

with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

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

#### RECOGNIZING PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYEES IN OREGON

Mr. WYDEN. Madam President, as the second week of May is Public Service Recognition Week, I wish to recognize the honorable public employees who work tirelessly to provide outstanding service to Oregonians. These men and women, who serve our Nation as Federal, State, Tribal, county, and local government employees work hard to support Oregonians and make our State and our country a great place to live. I would like to acknowledge the important work that public servants do, and I will give just a few examples to illustrate how valuable public service work is.

The Oregon Farm Service Agency is dedicated to helping local Oregon farmers with assistance when they face financial risk or a natural disaster, as well as providing funding for conservation programs. Thanks to the efforts of employees at the Oregon Farm Service Agency, countless farmers and their families have been able to sustain their livelihoods through hard times. Oregonians are fortunate to have such committed public servants in the Oregon Farm Service Agency.

I would also like to honor the many public service employees that work at the Oregon Social Security offices. Their professionalism and courtesy in serving Oregonians is commendable. Without this work, numerous families could miss out on vital benefits. My staff and I also appreciate these offices' assistance in answering our inquiries on behalf of constituents. The replies we receive have helped me help hundreds of people across Oregon.

Turning to another Agency, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration—NOAA—Office for Coastal Management is making a difference in Oregon in countless ways. For example, NOAA's program on Oregon coastal and estuarine land conservation is vital for the preservation of Oregon's famous beaches. NOAA also helps with research on environmental challenges that Oregon communities might soon face and has partnerships with Oregon's Confederated Tribes to create opportunities for environmental education.

Public employees at the NOAA Fisheries office in Oregon also work tirelessly to ensure the conservation of fishery resources, eliminate overfishing, and maintain healthy commercial and recreational fisheries. For Oregon, the NOAA Fisheries office is vital to keeping ecosystems like the Willamette River healthy.

To give one more example, for over 100 years, public employees have worked for the National Park Service in order to maintain national parks, like the beautiful Crater Lake in Or-

egon, and to preserve local history and celebrate local heritage. National Park Service employees also work to provide funding for conservation projects throughout Oregon, making sure that Oregonians and people from all over the country are able to enjoy our State's natural beauty.

It is an honor during Public Service Recognition Week to recognize the wonderful public employees that work day in and day out to help Oregonians. Again, I thank public service employees for their dedication and their service.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### REMEMBERING MR. K-STATE

• Mr. MARSHALL. Madam President, I rise today to honor and celebrate the life and legacy of Mr. Ernie Barrett, synonymously known as Mr. K-State.

Ernie was born in Pratt, KS, on August 27, 1929. He is a proud graduate of Wellington High School, where he led his basketball team to their first State championship in 1947. He was recruited by the likes of the University of Kansas and Oklahoma State, but chose to attend Kansas State University in Manhattan, KS, beginning a lifelong affiliation with the school and town.

During his 3-year collegiate career, K-State won two Big Seven Conference titles in 1950 and 1951. As a First Team All-American for the 1951 season, Ernie led the team to the school's first and only NCAA National Championship game appearance. Ernie earned two degrees from K-State, a bachelor's in physical education and a master's degree in journalism.

He would go on to be selected by the Boston Celtics with the seventh overall pick in the 1951 NBA draft. However, he would not join the Celtics for another 2 years, as he proudly served his Nation in the U.S. Air Force from 1951–53. Despite a yearlong hiatus from professional basketball, Ernie played under legendary head coach Red Auerbach for the 1953–54 and 1955–56 seasons. He was a key contributor to two Celtics teams that reached the Eastern Division finals in both of his professional seasons.

Following his professional basketball career, Ernie came back to K-State as an assistant basketball coach where he helped lead the school to five Big Eight regular season titles in his 6 years as a coach. His service to K-State was not limited to the basketball court, as he would go on to serve as assistant athletics director, director of athletics, university consultant, and director of development throughout his career as a university administrator. A legendary fundraiser and promoter for K-State, his efforts contributed to the development of Bill Snyder Family Stadium, R.V. Christian Track and Field Complex, Bramlage Coliseum, Tointon Family Stadium, Colbert Hills Golf Course, as well as many other projects

that have greatly impacted the students of K-State and the residents of Manhattan, KS.

