

in a parking lot. They shouldn't have to be left to miscarry on their own.

Their husband shouldn't have to find them, when he comes home, bleeding and unconscious and call 9-1-1 in a panic. This is what is happening, and I know the Presiding Officer feels the same; we are not going to stand for this. This will not become a new accepted normal, period.

Democrats are going to continue to be here to tell these women's stories. We are going to continue pressing to fully restore reproductive freedoms for every woman in America, and we are going to continue to be putting a white-hot spotlight on the devastating, deadly fallout of Republicans' extreme anti-abortion policies of Donald Trump abortion bans and on the cruel callousness Trump has offered in response—never missing an opportunity to gloat about overturning *Roe v. Wade*.

Women and families are listening to him gloat. They are not going to forget, and I know we won't.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The President pro tempore.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

MORNING BUSINESS

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to legislative session for a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

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

TRIBUTE TO JAMES L. PALMER

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I have served on the Senate Judiciary Committee for more than 20 years, including the most recent 3-and-a-half years as chair. I have come to know many of the dedicated professionals across our Nation who have devoted their careers to the law, the Constitution, and equal justice. Next month, one of those dedicated professionals, Jim Palmer, of Quincy, IL, will be celebrating his 50th year as a litigator.

A Quincy native, Jim is Illinois educated through and through—having earned his undergraduate degree from Quincy University and his law degree from the University of Illinois College of Law. After graduating from law school, he served as a law clerk for the Fourth District Appellate Court in Springfield. And following that, Jim worked as an associate and then made his way to partner at a law firm, spending the rest of his career with his name on the door of that practice. His experience has spanned a wide range of legal issues, from estate planning to insurance defense to complex litigation. For much of his career, he has also concentrated on issues involving questions interpreting Federal statutes and the U.S. Constitution.

Throughout his life, Jim's commitment to the law also inspired him to give back to his community, Illinois, and the country. For nearly three decades, Jim served as a member of the Attorney Registration & Disciplinary Commission of the Illinois Supreme Court. And in Adams County, IL, he tried criminal cases—serving as a part-time public defender representing indigent defendants and later as a part-time assistant State's attorney. In all of these endeavors, Jim used his knowledge of the law to help advance that ever-important goal of equal justice.

But if you don't take my word about how excellent of an attorney Jim is, his awards and recognition speak for themselves. He is a graduate of the National Institute for Trial Advocacy, a recipient of the Liberty Bell Award from the Illinois State Bar Association, and a member of the Leading Lawyer Network, where he has been recognized as an outstanding defense counsel and general civil litigator in the State.

But more than just practicing law, Jim has taken it upon himself to teach the law. Since 1979, Jim has taught classes including criminal law, criminal procedure, and constitutional law at Quincy University, helping to mold the next generation of lawyers, judges, and legal scholars. He also lectures on a regular basis for the Pursuit of Learning in Society—POLIS—a program sponsored by Quincy University that allows retired adults to continue the lifelong journey of learning.

Jim, congratulations on 50 years of legal practice. Illinois' legal profession is stronger with you in it. I am lucky to call you a friend. To your wife Ann; your children Mark, Jennifer, and Christopher; and your grandchildren Luke, Eli, Dylan, and William Michael, you should be incredibly proud of Jim. I hope you all take time to be outside, travel, and maybe even pet some Newfoundland dogs in celebration of this momentous milestone.

BUDGET SCOREKEEPING REPORT

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Mr. President, I submit to the Senate a letter from the Congressional Budget Office, dated today, that tallies the effect of enacted legislation on the fiscal year 2025 budget. There hasn't been any.

The Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2023 included provisions that acted as a budget for fiscal years 2024 and 2025. On May 14, 2024, I filed the budgetary levels used for the fiscal year 2025 budget; since then, no legislation has cleared Congress that changes revenue or mandatory spending by more than \$500,000 over 10 years. The effects round to zero.

I ask unanimous consent that CBO's letter be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,
U.S. CONGRESS,
Washington, DC, September 19, 2024.

Hon. SHELDON WHITEHOUSE,
Chairman, Committee on the Budget,
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: This letter reports on the effects of Congressional action on the fiscal year 2025 budget and is current through September 16, 2024. It is submitted under section 308(b) and in aid of section 311 of the Congressional Budget Act, as amended.

