

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The assistant bill 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 motion to proceed to Calendar No. 66, S. 1582, a bill to provide for the regulation of payment stablecoins, and for other purposes.

John Thune, John Barrasso, Tim Sheehy, Bernie Moreno, Steve Daines, Eric Schmitt, Roger Marshall, Tommy Tuberville, Roger F. Wicker, John Hoeven, Marsha Blackburn, James Lankford, Bill Cassidy, Todd Young, Mike Crapo, Deb Fischer, Markwayne Mullin.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant bill clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. BUDD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

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

RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED TODAY

Mr. BUDD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the en bloc consideration of the following resolutions, which are at the desk: S. Res. 231, S. Res. 232, and S. Res. 233.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolutions en bloc.

Mr. BUDD. I ask unanimous consent that the resolutions be agreed to, the preambles be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table, all en bloc.

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

The resolutions were agreed to.

The preambles were agreed to.

(The resolutions, with their preambles, are printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

MORNING BUSINESS

TRIBUTE TO BOB JACKSON

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I rise today to honor Dr. Robert "Bob" Jackson, the 14th president of Murray State University, who will be stepping down from the helm after more than 6 years of leadership. Dr. Jackson is a true public servant who has devoted much of his career to serving Kentuckians through his efforts to transform Murray State University and improve higher education across the Commonwealth. I ask my colleagues to please join me in congratulating my friend Bob on a well-deserved retirement.

After graduating from LaRue County High School, Bob began his journey at

Murray State University 43 years ago last fall. He studied finance and quickly developed an affinity for the institution, joining Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity and meeting his wife Karen. Together, the couple shared fond memories of Greek life, attending Racer sporting events and competing in "All Campus Sing" on the steps of the Pogue Library. No doubt, Bob and Karen's time as students instilled in them a strong sense of pride for Murray State. Both have used their exceptional talents to give back to the university and community.

Corporate finance and investment banking are part of Bob's diverse work background, but his passion for higher education in Kentucky is evident by the public service that fills his resume. Bob was elected to the Kentucky State Senate in 1997 and used his term in Frankfort to focus on postsecondary education and pension reform, garnering praise from legislators on both sides of the aisle. In another role, his deep knowledge of State and Federal policy allowed him the opportunity to advocate for Murray State University as its senior adviser for government relations. Bob also served as the head of the Murray State University Foundation before being tapped to lead his alma mater as interim president in 2018. Less than a year later, Bob was officially appointed president, and his tenure has been nothing short of pure excellence.

Nearly every aspect of Murray State University has seen generational change under Bob's leadership. The university shifted its focus toward recruitment and retention during his administration, leading to an overall increase in enrollment of 5 percent between 2018 and 2024. Working with six board chairs and 26 regents, Bob helped solicit some of the largest private donations in school history, while cementing the planned additions of a new school of nursing, veterinary sciences building, and residential hall on campus. Success has been abundant for Bob even amidst significant obstacles like the pandemic, during which I was proud to work with him to help secure over \$6 million in Federal funding for Murray State. Bob showed tremendous resilience shepherding the university through this difficult time, and for that, we are all grateful.

Bob's vision for Murray State has always focused on putting the success of its students first. His selfless demeanor in each task at hand is a testament to his character, always giving credit where it is due. Optimism drives Bob's leadership as he often says, "Our best days are ahead of us." While this may be true, the days of his presidency will be hard to beat. I wish Bob well in his retirement and know he will enjoy spending more time with family and traveling to new places. Again, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating Dr. Bob Jackson's career of public service.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO ETHELYN VONHELMERS FITZSIMMONS

• Mr. HUSTED. Mr. President, today I would like to wish Ms. Ethelyn VonHelmerts Fitzsimmons of Mantua, OH, a happy 110th birthday. Ms. Fitzsimmons was born May 17, 1915, in Marietta, OH, to Herman VonHelmerts and Lucille Boothby VonHelmerts. Ms. Fitzsimmons has lived through every major historical event over the past century, including both World Wars, the Moon landing, the fall of the Berlin Wall, the rise of the internet, and the COVID-19 pandemic. Ms. Fitzsimmons has a love for the arts, and she spent much of her adulthood teaching piano, writing songs and poems, and painting. •

REMEMBERING FLOYD CLACK

• Mr. PETERS. Mr. President, I rise today to honor a dedicated public servant, advocate for education, fair housing, conservation and equity, and longtime community leader from Flint, MI: Honorable Floyd E. Clack, who passed away on April 3, 2025, at the age of 84. Mr. Clack touched countless lives as a champion for the city of Flint and his community at large. It is a privilege and a sorrow both to recognize him here today and celebrate his life's work and many achievements.

