and he will be sorely missed.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

RECOGNIZING T. ROWE PRICE GLOBAL HEADQUARTERS

• Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate T. Rowe Price and its development team on moving forward on building its new global headquarters in my home State of Maryland. T. Rowe Price has offices in 16 countries, but continues its long-standing commitment to Maryland by building its new global headquarters, with its thousands of employees, in Baltimore—what a wonderful testament to Baltimore.

I am proud that T. Rowe Price has been a great partner in the areas of retirement security policy and innovation as I advance legislation to create a more robust retirement system for all Americans. This is no surprise given the founding mission of the company. In 1937, Thomas Rowe Price sought to create an organization “with a reputation for the highest character and soundest investment strategy.” In the 1950s, T. Rowe Price focused on growing their research in the area and greatly expanded their associate ranks in the 1960s. From the beginning, T. Rowe Price has been client-centered and collaborative in its research. T. Rowe Price grew from a five-person firm serving local clients to a 300-person firm serving clients nationwide. This is the type of entrepreneurship we strive to support and encourage at the Small Business Committee. In 1979, T. Rowe Price launched its international joint venture with Robert Fleming, which expanded T. Rowe Price into several locations around the world.

It is an honor that even through the phases of expansion, T. Rowe Price has maintained its long tenure in Maryland, starting with its headquarters in Baltimore at 10 Light Street in the 1930s and continuing its presence in Baltimore by investing in a new global headquarters at Harbor Point as part of the historic redevelopment of the area. In addition to the building’s contribution to developing a long unoccupied space in downtown Baltimore, the headquarters will be LEED-certified with high environmental standards, contributing to a sustainable Baltimore.

As T. Rowe Price continues to help clients reach long-term financial goals, including a stable and dignified retirement, it utilizes technological advancements to ensure the firm reaches as many people as possible. In 2017, T. Rowe Price celebrated its 80th anniversary of serving Marylanders and people across the globe. I have heard from countless Marylanders about the posi-

tive impact this company has had on their communities. Not only through their intentional presence in the State and their sound financial strategy, but also through their charitable giving and initiatives. John Brother, president of the T. Rowe Price Foundation and T. Rowe Price Program for Charitable Giving, stated that, “The communities we support all have great assets and needs. To ensure our resources are channeled to create the best possible outcomes, we consult with local leaders and community organizations to get an informed perspective. We emphasize three pillars—education and youth development, human services, and arts and culture.”

To that end, T. Rowe Price has provided charitable giving to a range of projects with a strong focus on financial literacy. T. Rowe Price has published its Parents, Kids, and Money Survey for more than 10 years in order to help families work together to improve their money management skills. The survey explores the basic financial knowledge, attitudes, and behavior of both parents and their children to promote better spending and saving habits. Maryland is grateful for the company’s continued commitment to investing in Baltimore and Marylanders alike.

I look forward to seeing T. Rowe Price’s continued impact in Maryland for decades to come, both in ensuring a strong retirement system and through ongoing and new projects that support Baltimore and Maryland communities. Congratulations to T. Rowe Price on moving forward on building its new global headquarters.●

RECOGNIZING JACOBSEN CONSTRUCTION

• Mr. ROMNEY. Mr. President, I rise today to congratulate the entire Jacobsen Construction team on celebrating their centennial of successful operations, an incredible milestone and culmination of their sustained hard work and ingenuity.

As an employee-owned enterprise, each and every member of the Jacobsen community should feel a sense of pride in Jacobsen’s legacy of building up communities here in Utah and around the world. Teamwork is the key ingredient of the company’s success.

Utah is one of the fastest growing States in the Nation, and Jacobsen has been consistently reliable in helping our State accommodate its growth and remain prepared for major projects and improvements. Jacobsen’s presence is felt throughout the State. Its logo displays prominently on a myriad of projects, evidence of the deep and far-reaching impact the company has on Utah’s economic strength.

From humble beginnings at the dawn of the 20th century, Jacobsen now holds its head high over our skylines and in our communities, providing us places of work, worship, health, and recreation. As the Jacobsen team re-

flects on its past century of prosperity, may they continue to build on their success for the next 100 years and many more.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Swann, 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 and three withdrawals which were referred to the appropriate committees.

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

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2021, the Secretary of the Senate, on March 17, 2022, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker had signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 3076. An act to provide stability to and enhance the services of the United States Postal Service, and for other purposes.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:05 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 963. An act to amend title 9 of the United States Code with respect to arbitration.

H.R. 2116. An act to prohibit discrimination based on an individual’s texture or style of hair.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The President pro tempore (Mr. LEAHY) announced that on today, March 21, 2022, he has signed the following enrolled bill, which was previously signed by the Speaker of the House:

H.R. 3076. An act to provide stability to and enhance the services of the United States Postal Service, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 963. An act to amend title 9 of the United States Code with respect to arbitration; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 2116. An act to prohibit discrimination based on an individual’s texture or style of hair; to the Committee on the Judiciary.