After 75 years of service to K-State, Ernie passed away on April 21, 2023. His list of accomplishments are endless, and his impact on K-State, and Manhattan, KS, is timeless. There will certainly never be another Mr. K-State.

I now ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life and legacy of Mr. Ernie Barrett, as well as celebrate his tremendous impact on Kansas State University.●

#### TRIBUTE TO SATOURI ROBINS

• Mr. ROUNDS. Madam President, today I recognize Satouri Robins, an intern in my Washington, DC, office, for all the hard work she has done on behalf of my office and the state of South Dakota.

Ms. Robins is a graduate of Mission Viejo High School in Mission Viejo, CA. Currently, she is attending New York University, where she studies international relations and French. Ms. Robins is a dedicated and diligent individual who has been devoted to getting the most out of her internship experience. Ms. Robins has been a true asset to my office.

I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Ms. Robins for all of the work she has done and wish her continued success in the years to come.●

#### 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-1148. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Risk Management, Financial Assurance, and Loss Prevention—Decommissioning Activities and Obligations" ((RIN1082-AA02) (Docket ID BSEE-2020-0016)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1149. A communication from the Biologist of the Branch of Domestic Listing, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for Pearl Darter" (RIN1018-BE55) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1150. A communication from the Biologist of the Branch of Domestic Listing, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Threatened Species Status With Section 4(d) Rule for Bracted Twistflower and Designation of Critical Habitat" (RIN1018-BE44) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1151. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection

Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Clean Air Plans; 2015 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area Requirements; Clean Fuels or Advanced Control Technology for Boilers; San Joaquin Valley and Los Angeles—South Coast Air Basin, California” (FRL No. 10482-02-R9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1152. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “South Carolina: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions” (FRL No. 10671-02-R4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1153. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Protection of Stratospheric Ozone: Listing of Substitutes under the Significant New Alternatives Policy Program in Refrigeration, Air Conditioning, and Fire Suppression” (FRL No. 6399-02-OAR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1154. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Testing Provisions for Air Emission Sources; Correction” (FRL No. 8335-04-OAR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1155. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Air Plan Approval; Oklahoma; Revisions to Air Pollution Control Rules” (FRL No. 9407-02-R5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1156. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Air Plan Approval; Michigan; Revisions to Part 1 and 2 Rules” (FRL No. 10162-04-R5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1157. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Air Plan Approval; Michigan; Part 4 Rule” (FRL No. 10255-02-R5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1158. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Air Plan Approval; Texas; Reasonable Further Progress Plan for the Dallas-Fort Worth Ozone Nonattainment Area” (FRL No. 10428-02-R6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1159. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the

report of a rule entitled “Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plan; Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut” (FRL No. 10562-02-R1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1160. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Oklahoma; Excess Emission and Malfunction Reporting Requirements” (FRL No. 10596-02-R6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1161. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Air Plan Revision; California; Technical Amendments” (FRL No. 10771-01-R9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1162. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “The Medicare Secondary Payer Commercial Reimbursement Center in Fiscal Year 2022”; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1163. A communication from the Director of the Legal Processing Division, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Revenue Procedure: Examination of returns and claims for refund, credit, or abatement; determination of correct tax liability” (Rev. Proc. 2023-21) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1164. A communication from the Branch Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Federal Tax Treatment of Certain Red Hill Fuel Spill Payments” (Announcement 2023-07) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1165. A communication from the Branch Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “2022 Revision of Form 3115” (Announcement 2023-12) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1166. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting additional legislative proposals that the Department of Defense requests be enacted during the first session of the 118th Congress; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1167. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Medicare Program; Contract Year 2024 Policy and Technical Changes to the Medicare Advantage Program, Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit Program, Medicare Cost Plan Program, and Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly” (RIN0938-AU96) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2023; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1168. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Annual