Since May 14, 2024, when the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget printed allocations, aggregates, and other budgetary levels in the *Congressional Record* (pursuant to section 122 of the Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2023, Public Law 118-5), the Congress has cleared no new legislation with significant effects on budget authority, outlays, or revenues in 2025.

This is the first current level letter for 2025.

Sincerely,

PHILLIP L. SWAGEL.

TRIBUTE TO ROBERT SUNSHINE

Mr. WHITEHOUSE. Mr. President, along with the distinguished ranking member of the Budget Committee, Senator GRASSLEY, we congratulate Robert Sunshine on his retirement after 48 years of service to the Congressional Budget Office, Congress, and our country.

We would like to take a few minutes to honor this truly exceptional public servant and the legacy he leaves behind. Throughout his distinguished career, Bob has served as a mentor to countless members of the CBO staff—and to many a CBO Director—and he has remained steadfast in his commitment to CBO's mandate to be objective, impartial, and nonpartisan.

Bob joined CBO in 1976, when the Agency was in its infancy, and his first job was as principal analyst covering transportation issues. In 1995, Bob became the Budget Analysis Division's Deputy Assistant Director, and in 1999, he was named CBO's Assistant Director of Budget Analysis. He oversaw much of the Agency's work, including the preparation of cost estimates for legislation being considered by Congress and the preparation of the multiyear budget and economic projections that are the foundation of the congressional budget process.

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, Bob served as Acting Director of CBO from November 25, 2008, to January 22, 2009, before becoming senior adviser to the Director and unofficial quality control officer for CBO's written products.

Douglas Holtz-Eakin, CBO's Director from 2003 to 2005, described Bob as "the living heart of CBO." Peter Orszag, CBO's Director from 2007 to 2008 said, "It is no exaggeration to say that CBO is what it is today—rigorous, independent, and widely respected—in no small part because of Bob Sunshine. For nearly half a century, he has worked in service of facts, good analysis, and sound policymaking."

Bob is highly regarded on both sides of the aisle for his deep knowledge of the budget process and commitment to

CBO's role in that process. But as his colleagues have said, it is his personal ethic—his optimism and thoughtful consideration for his friends and colleagues—that truly defines him.

We thank Bob for his decades of service and wish him the best in the years to come.

CONGRATULATING IDAHO OLYMPIANS AND PARALYMPIANS

Mr. CRAPO. Mr. President, along with my colleagues Senator JIM RISCH and Representatives MIKE SIMPSON and RUSS FULCHER, I congratulate Idaho athletes who competed in the Olympic and Paralympic Games Paris 2024. This includes Annie Carey, Chari Hawkins, Marisa Howard, Matteo Jorgenson, Alyssa Mendoza, and Kate Shoemaker, who we commend for their extraordinary perseverance that resulted in them competing on this world stage.

Catherine “Annie” Carey, of Boise, ID, competed in track and field events in the Paralympic Games Paris 2024, where she earned sixth-place finishes in both the 200-meter dash and long jump. Her career highlights leading to her debut participation in the Olympics include her earning bronze medals in the 100-meter dash, 200-meter dash, and long jump at the ParaPan American Games Santiago 2023. She also competed in the ParaPan American Games Lima 2019.

First-time Olympian Chari Hawkins, of Rexburg, ID, competed in track and field for the U.S. team and earned 21st place in the women's heptathlon. Chari earned eighth in the heptathlon at the 2023 World Championships, an event in which she also competed in 2019. She also competed in the indoor pentathlon at the 2022 World Championships, and some of her career highlights include 2022 U.S. National Pentathlon Champion at the USA Track & Field (USATF) Indoor Championships; USATF Athlete of the Week in 2022 after winning the pentathlon; and the bronze medal at the 2019 USATF Outdoor Championships.

Marisa Howard, a Boise State University graduate who joined the Boise State track and field and cross-country staff as an assistant coach, competed for the first time in track and field in the Olympic Games Paris 2024. In the Paris Olympics, she placed 24th in the 3,000-meter steeplechase. Prior to competing in the Olympics, Marisa Howard placed fourth in the 3,000-meter steeplechase at the 2023 Pan American Games, and she was a silver medalist in the 3,000-meter steeplechase at the 2019 Pan American Games.

