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NAYS—42

Alsobrooks	Hassan	Peters
Baldwin	Hickenlooper	Reed
Bennet	Hirono	Sanders
Blumenthal	Kaine	Schatz
Blunt Rochester	Kelly	Schiff
Booker	Kim	Schumer
Cantwell	King	Slotkin
Coons	Klobuchar	Smith
Cortez Masto	Lujan	Van Hollen
Duckworth	Markey	Warner
Durbin	Merkley	Warren
Fetterman	Murphy	Welch
Gallago	Ossoff	Whitehouse
Gillibrand	Padilla	Wyden

NOT VOTING—11

Hagerty	Lee	Schmitt
Hawley	Murkowski	Scott (SC)
Heinrich	Murray	Wainwright
Hooven	Rosen	

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The yeas are 47, the nays are 42. The motion is agreed to.

The motion was agreed to.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of Bryan Bedford, of Indiana, to be Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration for the term of five years.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Kansas.

UKRAINE

Mr. MORAN. Mr. President, I was pleased to see President Trump say that his administration will resume sending weapons to Ukraine. It is my understanding that they signed an order to do so. He was going to do that using the resources and flexibilities that Congress has provided to him, to his administration.

This commitment is vital, ensuring that Ukraine has capabilities to meet the needs to protect its people and its territory against ongoing aggression.

America's security is closely linked to the stability of the free world. If Ukraine fails to repel Russia's invasion, the consequences will extend far beyond Eastern Europe, threatening the safety, economic strength, and global leadership of the United States of America.

If we allow a dictator to redraw borders by force, then what message does that send to other authoritarian regimes watching closely around the globe—including China? This is a message of weakness that invites further aggression, and it threatens our allies and partners around the globe.

The cost of inaction will far outweigh the cost of action. If Putin is not stopped in Ukraine, the likelihood of a direct confrontation between Russia and a NATO ally dramatically increases, and that would mean far greater costs—not just in resources but potentially in American lives.

The President has tried to negotiate a peace agreement, but Putin has indicated, in almost no uncertain fashion, lack of interest.

The Ukrainian people have demonstrated incredible courage and resilience. They are fighting for their freedom and, by extension, for the principles that underpin global peace and security.

Our response to what we are seeing in Ukraine and across the globe should be to build more capacity and ensure that we have a resilient industrial base, with an ability to handle all the possible threats that the United States faces now and into the future. And 90 percent of the aid we will provide also goes back directly into the American economy, expanding capacity and resources for our own defense industrial base and creating jobs right here at home.

Expanding that industrial base is hugely important to the future, the well-being, the national security of our Nation. By aiding Ukraine, we are replenishing our own stockpiles with new, more advanced equipment and demonstrating American leadership on the global stage.

President Trump also secured a recent agreement at the NATO summit in which members of the alliance agreed to increase defense spending from 2 percent to 5 percent by 2035. This commitment to the defense of Europe and the NATO members is a tremendous development and will bolster our collective strength in an alliance, bringing our allies' spending up to the same levels of the United States.

We need to make certain Ukraine has the equipment necessary to win a just and lasting peace. We are interested in that peace. We want that peace.

The United States must continue our resolute support for Ukraine, showing our adversaries that we are a reliable partner and that attacks on democracy will not go unanswered.

We need to prove, particularly after our withdrawal from Afghanistan, that our allies can rely on us and our adversaries should fear us.

Mr. President, I thank you for your engagement today and, in the past, the things that you have secured to see that there is a bright future for the people in Ukraine.

And I thank you, Mr. President, for my time on the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Kansas.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. MORAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate resume 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.

HONORING STAFF SERGEANT
TROY S. KNUTSON-COLLINS

Ms. SLOTKIN. Mr. President, today I honor the life and legacy of SSG Troy

S. Knutson-Collins. He was a patriot that made the ultimate sacrifice serving his country while deployed to Lithuania this March. His dedication, honor, and courage live on through his children Braylee, Kendra, Emery, Leif, and Skadi; his wife Ayrelle; and his parents Robert and Tonja.

Born in Battle Creek, MI, in 1996, Troy graduated from Harper Creek High School in 2015. He played semi-professional football before enlisting in the U.S. Army at the age of 20. Troy's dad says he was destined to work with tools from a young age, and he became a decorated mechanic for the Army stationed at Fort Stewart, GA. He deployed twice to South Korea and was on his deployment in Lithuania at the time of his passing.

