

advocacy organizations throughout our great State. Early in her career, she served as the founding executive director of the Wisconsin Coalition of Independent Living Centers and was instrumental in the creation of a nationally recognized peer review model. Martha then led efforts to track, analyze, synthesize, and communicate data about the health and well-being of children and families in Wisconsin as director of the Kids Count project at Kids Forward. From there, Martha spent over a decade at United Way of Dane County, leading the agency's work to address family homelessness. To that end, she was instrumental in the founding of two investment funds designed to increase the creation of affordable housing in Dane County. Martha's leadership also strengthened the education, income, and health outcomes of families within the county.

Fittingly, Martha chose to sunset her career as an advocate for our State's seniors, serving as the Wisconsin State director for AARP. Martha's legacy as an advocate for families at every stage of life has been solidified through her work to encourage the civic engagement of the organization's diverse membership as a means to help Wisconsinites age with dignity and purpose.

Upon her retirement, Martha is looking forward to "doing whatever she wants," including traveling, reading even more mystery novels, attending the theater, and spending time with her growing extended family.

Martha, thank you for your positive impact on lives all over our State. I wish you all the best in your retirement.

TRIBUTE TO LARRY MARTIN

Ms. BALDWIN. Mr. President, I rise today to honor my friend Larry John Martin, who will retire at the end of this summer after a distinguished career in service to communities throughout the State of Wisconsin.

As a proud son of Kenosha, Larry discovered his passion for politics and public service as a teenager at Tremper High School. In 1979, he came to Washington, DC, to work as a Senate page under then-Sergeant at Arms F. Nordy Hoffman and sponsored by my predecessor Senator William Proxmire. Larry still recalls with fondness his time serving alongside his "colleagues," including Senators Ted Kennedy, George McGovern, and Joseph Biden.

After moving to Madison to attend the University of Wisconsin, he stayed to raise a family upon meeting his wife of more than 35 years Martha Cranley. Larry worked in the administrations of Wisconsin Governors Tony Earl and James Doyle and served as executive director for the Democratic Party of Wisconsin. Later, as executive director of the Wisconsin Library Association, he helped to strengthen our public library system in the State as providers

of information and welcoming spaces for the community, particularly for the South Central Library System. Most recently, Larry served as executive director for the State Bar of Wisconsin, where he enjoyed the opportunity to work with lawyers of all specialties, but particularly those who worked in public service and the most legally underserved areas of our State.

Larry has a deeply rooted commitment to ensuring that our systems of government work best when we work across the aisle. To that end, he has made it a point to create working relationships and forming lifetime friendships with those across the political spectrum. Larry has always maintained a strong belief in the power of democracy and never missed a chance to cast his ballot in person the day of an election. On many brisk November and April mornings, you could often find him waving yard signs at a busy intersection, reminding people to get out and perform their civic duty as citizens of this country.

Above all, Larry enjoys being with Martha and his family, making it a point to be home for dinner and enthusiastically support whatever events and activities his children were involved in. His family tells me that he is at his happiest during the Christmas season, enjoying movies next to the tree with his growing family of in-laws and grandchildren, preferably with an ice-cold Coca-Cola within reach.

Larry, thank you for your commitment to service, to Wisconsin and for your friendship. I wish you all the best in your retirement.

RECOGNIZING THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ASHLAND

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I wish to congratulate Rev. Dan Fowler and First Presbyterian Church of Ashland on 150 years of commitment to welcoming and accepting people through all walks of life into your community of faith. Ever since Rev. Moses Allen Williams organized the First Presbyterian Church of Ashland on August 18, 1875, this church in southern Oregon has remained dedicated to—in their own words—"honoring the teachings of Jesus and being a safe haven for all who walk through its doors." First Presbyterian Church celebrates its 150th anniversary as a diverse church family that includes families, professionals of all kinds, including artists, college students, and people struggling with homelessness, all of whom come together to walk with God and serve their community.

Since 1875, First Presbyterian Church of Ashland has been committed to serving the local and global community and has prided itself on being a welcoming and affirming place for all. Their specific forms of aid include overnight parking spots for those facing homelessness, a free pantry, emergency transportation and food aid, and

free answers to medical questions. The church's continued service to our community represents the very best of Oregon's spirit of commitment, service, and dedication.

First Presbyterian Church of Ashland's impact extends far beyond just the people they have directly helped; it ripples outward to make Oregon a better place for all of us to call home. The church's willingness to remain engaged and active in service exemplifies the values that we, as Oregonians, hold dear.

It is an honor to represent First Presbyterian Church of Ashland in the U.S. Senate and congratulations again to the church on its 150th anniversary.

TRIBUTE TO EMILY WISCOMBE

Mr. LEE. Mr. President, it is my privilege to recognize Emily Wiscombe's devoted public service to the people of Utah across the past 31 years. Emily's three decades of ardent work have uplifted Utahns beyond measure, supported multiple Members of Congress, and contributed immensely to the betterment of our State and our country.

