

including New Hampshire. Like many of our best public servants, Sean may not be known by most folks in the country, but I can tell you that many families and small businesses certainly know his work. I worked closely with Sean as both Chair and Ranking Member of the committee and his work supporting small businesses through COVID, including with the Paycheck Protection Program, helped so many small businesses get through the pandemic. I know Sean isn't going anywhere right now and hope he continues to serve, but on behalf of the countless Granite State families and businesses that have and will continue to benefit from Sean's work, I join my colleagues in thanking Sean for his thirty years of public service."

U.S. Senator Ben Cardin (retired): "Sean Moore is everything a senator needs and wants in a staff director—or any staff person. He is a consummate professional. He is an honest broker and a calming influence. He knows the Senate and the agencies with which he connects daily. He gets things done and doesn't worry about who gets credit—but he is always quick to uplift and spotlight the quality work of more junior staffers. I was blessed to have Sean as a resource and partner during the COVID-19 pandemic. Thanks to his round-the-clock work and innovative thinking, we quickly created new programs like the Paycheck Protection Program to save jobs and keep small businesses afloat during the most challenging economic crisis in a generation. We saved nonprofits and live entertainment venues. We did all this on a scale never expected. Sean made this possible. The best thing I can say to describe Sean Moore and his 30-year tenure with the Senate is that he is a true public servant. He understands that our work is for the American people, and he fights daily to make people's lives better. I will forever be grateful to Sean for his dedication, kindness and service. He is a legend."

These quotes show the remarkable impact Sean has had and how his tireless work has left the country a better place. I want to thank Sean for his dedication to the institution and to serving the American people. Congratulations on 30 years of service and counting.

TRIBUTE TO DR. ANSON H. "TUCK" HINES

Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to a dedicated public servant Dr. Anson H. "Tuck" Hines, director of the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center SERC. Dr. Hines has served SERC for over 45 years, including as its director since 2005. He has dedicated himself to addressing our world's most pressing ecological challenges, championed conservation efforts, and inspired the next generation of scientists.

Dr. Hines' impact on SERC is remarkable. Under his leadership, SERC

has spearheaded groundbreaking research, grown its research footprint to four continents, and strengthened public engagement through citizen science programs. He also oversaw the restoration of the historic Woodlawn House as a public museum and education center and expanded SERC's landholdings in the Rhode River watershed by 1,100 acres. This growth protected critical habitats for research, conservation, and education.

As a marine ecologist and zoologist, Dr. Hines is an expert in his field. He has published over 150 articles in technical journals and books, contributing to our understanding of long-term ecological change in the Chesapeake Bay, aquaculture, fishery restoration, and countless additional areas of research. I would be remiss to not mention that he has been critical to the conservation efforts to restore my home State's famous blue crabs.

Dr. Hines' unwavering dedication to teaching and inspiring the next generation of scientists is truly admirable. He grew the capacity of SERC's housing capacity to accommodate additional interns and visiting scientists, strengthening the center's ability to attract top talent. As an adjunct professor at the University of Maryland, College Park, Dr. Hines has motivated countless students. He has guided 20 postdoctoral fellows as a major adviser, supported countless Ph.D. and master of science students, and mentored more than 165 undergraduate interns.

I commend Dr. Hines for his dedication to our environment, his scientific expertise, and his commitment to fostering tomorrow's scientists. I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking him and wishing him a well-earned, enjoyable, and fulfilling retirement.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

RECOGNIZING B&B GATES & SUPPLY

• Ms. ERNST. Mr. President, as chair of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Iowa small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week, it is my privilege to recognize B&B Gates & Supply of Doon, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

In 1996, Barry and Patty Pollema, hog and cattle farmers, started B&B Gates & Supply in an unheated shop on their family farm in Doon, IA. From the start, the couple had a vision for growing the business and providing jobs that support families across the community. B&B Gates & Supply began as a farm-side operation, providing community members with gates to protect all types of livestock, ranging from chickens to cattle.

Today, B&B Gates & Supply is a full-service United States manufacturer of livestock gates, specializing in custom hog and cattle gates and a wide range

of agricultural necessities. Due to its growth, in 2021, B&B Gates & Supply moved its operation into a 50,000-square-foot facility along highway 75 with more enclosed space and greater room to scale. That same year, the Pollemas added a retail supply store. The store offers various items such as hoses, batteries, and other farming necessities—helping customers save time by finding what they need all in one place. In addition, B&B Gates & Supply added a servicing arm to the business, enabling service technicians to visit farms and resolve a wide range of issues found by their clients. The family business now employs over 34 community members. Several of Barry and Patty's children have also taken on key roles. Their sons Jesse, Jacob, and Jason Pollema all work in the family business. Jesse serves as the cattle gates and equipment manager and is now a co-owner. Jacob and Jason work in sales. Their daughter Abby handles social media and marketing.

B&B Gates & Supply plays an active role in its local community, often stepping in to provide critical support when it is needed most. During last year's flood in Rock Valley, the team spent days helping with cleanup and support. In 2021, Lyon County named B&B Gates & Supply an Iowa Master Pork Partner for its service to the hog industry in Lyon and across Iowa. Additionally, in 2023, VAL-CO awarded B&B Gates & Supply with the Gold Dealer Award for sales. That same year, VAL-CO initiated a partnership with B&B Gates & Supply to provide a range of equipment suitable for use in hog or cattle houses. In 2024, VAL-CO opened a warehouse, which is managed by B&B Gates & Supply, to make hog equipment, feed storage and transport systems, and more for customers and dealerships throughout the Midwest. This year, B&B Gates & Supply will celebrate its 29th anniversary in Iowa.

