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TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL S. TREPPEL

Mr. KAINE. Mr. President, I would like to honor and recognize Michael S. Treppel for his nearly quarter century of distinguished service to the U.S. Congress. Throughout his tenure, Mr. Treppel has tirelessly supported the safety and well-being of more than 30,000 congressional staff, security personnel, and Members of the House and Senate. His work—often behind the scenes—has allowed others to carry out their duties with the confidence that their health and safety were in expert hands.

From the daycare centers to the Chambers of the U.S. Capitol, Mr. Treppel's impact has been both broad and profound. As an environmental health specialist and later as director of environmental health within the Office of Attending Physician—OAP—he has been the trusted adviser, evaluator, and implementer of critical health and safety policies that shaped the day-to-day environment of Congress. Mr. Treppel conducted over 5,000 inspections across nine congressional buildings, ensuring strict adherence to food safety standards and pathogen prevention protocols. His work was central to staff welfare, and he quickly corrected any discrepancies while establishing preventative measures to ensure long-term compliance.

He worked closely with leading experts from the Department of Defense, Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and internal leadership from the Architect of the Capitol—AOC—and OAP. During the anthrax and ricin incidents at the U.S. Capitol, Mr. Treppel played a pivotal role in evaluating ventilation systems and contamination risks, providing vital guidance to protect occupants. During the COVID-19 pandemic, he led the environmental health response for the entire Capitol complex. He single-handedly recommended and guided sanitation and remediation requirements for all nine buildings and the U.S. Capitol, helping to restore safe occupancy in offices, common areas, committee rooms, eateries, and the House and Senate Chambers. He also facilitated the delivery of critical Personal Protective Equipment—PPE—including plexiglass shields, N-95 respirators, and medical-grade disinfectants. When the return-to-work transition began, he assessed and approved the use of physical barriers, distancing protocols, and sanitation measures. His knowledge and calm guidance became a trusted source for thousands navi-

gating uncertainty during a global health crisis. He also developed and led PPE training for clinical staff for COVID-19, H1N1, SARS, Ebola, etc., ensuring that frontline medical personnel were equipped to protect themselves and others—and he made proper donning and doffing of protective equipment second nature to the Capitol's medical teams.

He also played a vital role in the planning and reopening of the new House Child Daycare Center in the O'Neill Building, providing input on space requirements, sanitation procedures, and illness policies. His oversight extended to the Library of Congress and Senate daycare centers as well, where he continued to ensure safe environments through inspections and guidance on evolving health standards.

Mr. Treppel oversaw the occupational health division and served as a contracting officer representative. He was instrumental in managing hundreds of thousands of dollars of contracts for health surveillance programs for AOC tunnel workers, power plant employees, and U.S. Capitol Police. During the pandemic, when services were paused due to social distancing, he facilitated a smooth transition to mobile medical units, ensuring uninterrupted OSHA-compliant care for at-risk workers. In addition to his environmental expertise, he helped interview and evaluate hundreds of nursing candidates to support both routine care and mass casualty preparedness for the congressional community.

Few individuals have had such a lasting and comprehensive impact on the operational safety of the U.S. Capitol. Mr. Treppel's unwavering dedication, depth of knowledge, and calm presence during times of crisis have made him an invaluable part of the congressional community.

As he retires, we offer our sincere gratitude for his exceptional service. His legacy of leadership and care will be felt for many years to come.

We thank Michael S. Treppel and wish him the very best in his well-deserved retirement.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

RECOGNIZING THE HONDA ANNA ENGINE PLANT

• Mr. HUSTED. Mr. President, yesterday was the 40th anniversary of the Honda Anna Engine Plant in Ohio. The Anna Engine Plant is Honda's largest auto engine plant in the world. Since opening on July 22, 1985, the Honda Anna Engine Plant has built more than 32.5 million engines. Over the past four decades, the Honda Anna Engine Plant has expanded from a 200,000 square-foot facility with 94 production associates to a 2.8 million-square-foot facility employing 2,900 people. The Honda Anna Engine Plant remains an industry leader in engine development and production, and I thank them for their dedicated work to Ohio.●

RECOGNIZING WSB RADIO AND CHOA

• Mr. OSSOFF. Mr. President, I rise to honor WSB Radio and Children's Healthcare of Atlanta as they mark the 25th anniversary of their annual Care-a-Thon, a Georgia tradition of compassion, generosity, and service.

