

Congratulations to the Nevada Taxpayers Association on its 100th anniversary and for supporting good government in Nevada. I look forward to its continued success.●

RECOGNIZING BORICUACTIVATED

● Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. President, democracy is a precious concept, serving as the foundation of our freedoms, which we must not take for granted. Democracy's success is dependent on the active participation of our communities—people of all different backgrounds and beliefs.

I am proud to recognize an organization that inspires members of our diverse communities to take an active role in our democratic process, BoricuActivatEd.

Five years ago, BoricuActivatEd was created amid a crisis: the aftermath of Hurricanes Irma and Maria's destruction of Puerto Rico. In a matter of days, the island was on the brink of total disaster, and the former administration that held the keys to alleviating the suffering dragged their heels and closed their eyes.

Like many within the Puerto Rican diaspora that watched the U.S. Government's response in disbelief, a group of former congressional staffers—led by Jennice Fuentes—knew action had to be taken and mobilized. Much remains to be done as Puerto Rico continues to rebuild and recover, especially now after Hurricane Fiona, but it is undeniable that BoricuActivatEd has had an outsized impact in bringing attention to the island's crisis.

BoricuActivatEd operates on the idea that each individual should decide and advocate on the issues that resonate most with them. And that is the ingenuity of this organization, keeping true to its commitment to promoting participatory democracy.

BoricuActivatEd gives individuals across the country the tools they need to stand up and speak out, teaching them the value of civic engagement and the techniques needed to succeed.

They believe that it is never too early to teach people no matter who they are or where they were born that they, too, can play a role in shaping our country. I am especially proud that, when BoricuActivatEd introduced a school-based curriculum on participatory democracy, they chose the students of Camden, NJ, as their first student participants.

It is undeniable that learning best practices in civic engagement is valuable to people of all ages and backgrounds. But we, as the elected representatives of the United States, stand to gain as we navigate our roles as public servants, guided by the priorities of our civically engaged constituents.

I extend my congratulations to BoricuActivatEd for 5 impactful years, showing us that their success is a success for our Nation, and I cannot wait to see all they accomplish in the years ahead.●

RECOGNIZING UNICO NATIONAL

● Mr. MURPHY. Mr. President, I rise today to honor the 100th anniversary of UNICO National, founded in Waterbury, CT, by Dr. Anthony P. Vastola and 15 other proud Italian-Americans. UNICO began as a small service organization, helping people in the greater Waterbury area gain access to higher education through scholarships, promoting Italian heritage, and contributing to charities throughout the State.

In the century since its inception, UNICO has grown into the largest Italian-American service organization in the United States. UNICO started as a way to combat anti-Italian prejudice and discrimination, showing non-Italian Americans that their culture was founded in philanthropy, civic engagement, and charity. As our Nation's Italian-American population grew, so, too, did the membership of UNICO and its spirit of generosity.

While UNICO was founded in Connecticut, its reach stretches far past our State's borders. When an earthquake ravaged parts of Italy, UNICO members raised thousands of dollars to build shelters for those affected. After the attacks on September 11, 2001, UNICO once again rose to the occasion by supporting victims' relief funds and restaurants around Ground Zero. By funding research to help find cures for diseases like Cooley's anemia and cancer and giving to institutions like the University of Connecticut and Seton Hall University, UNICO ensures that future generation will also benefit from its members' selflessness. The endowed chairs of modern Italian history and Italian studies at these schools, help teach students about Italian heritage, and work to advance UNICO's mission of eliminating discrimination.

The impact this organization has had on communities is immeasurable. For 100 years, UNICO has been a model of service towards others. I am proud and grateful for its work and its deep roots in Waterbury. I can't wait to see what more the members of UNICO accomplish as they continue their pursuit to make our world a better place.●

TRIBUTE TO JAIME JARRÍN

● Mr. PADILLA. Mr. President, I submit the following statement to the record in recognition of the lifelong career of Jaime Jarrin, the voice of the Los Angeles Dodgers en español for over half a century.