I want to congratulate the Pollema family and the entire team at B&B Gates & Supply for their entrepreneurial spirit and dedication to providing high-quality American-manufactured products and agricultural services to workers and families across northwest Iowa. I look forward to seeing their continued growth and success.●

RECOGNIZING HUFFMAN'S FARM & HOME

• Ms. ERNST. Mr. President, as chair of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Iowa small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week, it is my privilege to recognize Huffman's Farm & Home of Fort Madison, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

In 2002, Bob Huffman and his brothers Mike and Hank founded Huffman's Farm & Home after gaining experience at their father's successful business

Huffman's Welding & Machine, which the Huffman family has kept running for more than 50 years. While working there, the brothers saw an opportunity to expand into the retail industry when clients and contractors not only picked up their finished products but also purchased tools and other small offerings. The business was built and centered around providing families and farmers with great products and customer service. Designed as a one-stop shop, Huffman's Farm & Home offers an extensive selection of brand-name items, from mowers and toys to feeders and electrical repair tools. The business is also pet friendly and even serves Iowa popcorn to its customers while they shop.

Over the years, Huffman's Farm & Home has steadily expanded its customer base, store locations, and physical footprint. In 2004, the business renovated and expanded the store from its original 10,000 square feet to more than 20,000 square feet. Today, the operation spans more than 30,000 square feet. In 2008, the Huffman family opened a second location in West Burlington, IA, and in 2016, they opened a third location in Aledo, IL. In addition to its wide selection of in-store products, Huffman's Farm & Home offers personalized customization options by allowing customers to place special orders. The team works closely with vendors to provide custom items tailored to each client's specific needs. Huffman's Farm & Home has grown to over 60 employees across its three locations. Additionally, Bob's nephew Jason Huffman joined the business after graduating with his degree in engineering. Today, he serves as vice president and manages many aspects of the manufacturing division, as well as project management and assessment.

Huffman's Farm & Home and the entire Huffman family are actively involved with the Fort Madison community. The Huffmans have generously supported the revitalization of Southeast Iowa's vocational school programs. The business is a member of the Fort Madison Chamber of Commerce where both Jason and Bob served on the board of directors, and Bob also served a term as president. Additionally, Bob is the president of the Fort Madison Economic Development Board. He is also on the Fort Madison Football Board of Directors and served as the chairman of the Tri-State Rodeo Committee. Jason is a member of the Southeast Iowa Community College Machining Advisory Committee and the Fort Madison Airport Commission. In 2010, Huffman's Farm & Home received the Distinction Award from the Greater Burlington Partnership for their involvement in community events and initiatives. In 2019, the Fort Madison Chamber nominated Bob for the Chamber of Commerce's Ambassador of the Year. Later this year, Huffman's Farm & Home will celebrate its 23rd anniversary.

I want to congratulate the Huffman family and the entire team for their

dedication and support towards their community and for providing vital products and tools to families and farmers across Iowa and the Midwest. I look forward to seeing their continued growth and success.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mrs. Stringer, 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 Committee on Armed Services.

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

PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

REPORT OF 22 RESCISSIONS OF BUDGET AUTHORITY—PM 28

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975, as amended by the order of April 11, 1986; to the Committees on Appropriations; the Budget; Commerce, Science, and Transportation; and Foreign Relations:

To the Congress of the United States:

In accordance with section 1012(a) of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 683(a)), I herewith report 22 rescissions of budget authority, totaling \$9.4 billion.

The proposed rescissions affect programs of the Department of State, as well as the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, the United States Agency for International Development, the United States Institute of Peace, and other international assistance programs.

The details of these rescissions are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

DONALD J. TRUMP.
THE WHITE HOUSE, May 28, 2025.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-992. A communication from the Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rescission of Recordkeeping on Re-

stricted Use Pesticides by Certified Applications" ((RIN0581-AE31) (Docket No. AMS-AMS-25-0019)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 21, 2025; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-993. A communication from the Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rescinding Natural Grass Sod Promotion, Research, and Information Order; Referendum Procedures" ((RIN0581-AE18) (Docket No. AMS-LP-21-0028)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 2, 2025; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-994. A communication from the Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Rescission of the Dairy Donation Program" ((RIN0581-AE45) (Docket No. AMS-DA-25-0026)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 2, 2025; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-995. A communication from the Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tobacco Grading and Inspections Services - Rescission of Tobacco Quota Provisions" ((RIN0581-AE40) (Docket No. AMS-CN-25-0028)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 2, 2025; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-996. A communication from the Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tobacco Grading and Inspections Services: Rescission of Obsolete Import Grading and Pesticide Testing Provisions" ((RIN0581-AE42) (Docket No. AMS-CN-25-0024)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 2, 2025; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-997. A communication from the Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tobacco Grading and Inspections Services - Rescission of Designated Tobacco Markets" ((RIN0581-AE43) (Docket No. AMS-CN-25-0025)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 2, 2025; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-998. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Florylpicoxamid; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 12713-01-OCSP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 2, 2025; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-999. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13851 with respect to Nicaragua; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1000. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13466 with respect to North Korea; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1001. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on