

TRIBUTE TO HANNAH MONTGOMERY

• Mr. SCHMITT. Madam President, I rise to recognize Hannah Montgomery of Memphis, MO, for her participation in 4-H and the inspiration she is to her community.

Hannah has been involved in her local community's 4-H program since she was 6 years old and is now 13. She has been in a motorized wheelchair since January 2020, due to a neurological disorder caused by inflammation of her spinal cord. Hannah has never let her physical limitations get in the way of her passion for showing her pigs, and her positive attitude always radiates through to everyone.

At such a young age, Hannah is an active member of her community, demonstrating great advocacy and inclusion for those in similar situations to her. This past August, she was selected as the Adair County SB40 Spotlight Award recipient for Kids Inclusion. Hannah continues to show her community perseverance and the power of a positive attitude.

Hannah Montgomery is truly a Champion of Missouri. She is an example to each and every one of us to pursue what we love, despite barriers that may come in our way. I am proud to honor her work in 4-H and recognize her parents as they have navigated Hannah's medical diagnosis. Missouri is a brighter place because of her, and I am excited to see all this young lady will accomplish in the future.●

TRIBUTE TO MIGUEL PEREZ

• Mr. SCHMITT. Madam President, I rise today to honor an impressive soccer player from my home State of Missouri, Miguel Perez. He has achieved athletic excellence and success at a young age. I am proud to highlight this talented soccer player who should be noted for his ability to perform on the pitch, as well as his desire to serve his neighbors.

Hailing from St. Louis, this young prodigy recently reached a significant career milestone. Two days after graduating from Pattonville High School, Miguel scored his first career Major League Soccer—MLS—goal as a new striker for the St. Louis City SC professional team. Miguel's ascent from local school sports to the pros proves his exceptional skill and work ethic on the field. Yet his achievement also encapsulates the realization of dreams for Miguel, his family, and the wider St. Louis community.

The son of Jackie and Luis Perez, who instilled values of discipline and public service in Miguel from a young age, Miguel grew up embracing soccer as a passion and outlet. During high school and now into his professional soccer career, he maintains academic rigor and community engagement, values modeled by his parents' commitments to Washington University's Orthopedic Department and the St. Louis County Police Department.

Miguel Perez is truly a Champion of Missouri. Furthermore, he is a champion of athletics for Missouri. His early successes in soccer mirror the resilience, character, and work ethic that define our community. I look forward to following his continued growth and career in the MLS. I wish to extend my heartfelt congratulations to Mr. Perez for his success and service to Missouri. St. Louis stands proud—"Who are we? S-T-L!"●

TRIBUTE TO OFFICER ADAM SULLENTROP

• Mr. SCHMITT. Madam President, I rise today to honor Hermann Police Officer Adam Sullentrop, of Washington, MO. Officer Sullentrop was shot and critically injured on duty while responding to a call on March 12, 2023.

Officer Sullentrop put himself in the line of fire to protect the Hermann community. He, along with Detective Sergeant Mason Griffith, who was fatally shot during the call, were responding to a disturbance at a local gas station when the shootout occurred. This incident led to a nearly 20-hour standoff with the suspect until the suspect was eventually taken into custody by Missouri Highway Patrol SWAT.

After the March shooting, Officer Sullentrop spent 7 months in a Colorado rehabilitation hospital to begin recovering from his injuries. He was finally able to come home to his family a few days before Thanksgiving, a special gift for the holidays. After landing at Lambert Airport in St. Louis, he and his family were escorted back to his home in Washington, MO, by first responders from several agencies in the St. Louis region. His neighbors also lined 15 miles of highway along the route back to Washington to show their gratitude and to support him and his family. Officer Sullentrop has touched many lives during his time as an officer and continues to be an inspiration during his recovery.

Officer Adam Sullentrop is truly a Champion of Missouri. My State is fortunate to be inspired by his service to his community. I ask my Senate colleagues to join me in honoring Officer Sullentrop, and my thoughts and prayers are with him, his wife Michelle, and his entire family during his continued recovery. Officer Sullentrop continues to remain a beacon of hope for all Missourians.●

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-3300. 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 "Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA) Fees;