A native of Ecuador, Jaime moved to Los Angeles in 1955 at the age of 19 and worked as a news and sports director for KWKW, a Spanish language radio station that is now the Spanish radio home for the Los Angeles Dodgers. Soon after, in 1959, Jarrin called his first Dodger game, launching what would become an over six-decade career with the Dodgers that would make him the longest tenured announcer in Major League Baseball, second only to

the legendary Vin Scully, and earning him the respect of generations of Angelenos whose fandom will forever be measured by Jarrin's play-by-play and home run calls, "Se va, se va, se va, y despidala con un beso. Se fue de cuadrangular!"

Among his long list of accomplishments from a lifetime in baseball, some of his most impressive include his streak of nearly 4,000 consecutive games called between 1962–84—spanning 22 seasons without missing a single game. And they include any number of games he has called that read like headlines straight from baseball's history books: he has called three perfect games—Sandy Koufax in 1965, Tom Browning in 1988, and Dennis Martinez in 1991—as well as 22 no-hitters, 30 World Series, and 30 All-Star Games.

In 1998, he was inducted into the National Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, NY, as the recipient of the Ford C. Frick Award for "major contributions to baseball," becoming only the second Spanish-language announcer to achieve the honor.

And during "Fernandomania," the young Dodger pitcher Fernando Valenzuela's rise to become the first and only player to win both the Cy Young and Rookie of the Year awards in one season, Jarrin was there side-by-side, introducing Valenzuela to Los Angeles and to the world. "Fernandomania" also helped introduce Jarrin to an English-speaking audience—not only in Los Angeles, but across the country—helping bridge communities through a shared love of the game.

Through years of hard work, dedication, and passion for the game he loves, Jarrin will have gone on to call games for 64 years in the booth after he retires at the end of this season. Five of those years were alongside his son, Jorge Jarrin, forming the first father-son duo to broadcast baseball on MLB Spanish-language radio. Jaime truly brought Dodger stadium to life inside the homes of Californians each and every night. He has become a legend in his own right, and the entire baseball community will miss his voice once he retires this year.

Outside of baseball, it was clear that Jaime was listening to the community that supported him. With the love and support of his late wife Blanca Jarrin—who is survived by Jaime's sons Jorge and Mauricio, three sisters, and three grandchildren—they launched the Jaime and Blanca Jarrin Foundation committed to serving and supporting educational and athletic programs in the Los Angeles area.

On behalf of the greater Los Angeles metropolitan area and the worldwide baseball community that listened to Jaime's voice for decades: thank you Jaime, "y gracias," for your lifetime service to the Dodgers and to the beautiful game of "beisbol."●

RECOGNIZING TODD CASE TRUCKING

• Mr. PAUL. Mr. President, as ranking member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Kentucky small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week, it is my privilege to recognize Todd Case Trucking of Louisa, KY, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Todd Case, owner of Todd Case Trucking, is the classic definition of a self-made man. Though he now owns a fleet of around 30 trucks, in addition to other business ventures, his trucking business bares his own name in reflection of how the company began: a time when Todd Case served as his own boss and was the company's sole employee. He got his start in the trucking business earlier than most when he bought his first truck at 17. That was back in the early 1980s when, like many men in the region, Mr. Case was working for the owner of a coal mine. Mr. Case had already saved up several hundred dollars from his work cutting weeds when he overheard the owner of the mine talk about his plans to sell the truck he had been using to haul coal. When Mr. Case first approached his employer about buying the truck, the owner of the mine said no, insisting that Mr. Case instead attend college. With great ingenuity Mr. Case replied that buying the truck would allow him to attend college, as it would give him a means to not only pay for his tuition but give him some income to subsidize on while in school. Won over by his entrepreneurial argument, the owner agreed to sell his truck to Mr. Case and accepted his down payment of \$1,800.

Shortly thereafter, Mr. Case found himself attending the University of Kentucky, driving the rig on Tuesday and Thursday nights while he pursued his degree in accounting and finance. Throughout his college career, Mr. Case was no spendthrift, saving what money he could from his trucking work while putting himself through college. By his sophomore year, Mr. Case had saved enough money to convince a local bank to lend him the funds he needed to buy a second truck. This acquisition which took place during his sophomore year proved to be the first step on a long and industrious path of growth in his business.

