

efforts also ensured regional responders were provided critical tools, including the fielding of 18 uncrewed systems, 19,000 feet of containment boom, and three oil recovery systems, strengthening Coast Guard response infrastructure across 6,700 miles of Great Lakes shoreline. I am eternally grateful for all the hard work that he has contributed to the Great Lakes Oil Spill Center of Expertise.

Commander I cannot understate the impact that CDR Christopher Pace has had on the health and safety of the Great Lakes region. As the first U.S. Coast Guard chief for the Great Lakes Oil Spill Center of Expertise, Commander Pace's strategic vision and dedication to excellence have defined the center's identity and established its place as a leader in freshwater oil spill research, development, and training. Though his leadership at the Great Lakes Oil Spill Center of Expertise will be sorely missed, his legacy will most certainly endure and continue to inspire. I know he will continue to serve our country in the highest regard as he embarks on his next adventure in the Philippines.

TRIBUTE TO CRAIG CARBONE

Mr. SCOTT of Florida. Mr. President, I rise today to honor the incredible service to our State and Nation by Craig Carbone. Craig has served on my team in multiple capacities for over a decade. As my deputy chief of staff when I was Governor of Florida, Craig was an integral part of our success and spearheaded efforts to pass legislation that made our State safer and more prosperous. He also oversaw the appointments process for thousands of boards and commissions in Florida which has had a direct impact on every Floridian. He worked tirelessly to help me get elected to the U.S. Senate, and he has been a vital member of my Senate office since day one. As my chief of staff, he has overseen the passage of critical legislation, led our award-winning constituent services team, and helped countless Americans who needed assistance with the Federal Government. I am so grateful for Craig's hard work and commitment to making Florida and our Nation a better place.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO JOHN FOSTER

• Mr. CASSIDY. Mr. President, I want to congratulate John Foster, a Louisiana native and fellow LSU Tiger, on an impressive run on American Idol.

John was the runner-up on this season of American Idol. And while it was not the outcome everyone in Louisiana was hoping for, he represented himself and Louisiana well on a national stage.

John's performances were excellent and inspiring. He was also practicing and performing as he is pursuing premed.

John, well done on pursuing both your dream and your education. From all of us back home, keep singing. You are first place in Louisiana.●

TRIBUTE TO CATHERINE REED

• Ms. HASSAN. Mr. President, I am honored to recognize Catherine Reed of Hanover as May's Granite Stater of the Month. Catherine started a food pantry, called the Food-is-Medicine Pantry, at the Dartmouth Cancer Center when she saw how many of her cancer patients needed food assistance.

Three years ago, Catherine was working at the Dartmouth Cancer Center as a social worker when she discovered that there was a significant gap in resources for her patients. She was helping a patient get assistance with paying for rent, car payments, and fuel oil, but learned that the patient was also struggling to afford their groceries. Catherine realized that there were very few options for food assistance for her patients, and the stigma surrounding food insecurity stopped many of her patients from asking for help. Catherine decided to take action, and with the help of a coworker Chelsey Canavan, Catherine secured funding for a food pantry at the Dartmouth Cancer Center, with fresh and healthy donations provided by a local nonprofit organization.

Catherine knew that in order for the food pantry to improve the lives of her patients, she needed to make sure that anyone who needed help was comfortable asking for it. She explained to her patients that proper nutrition is a part of the treatment for their cancer because the stronger that someone goes into treatment, the stronger they can come out of it. Catherine took grocery orders from her patients daily and delivered the groceries to people's cars before they left in order to make things as easy as possible for them.

Catherine saw firsthand the difference that food assistance makes for cancer patients. She began working to expand the food pantry program, including collecting data, presenting a poster at an oncology conference, contacting a hospital in Tennessee to learn about their food pantry so that she could model best practices, and creating a referral system to bring more patients into the program. The program's eligibility has grown to include all patients at the center, and for each patient who chooses to participate, their entire family is provided with fresh and healthy food harvested and delivered by local organizations.

Catherine's attentiveness to her patients is a great example of the Granite State spirit of going above and beyond for your community. She saw a problem and did not look around for someone else to solve it. She got to work. Her determination and her compassion is why I am proud to name her May's Granite Stater of the Month.●

TRIBUTE TO FRED J. LOGAN, JR.

• Mr. MORAN. Mr. President, today, I would like to recognize a fellow Kansan and friend Fred J. Logan, Jr., for dedicating his professional and personal life to representing and serving the people of Kansas and congratulate him on his retirement.

Fred spent most of his childhood in Indianapolis and earned both his bachelor's degree and juris doctorate from the University of Indiana. During his time in law school, Fred served as a law clerk to Lawrence County, Indiana Circuit Court Judge H. Wayne Baker.

Through this experience, Fred developed his passion for public service through practicing law. After receiving his law degree, he later moved to Overland Park, KS, and remained a resident of Johnson County for over 50 years.

For the past 39 years, Fred has represented clients, advised regional businesses, and served as council for various local government entities as a partner of Logan, Logan & Watson, a firm that he originally founded with his brother Scott.

Fred's longest client was the Johnson County Library, for which he oversaw the negotiations of the library's governance structure and contributed to the successful growth of the library system across the Johnson County area. In addition to his time practicing law, Fred has dedicated much of his personal life giving back to his local and State community, serving on numerous boards across a variety of disciplines.

