

by pictures that were shared with me this morning of yet another anti-Semitic act in New York.

A few hours ago, the director of the Brooklyn Museum and several members of the board of directors had their homes vandalized with revolting anti-Semitic images, with images of fake blood, symbolism used by Hamas. I have a picture of some of the vandalism right here outside the home of one of the directors.

This is not New York. This is not America. And we must confront this bigotry and vicious intolerance with courage, with perseverance.

Every single American needs to see this. This is the home of a woman on the board of directors. It has her name. It says "Brooklyn Museum," and then it says "White Supremacist Zionist." And her home is smeared with blood.

Every single American needs to see these pictures. This is the face of hatred—Jewish Americans made to feel unsafe in their own home just because they are Jewish.

This is not even close to free speech. It is intimidation. It is scapegoating. It is dehumanization—invasive attacks loaded with the threat of looming violence. It is vile. It is nasty. It is un-American.

And, sadly, this kind of evil is something every Jew on Earth can recognize in an instant. Images like this remind us of evils our families endured for generations, evils that paved the way for unimaginable violence.

I cannot believe we are seeing this here in America, here in New York. Targeting someone for simply being Jewish, smearing their front door with fake blood, and calling them White supremacist is beyond the pale. Vandalism like this is a crime and should be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

And it sickens me that, of all the targets these anti-Semites could have chosen, it was the leadership of the Brooklyn Museum. The Brooklyn Museum is deeply concerned with issues of social justice—I would say, more than most museums. Its doors are always open to all.

I have visited the Brooklyn Museum many times with my children and my grandchildren. I have spoken at their great "First Saturday" events. I have even voted there.

The best antidote for the poison of ignorance is, of course, knowledge, and that is precisely what we find in our museums—knowledge.

These images break my heart. They fill me with both deep grief and profound anger. I condemn the actions of those who smeared these hateful images of the leadership of the Brooklyn Museum. The perpetrators must be held accountable for this hateful vandalism. These hateful actions—make no mistake about it—do nothing, nothing at all, to advance the cause these individuals profess to care about.

Again, this is not New York. This is not America. And we must confront

this intolerance and bigotry with courage, with perseverance, and with common cause with all those who wish to promote tolerance and acceptance here in America.

I yield the floor.

### CLOTURE MOTION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Pursuant to rule XXII, the Chair lays before the Senate the pending cloture motion, which the clerk will state.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

#### CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Executive Calendar No. 670, Lindsay S. See, of West Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2028.

Charles E. Schumer, Joe Manchin III, Sheldon Whitehouse, Jeanne Shaheen, Catherine Cortez Masto, Alex Padilla, Mazie Hirono, Ben Ray Lujan, Maria Cantwell, Patty Murray, Peter Welch, Jack Reed, Benjamin L. Cardin, Angus S. King, Jr., Richard Blumenthal, Mark Kelly, John W. Hickenlooper.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. By unanimous consent, the mandatory quorum call has been waived.

The question is, Is it the sense of the Senate that debate on the nomination of Lindsay S. See, of West Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2028, shall be brought to a close?

The yeas and nays are mandatory under the rule.

The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from California (Ms. BUTLER), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ), and the Senator from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA) are necessarily absent.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senators are necessarily absent: the Senator from South Carolina (Mr. GRAHAM) and the Senator from Alaska (Mr. SULLIVAN).

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 86, nays 9, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 193 Ex.]

#### YEAS—86

Baldwin	Cortez Masto	Johnson
Barrasso	Cotton	Kelly
Bennet	Cramer	Kennedy
Blackburn	Crapo	King
Blumenthal	Cruz	Klobuchar
Booker	Daines	Lankford
Boozman	Duckworth	Lee
Braun	Durbin	Lujan
Britt	Ernst	Lummis
Brown	Fetterman	Manchin
Budd	Fischer	Marshall
Cantwell	Gillibrand	McConnell
Capito	Grassley	Moran
Cardin	Hagerty	Mullin
Carper	Hassan	Murkowski
Casey	Heinrich	Murphy
Cassidy	Hickenlooper	Murray
Collins	Hirono	Ossoff
Cooms	Hoeven	Padilla
Cornyn	Hyde-Smith	Paul

