

pounds to southwest Montana vets, their biggest month on record, surpassing the previous month by 1,400 pounds.

The Woods have created a community with the Southwest Montana Veterans Food Pantry where veterans can feel a part of a family. Additionally, they have built an extraordinary network of food pantries, nonprofit organizations, supermarkets, specialty businesses, and countless other groups across the State that work together to identify and support veterans in need.

Their work is a worthwhile mission, and Jay and Susan are an inspiration to us all to give back to our communities. Their selfless efforts deserve recognition and serve as a powerful reminder to cherish our freedoms and thank those who have fought to defend our country.

Jay and Susan, thank you for your tireless dedication. Your compassion and service to Montana's veterans make our State proud. May God continue to bless your efforts and all the men and women you serve.●

RECOGNIZING DUTCHMAN'S STORE

● 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 Dutchman's Store of Cantril, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

In November 1985, Clair and Virginia Zimmerman founded Dutchman's Store. The Zimmermans, who previously operated a small store under the name Jordan's Country Market in Mount Sterling, purchased an old storefront on Main Street in Cantril and relocated the business there. At that time, they renamed it Dutchman's Store, a reference to their Pennsylvania Dutch heritage and the German dialect spoken by their family, originally from Lancaster County, PA. The store's mission was to provide the local rural community with essential goods at affordable prices.

The story of the business began a few years earlier during the farm crisis when Clair was forced to sell his cows and his family's land went back to the bank. At the encouragement of his father, Clair purchased a one-stall garage and opened Jordan's Country Market, where he and Virginia began selling groceries, fabric, and shoes to farmers and other rural families.

The business remained under Clair and Virginia's leadership until 2010, when their sons Wilmer and Kevin joined in ownership. A few years later, their younger son Kenneth also joined the business. As demand grew, Dutchman's Store expanded three times within downtown Cantril, and in September of 2024, Dutchman's Store opened a new 50,000-square-foot retail facility in Cantril. Currently, the store offers a wide selection of products to

support rural living and is organized into distinct departments, including sewing supplies, clothing, gift items, groceries, and ready-to-eat food. It also includes Dutchman's Cafe, a recent addition to the business serving sandwiches, pizza, baked goods, and a daily lunch buffet.

Dutchman's Store has gradually expanded creating an iconic retail destination surrounded by fields on the edge of Cantril. Locals across southeast Iowa simply refer to the store as "Cantril," proving how closely it is tied to the town's identity. Inside the new building, original signage from the former location has been preserved. Customers often recognize and appreciate the homage paid to the history and years of goods and services provided to Iowa families. As a member of the Villages of Van Buren County, Dutchman's plays a critical role in sustaining the region's economy, which relies heavily on tourism. Clair will frequently walk the parking lot on busy weekends to look at license plates from all across the United States. The business, he says, has grown beyond anything he ever imagined.

Over the decades, Dutchman's Store steadily expanded into a store offering everything from "soup to hay." I commend Dutchman's Store for nearly 40 years of service to southeast Iowa and for its continued contributions to rural commerce, tourism, and community life. I would like to congratulate the Zimmerman family and their entire team, and I look forward to their continued success.●

RECOGNIZING HALL ROBERTS' SON

● 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 Hall Roberts' Son of Postville, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Hall Roberts' Son has a long and distinguished history beginning in 1864 when it was founded by Hall Roberts, Sr., who created a family-owned general mercantile company to sell products such as coal, animal pelts, and steel. Today, Hall Roberts' Son is a wholesale distributor of agricultural products serving hundreds of customers in Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Illinois. The business was passed down through three generations of the Roberts family and is currently owned by Chris Hoffert who serves as president. The company has 13 shareholders, including some of the founder's nieces, and employs 35 people.

Due to this company's exceptional customer service, Hall Roberts' Son has received numerous awards spanning several decades. Hall Roberts, who founded the Hall Roberts Community Pool in 1972, was awarded the Service to Youth Award in the same year. The pool has been renovated three times

since its opening and continues to serve as a refreshing gathering spot in Postville.