His pursuit of excellence earned him numerous awards, including two Army Commendation Medals, one Army Achievement Medal, two Army Good Conduct Medals, the National Defense Service Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Medal, and the Master Technician Badge. He was described as an expert, an incredibly talented mechanic, and a warrior by his commanding officers.

Troy was not only a dedicated servicemember but also a loving husband and a devoted father to his five children. He was a man of integrity, kindness, and unwavering love for his family and friends. He was a passionate football fan, a skilled woodworker, and always full of energy. He brought a bright light to the lives of those around him. His sudden passing has left an unimaginable void in the lives of his family, friends, and fellow servicemembers.

We thank the more than 150 people from the U.S., Polish, and Lithuanian Armed Forces and other rescuers who took part in the recovery mission. We remember the lives of the three other soldiers of the 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, who lost their lives alongside Troy: Jose Duenez, Edwin Franco, and Dante Taitano. These soldiers were a part of United States-led NATO Operation Atlantic Resolve to enhance deterrence along the alliance's eastern flank. It is a testament to the important mission they were all serving that multiple countries joined forces and worked tirelessly to bring them home.

His loss is felt deeply by the soldiers in his unit, the Army community, his friends, and his family. His service and sacrifice serve as an example to us all. We are lucky to live in a country with tireless patriots like SSG Knutson-Collins. May his memory continue to inspire those who seek to serve and foster positive change in our world.

TOWN OF WHITING 200TH
ANNIVERSARY

Ms. COLLINS. Mr. President, the Town of Whiting, ME, observes its bicentennial this July with a 3-day celebration that includes a Revolutionary

War reenactment, displays of antique farm and lumbering tools, historical presentations, quilts and other local crafts, great food, and good friendship. This long-planned event demonstrates why Whiting prides itself on being a small town with a big spirit.

The Revolutionary War reenactment is especially significant as one of the early settlers of the wilderness of far Downeast Maine after America won its independence was a hero of that conflict, General John Crane. A Massachusetts carpenter, Crane was a leader of the Sons of Liberty and was the only rebel injured during the Boston Tea Party.

Crane recovered and was commissioned as a Continental Army artillery officer who distinguished himself at Bunker Hill. Despite losing part of a foot to a cannon shot in 1776, he continued to serve and became the top commander of the U.S. Corps of Artillery. After the war, a grateful new nation granted the remarkable patriot a land grant on the coast of Maine.

With vast forest lands and fast-moving rivers, General Crane's settlement soon became a bustling lumber center with two sawmills. The fertile soil produced productive farms of crops and livestock, and pristine lakes, ponds, and streams supported abundant wildlife. When the general died in 1805, he was laid to rest with honors in the village cemetery.

Originally called Orangetown, after the river that powered the sawmills, the town was renamed Whiting upon its incorporation in 1825 after Timothy Whiting, an early settler and the town's first representative to the Maine Legislature.

Today, Whiting is a nature lover's paradise of gorgeous scenery and year-round outdoor recreation. The beautifully maintained Union Meeting House, built nearly two centuries ago, is a wonderful example of traditional New England church architecture and a worthy addition to the National Register of Historic Places.

Another major landmark is the Mill Pond Dam, built in 1830 where the Orange River meets Whiting Bay. In addition to creating a place of scenic beauty, the pond created by the stone dam has long been a crucial source of water for firefighters. Many residents recall how that precious water saved the town from destruction during a massive forest fire in 1985.

In addition to structural repairs, the dam needed a new fish passage. The Orange River is designated as Critical Habitat for Atlantic Salmon and supports herring and other important fish species and wildlife important to the economy and the ecosystem.

The people of Whiting stepped forward with investments of more than \$1 million for the watershed restoration project, and I was pleased to join the effort by securing \$2.9 million in Federal funds. During the legislative process, many students at Whiting Village School wrote letters supporting the

Mill Pond Dam project. When I discussed this funding with my Senate colleagues, those letters made a difference. It was impressive to see young people getting involved in the future of their community.

This 200th anniversary is not just the passing of years. It is about the people who for more than two centuries have pulled together, cared for one another, and built a community. My congratulations to the people of Whiting, ME, and my best wishes for the future.