Peters	Scott (FL)	Van Hollen
Ricketts	Scott (SC)	Vance
Risch	Shaheen	Warner
Romney	Smith	Warnock
Rosen	Stabenow	Welch
Rounds	Tester	Wicker
Rubio	Thune	Wyden
Schatz	Tillis	Young
Schumer	Tuberville	

#### NAYS—9

Hawley	Merkley	Schmitt
Kaine	Reed	Warren
Markey	Sanders	Whitehouse

#### NOT VOTING—5

Butler	Menendez	Sullivan
Graham	Sinema	

#### CHANGE OF VOTE

Ms. WARREN. Mr. President, on roll-call vote 193, I voted yea. It was my intention to vote nay. Therefore, I ask unanimous consent that I be permitted to change my vote because it will not affect the outcome.

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

(The foregoing tally has been changed to reflect the above order.)

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO). On this vote, the yeas are 86, the nays are 9.

The motion is agreed to.

### EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The legislative clerk read the nomination of Lindsay S. See, of West Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2028.

### RECESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate stands in recess until 2:15 p.m. today.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 1:28 p.m., recessed until 2:15 p.m. and reassembled when called to order by the Presiding Officer (Mr. HEINRICH).

### EXECUTIVE CALENDAR—Continued

#### VOTE ON SEE NOMINATION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the See nomination?

Ms. SMITH. I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN), the Senator from California (Ms. BUTLER), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ), and the Senator from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA) are necessarily absent.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senator is necessarily absent: the Senator from Alaska (Mr. SULLIVAN).

The result was announced—yeas 83, nays 12, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 194 Ex.]

## YEAS—83

Baldwin	Fetterman	Ossoff
Barrasso	Fischer	Padilla
Bennet	Gillibrand	Paul
Blackburn	Graham	Peters
Blumenthal	Grassley	Ricketts
Booker	Hagerty	Risch
Boozman	Hassan	Romney
Braun	Heinrich	Rosen
Britt	Hickenlooper	Rounds
Budd	Hoeben	Rubio
Cantwell	Hyde-Smith	Schatz
Capito	Johnson	Schumer
Cardin	Kelly	Scott (FL)
Carper	Kennedy	Scott (SC)
Casey	King	Shaheen
Cassidy	Klobuchar	Smith
Collins	Lankford	Stabenow
Coons	Lee	Tester
Cornyn	Lujan	Thune
Cortez Masto	Lummis	Tillis
Cotton	Manchin	Tuberville
Cramer	Marshall	Vance
Crapo	McConnell	Warner
Cruz	Moran	Warnock
Daines	Mullin	Wicker
Duckworth	Murkowski	Wyden
Durbin	Murphy	Young
Ernst	Murray	

## NAYS—12

Hawley	Merkley	Van Hollen
Hirono	Reed	Warren
Kaine	Sanders	Welch
Markey	Schmitt	Whitehouse

## NOT VOTING—5

Brown	Menendez	Sullivan
Butler	Sinema	

The nomination was confirmed.  
(Mr. FETTERMAN assumed the Chair.)

(Ms. KLOBUCHAR assumed the Chair.)

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Ms. BALDWIN). The Senator from Delaware.

## UNANIMOUS CONSENT REQUEST—EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. COONS. Madam President, I ask that the mandatory quorum call with respect to the cloture motion be waived.

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

## CLOTURE MOTION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Pursuant to rule XXII, the Chair lays before the Senate the pending cloture motion, which the clerk will state.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

## CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Executive Calendar No. 668, Judy W. Chang, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2029.

Charles E. Schumer, Joe Manchin III, Sheldon Whitehouse, Martin Heinrich, Jeanne Shaheen, Catherine Cortez Masto, Alex Padilla, Mazie Hirono, Ben Ray Lujan, Maria Cantwell, Peter Welch, Jack Reed, Benjamin L. Cardin, Angus S. King, Jr., Richard Blumenthal, Mark Kelly, John W. Hickenlooper.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. By unanimous consent, the mandatory quorum call has been waived.

The question is, Is it the sense of the Senate that debate on the nomination of Judy W. Chang, of Massachusetts, to

be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2029, shall be brought to a close?

The yeas and nays are mandatory under the rule.