Emily's service to the people of Utah began in the office of Senator Jake Garn. Emily supported his Washington, DC, office until her heart called her back to our inimitable State, where she continued her congressional tenure in the office of Representative Howard Neilson. Emily later joined Senator Orrin Hatch's Provo office, where she handled casework of all kinds before lending her talents to the work of Senators Bob Bennett and Mitt Romney. Finally, my staff welcomed Emily as one of Utah's most experienced and committed public servants over a decade ago.

All along and in between her service to our State, Emily reared a beautiful family, helping Utahns flourish through both her work in Congress as well as in her own home.

Emily's work covered many areas throughout the years, but she found her passion in caring for our Nation's veterans. From helping veterans navigate the complexities of the Federal Government to attending monthly gatherings of those who have served, Emily's hands have uplifted and magnified many across our State. She has aided countless Utahns in need of some type of rescue, including from war-stricken nations. She is a tremendous asset to my team and an invaluable resource to her community.

Emily Wiscombe has a record of service to our great State that any public servant would find difficult to match: 31 devoted years of work, six Members of Congress supported, and countless Utahns uplifted.

The great state of Utah, the U.S. Congress, and I are indebted to her service. I express my gratitude for her dedication, her patriotism, and her demonstrated love for our people and our State.

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

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.)

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-1252. A communication from the Associate Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Air Plan Approval; ID; Update to Materials Incorporated by Reference" (FRL-12550-01-R10) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2025; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1253. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Fiscal Year 2026 Agency Performance Plan and Fiscal Year 2026 Congressional Justification received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1254. A communication from the Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Fiscal Year 2026 Agency Performance Plan and Fiscal Year 2026 Congressional Justification; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1255. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer of the Division of Regulations, Jurisdiction, and Special Park Uses, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Capital Region; America250 Events" (RIN1024-AF06) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2025; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1256. A communication from the Section Chief of the Publications and Regulations Section, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Extension and Modification of Transitional Relief Under Sections 3403, 3406, 6721, 6722, 6651, and 6656 with Respect to the Reporting of Information and Backup Withholding on Digital Assets by Brokers under Section 6045" (Notice 2025-33) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2025; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1257. A communication from the Deputy Assistant General Counsel, General Law and Regulation, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Commissioner of Internal Revenue, Department of the Treasury, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2025; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1258. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license amendment for the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services to Israel in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 25-039) received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1259. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to hostage-taking and the wrongful detention of United States nationals abroad that was declared in Executive Order 14078 of July 19, 2022; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1260. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Hong Kong that was declared in Executive Order 13936 of July 14, 2020; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1261. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Semiannual Jackson-Vanik Compliance Report for Certain Independent States" received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1262. A communication from the Board Members, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the actuarial status of the railroad retirement system; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1263. A communication from the Board Members, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2025 annual report on the financial status of the railroad unemployment insurance system; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-1264. A communication from the Vice President of Government Affairs and Corporate Communications, Amtrak, transmitting, pursuant to law, other materials required to accompany Amtrak's Grant and Legislative Request for fiscal year 2026; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1265. A communication from the Secretary of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department of Education's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from October 1, 2024 through March 31, 2025; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1266. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Method of Correcting Errors Involving Retired Lifecycle Funds" (5 CFR Part 1605) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 23, 2025; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1267. A communication from the General Counsel, Government Accountability Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Impoundment Control Act of 1974 and a Review of the President's Special Message of June 3, 2025; to the Committees on Appropriations; the Budget; Foreign Relations; and Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1268. A communication from the Senior Congressional Liaison, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Bureau's fiscal year 2024 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act) re-

ceived in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1269. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the issuance of Executive Order 14312 of June 30, 2025, which terminates the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13338 of May 11, 2004; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1270. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report to advise that he is exercising his authority to designate an Acting Inspector General of the Department of Housing and Urban Development; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. SCOTT of Florida, from the Special Committee on Aging:

Special Report entitled "Age of Fraud: Scams Facing Our Nation's Seniors" (Rept. No. 119-35).

By Mr. CRUZ, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 259. A bill to direct the Federal Communications Commission to publish a list of entities that hold authorizations, licenses, or other grants of authority issued by the Commission and that have certain foreign ownership, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 119-36).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. WICKER for the Committee on Armed Services.

*Hung Cao, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of the Navy.

*Michael Dodd, of Indiana, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

*William Gillis, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

*Jules Hurst III, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

*Brent Ingraham, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Army.

Air Force nominations beginning with Col. Jeremy S. Bergin and ending with Col. Constance H. Young, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on June 11, 2025.

*Space Force nomination of Gen. Michael A. Guetlein, to be General.

By Mrs. CAPITO for the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

*Usha-Maria Turner, of Oklahoma, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

*David Wright, of South Carolina, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the term of five years expiring June 30, 2030.

By Mr. CASSIDY for the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

*Susan Monarez, of Wisconsin, to be Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.