Founded in 2001, WSB Radio and CHOA's annual Care-a-Thon has raised more than \$34 million to support the Aflac Cancer and Blood Disorders Center at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta—one of the leading pediatric cancer centers in the Nation—supporting research, the family support team, and the fellowship program at the Aflac Cancer and Blood Disorders Center.

Each summer, WSB Radio's hosts, volunteers, and listeners come together for a 2-day radio marathon sharing stories of courage and raising critical funds for research, family support, and physician training.

The annual Care-a-Thon helps ensure Georgia's children battling cancer receive world-class treatment and the holistic care they need while battling cancer.

I commend WSB Radio, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, their teams, and everyone who supports these efforts for 25 years of work to help kids battling terrible disease.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Holstead, 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.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 11 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1917. An act to establish the Great Lakes Mass Marking Program, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3937. An act to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land in Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 12:26 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 201. An act to provide for a study by the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine on the prevalence and

mortality of cancer among individuals who served as active duty aircrew in the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

S. 423. An act to protect regular order for budgeting for the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. GRASSLEY).

At 6:14 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 4016. An act making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4275. An act to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard, to establish the Secretary of the Coast Guard, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that pursuant to section 2(b)(4) of Public Law 118-144, the Minority Leader appoints the following individual to the Commission to Study the Potential Transfer of the Weitzman National Museum of American Jewish History to the Smithsonian Institution: The Honorable Kathy Manning of Greensboro, North Carolina.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 1917. An act to establish the Great Lakes Mass Marking Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 3937. An act to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land in Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 4275. An act to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard, to establish the Secretary of the Coast Guard, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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-1337. A communication from the Branch Chief, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Western and Central Pacific Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species; Fish Aggregating Device Design Requirements in Purse Seine Fisheries, IMO Number Requirements, and Bycatch Restrictions" (RIN0648-BI79) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2025; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1338. A communication from the Branch Chief, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pacific Island Fisheries; 2023 U.S. Territorial Longline Bigeye Tuna Catch Limits" (RIN0648-XC461) received in the Of-

fice of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2025; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1339. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific ocean perch in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC462) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2025; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1340. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Bluefish Fishery; Quota Transfers from ME to RI" (RIN0648-XC554) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2025; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1341. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Reallocation of Pacific Cod in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC553) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2025; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1342. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Several Groundfish Species in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XC510) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2025; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1343. A communication from the Branch Chief, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pacific Cod by Vessels Jig Gear in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XE949) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2025; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1344. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "In-Season Closure of the Lane Snapper Recreational and Commercial Fishing Season in Federal Waters of the Gulf of Mexico for the 2022 Fishing Year" (RIN0648-XC537) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2025; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1345. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Shortraker Rockfish in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XC499) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2025; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1346. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fraser River Sockeye Fisheries; Inseason Orders" (RIN0648-XC446) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2025; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1347. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief, National Marine Fisheries

Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule to Implement Framework Amendment 11 under the Fishery Management Plan for the Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and Atlantic Region" (RIN0648-BL62) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2025; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1348. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule to Implement Amendment 32 to the Fishery Management Plan for the Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources of the Gulf of Mexico and Atlantic Region" (RIN0648-BL19) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2025; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1349. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Declaration of catastrophic conditions resulting from Hurricane Ian" (RIN0648-XC448) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2025; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1350. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "South Atlantic commercial harvest closure for red snapper" (RIN0648-XC302) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2025; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1351. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area" (RIN0648-XC350) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2025; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1352. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; 2023 Atlantic Shark Commercial Fishing Year" (RIN0648-XC082) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2025; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1353. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries Off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; 2021-2022 Biennial Specifications and Management Measures; Inseason Adjustments" (RIN0648-BL85) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2025; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1354. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Scup Fishery; Adjustment to the 2022 Winter II Quota" (RIN0648-XC417) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 15, 2025; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1355. A communication from the Branch Chief, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Atlantic Highly Migratory Species;