The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN), the Senator from California (Ms. BUTLER), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS), and the Senator from Arizona (Ms. SINEMA) are necessarily absent.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senator is necessarily absent: the Senator from Alaska (Mr. SULLIVAN).

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 63, nays 31, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 195 Ex.]

## YEAS—63

Baldwin	Hassan	Reed
Barrasso	Heinrich	Risch
Bennet	Hickenlooper	Romney
Blumenthal	Hirono	Rosen
Booker	Hyde-Smith	Rounds
Cantwell	Kaine	Schatz
Cardin	Kelly	Schumer
Carper	King	Shaheen
Casey	Klobuchar	Smith
Cassidy	Lujan	Stabenow
Collins	Lummis	Tester
Coons	Manchin	Tillis
Cortez Masto	Markey	Van Hollen
Cramer	McConnell	Warner
Crapo	Merkley	Warnock
Duckworth	Murkowski	Warren
Durbin	Murphy	Welch
Fetterman	Murray	Whitehouse
Gillibrand	Ossoff	Wicker
Graham	Padilla	Wyden
Grassley	Peters	Young

## NAYS—31

Blackburn	Fischer	Paul
Boozman	Hagerty	Ricketts
Braun	Hawley	Rubio
Britt	Hoeben	Schmitt
Budd	Johnson	Scott (FL)
Capito	Kennedy	Scott (SC)
Cornyn	Lankford	Thune
Cotton	Lee	Tuberville
Cruz	Marshall	Vance
Daines	Moran	
Ernst	Mullin	

## NOT VOTING—6

Brown	Menendez	Sinema
Butler	Sanders	Sullivan

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET). On this vote, the yeas are 63, the nays are 31, and the motion is agreed to.

The motion was agreed to.

## EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of Judy W. Chang, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2029.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Texas.

## UNANIMOUS CONSENT REQUEST—S. 4368

Mr. CRUZ. Mr. President, today I rise to speak on an issue that is incredibly personal and vital to millions of Americans—the protection of in vitro fertilization.

IVF is a medical miracle that has brought the joy of parenthood to millions of families who might otherwise have never experienced it. I am a strong supporter of IVF, and I am incredibly grateful for the technology that has enabled parents, moms and dads desperate to bring into the world little boys and little girls, to finally hold a child in their arms.

It is astounding to note that over 2 percent of all births in America each and every year come from IVF. That translates to millions of parents who have been given the chance to bring new life into the world. To date, more than 8 million babies have been born through IVF.

However, recent developments have caused some confusion and concern among parents and among those who wish to be parents. The Alabama Supreme Court's decision to recognize embryos created through IVF as children under the law has left many prospective parents worried—understandably worried—about the future legality of IVF.

Now, the Alabama Legislature acted quickly to make clear that IVF is fully protected in the State of Alabama, but nonetheless confusion persists.

To the best of my knowledge, all 100 Senators in this body support IVF. Seeing this confusion—confusion that, unfortunately, has been fueled by Democrat partisans—I reached out to Senator KATIE BRITT from Alabama, and I asked Senator BRITT if she would join together in drafting legislation, Federal legislation, that would be a clear, straightforward, ironclad protection for IVF.

I believe we should put into Federal law a clear and unambiguous protection to make clear that no State in the Union can ban IVF, that no local government in this country can ban IVF.

Senator BRITT and I drafted this together. This bill is simple. It is straightforward. It is clear.

IVF is profoundly pro-family. It is an avenue of hope for millions struggling with infertility.

To every mom and every dad at home and to every woman and man desperately hoping to be a parent, know that our bill will ensure that IVF remains 100 percent protected by law. And this should not just be a policy or a general affirmation; this should be a clear and unmistakable Federal law.

We invite our colleagues in the Senate from both sides of the aisle to join together in supporting this crucial legislation. This should be a measure that transcends political divides.

A recent poll showed that 86 percent of Americans believe IVF should be legal and protected. This is an opportunity for us to put partisan divisions aside and to come together and unite on a shared commitment to protecting IVF.

That is why in just a moment I am going to ask unanimous consent to pass this legislation, but before I do so, I want to yield to the Senator from Alabama, Senator BRITT.