TRIBUTE TO MARK MURPHY

Ms. BALDWIN. Mr. President, today I rise to honor Mark Murphy, chief executive officer of the Green Bay Packers, as he prepares to retire on July 13. For 15 seasons, Mr. Murphy has led one of the most revered franchises in professional sports, ushering the team into an era of incredible success.

Founded in 1919, the Green Bay Packers are one of the oldest teams in the National Football League—NFL—and the league's last remaining “small-town team.” But make no mistake, a small town does not mean a small fanbase. Packers fans are as loyal and enthusiastic as they come. Every Packers game since 1960 has been sold out, and the waitlist for season tickets is nearly 150,000 names long. Over the team's long and storied history, the Packers have enjoyed many successful seasons. Decorated with 13 league championships, the team has nine pre-Super Bowl NFL titles and four Super Bowl victories. With more than 360,000 stockholders, the Packers are proudly the only community-owned team in all of American professional sports.

Because of the team's public ownership, being CEO of the Packers is a unique and demanding job, but Mr. Murphy's background could not suit him better for the position. Born in Fulton, NY, Mr. Murphy graduated from Clarence High School, where he was a successful athlete and accomplished student. Mark went on to attend Colgate University, continuing his athletic career playing football and baseball. He then went on to receive a master of business administration from American University and a juris doctor from Georgetown University.

After his success at Colgate, Mr. Murphy was drafted into the NFL. He played in Washington, DC, for eight seasons during which time the team twice reached the Super Bowl, winning Superbowl XVII in 1982. In 1983, Mr. Murphy led the league in interceptions and was named All-Pro. To this day, he is believed to be the only person to earn a Super Bowl ring as both a player as well as a team executive.

Following his time as a player, Mr. Murphy worked for the National Football League Players Association, eventually becoming vice president. While at the players association, Mr. Murphy served on the union's bargaining team during the 1987 player's strike. He moved on to collegiate athletics,

spending a combined 16 years as director of athletics at Colgate University and Northwestern University. In 1989, Mr. Murphy served as a trial attorney with the U.S. Department of Justice. He spent 4 years as a public servant, primarily representing government Agencies in trials. In 2007, Mr. Murphy became the tenth CEO of the Green Bay Packers, embarking on what would be a remarkably successful tenure with the franchise.

During his time with the Packers, Mr. Murphy made innumerable contributions to the Packers organization, including renovations to Lambeau Field, which is the oldest continuously occupied stadium in the NFL. He has overseen major renovations to the facility that have maintained the stadium's historic charm while making it a venue suitable for year-round events.

Mr. Murphy was also instrumental in development of the Titledown District. Situated directly next to Lambeau Field, Titledown is a mixed-use development that includes a residential property, numerous dining options, a sports medicine facility, a full-sized athletic field, game courts, and a playground. Titledown is also home to TitledownTech, a venture capital firm that Murphy has actively engaged with that invests in startups to solve global challenges. Since opening in 2017, Titledown has become a destination for locals and visitors alike.

Perhaps Mr. Murphy's most impressive accomplishment was his ability to build and maintain a successful football team. During Mr. Murphy's tenure, the Packers qualified for the postseason 13 times, reached the NFC championship game five times, and won Superbowl XLV in 2011. Mr. Murphy's leadership has allowed this team to remain one of the most successful in the league.

To cap off his time as CEO of the Packers, Mr. Murphy helped bring the NFL draft to Green Bay in April of 2025. The 3-day event brought more than 600,000 fans to Green Bay, the second-highest attendance in NFL draft history.

Mr. Murphy's contributions reach far beyond Lambeau Field and across Wisconsin. He and his wife Laurie have supported Wisconsin organizations dedicated to education, internet access, healthcare equity, and racial justice. Mr. Murphy is an advisory board member of the Positive Coaching Alliance, an organization that promotes a positive environment in youth athletics. He also served on the executive committee and board of USA Football and has contributed to efforts to make football safer for athletes of all ages. In 2021, Mr. Murphy received the Free Enterprise Award from the Rotary Club of Green Bay for his efforts to drive business growth and community impact through the Packers organization.

For 15 years, Mr. Murphy combined his passion for football with his strong business acumen to shape a bold era of