Histocompatibility, Personnel, and Alternative Sanctions for Certificate of Waiver Laboratories" (RIN0938-AT47) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 26, 2023; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3301. A communication from the Security Officer II of the Office of Senate Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report regarding Brian Hook (OSS-2024-0004); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3302. A communication from the Security Officer II of the Office of Senate Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report regarding Michael Pompeo (OSS-2024-0005); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3303. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a Determination Under Section 614(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to Provide Assistance to Ukraine (OSS-2023-1333); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3304. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Publication, Coordination, and Reporting of International Agreements: Amendments, Correction" (RIN1400-AF63) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 11, 2024; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3305. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Determination Under Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3306. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship Program and Faculty Research Abroad Fellowship Program" (RIN1840-AD90) received in the Office of the President pro tempore of the Senate; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3307. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Office of the Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Action to Delay Effective Date Consistent With Congressionally Enacted Moratorium" (RIN0936-AA14) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 10, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3308. 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 "Federal Independent Dispute Resolution (IDR) Process Administrative Fee and Certified IDR Entity Fee Ranges" (RIN0938-AV39) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 26, 2023; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3309. A communication from the Director, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Labor's fiscal year 2022 Office of Workers' Compensation Programs annual report; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3310. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Office for Civil Rights, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safeguarding the Rights of Conscience as Protected by Federal Statutes" (RIN0945-AA18) received in the Office

of the President of the Senate on January 10, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3311. A communication from the Senior Policy Advisor, Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Employee or Independent Contractor Classification Under the Fair Labor Standards Act" (RIN1235-AA43) received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3312. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Employee Benefits Security Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Independent Dispute Resolution Process Administrative Fee and Certified Independent Dispute Resolution Entity Fee Ranges" (RIN0938-AV39) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 26, 2023; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3313. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Health Data, Technology, and Interoperability: Certification Program Updates, Algorithm Transparency, and Information Sharing" (RIN0955-AA03) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 10, 2024; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3314. A communication from the Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the cost of response and recovery efforts for FEMA-3602-EM in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands having exceeded the \$5,000,000 limit for a single emergency declaration; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3315. A communication from the Chair, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's 2023 inventory list; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3316. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Employees' Retirement System; Present Value Conversion Factors for Spouses of Deceased Separated Employees" (RIN3206-AO55) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 8, 2024; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3317. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appointment of Current and Former Land Management Employees" (RIN3206-AN28) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 8, 2024; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3318. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Agency's fiscal year 2023 Federal Activities Inventory Reform (FAIR) Act submission of its commercial and inherently governmental activities; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3319. A communication from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Memorandum, Use of Project Labor Agreements on Federal Construction Projects (Note: OMB has concluded that this memo-

random is not a 'rule' within the meaning of 5 U.S.C. 804(3). Nevertheless, out of an abundance of caution, OMB is submitting it to each House of the Congress and to the Comptroller General consistent with the procedures set forth in 5 U.S.C. 801(a))" received during in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 20, 2023; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3320. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-329, "Children's National Hospital Research and Innovation Campus Equitable Tax Relief Amendment Act of 2023"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3321. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-330, "Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Amendment Act of 2023"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3322. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-331, "Motor Vehicle and Homeowner Insurance Prior Approval Rate Filing Amendment Act of 2023"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3323. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-332, "Access to Emergency Medications Amendment Act of 2023"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3324. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-333, "Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Amendment Act of 2023"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3325. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-343, "Opioid Crisis and Juvenile Crime Public Emergencies Extension Authorization Temporary Amendment Act of 2023"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3326. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-342, "Crime Victimization Survey Amendment Act of 2023"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3327. A communication from the Chair of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Agency Financial Report for fiscal year 2023; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3328. A communication from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Agency Financial Report for fiscal year 2023; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-96. A resolution adopted by the City Commission of Miami, Florida, expressing its unanimous and unequivocal support of the State of Israel in its war against Hamas and its right to protect and defend its citi-

zens in the wake of Hamas' unprecedented surprise attack on October 6, 2023, resulting in the killing and abduction of hundreds of innocent civilians; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. PETERS for the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

*Jeff Rezmovic, of Maryland, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Homeland Security.

*Hampton Y. Dellinger, of North Carolina, to be Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel, for the term of five years.

*Cathy Ann Harris, of Maryland, to be Chairman of the Merit Systems Protection Board.

*Henry J. Kerner, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board for the term of seven years expiring March 1, 2030.

*Suzanne Elizabeth Summerlin, of Florida, to be General Counsel of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for a term of five years.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. SCHATZ (for himself, Mr. PADILLA, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. WARREN, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. HEINRICH):

S. 3595. A bill to award grants to States to establish or improve, and carry out, Seal of Biliteracy programs to recognize high-level student proficiency in speaking, reading, and writing in both English and a second language, and early language programs; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. LEE:

S. 3596. A bill to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to amend references of gilsonite to asphaltite; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Mr. MARSHALL):

S. 3597. A bill to reauthorize programs relating to oral health promotion and disease prevention; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SCOTT of Florida (for himself, Mr. OSSOFF, and Mr. CRUZ):

S. 3598. A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a comprehensive standard for timing between referrals and appointments for care from the Department of Veterans Affairs and to submit a report with respect to that standard, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. KELLY (for himself and Mr. OSSOFF):

S. 3599. A bill to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to limit the authority of corporations to establish and operate separate segregated funds utilized for political purposes, including the establishment