In 1995, the business was chosen as the grand marshal for the Postville Homecoming Parade. Most recently, Hall Roberts' Son was recognized with the Cloy Kuhse Positive Impact Award in 2023. The owners are pillars of the community and work to support Iowa charities and events such as the Big Four Fair, Helping Services of Northeast Iowa, the Childcare Center, and Dollars for Scholars.

At its core, Hall Roberts' Son emphasizes quality distribution service while giving back to the community. Over the years, the business has adapted to the ever-changing agriculture industry, distributing products quickly and effectively to customers all across Iowa and the United States. This year, Hall Roberts' Son looks forward to celebrating its 160th anniversary. I want to congratulate the entire Hall Roberts' Son team for their hard work and dedication to providing exceptional products and services. I look forward to seeing their continued growth and success.●

RECOGNIZING MARCUS LUMBER

● 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 honor Marcus Lumber of Marcus, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Founded in 1920, Marcus Lumber traces its roots to Roger T. Leavitt and his family's purchase of the Thomas Patton Lumber Company. The business passed from Roger to his two sons John and Roger E., who expanded the business into plumbing and heating services as the company shifted away from coal sales. By the 1970s and 1980s, the family's third generation—Bob, Jim, and Tom—joined the company, further growing its pole barn division and modernizing operations. Today, the business is continued by the fourth generation, including Clay, Grant, Kent, and Hunter, who have added a full-service electrical division.

The Leavitt family prides itself on being a small business rooted in Iowa. Their resilience and commitment have carried them through the decades. In 2004, a devastating fire destroyed their store and delivery fleet. With true Iowa grit and determination, the Leavitt family rebuilt with a modern 18,000-square-foot facility. They later added a large showroom in 2017, which allows customers to explore products and visualize their projects. The company has continued to grow and employs nearly 60 team members today. It also has a new location in Storm Lake and a satellite location in Sioux City.

Throughout the years, Marcus Lumber and the Leavitt family have remained involved in the community, actively participating in organizations

such as the Cherokee Chamber of Commerce and the Cherokee Area Economic Development Corporation. Their industry leadership and local impact have been recognized with numerous awards. In 2017, Marcus Lumber was named Business of the Year by the Cherokee Area Economic Development Corporation. The company also received the Showplace Cabinetry President's Club Award in 2019, 2023, and 2024, placing them among the top Showplace Cabinet dealers nationwide. In 2020, Jim Leavitt earned the Tri-State Lumberman's Association Lifetime Achievement Award, and in 2023, Clay and Grant Leavitt were named to the LBM Journal 40 Under 40 list. Equally important to Marcus Lumber is giving back to the community, and it regularly supports local projects with generous donations.

For more than a century, Marcus Lumber has been a trusted partner to homeowners, contractors, and other small businesses across Cherokee County. Their story is a testament to the resilience, innovation, and community spirit that define Iowa's small businesses. I congratulate the Leavitt family and the Marcus Lumber team on their remarkable contributions and look forward to their continued success.●

RECOGNIZING ORANGE CITY FAMILY ANIMAL CARE

● 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 Orange City Family Animal Care of Orange City, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

In 1984, Dr. Dave Bomgaars established the Orange City Veterinary Clinic with the goal of providing exemplary veterinary services for the animals of northwest Iowa. Over the years, Dr. Bomgaars expanded the practice by adding more veterinarians and partners. In 2014, Dr. Laura Vander Stelt joined the practice as a companion animal veterinarian. Companion animal veterinarians primarily care for cats, dogs, and small animals typically owned by families and individuals. The team continued to grow with the addition of a technician and receptionist to care for and greet the animals and their owners. In 2018, Pipestone Veterinary Services bought the practice and renamed it the Orange City Family Animal Care. In 2023, Dr. Vander Stelt purchased Orange City Family Animal Care to broaden the scope and services available. Under her leadership, the business has thrived, growing to 10 employees and prompting the construction of a larger facility in downtown Orange City.