Born in 1940, Mr. Clack spent his childhood in Houston, TX, before relocating to Michigan, where he went on to earn a master of arts in education from Eastern Michigan University. Embracing his love for education, he served as a social studies teacher at Flint Northern High School and later as a guidance counselor in the school district.

In 1979, Mr. Clack began his career as a politician with a successful campaign leading to his election to the Flint City Council, where he served until 1992. He was then elected to the Michigan House of Representatives, where he served until 1996, due to term limits. He then returned to his local community, continuing his elected service on the Genesee County Board of Commissioners from 1996 to 2004. Finally in 2005, he was appointed by then-Governor Granholm to the Eastern Michigan University Board of Regents, where he served until his retirement in 2014.

His enduring service to the Flint community included his presidency of the Flint Chapter of the NAACP, membership in the Urban League of Flint, Free & Accepted Masons, Lions Club, both the American and Michigan Corrections Association, and Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. These organizations further embodied Mr. Clack's dedicated story of service and advocacy of equality, equity, and the power of quality education.

Mr. Clack was not afraid to speak truth to power. In 1980, he called for

the resignation of the Flint police chief after the fatal shooting of William Taylor, Jr., an unarmed teenager, by an active-duty police officer. His response also called for the hiring and promotion of more Black officers, a call that in the decades which followed has become reality on the city's police force, which has diversified through officer hiring and several appointments of Black police chiefs including the current chief serving today.

Throughout his lifetime, Mr. Clack was recognized for his leadership, advocacy, and education efforts; this included honors from the Concerned Pastors Association, an inductee of the Greater Flint Afro-American Hall of Fame, by the Michigan Education Association, and the Lions Club.

The impacts of Mr. Clack's work will long be remembered by the Flint community through the stories of his service and landmarks he advocated for, including a push to rename the downtown Flint bus station in honor of Rosa Parks, which helped lead to the creation of a bronze statue honoring the civil rights pioneer at the facilities entrance that remains today.

The Hon. Floyd E. Clack not only served but also inspired others to step up for the city of Flint and the State of Michigan. His wife Brenda also served in the Michigan House. I ask you to join me, Floyd's family, his friends, and everyone he inspired in recognizing and celebrating his life and numerous accomplishments. I hope that each of us can find some comfort in the precious moments and memories that were shared with him.●

REMEMBERING KEVIN REILLY

● Mr. SCOTT of Florida. Mr. President, I rise today to honor the life of Kevin Reilly who recently passed away. Kevin graduated from Palm Harbor University High School in Pinellas County and was a proud Florida Gator, where he served as student body president at the University of Florida. Kevin spent much of his professional life in service to the State of Florida where he had key roles in the Florida legislature, State agencies, Congress, and in my Gubernatorial administration. As my legislative affairs director when I was Governor, Kevin was a key part of our success and helped us pass critical legislation to make Florida the best State to live, work, and raise a family. He fought for our tourism industry, championed policies to grow Florida's economy and spearheaded efforts to ensure Florida remained a safe place for every family. Kevin was a caring son, brother, friend, and colleague. Today, we honor his life and the incredible impact he made on our State, Nation, and all those who knew him.●

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:29 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, an-

nounced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2215. An act to redesignate the Salem Maritime National Historic Site as the "Salem Maritime National Historical Park", and for other purposes.

H.R. 2243. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to improve the Law Enforcement Officer Safety Act and provisions relating to the carrying of concealed weapons by law enforcement officers, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H. Con. Res. 24. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for an event to celebrate the birthday of King Kamehameha I.

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

At 1:04 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled joint resolution:

H.J. Res. 60. Joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the National Park Service relating to "Glen Canyon National Recreation Area: Motor Vehicles".

The enrolled joint resolution was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. GRASSLEY).

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 2215. An act to redesignate the Salem Maritime National Historic Site as the "Salem Maritime National Historical Park", and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 2243. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to improve the Law Enforcement Officer Safety Act and provisions relating to the carrying of concealed weapons by law enforcement officers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PRIVILEGED NOMINATION REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

On request by Senator MIKE CRAPO, under the authority of S. Res. 116, 112th Congress, the following nomination was referred to the Committee on Finance: Gary Andres, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. RISCH for the Committee on Foreign Relations.

*Somers Farkas, of New York, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Malta.

Nominee: Somers White Farkas.

Post: United States Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to the Republic of Malta.

(The following is a list of members of my immediate family. I have asked each of these persons to inform me of the pertinent contributions made by them. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this report is complete and accurate.)

