proceed to legislative session and be in 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.

## REMEMBERING ANNA MAE WEEMS

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I come to the floor today to honor Anna Mae Weems. Anna Mae was a standout citizen from Waterloo, who passed away in September after 98 years of life well-lived.

My wife Barbara and I met Anna Mae during my first congressional campaign for elected office in 1974. Little did we know, our fast friendship would endure 50 cherished years. We were fortunate to get to know the Weems family. I was reminded recently of a story. Barbara had shared the Senate bean soup recipe with the Weems family, and they enjoyed it together each year.

Anna Mae was always helping others and bridging connections. She fostered relationships for me with countless fellow Iowans, local groups, churches, and more. Her passion for civil rights and fierce advocacy against racial discrimination drove Anna Mae's work as a talented organizer. She facilitated a march in Waterloo to honor the 20th anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s March on Washington and invited me to join. It was an important event that brought the community together. Anna Mae had marched on the picket line alongside Dr. King during the 1968 sanitation workers' strike in Memphis. At that time, she served as a prominent union leader at Rath Packing Company in Waterloo. She was the perfect person for the job. Change seemed to happen overnight when Anna Mae came around because she refused to rest until people paid attention. She never gave up on a cause she felt was uniust.

In fact, I have Anna Mae to thank for bringing many causes to my attention. As a Senator, my No. 1 priority is to help Iowans the best I possibly can. She identified me as a resource to many Iowans who didn't know a Senator could help with their particular cases

Over the years, through frequent phone conversations, I learned from Anna Mae's insights—and about the ways she was making our community a better place. It was a privilege for Barbara and me to know Anna Mae, her extraordinary impact, and the positive mark she left wherever she went.

## 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF PI GAMMA MU INTERNATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I would like to offer my congratulations to the Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society on celebrating its 100th anniversary. As a proud member, I commend the work the society has done and continues to do in encour-

aging and promoting excellence in the world of social science disciplines.

Social science studies are important because they help us understand one another, our government, and how we can help build a better world. One hundred years is an important milestone, and it represents the exceptional achievement and impact the society has around the world and in our country. I appreciate the unwavering commitment of Pi Gamma Mu toward contributing to philanthropic causes and intellectual spaces. One hundred years of service and achievement is rare, and it demonstrates the society's outstanding impact on young scholars.

As a Senator and a member, I am pleased to send my best wishes to Pi Gamma Mu International Honor Society for this extraordinary accomplishment. On behalf of all Iowans and myself, I salute you on a job well done.

## ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

### TRIBUTE TO JEANIE WILCOXON

• Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, I rise today to congratulate and recognize Jeanie Wilcoxon on being named Arkansas's 2025 Teacher of the Year by the Arkansas Department of Education.

Jeanie is a fourth-grade math teacher at Chenal Elementary School in the Pulaski County Special School District in Little Rock. She has been a teacher for 25 years, 13 of which have been spent in this district.

She is a graduate of Dumas High School who pursued higher education first at the University of Arkansas at Monticello, where she earned a bachelor of science in elementary and secondary physical education. She went on to complete postbaccalaureate work in elementary education at Louisiana State University.

Jeanie displays an immense commitment to her students inside the classroom, and the results of her diligent and innovative approach are evident with her math students consistently ranking in the top 3 percent of standardized test scores.

Her dedication doesn't stop when the class bell rings. She also gives her time to academic and athletic extracurricular activities, including previously serving as a high school athletic coach and organizing clubs to promote skills like coding to help students apply their curriculum and lessons to the real world. Jeanie's efforts both inside and outside the classroom create a fun and dynamic learning environment that helps her students gain confidence and develop skills they need for future success.

Throughout her career, Jeanie has been recognized by her peers and leaders for her successful instruction in addition to being beloved by students. She previously has been honored as the Pulaski County Special School District Teacher of the Year for 2023–2024 and

earned the Iberville Parish Teacher of the Year award for 2006–2007.

As part of her duties as Teacher of the Year for Arkansas, Jeanie will travel the State to share best practices and promote the teaching profession. She will also serve as a nonvoting member on Arkansas's State Board of Education.

