

and his parents, Richard and Wendy Smith. Their collective determination and commitment to fixing an unjust system to prevent future families of the fallen from having to experience the emotional pain and financial harm resulting from the denial of a line-of-duty death designation, played a pivotal role in the development and passage of the Public Safety Officer Support Act.

I commend Erin, Richard and Wendy Smith for honoring the service of their loved one and hope that Officer Smith's lasting legacy of spurring a long-needed change in the law provides them with comfort and confidence that his tragic loss was not in vain.

#### TRIBUTE TO NIELS HANSEN

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, today I rise in recognition of the leadership and accomplishments of Wyoming Rancher and Public Lands Council President Niels Hansen.

This is Niels' final year as a member of the Public Lands Council executive council. He will be honored on Friday, August 26 at their 2022 Annual Meeting Banquet hosted in Cody, WY. Niels has served on the PLC's executive council since 2016. He also served as Wyoming's delegate to the PLC's sage grouse task force. Niels is a consistent and strong voice for ranching and the western way of life. His work has had a tremendous impact on public land policy, both nationally and in Wyoming.

Niels is the third generation operator of PH Livestock. Located in the high desert near Rawlins, WY, the ranch's need for proper management and resource conservation is paramount. Niels' great uncles, Peter and Jim Hansen, came to Rawlins from Denmark in the early 1900s to start their own ranches. His father joined them in 1927 and later took over for Jim. Niels and his sister Anna, were the first born in the United States and continue the legacy of their family and their land.

As Niels describes, "We do not try to maximize anything, but we try to optimize everything. We work to operate in balance with nature by making any adjustments needed to keep the ranch producing a consistent, predictable manner while protecting the land where we live."

Niels built a reputation as someone who brings stakeholders together to find the best possible solutions. PH Livestock operates on the Bureau of Land Management checkerboard that is spread throughout southern Wyoming. He brought the agriculture industry, energy industry, and Federal and State agencies to the same table to address the challenges of maintaining and improving the land.

Niels has worked with the University of Wyoming and the BLM for over 20 years to monitor and collect data on his land. This data builds the foundation to develop the best practices for the rangeland. Niels constantly shares his dedication and knowledge to advo-

cate for sound policy. He served as chairman of the Wyoming State Grazing Board and president of the Wyoming Stock Growers Association. Niels has testified in front of congressional committees many times. He testified in 2018, during my time as chairman of the Environment and Public Works Committee. Niels promotes cooperation between Federal agencies and landowners. He gives a firsthand perspective of the effects of regulations on the people it impacts the most.

Niels' ability to build relationships and success in conservation was recognized in 2011 when he was inducted into the Wyoming Agriculture Hall of Fame. PH Livestock received the BLM Rangeland Management Stewardship award in 2000. In 2004, the ranch was a cowinner of the Wyoming Stock Growers Association Stewardship Award.

Niels understands the importance of family and tradition to a successful ranch. He has two children with his wife, Barbara. Their daughter Stephanie is married to Reese Irvine, and they have two sons, Eli and Caleb. Their son John and his wife Tawsha Lubbers have two sons, Niels Kai and Jep. Niels' sister, Anna Helms, is his business partner and helps manage the ranch with her two children, Travis and Heidi, along with Travis' son Dane. Niels instilled in his family a love of the land to ensure future generations will enjoy their ranch.

It is a great honor to recognize this exceptional member of our Wyoming community. As I mentioned upon his induction to the Wyoming Agriculture Hall of Fame, "Wyoming lands—both public and private—are better because of his service." My wife Bobbi joins me in extending our gratitude and well wishes to Niels Hansen on his future endeavors.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### TRIBUTE TO GREG TABOR

• Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize U.S. Marshal Greg Tabor whose dedication to law enforcement and community service will be deeply missed following his retirement.

Marshal Tabor's devotion to public safety is grounded in his years of serving and protecting the people of Arkansas.

Greg Tabor earned his police officer certificate from the Arkansas Law Enforcement Training Academy. He began his career as a firefighter and emergency medical technician in Eureka Springs. He worked for a local company before launching his law enforcement career with the Washington County Sheriff's Office. He joined the Fayetteville Police Department in 1985 and honorably served for 34 years, with 13 years as chief of police. In addition, he served as chairman of the board for the Fourth Judicial District Drug Task Force.

He continued his public service as chief of police at the Northwest Arkan-

sas National Airport. In 2020, I was honored to support his confirmation to serve as U.S. Marshal for the Western District of Arkansas.

Given his long and distinguished career in law enforcement, it is no surprise he excelled in the position.

As U.S. Marshal, Tabor helped direct law enforcement responses to local, regional, and Federal investigations and preserve public safety. His career prepared and served him well during his tenure leading the service's Western District of Arkansas branch and carrying on its storied legacy in The Natural State.

His dedication serves as an inspiration for all Arkansans. I applaud his leadership, perseverance and commitment to serving our State and upholding law and order. His guidance and experience have helped us build a better Arkansas.

We can be proud of Marshal Greg Tabor's lifelong service. He has embodied what it means to serve and protect and deserves our thanks for bettering communities in our State.

He is a true public servant whose impact will be felt for years to come. It has been an honor to work with him during his service, and I wish him all the best in his next endeavor. •

#### RECOGNIZING RUDY'S A COOK'S PARADISE

• Mr. RISCH. Mr. President, as a member and former chairman of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each month I recognize and celebrate the American entrepreneurial spirit by highlighting the success of a small business in my home State of Idaho. Today, I am pleased to honor Rudy's A Cook's Paradise as the Idaho Small Business of the Month for August 2022.