In addition to providing exceptional veterinary care, Orange City Family Animal Care is deeply engaged in com-

munity service. The clinic contributes to local schools and sports booster organizations and educates children on responsible pet care. When a puppy tragically perished in a fire in nearby Alton, the clinic donated pet oxygen masks to two local fire departments, so they are prepared for future pet emergencies.

Orange City Family Animal Care's commitment to excellence has earned well-deserved recognition. In 2023, the Northwest Iowa Review named Dr. Vander Stelt the runner-up for both People's Choice Awards Best of Northwest Veterinarian and People's Choice Awards Best of Northwest Veterinarian Clinic. This year, the clinic's newest veterinarian Dr. Hoogland was recognized by the Northwest Iowa Review on its 20 under 40 list and has also been nominated for the People's Choice Awards Best of Northwest Veterinarian.

I commend Dr. Vander Stelt and her entire team for their entrepreneurial drive, remarkable growth, and generosity to the community. The care they provide for companion animals in northwest Iowa leaves a lasting impact on the Orange City community. I look forward to following their continued growth and success in the years to come.●

RECOGNIZING ARTISAN LABS

● Mr. RISCH. Mr. President, as a member and former chairman of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each month I recognize and celebrate the American entrepreneurial spirit by highlighting the success of a small business in my home State of Idaho. Today, I am proud to honor Artisan Labs of Hansen, ID, as the Idaho Small Business of the Month for August 2025.

Founded in 2020 by Matt Bryant, Artisan Labs has quickly grown into a world-class cosmetic and personal care contract manufacturer. Specializing in innovative skin and hair care products, Artisan Labs is known for its "hot pour" items such as deodorants, balms, beauty sticks, candles, and ski wax. Today, the business serves nearly 100 brand partners, with products retailing in stores like Ulta and Sephora, as well as through direct-to-consumer markets.

Artisan Labs' state-of-the-art research, development, and production facility became fully operational in 2021. Now in their 5th year, Artisan Labs has plans for a 40,000-square-foot facility expansion that will support their continued growth and industry-leading formulation services.

Artisan Labs' story is rooted in innovation, community, and empowerment. The company is committed to supporting STEM within the Magic Valley community and throughout Idaho. They host student groups, participate in career fairs, and partner with local youth development programs. A core aspect of Artisan Labs' mission is giv-

ing back to the Hansen community, which has welcomed them with open arms. By fostering educational opportunities in rural areas, Artisan Labs aims to inspire the next generation of entrepreneurs and support the southern Idaho economy.

Congratulations to Artisan Labs and its team on being recognized as the Idaho Small Business of the Month for August 2025. Your dedication to excellence make Idaho proud, and I look forward to your continued growth and success.●

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

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations and a withdrawal which was referred to the appropriate committees.

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

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2025, the Secretary of the Senate, on August 19, 2025, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. WITTMAN) has signed the following enrolled bills:

H.R. 2170. An act to name the Department of Veterans Affairs community-based outpatient clinic in Toms River, New Jersey, the Leonard G. 'Bud' Lomell, VA Clinic, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2808. An act to amend the Fair Credit Reporting Act to prevent consumer reporting agencies from furnishing consumer reports under certain circumstances, and for other purposes.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2025, the enrolled bills were signed on August 22, 2025, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the Acting President pro tempore (Mr. LANKFORD).

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:03 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that pursuant to section 2406(b)(3) of Public Law 116-9, and the order of the House of January 3, 2025, the Speaker appoints the following Members on the part of the House of Representatives to the Adams Memorial Commission: Mr. MOOLENAAR of Michigan, Mr. GRIFFITH of Virginia, Mr. LYNCH of Massachusetts, and Mr. KEATING of Massachusetts.