Report to Congress on the Open Payments Program”; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1169. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, General Law, Ethics, and Regulation, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Deputy Under Secretary, Department of Treasury received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2023; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1170. A communication from the Branch Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Announcement and Report Concerning Advance Pricing Agreements” (Announcement 2023-10) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2023; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1171. A communication from the Deputy Commissioner of Legislation and Congressional Affairs, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, reports entitled “2023 Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance and Federal Disability Insurance Trust Funds” and the “2023 Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Hospital Insurance and Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Funds”; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1172. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Determination Under Section 506(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (FAA) to Provide Military Assistance to Ukraine”; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1173. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notification of intent to provide assistance to Ukraine, including for self-defense and border security operations; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1174. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice concerning an amendment to the United States Munitions List (USML), located at part 121.1 of title 22 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as part of the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (ITAR); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1175. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to amendments to paragraph (c)(5) of Category XI of the U.S. Munitions List, within the International Traffic in Arms Regulations, 22 C.F.R. pts 120-130; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1176. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting additional legislative proposals that the Department of Defense requests be enacted during the first session of the 118th Congress; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1177. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Determination Under Section 506(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (FAA) to Provide Military Assistance to Ukraine”; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1178. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “International Traffic in Arms Regulations:

Amendments to Supplement No. 1 to part 126 in Support of Allies" (RIN1400-AF55) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 17, 2023; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1179. A communication from the President and CEO, Inter-American Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Foundation's FY24 Annual Performance Plan (APP); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1180. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Federal Coordinated Health Care Office's fiscal year 2022 report; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1181. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2023-0023 - 2023-0028); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1182. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report of the Attorney General to the Congress of the United States on the Administration of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, for the six months ending June 30, 2021"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1183. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report of the Attorney General to the Congress of the United States on the Administration of the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, for the six months ending December 31, 2021"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1184. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "U.S. Compliance with the Authorization for Use of Military Force in Iraq" received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1185. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Observer Status for Taiwan at the Summit of the World Health Organization" received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1186. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Cuban Compliance with the Migration Accords" received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1187. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Millennium Challenge Corporation Annual Report for FY 2022" received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1188. A communication from the Chief Diversity Officer and Director, Office of Minority and Women Inclusion, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's fiscal year 2022 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-1189. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Secretariat Division, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Serv-

ices Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "General Services Administration Acquisition Regulation (GSAR); Federal Supply Schedule Clause Corrections" (GSAR Case 2023-G504) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1190. A communication from the Director, Office of Civil Rights, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's fiscal year 2022 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act) received in the Office of President pro tempore; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1191. A communication from the Chairman, Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's fiscal year 2022 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act) received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1192. A communication from the Chairman, Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's fiscal year 2022 report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act) received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1193. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Postal Service Reform Act; Establishment of the Postal Service Health Benefits Program" (RIN3206-AO43) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on April 25, 2023; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1194. A communication from the Chairman, Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's fiscal year 2022 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act) received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1195. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, the President's Pay Agent, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report to Congress on agencies' use of student loan repayments as a strategic tool for the purposes of recruitment and retention during calendar year 2021; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1196. A communication from the Agency Director, Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency for the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Agency's fiscal year 2022 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act) received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1197. A communication from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the amendments to the Federal Rules of Evidence that have been adopted by the Supreme Court of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1198. A communication from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the

amendments to the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure that have been adopted by the Supreme Court of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1199. A communication from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the amendments to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure that have been adopted by the Supreme Court of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1200. A communication from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the amendments to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure that have been adopted by the Supreme Court of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1201. A communication from the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, the amendments to the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure that have been adopted by the Supreme Court of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. MENENDEZ, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 119. A resolution recognizing the 202nd anniversary of the independence of Greece and celebrating democracy in Greece and the United States.

S. Res. 157. A resolution commemorating the 25th anniversary of the signing of the Good Friday Agreement, and for other purposes.

## EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. MENENDEZ for the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Nicole D. Theriot, of Louisiana, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Co-operative Republic of Guyana.

Nominee: Nicole Dawn Theriot.

Post: Co-Operative Republic of Guyana.

(The following is a list of members of my immediate family. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

Nicole D. Theriot: None.

Thomas G.A. Agnew: None.

Pamela M. Tremont, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Zimbabwe.

Nominee: Pamela M. Tremont.

Post: Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the Republic of Zimbabwe.

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Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

1. Self: None.

Vivek Hallegere Murthy, of Florida, to be Representative of the United States on the