One issue Fred is keenly passionate about is advancing educational success in his community. Fred has served as vice chair of the Greater Kansas City Chamber of Commerce, chairman of the Johnson County Community College Board of Trustees, and vice president of the Johnson County Community College Foundation. He also served as the chair of the Kansas Board of Regents alongside my wife Robba. Fred has been a member of the University of Kansas Dole Institute of Politics Advisory Board and the Shawnee Mission School District Committee for Excellence, just to name a few.

Fred has not only been a champion for education, he also has dedicated much of his time to community service, serving as the president of the United Community Services and Friends of Johnson County Library and a board member and youth coach of the Great American Basketball League.

Throughout his career, Fred has earned a reputation as a mentor and a problem solver who has strived and succeeded in bettering his community and leaving a positive impact on everyone he meets.

I have also had the pleasure of getting to know Fred's son Andy who, like his father, has dedicated much of his life in service to Kansans. Andy was one of the first members of my team when I entered the Senate back in 2011, assisting and advising me on healthcare and education issues. Andy

has continued to follow in his father's footsteps, practicing law and working as a partner for Logan, Logan & Watson.

While he may not originally be from Kansas, we are proud to claim Frank as one of our own. After an impressive career and decades of service, I want to congratulate Frank on his retirement and thank him for his service to Kansans.●

TRIBUTE TO CYNTHIA J. BUTTS

● Mr. TILLIS. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize an extraordinary North Carolinian. Since the early 1970s, Cynthia J. Butts, a resident of Murphy, NC, has served as a caregiver for her own family and the families of our Nation's Armed Forces. She has consistently offered care, compassion, and support to those around her.

As a military spouse, Mrs. Butts understood firsthand the challenges of having a loved one deployed. Guided by her natural inclination to care for others, she provided invaluable support for families facing those same challenges. Her caregiving extended to several senior family members, and she is now the primary caregiver for her husband.

As Mrs. Butts' community faced the challenges of COVID-19 and later Hurricane Helene, she once again rose to the occasion. Even as her husband's health declined and she battled cancer herself, she continued to offer love and support to all those around her.

I am humbled to recognize Mrs. Butts for her lifelong dedication to caring for those around her. Our great State and Nation are grateful for her compassion and lifetime of service.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

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

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As 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.)

PRIVILEGED NOMINATION REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

On request by Senator MARIA CANTWELL, under the authority of S. Res. 116, 112th Congress, the following nomination was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Gregory Autry, of Florida, to be Chief Financial Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. CRUZ, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with amendments:

S. 244. A bill to direct the Secretary of Commerce, acting through the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information, to conduct a study of the national security risks posed by consumer routers, modems, and devices that combine a modem and router, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 119-25).

S. 258. A bill to improve forecasting and understanding of tornadoes and other hazardous weather, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 119-26).

By Mr. CRUZ, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with an amendment:

S. 433. A bill to require the Secretary of Commerce to establish the National Manufacturing Advisory Council within the Department of Commerce, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 119-27).

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 Ms. ERNST:

S. 1922. A bill to provide firearm licensees an opportunity to correct statutory and regulatory violations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KENNEDY:

S. 1923. A bill to amend the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010 to set the rate of pay for employees of the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection in accordance with the General Schedule; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself and Mr. BOOKER):

S. 1924. A bill to add suicide prevention resources to school identification cards; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. SHAHEEN (for herself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 1925. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to diabetes outpatient self-management training services, to require the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation to test the provision of virtual diabetes outpatient self-management training services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. WARREN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 1926. A bill to encourage reduction of disposable plastic products in units of the National Park System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. HAWLEY (for himself and Mr. SCHMITT):

S. Res. 258. A resolution honoring the lives and service of Natalie and Davy Lloyd and expressing condolence to the family of Natalie and Davy Lloyd; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. YOUNG):

S. Res. 259. A resolution recognizing June 2, 2025, as the 39th anniversary of C-SPAN chronicling democracy in the Senate; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. WELCH, Mr. KAINE, Mr. GALLEGGO, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. MARKEY, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. HEINRICH, Ms. ALSOBROOKS, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. Res. 260. A resolution expressing support for the designation of June 6, 2025, as "National Gun Violence Awareness Day" and June 2025 as "National Gun Violence Awareness Month"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 237

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. KAINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 237, a bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to provide public safety officer benefits for exposure-related cancers, and for other purposes.

S. 364

At the request of Mr. CRAPO, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Ms. ERNST) was added as a cosponsor of S. 364, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to remove silencers from the definition of firearms, and for other purposes.

S. 393

At the request of Mr. FETTERMAN, the names of the Senator from Iowa (Ms. ERNST) and the Senator from Arizona (Mr. GALLEGGO) were added as cosponsors of S. 393, a bill to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to prohibit the export or sale of petroleum products from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve to certain entities, and for other purposes.

S. 482

At the request of Mr. WELCH, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. GALLEGGO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 482, a bill to include Czechia in the list of foreign states whose nationals are eligible for admission into the United States as E-1 nonimmigrants if United States nationals are treated similarly by the Government of Czechia.

S. 557

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. RISCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 557, a bill to repeal the small business loan data collection requirements under the Equal Credit Opportunity Act.

S. 567

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 567, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the First Rhode Island Regiment, in recognition of their dedicated service during the Revolutionary War.

S. 577

At the request of Mr. KENNEDY, the name of the Senator from Minnesota