Jeanie's dedication towards her students exemplifies what it means to be a teacher, mentor, and leader, and I am extremely proud that she is receiving the recognition she richly deserves. I wish her the best of luck during her tenure as our State's top educator.●

#### TRIBUTE TO IAN MALLORY

• Ms. ERNST. Mr. President, Detective Ian Mallory stands out as an exceptional law enforcement professional with a steadfast commitment to justice and keeping Iowans safe. Throughout 8 years of service as a detective with the University of Iowa Police Department, Detective Mallory has consistently pursued investigations long after others might abandon them, demonstrating an unwavering drive to restore faith in the justice system for victims who had lost hope.

Detective Mallory was recently honored with the U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Iowa's 2024 Law Enforcement Victim Services Award. Ian's determination to resolve a three-decade-long identity theft scheme that stumped law enforcement, courts, banks, and government officials alike earned this accolade. Through an exhaustive investigation, Ian's breakthroughs brought a sophisticated web of deception to light and conclusively identified the fraudster.

Detective Mallory's persistence was instrumental in resolving a case involving a suspect who fled to Jordan after being arrested for brutally strangling a woman until she was unconscious on the University of Iowa campus in April 2022. The suspect, facing charges of attempted murder and first-degree robbery and theft, escaped 10 days before trial by removing the court-ordered GPS ankle monitor. He then fled the country using a Jordanian passport.

Undeterred, Detective Mallory successfully established a rapport with the suspect, overcoming the 8-hour time difference between Iowa and Jordan by often waking up in the middle of the night to maintain communication. Through his diligence, Detective Mallory persuaded the suspect to voluntarily return to the United States to face justice. Detective Mallory subsequently worked closely with the U.S. Embassy Overseas Criminal Investigations Unit in Jordan to meticulously plan the suspect's return.

Detective Mallory's tireless service, integrity, and genuine concern for victims embodies the highest standards of law enforcement. We should all commend him for his exemplary service to the people of Iowa.

#### RECOGNIZING TADLOCK STOCKYARD

• Mrs. HYDE-SMITH. Mr. President. it is my pleasure to celebrate the 100-year anniversary of Tadlock Stockyard in Forest, MS, which was celebrated November 8, 2024. This fourth-generation, family-owned business is recognized as a cornerstone of the cattle industry in Mississippi for more than a century, serving producers as they seek to provide wholesome, safe, and nutritious beef to the American people.

Originally founded by O.T. Bishop in 1924, the stockyard moved to its current location along Highway 35 in 1960 under the ownership of Luther and Ouida Jean Tadlock. David Tadlock, who assumed ownership of Tadlock Stockyard in 1974, has managed the sale barn and a weekly Monday sale at the current location ever since. The family-owned business is currently operated by all four members of the Tadlock family—David and Sandy Tadlock and daughters Greggina Brown and Char'lesa Tadlock.

Given the remarkable changes in our Nation over the past 100 years, including economic disruptions and global competition, the success of Tadlock Stockyard is a testament to the fortitude and commitment of the Tadlock family.

Tadlock Stockyard is the largest sale barn in Mississippi today, and it has consistently served to provide cattlemen across the State and region with a place to market their cattle. Given its proximity to Interstate 20, it serves as a hub for cattle marketing in the Southeast, especially as a gateway for stocker cattle to be shipped to feedlots out West.

Recently, the stockyard raised over \$35,000 for the victims of Hurricane Helene. During the sale on October 7, a Brangus heifer calf was donated by an anonymous producer and resold 18 times in 10 minutes. This represents the generosity of Mississippi cattlemen and women and the sense of community among them that Tadlock Stockyard has fostered over the past 100 vears.

Rural America is the backbone of this country, and Tadlock Stockyard is an important part of the backbone of rural Mississippi. I am thankful for the many important ways Tadlock Stockyard has contributed to the cattle industry and central Mississippi as a whole. I wish the stockyard and the Tadlock family continued success in their endeavors and look forward to watching another century of their legacy unfold.