Contributions, amount, date, and donee:

Self: \$1,000.00, 8/29/2024, Team McCormick; \$1,000.00, 8/29/2024, Friends of Dave McCormick; \$10,000.00, 7/28/2024, Log Cabin Republicans; \$5,000.00, 4/10/2024, Save America; \$123,900.00, 4/10/2024, Republican National Committee; \$41,300.00, 4/10/2024, Republican National Committee; \$53,200.00, 4/10/2024, Republican National Committee; \$10,000.00, 4/10/2024, Michigan Republican Party; \$3,300.00, 4/10/2024, Never Surrender, Inc.; \$3,300.00, 4/10/2024, Never Surrender, Inc.; \$230,000.00, 4/10/2024, Trump 47 Committee, Inc.; \$10,000.00, 4/10/2024, Republican Party of Arkansas; \$10,000.00, 4/10/2024, Alabama Republican Party; \$3,200.00, 4/10/2024, Oklahoma Leadership Council; \$10,000.00, 4/10/2024, Maine Republican Party; \$10,000.00, 4/10/2024, Massachusetts Republican Party; (\$53,200.00, 4/10/2024, Republican National Committee; \$1,000.00, 3/31/2024, Emmer for Congress; \$1,000.00, 3/27/2024, Emmer Majority Builders; \$90,000.00, 3/4/2024, Make America Great Again Inc; \$500.00, 12/20/2023, Arch Capito (Winred R); \$500.00, 9/24/2023, Nicole for New York; \$250.00, 6/30/2022, Ted Budd for Senate; \$250.00, 6/30/2022, Budd NC Victory Fund; \$500.00, 5/31/2022, John Kennedy for US; \$1,500.00, 5/18/2022, Doctor Oz for Senate; \$500.00, 5/1/2022, Nicole for New York; (\$100.00), 2/23/2022, Doctor Oz for Senate; \$100.00, 2/1/2022, Doctor Oz for Senate; \$2,900.00, 2/1/2022, Doctor Oz for Senate; \$1,000.00, 5/12/2021, The G Team; \$1,000.00, 5/12/2021, Greiteners for US Senate.

Spouse Jonathan Farkas: \$104.10, 10/29/2024, Winred; \$10.41, 10/29/2024, Republican National Committee; \$93.69, 10/29/2024, Never Surrender, Inc.; \$104.10, 10/29/2024, Trump National Committee JFC, Inc.; \$104.10, 10/13/2024, Winred; \$10.41, 10/13/2024, Republican National Committee; \$93.69, 10/13/2024, Never Surrender, Inc.; \$10,000.00, 9/27/2024, Trump 47 Committee, Inc.; \$93.69, 9/24/2024, Never Surrender, Inc.; \$104.10, 9/24/2024, Winred; \$104.10, 9/24/2024, Trump National Committee JFC, Inc.; \$10.41, 9/24/2024, Republican National Committee; \$93.69, 9/7/2024, Never Surrender, Inc.; \$104.10, 9/7/2024, Winred; \$104.10, 9/7/2024, Trump National Committee JFC, Inc.; \$500.00, 7/29/2024, John Kennedy for US; \$93.69, 7/11/2024, Never Surrender, Inc.; \$104.10, 7/11/2024, Winred; \$104.10, 7/11/2024, Trump National Committee JFC, Inc.; \$93.69, 7/5/2024, Never Surrender, Inc.; \$104.10, 7/5/2024, Winred; \$104.10, 7/5/2024, Trump National Committee JFC, Inc.; \$93.69, 6/21/2024, Never Surrender, Inc.; \$104.10, 6/21/2024, Winred; \$104.10, 6/21/2024, Trump National Committee JFC, Inc.; \$234.23, 6/15/2024, Never Surrender, Inc.; \$260.25, 6/15/2024, Trump National Committee JFC, Inc.; \$234.23, 5/31/2024, Never Surrender, Inc.; \$260.25, 5/31/2024, Trump National Committee JFC, Inc.; \$2,000.00, 5/16/2024, Friends of Matt Gaetz; \$5,000.00, 4/10/2024, Save America; \$20,000.00, 4/10/2024, Trump 47 Committee, Inc.; \$3,300.00, 4/10/2024, Never Surrender, Inc.; \$3,300.00, 4/10/2024, Never Surrender, Inc.; \$8,400.00, 4/10/2024, Republican National Committee; \$10,000.00, 3/4/2024, Make America Great Again Inc; \$1,000.00, 10/17/2022, Doctor Oz for Senate; \$2,900.00, 8/18/2022, Doctor Oz for Senate; \$100.00, 2/23/2022, Doctor Oz for Senate; \$2,800.00, 2/1/2022, Doctor Oz for Senate.

*Leandro Rizzuto, of Florida, to be Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the Organization of American States, with the rank of Ambassador.

Nominee: Leandro Rizzuto.

Post: Ambassador to OAS.