

HONORING JOSE “MOKE” SIMON III

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, November 13, 2024

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Jose “Moke” Simon III upon his retirement after two terms as a Lake County Supervisor and to recognize his contributions to the Middletown Rancheria and the Lake County community. Mr. Simon, born and raised in Middletown, California, has dedicated his life to the advancement and well-being of his community.

As Middletown Rancheria’s Tribal Chairman, Mr. Simon oversees Tribal Government Operations and represents the Tribe in all critical decision impacting Middletown Rancheria. During his tenure, Mr. Simon successfully guided the investment of \$47.5 million dollars in the construction of Twin Pine Casino. As Chairman, he also successfully negotiated with the State of California to secure the gaming compact for the Middletown Rancheria, leading to substantial economic development for his tribe. Furthermore, Mr. Simon’s leadership was critical to the Tribe’s acquisition of the Mount St. Helena Brewing Co., marking the first off-reservation business owned by Middletown Rancheria.

In recognition of his commitment to Middletown Rancheria’s economic development, in 2016, Mr. Simon received the Wendall Chino Humanitarian Award, the highest honor for tribal leaders and awarded by the National Indian Gaming Association.

In 2017, Mr. Simon became the first Native American elected to the Lake County Board of Supervisors representing District 1, where he has continued to work tirelessly for his constituents and contribute to local governance.

In times of crisis, Mr. Simon’s leadership has been invaluable. During the catastrophic Valley Fire of 2015, which devastated over 76,000 acres, he provided stability to his district as they faced one of California’s most destructive wildfires. Governor Gavin Newsom later named Mr. Simon to the State Board of Fire Services in September 2019.

Beyond his work with the Tribe and the Board of Supervisors, Mr. Simon is a former professional football player. During his football career, Mr. Simon played with the NFL’s Indianapolis Colts, AFL’s Arizona Rattlers, WFL’s Barcelona Dragons in Spain, and the Scottish Claymores in Scotland. An avid sports enthusiast, Mr. Simon continues to serve his community as the defensive coach for the local high school’s varsity football team.

Mr. Simon currently resides on the reservation with his wife Nancy, son Joshua and daughter Theresa, cherishing time with his grandchildren Taylor and Bently, and staying deeply involved in family and community life.

Mr. Speaker, as we bid farewell to Supervisor Jose “Moke” Simon III, we thank him for his service, his contributions to the economic and cultural advancement of his Tribe, and his dedication to public service in Lake County. His leadership has uplifted our community, and it is only fitting that we honor him here today as he embarks on this new chapter of his life.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MICHAEL T. McCAUL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. McCAUL. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call No. 457, I mistakenly voted NAY when I intended to vote YEA.

RECOGNIZING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE YMCA OF GREATER MONMOUTH COUNTY

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, it is my pleasure to congratulate the YMCA of Greater Monmouth County on its 150th Anniversary and continued endeavor to strengthen the individuals, families and communities it serves. During their 150th Anniversary Dinner, they plan to commemorate this milestone with the pursuit of offering expansive access to fitness, mental health, and education. It is my privilege to recognize the outstanding efforts of the YMCA of Greater Monmouth County.

Since March 16, 1874, this commendable organization has nurtured children and families while fostering strong connected communities throughout the Monmouth County area. The long history of this YMCA providing youth enrichment to families includes access to summer camp, preschool, and before and after care. It is truly honorable to fathom the transformation of countless lives across generations from this last century and on. It is honorable to recognize the community organizers who have demonstrated resilience and unity, as this remarkably shapes the impact of their chapter.

Begun in efforts to support youth in the local area, the YMCA of Greater Monmouth County now stands as a community center. The acquisition of resources necessary and otherwise inaccessible can be attributed to invaluable growth. Affordable childcare is one of the most appreciated programs, with therapeutic counseling, tutoring, teen leadership and college pathways tightly following. I applaud this organization’s beloved endless engagement and remarkable success in reaching the Monmouth County community.