Matteo Jorgenson, a first-time Olympian and graduate of Boise High School, represented the U.S. in cycling in the Paris Olympics, where he earned ninth place in the road race. Matteo's Olympics participation follows his distinction in a number of international cycling competitions. This includes his first-place finishes in Paris-Nice and Dwars door Vlaanderen in 2024. He also

placed second overall in the Criterium du Dauphine and eighth overall in the Tour de France also in 2024, following a first-place overall finish in the Tour of Oman and second place overall finish in the Tour de Romandie, both in 2023.

Alyssa Mendoza, of Caldwell, ID, placed ninth in featherweight boxing at the 2024 Paris Olympic Games. Her debut Olympics competition followed her earning a number of medals at U.S. and international competitions that include earning medals at three international competitions last year: bronze at the 2023 Gee Bee International Tournament; silver at the 2023 Czech Republic Grand Prix; and bronze at the 2023 Strandja International Tournament. She also earned gold medals at the 2022 USA Boxing Elite National Championships, 2022 USA Boxing Summer Festival, and the 2022 National Golden Gloves. USA Boxing notes Alyssa Mendoza is the first qualified Olympic boxer from Idaho.

Kate Shoemaker, of Eagle, ID, is a two-time Paralympian and two-time Paralympic medalist. She earned a bronze in the individual freestyle at the Paralympic Games Paris 2024, where she also earned fifth in the individual championship test. Kate helped her U.S. equestrian team earn a bronze medal at the Paralympic Games Tokyo 2020 where she also earned a fourth-place finish in the individual freestyle and a seventh-place finish in the individual championship test.

Idaho Olympians and Paralympians show us all what is possible as they turn their hard work into achievements by facing challenges with perseverance. Thank you, Olympians and Paralympians, for representing our great State and country so well in this extraordinary arena. We thank you for your outstanding examples as we commend you for your remarkable hard work and commitment.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO PAT JOHNSON

• Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, I rise to honor the achievements of Pat Johnson of Pocatontos, AR.

As a lifelong resident of Randolph County, Pat has made it her mission to preserve local Black history.

There is no better example than her vision and leadership in creating the Eddie Mae Herron Center, a space that allows residents to connect with the past and learn about the contributions of African-Americans to our Nation's fabric.

Located in a former Black church and segregated one-room schoolhouse, the center is named after Eddie Mae Herron, Pat's teacher when she was a student at the school. That is a testament to the impact of a single educator on the lives of so many young Arkansans, helping inspire lifelong learning and appreciation for African-American culture.

What stands out to me is Pat's determination and dedication in her pursuit to expose more and more in her community to its history—because embracing the past gives future generations a better understanding about the experiences and influences of their ancestors. Through artifacts, exhibits and pictures, Pat Johnson is uplifting the stories of the men and women whose legacies still shape life there today, as well as impact our country.

For more than two decades, she has devoted her life to educating her family, friends, and neighbors about the path of nearly 200 years of African-American history and culture in northeast Arkansas, and she isn't letting her foot off the gas. I appreciate her tireless work to curate these stories, traditions, and heritage that might otherwise be lost to history.

She is most deserving of the Bess Lomax Hawes National Heritage Fellowship for her years of active engagement and leadership.

I am confident she will continue to play a critical role in preserving the past to educate the future.

I proudly celebrate her contributions to her community, the State of Arkansas, and our country as we congratulate her on this tremendous honor. •

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:51 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1513. An act to direct the Federal Communications Commission to establish a task force to be known as the “6G Task Force”, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5179. An act to require the maintenance of the country of origin markings for imported goods produced in the West Bank or Gaza, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5339. An act to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to specify requirements concerning the consideration of pecuniary and nonpecuniary factors, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7213. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to enhance and reauthorize activities and programs relating to autism spectrum disorder, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7909. An act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide that aliens who have been convicted of or who have committed sex offenses or domestic violence are inadmissible and deportable.

H.R. 9076. An act to reauthorize child welfare programs under part B of title IV of the Social Security Act and strengthen the State and tribal child support enforcement program under part D of such title, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 1146. An act to amend part E of title IV of the Social Security Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to identify obstacles to identifying and responding to reports of children missing from foster care and other vulnerable foster