Today, Mr. Case's fleet of trucks services Kentucky, West Virginia, and Virginia, bringing much-needed goods to the tri-State area. Moreover, Todd Case Trucking plays a vital role in the local economy as Kentucky, once famous for its burgeoning coal industry, now looks towards other economic opportunities to employ the citizens of the Commonwealth. Mr. Case, originally hailing from Pikeville, understands the need to provide Kentuckians with more diverse work opportunities, and that is why his Louisa-based business employs all its drivers exclusively from the Bluegrass State.

Though Mr. Case has since expanded his business portfolio by owning several other businesses in addition to his venture in the trucking industry, he maintains a watchful eye over Todd Case Trucking. Always keeping his community in mind, Todd Case Trucking partners with the local chapter of Masons to host an annual event called "Fishing For Kids." This fishing competition welcomes children of all ages and provides close to 300 toys to all participants, many of those toys being bicycles and fishing rods. As an active member of the local chapter of the Masons, Mr. Case also lends a generous hand to all the local high school football and baseball teams when they are in need of additional funding. Moreover, Mr. Case currently sits on the board of trustees of University of Kentucky, and he works to ensure all students have the same bountiful opportunities that his alma mater provided him.

Todd Case Trucking bares a similar history to many other businesses in Kentucky and the Appalachia region; when the bounty provided by coal came and went, this business grew out of the remains and blossomed into a successful venture and fountain of opportunity for the local community. Mr. Case has long had a determined nature and knack for ingenuity, which is why he first became an entrepreneur as a high school student. In the decades since, Mr. Case has grown into a successful businessman and a great steward of his community. Congratulations to Todd Case and the entire team at Todd Case Trucking. I look forward to seeing your continued growth and success in Kentucky.●

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 a withdrawal which were referred to the appropriate committees.

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

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:38 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2710. An act to increase transparency with respect to financial services benefitting state sponsors of terrorism, human rights abusers, and corrupt officials, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3482. An act to establish the National Center for the Advancement of Aviation.

H.R. 5918. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure that the Secretary of Veterans Affairs repays members of the Armed Forces for certain contributions made by such members towards Post-9/11 Educational Assistance, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6080. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5420 Kavanaugh Boulevard in Little Rock, Arkansas, as the "Ronald A. Robinson Post Office".

H.R. 6267. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15 Chestnut Street in Suffern, New York, as the "Sergeant Gerald T. 'Jerry' Donnellan Post Office".

H.R. 6364. An act to amend the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Improvement Act to extend the exception to the closure of certain roads within the Recreation Area for local businesses, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7589. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the imposition or collection of copayments for certain mental health outpatient care visits of veterans, and for other purposes.

At 12:08 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, without amendment:

S. 3969. An act to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to explicitly authorize distribution of grant funds to the voting accessibility protection and advocacy system of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and the system serving the American Indian consortium, and for other purposes.

S. 4791. An act to amend section 301 of title 44, United States Code, to establish a term for the appointment of the Director of the Government Publishing Office.

At 3:59 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment.

S. 4900. An act to reauthorize the SBIR and STTR programs and pilot programs, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 8982. An act to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to suspend temporarily rates of duty on imports of certain infant formula base powder used in the manufacturing of infant formula in the United States, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 5:53 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker had signed the following enrolled bills.

S. 169. An act to amend title 17, United States Code, to require the Register of Copyrights to waive fees for filing an application for registration of a copyright claim in certain circumstances, and for other purposes.

S. 442. An act to amend title 40, United States Code, to require the Administrator of General Services to procure the most life-cycle cost effective and energy efficient lighting products and to issue guidance on the efficiency, effectiveness, and economy of those products, and for other purposes.

S. 516. An act to plan for and coordinate efforts to integrate advanced air mobility aircraft into the national airspace system, and for other purposes.