Once again, I sincerely hope my colleagues will join me in congratulating the YMCA of Greater Monmouth County on its 150th Anniversary of service. The commitment to wellness has contributed support to help families thrive in our community, and therefore is truly deserving of this body’s recognition.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Com-

mittee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, November 14, 2024 may be found in the Daily Digest of today’s RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

NOVEMBER 19

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

Business meeting to consider S. 254, to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to provide for the establishment of a Ski Area Fee Retention Account, S. 373, to modify the disposition of certain outer Continental Shelf revenues and to open Federal financial sharing to heighten opportunities for renewable energy, S. 482, to amend the Klamath Basin Water Supply Enhancement Act of 2000 to provide the Secretary of the Interior with certain authorities with respect to projects affecting the Klamath Basin watershed, S. 620, to provide for the distribution of certain outer Continental Shelf revenues to the State of Alaska, S. 739, to clarify jurisdiction with respect to certain Bureau of Reclamation pumped storage development, S. 914, to establish an energy threat analysis center in the Department of Energy, S. 1553, to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to improve the management of grazing permits and leases, S. 1764, to improve Federal activities relating to wildfires, S. 2132, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a pilot program for the establishment and use of a pre-fire-suppression stand density index, S. 2151, to amend the Southwest Forest Health and Wildlife Prevention Act of 2004 to require the establishment of an additional Institute under that Act, S. 2156, to amend the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act to authorize additional entities to be eligible to complete the maintenance work on Bolts Ditch and the Bolts Ditch Headgate within the Holy Cross Wilderness, Colorado, S. 2160, to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to authorize certain extraordinary operation and maintenance work for urban canals of concern, S. 2169, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to carry out watershed pilots, S. 2506, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Route 66 National Historic Trail, S. 2620, to establish the Chesapeake National Recreation Area as a unit of the National Park System, S. 2742, to establish the Fort Ontario National Monument in the State of New York as a unit of the National Park System, S. 2743, to amend the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act to designate as a component of the National Heritage Area System the Finger Lakes National Heritage

Area in the State of New York, S. 2784, to amend the Dayton Aviation Heritage Preservation Act of 1992 to adjust the boundary of the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park, S. 2867, to address the forest health crisis on the National Forest System and public lands, S. 2927, to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to increase Tribal access to water conservation and efficiency grants, S. 2991, to improve revegetation and carbon sequestration activities in the United States, S. 3123, to provide for the standardization, consolidation, and publication of data relating to public outdoor recreational use of Federal waterways among Federal land and water management agencies, S. 3195, to designate the General George C. Marshall House, in the Commonwealth of Virginia, as an affiliated area of the National Park System, S. 3241, to establish the Grand Village of the Natchez Indians and Jefferson College as affiliated areas of the Natchez Historical Park, S. 3346, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain streams in the greater Yellowstone ecosystem and Smith River system in the State of Montana as components of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 3474, to redesignate the Hulls Cove Visitor Center at Acadia National Park as the "George J. Mitchell, Jr., Visitor Center", S. 3534, to authorize the Pines Foundation to establish the Fire Island AIDS Memorial, S. 3542, to amend the Atchafalaya National Heritage Area Act to modify the boundary of the Atchafalaya National Heritage Area, S. 3543, to establish the Historic Greenwood District-Black Wall Street National Monument in the State of Oklahoma, S. 3544, to designate the visitor and education center at Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine as the "Paul S. Sarbanes Visitor and Education Center", S. 3593, to provide for economic development and conservation in Washoe County, Nevada, S. 3596, to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to amend references of gilsonite to asphaltite, S. 3617, to provide equitable treatment for the people of the Village Corporation established for the Native Village of Saxman, Alaska, S. 3631, to require reports on critical mineral and rare earth element resources around the world and a strategy for the development of advanced mining, refining, separation, and processing technologies, S. 3790, to make additional Federal public land available for selection under the Alaska Native Vietnam era veterans land allotment program, S. 3985, to amend the Colorado Wilderness Act of 1993 to add certain land to the Sarvis Creek Wilderness, S. 4016, to amend the Boulder Canyon Project Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to expend amounts in the Colorado River Dam fund, S. 4129, to contribute funds and artifacts to the Theodore Roosevelt Presidential Library in Medora, North Dakota, S. 4164, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the Cahokia Mounds and surrounding land in the States of Illinois and Missouri, S. 4209, to provide greater regional access to the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument in the State of Maine, S. 4216, to establish the Ocmulgee Mounds National Park and Preserve in the State of Georgia, S. 4218, to designate the visitor center for