#### RECOGNIZING THE GUJARATI SAMAJ OF KANSAS CITY

MARSHALL. Mr. President, today, I rise to pay tribute to the Gujarati Samaj of Kansas City, which celebrates the 25th anniversary of its founding this year. A values-based ethnolinguistic group with roots in Gu-

jarat, India, the Gujarati people have a thriving community in Kansas City.

On behalf of the State of Kansas, I express heartfelt appreciation for the ways in which Gujarat tradition enhances the cultural tapestry that defines America. The Gujarati Samaj of Kansas City have become a driving force for unity and harmony among Gujaratis in Kansas City, and the admirable achievements of this organization are deserving of commendation in the Congressional Record.

This milestone anniversary is a testament to the Gujarati's unwavering commitment to preserving and promoting their rich cultural heritage in Kansas City. Over the past 25 years, the Gujarati Samaj of Kansas City's social, cultural, and educational events have strengthened and inspired the Gujarati community throughout the Kansas City area and across the world.

The primary goals of the Gujarati Samaj of Kansas City include preserving and perpetuating its valuesbased culture, fostering a sense of belonging, and educating youth to become leaders of conscience-virtues that enrich the present and ensure a prosperous future.

I now ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating the silver jubilee anniversary of the Gujarati Samaj of Kansas City.

## TRIBUTE TO STAFF SERGEANT FRANK PERRY

• Mr. TILLIS. Mr. President, Senator BUDD and I rise today to recognize Staff Sergeant Frank Perry, who is celebrating his 98th birthday this year. Mr. Perry served our Nation valiantly in World War II as a member of the U.S. Army Air Corps and is a respected and cherished member of the North Carolina triad community.

During his service in WWII, Mr. Perry flew combat missions into Germany with the 754th Bombardment Squadron. He also served on a B-29 Superfortress crew in preparation for troop movements in the Pacific.

The brave men and women who served in World War II rightfully earned the title "the Greatest Generation." Their courage and sacrifice changed the course of history, ultimately liberating Western Europe and much of Asia from fascism and ushering in an era of unprecedented prosperity here at home.

After the war, Mr. Perry continued his career in aviation, eventually becoming a flight dispatcher based in Winston-Salem. He is a lifetime member of Winston-Salem Elks Lodge No. 449 and has served in various leadership positions.

We are honored to join his family, friends, and community in recognizing his contributions to our Nation.

## TRIBUTE TO PATRICK JUMP

• Mr. TUBERVILLE. Mr. President, it

brought about a lot of unexpected challenges and, for some, even loss. But if you meet Cpl Patrick Jump of Robertsdale, you will hear about something positive that came from this dark time.

Patrick enlisted in the Marines while in his senior year of high school. The son of a Vietnam veteran, Patrick knew what he was getting into when he signed up for the military. He remembers watching the Twin Towers fall while sitting in government class on September 11, 2001. But Patrick's desire to serve was unmoved. He served with "Devil Dogs" of First Battalion Sixth Marines, deploying to both Afghanistan and Iraq.

After discharging from the military in 2006, Patrick missed the sense of community that came from being in the military. He reconnected and continued to rebuild these relationships as the years went by.

When the COVID pandemic hit, he realized how great the need was to help veterans struggling with mental health. What began as a weekly virtual check-in with fellow soldiers, grew to a fulltime mission to help fellow veterans and their families. Patrick purchased a RV, traveling across 43 States before deciding to settle down in Baldwin County. Although not originally from Alabama, when Patrick discovered the region's patriotic spirit, he decided it was the perfect place to call home.

He founded the Warrior Legacy Ranch to provide support to veterans struggling with their mental health. He has been a leader in fighting to prevent veteran suicides and expanding the sense of community for veterans specifically those who served post-9/11. Patrick's efforts have not only helped veterans in Alabama, but all across the Nation.

Alabama is grateful to have him on the frontlines of serving those who have honorably served us. It is my honor to recognize him as the November Veteran of the month.

### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Kelly, one of his secretaries.

# EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

In executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

## MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2023, the Secis no secret that the COVID pandemic retary of the Senate, on September 26,