Constructed in 1904, the oldest continually operating retail store in Twin Falls first housed Price Hardware. Rudy Ashenbrener purchased the store after returning from his time as a fighter pilot instructor in World War II. It remained a hardware store until 2002, when Rudy's son Tom and his wife Megan took over the business, renamed it Rudy's A Cook's Paradise, and turned it into a world of gourmet cooking.

Today, Rudy's offers one of the largest selections of kitchen gadgets in the northwest, including cooking utensils and cookware, wine, beer, and more. The store features a test kitchen where they offer classes on food techniques, artisanal bread baking, and how to throw a dinner party. The 118-year-old building also boasts a vast collection of wine and beer in its lava rock cellar. Rudy's beloved staff goes beyond serving aspiring chefs, providing southern Idaho with opportunities to experience new products, tastes, and techniques. From its home on Main Avenue, Rudy's has found its way into the hearts of many Idahoans.

Congratulations to Tom and Megan Ashenbrener and all of the employees

at Rudy's A Cook's Paradise for being selected as the Idaho Small Business of the Month for August 2022. Thank you for serving Idaho as small business owners and entrepreneurs. You make our great State proud, and I look forward to your continued growth and success.●

#### TRIBUTE TO REBECA SOSA

● Mr. SCOTT of Florida. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the work of a wonderful Floridian, Miami-Dade County Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.

Born in Camaguey, Cuba, Commissioner Sosa and her family escaped the island following the Communist Revolution and fled to Puerto Rico, where she grew up. She received her bachelor's degree in secondary education from the University of Puerto Rico, before earning another degree in elementary education from Saint Thomas University in Miami Gardens. She has been an educator for more than 30 years and is currently a teacher-trainer for Miami-Dade County Public Schools.

Since 2001, Commissioner Sosa has also served on the Miami-Dade County Commission as the District Six commissioner. In 2012, she was elected by her colleagues as chairwoman of the county commission, where she served a 2-year term. Before her time on the county commission, she spent 7 years serving as the mayor of the city of West Miami.

Commissioner Sosa has spent her career working to improve the lives of Floridians living in the city of Miami, Coral Gables, West Miami, Hialeah, and Miami Springs. Having fled Cuba, she understands the value of freedom and has sought to create a community in Miami-Dade County that promotes opportunity and prosperity.

In her decades of public service, Commissioner Sosa has done immense good for the residents of Miami-Dade County.

As mayor of West Miami, she helped the city recover from a 52 percent budget deficit and secured more than \$5 million in grants for capital improvement projects and improvements to the city's drainage and park systems.

As a county commissioner, she supported transportation projects as she championed Port Miami, signed a sister port agreement with the Puerto Rico Ports Authority, and worked to increase the number of international flights out of Miami International Airport. Commissioner Sosa has also used her position to help improve care for Florida's seniors by creating the Elder Affairs Advisory Board and sponsoring legislation to form what would become the Elder Abuse Task Force. Additionally, her work to protect Florida's environment has been recognized by many, and her successful efforts to secure funding for community projects and parks has improved the lives of Floridians throughout Miami-Dade County.

What is more, as a member of the Cuban diaspora, Commissioner Sosa has used her position to fight for democracy and human rights in Cuba and to stand against the abuses of the illegitimate communist Cuban regime. Last year, she led the county commission to unanimously declare July 11, 2021, to be "Patria y Vida/SOS Cuba Day" in Miami-Dade County.

And all along the way, she has sought to improve the economic conditions of Miami, and to support small businesses owners and create jobs for Florida families.

I want to recognize Commissioner Sosa for all of her work to support Floridians living in Miami-Dade County and thank her for friendship and decades of public service. Miami-Dade County and the State of Florida are better off because of her service to the community and to the State, and Floridians wish her the best of luck as she leaves the county commission.●

#### 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

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.)

#### MEASURES DISCHARGED PETITION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, hereby direct that the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works be discharged from further consideration of S.J. Res. 55, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Council on Environmental Quality relating to "National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Regulations Revisions", and further, that the joint resolution be immediately placed upon the Legislative Calendar under General Orders.

Dan Sullivan, Mitch McConnell, Marsha Blackburn, Steve Daines, Ron Johnson, Roger Marshall, Marco Rubio, Bill Hagerty, Cynthia M. Lummis, Mike Crapo, Shelley Moore Capito, Joni Ernst, Roger F. Wicker, Chuck Grassley, John Thune, Rob Portman, Thom Tillis, Richard Burr, John Boozman, James Lankford, Todd Young, Mike Rounds, Cindy Hyde-Smith, Susan M. Collins, Ted Cruz, Rick Scott, Tom Cotton, Mike Braun, James E. Risch, Mitt Romney.

#### MEASURES DISCHARGED

The following joint resolution was discharged from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, by peti-

tion, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 802(c), and placed on the calendar:

S.J. Res. 55. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Council on Environmental Quality relating to "National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Regulations Revisions".

#### MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 5376. An act to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res. 14.

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 7900. An act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2023 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

#### 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-4726. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulatory Services, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Priorities, Requirements, Definitions, and Selection Criteria—Expanding Opportunity Through Quality Charter Schools Program (CSP)—Grants to State Entities (State Entity Grants); Grants to Charter Management Organizations for the Replication and Expansion of High-Quality Charter Schools (CMO Grants); and Grants to Charter School Developers for the Opening of New Charter Schools and for the Replication and Expansion of High-Quality Charter Schools (Developer Grants)" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 27, 2022; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4727. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Department of Health and Human Services Repeal of HHS Rules on Guidance, Enforcement, and Adjudication Procedures" (RIN0991-AC29) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2022; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4728. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Isfetamid; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 10027-01-OCSP) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 29, 2022; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-4729. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting additional legislative proposals relative to the "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-4730. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of an officer