the First State National Historical Park to be located at the Sheriff's House in New Castle, Delaware, as the "Thomas R. Carper Visitor Center", S. 4222, to adjust the boundary of the Mojave National Preserve in the State of California to include the land within the Castle Mountains National Monument, S. 4227, to amend the California Desert Protection Act of 1994 to expand the boundary of Joshua Tree National Park, S. 4228, to redesignate the Cottonwood Visitor Center at Joshua Tree National Park as the "Senator Dianne Feinstein Visitor Center", S. 4242, to extend the authorization of the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991, S. 4245, to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to reauthorize certain United States Geological Survey water data enhancement programs, S. 4259, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to assess the suitability and feasibility of designating certain land as the Lahaina National Heritage Area, S. 4310, to exchange non-Federal land held by the Chugach Alaska Corporation for certain Federal Land in the Chugach Region, S. 4347, to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land at Swanson Reservoir and Hugh Butler Reservoir in the State of Nebraska, S. 4424, to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to encourage and expand the use of prescribed fire on land managed by the Department of the Interior or the Forest Service, with an emphasis on units of the National Forest System in the western United States, to acknowledge and support the longstanding use of cultural burning by Tribes and Indigenous practitioners, S. 4431, to reinstate the Bull Mountains Mining Plan Modification, S. 4432, to allow certain Federal minerals to be mined consistent with the Bull Mountains Mining Plan Modification, S. 4451, to require the Secretary of the Interior to enter into an agreement with the National Academy of Sciences to carry out a study on reservation systems for Federal land, S. 4454, to provide for the establishment of an Operational Flexibility Grazing Management Program on land managed by the Bureau of Land Management, S. 4457, to provide for conservation and economic development in the State of Nevada, S. 4576, to amend the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015, to reauthorize the Colorado River System conservation pilot program, S. 4607, to designate the America's National Churchill Museum National Historic Landmark, S. 4664, to require the Secretary of Energy to establish a program to promote the use of artificial intelligence to support the missions of the Department of Energy, S. 4851, to adjust the boundaries of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area to include the Scarper Ridge property, S. 4932, to amend the National Quantum Initiative Act to provide for a research, development, and demonstration program, S. 4936, to require a study relating to the Minidoka National Historic Site, S. 4974, to amend the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act to reauthorize the National Volcano Early Warning and Monitoring System, S. 4994, to modify the boundary of the Vicksburg National Military Park in the State of Mississippi, S. 4996, to amend Public

Law 89-108 to modify the authorization of appropriations for State and Tribal, municipal, rural, and industrial water supplies, S. 4999, to amend the Aquifer Recharge Flexibility Act to clarify a provision relating to conveyances for aquifer recharge purposes, S. 5000, to prohibit the use of amounts from the Upper Colorado River Basin Fund to implement a certain record of decision, S. 5005, to authorize additional funding for the San Joaquin River Restoration Settlement Act, S. 5011, to establish the Integrated Water Management Federal Leadership Committee, to provide for improved drought resilience and dam safety, S. 5012, to establish an interest-bearing account for the non-Federal contributions to the Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program, S. 5013, to make certain modifications to the repayment for the Arkansas Valley Conduit in the State of Colorado, S. 5014, to provide for the establishment of a Water Project Navigators Program, S. 5125, to provide for certain improvements to the housing and workforce programs of Federal land management agencies, H.R. 359, to establish Fort San Geronimo del Boquefon in Puerto Rico as an affiliated area of the National Park System, H.R. 3448, to amend chapter 3081 of title 54, United States Code, to enhance the protection and preservation of America's battlefields, H.R. 4984, to amend the District of Columbia Stadium Act of 1957 to provide for the transfer of administrative jurisdiction over the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Stadium Campus to the Administrator of General Services and the leasing of the Campus to the District of Columbia for purposes which include commercial and residential development, H.R. 5443, to establish a policy regarding appraisal and valuation services for real property for a transaction over which the Secretary of the Interior has jurisdiction, H.R. 6062, to restore the ability of the people of American Samoa to approve amendments to the territorial constitution based on majority rule in a democratic act of self-determination, as authorized pursuant to an Act of Congress delegating administration of Federal territorial law in the territory to the President, and to the Secretary of the Interior under Executive Order 10264, dated June 29, 1951, under which the Constitution of American Samoa was approved and may be amended without requirement for further congressional action, subject to the authority of Congress under the Territorial Clause in article IV, section 3, clause 2 of the United States Constitution, and an original bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of Plum Island, New York.

SD-366

10 a.m.

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine breaking the Visa-Mastercard duopoly, focusing on bringing competition and lower fees to the credit card system.

SD-226

2 p.m.

Committee on the Judiciary

Subcommittee on Privacy, Technology, and the Law

To hold hearings to examine China's cybersecurity threat, focusing on big hacks and big tech.

SD-226

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation
 Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Data Security
 To hold hearings to examine protecting consumers from artificial intelligence enabled fraud and scams.

SR-253

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe

To hold hearings to examine 1000 days of Russia's war on Ukraine.

2358A-RHOB

Joint Economic Committee

To hold hearings to examine the 2025 tax policy debate, focusing on the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.

210-CHOB

3:15 p.m.

Committee on Armed Services

Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities

To hold closed hearings to examine the activities of the All-domain Anomaly Resolution Office, to be immediately followed by an open session in SD-G50.

SVC-217

NOVEMBER 20

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Business meeting to consider S. 2315, to provide for the creation of the missing Armed Forces and civilian personnel Records Collection at the National Archives, to require the expeditious public transmission to the Archivist and public disclosure of missing Armed Forces and civilian personnel records, S. 2270, to establish and maintain a database within each agency for executive branch ethics records of noncareer appointees, S. 5302, to amend title 5, United States Code, to address the responsibilities of the Administrator of General Services with respect to Federal advisory committees, S. 5102, to require annual reports on counter illicit cross-border tunnel operations, S. 5028, to require Federal contractors to implement a vulnerability disclosure policy consistent with NIST guidelines, S. 5019, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 340 South Loudon Avenue in Baltimore, Maryland, as the "United States Representative Elijah E. Cummings Post Office Building", H.R. 6972, to amend title 5, United States Code, to require an Executive agency whose head is a member of the National Security Council to notify the Executive Office of the President, the Comptroller General of the United States, and congressional leadership of such head becoming medically incapacitated within 24 hours, H.R. 7528, to amend section 206 of the E-Government Act of 2002 to improve the integrity and management of mass

comments and computer-generated comments in the regulatory review process, H.R. 9592, to amend title 44, United States Code, to modernize the Federal Register, H.R. 3208, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish a DHS Cybersecurity On-the-Job Training Program, H.R. 7832, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop a plan to identify, integrate, and deploy new, innovative, disruptive, or other emerging or advanced technologies to enhance, or address capability gaps in, border security operations, H.R. 6231, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require a prioritized policy issuance review process for the Department of Homeland Security, H.R. 8631, to prohibit the Secretary of Homeland Security from procuring certain foreign-made batteries, H.R. 255, to amend the Disaster Recovery Reform Act of 2018 to develop a study regarding streamlining and consolidating information collection and preliminary damage assessments, H.R. 9596, to amend title 41, United States Code, and title 10, United States Code, to provide best value through the multiple award schedule program, H.R. 7832, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop a plan to identify, integrate, and deploy new, innovative, disruptive, or other emerging or advanced technologies to enhance, or address capability gaps in, border security operations, H.R. 5867, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 109 Live Oaks Boulevard in Casselberry, Florida, as the "Colonel Joseph William Kittinger II Post Office Building", H.R. 6162, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 379 North Oates Street in Dothan, Alabama, as the "LaBruce 'Bruce' Tidwell Post Office Building", H.R. 6188, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 420 Highway 17 North in Surfside Beach, South Carolina, as the "Nancy Yount Childs Post Office Building", H.R. 6633, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9355 113th Street in Seminole, Florida, as the "Army SSG Ryan Christian Knauss Memorial Post Office Building", H.R. 6750, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 501 Mercer Street Southwest in Wilson, North Carolina, as the "Milton F. Fitch, Sr. Post Office Building", H.R. 8057, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9317 Bolsa Avenue in Westminster, California, as the "Little Saigon Vietnam War Veterans Memorial Post Office", an original bill entitled, "Federal Acquisition Security Council Improvement Act", an original bill entitled, "Organizing and Revealing the

Government's Construction, Hierarchies, Appointments, Responsibilities, and Tasks Act", an original bill entitled, "Rebuilding with Resilience Act", an original bill entitled, "Cooperation on Combatting Human Smuggling and Trafficking Act", an original bill entitled, "DHS Cybersecurity Internship Program Act", an original bill entitled, "Streamlining Law Enforcement Information Sharing Act", an original bill entitled, "DHS Intelligence and Analysis Oversight and Transparency Act", and the nominations of Val Butler Demings, of Florida, William Zollars, of Kansas, and Gordon Hartogensis, of Connecticut, each to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service, and James Graham Lake, and Nicholas George Miranda, both to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

SD-342

9:45 a.m.

Committee on Environment and Public Works

Business meeting to consider the nominations of Matthew James Marzano, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Matthew Kaplan, of Maryland, to be Federal Co-chairperson of the Great Lakes Authority, and 42 General Services Administration resolutions; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the 50th anniversary of the Safe Drinking Water Act, focusing on successes, challenges, and charting a path forward.

SD-406

10 a.m.

Committee on Appropriations

To hold hearings to examine disaster funding needs.

SD-106

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine certain pending nominations.

SD-226

2 p.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Subcommittee on Economic Policy

To hold hearings to examine tax policy in 2025, focusing on implications for the American economy.

SD-538

3 p.m.

Committee on Foreign Relations

To receive a closed briefing from the Secretary of State.

SVC-217

NOVEMBER 21

10 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine threats to the homeland.

SD-342