

Hawley	Marshall	Scott (FL)
Hoeven	McConnell	Scott (SC)
Husted	Moody	Sheehy
Hyde-Smith	Moran	Sullivan
Johnson	Moreno	Thune
Justice	Mullin	Tillis
Kennedy	Paul	Tuberville
Lankford	Ricketts	Wicker
Lee	Rounds	Young
Lummis	Schmitt	

## NAYS—43

Alsobrooks	Hickenlooper	Rosen
Baldwin	Hirono	Sanders
Bennet	Kaine	Schatz
Blumenthal	Kelly	Schiff
Booker	Kim	Schumer
Cantwell	King	Shaheen
Coons	Klobuchar	Slotkin
Cortez Masto	Lujan	Smith
Duckworth	Markey	Warner
Durbin	Merkley	Warnock
Fetterman	Murphy	Warren
Galleo	Murray	Welch
Gillibrand	Padilla	Whitehouse
Hassan	Peters	
Heinrich	Reed	

## NOT VOTING—7

Blunt	Rochester	Ossoff	Wyden
McCormick		Risch	
Murkowski		Van Hollen	

The nomination was confirmed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. RICKETTS). Under the previous order, the motion to reconsider is considered made and laid upon the table, and the President will be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

The majority leader.

MEASURE READ THE FIRST  
TIME—S. RES. 377

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I send an executive resolution to the desk for the consideration of certain nominations en bloc and ask for its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the title of the resolution for the information of the Senate.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

An executive resolution (S. Res. 377) authorizing the en bloc consideration in Executive Session of certain nominations on the Executive Calendar.

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, in order to place the executive resolution on the calendar, I object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection having been heard, the executive resolution will lie over 1 calendar day.

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. MORAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

NATIONAL WORLD WAR II ITALIAN CAMPAIGN  
REMEMBRANCE DAY

Mr. MORAN. Mr. President, this evening, I want to recognize the upcoming anniversary of an important day in our Nation's history and in our military history. September 9 marks the beginning of the Italian campaign

of World War II in 1943, a campaign that was only successful because of the courage and sacrifice of hundreds of thousands of U.S. and Allied soldiers.

I am introducing a resolution to establish September 9 as the National World War II Italian Campaign Remembrance Day to commemorate their valor and ensure their legacy endures for generations to come.

Eighty-two years ago, Allied forces launched Operation Avalanche, marking the start of the liberation of the Italian Peninsula from fascist Nazi occupation. This military campaign was a testament to the unyielding resolve of U.S. forces and the strength of our foreign military alliances, united by a shared commitment to democratic ideals and the fight against fascism.

The Italian campaign was not just a series of joint and allied military operations; it was a stand against despotism and a defense of the freedoms we value—an important moment in our Nation's and, in fact, in our world's history.

The Italian campaign was fought across treacherous terrain, from the shores of North Africa to the waters of Sicily, along the rugged Amalfi Coast, which ultimately led to the liberation of Rome—the first major European city liberated during World War II. U.S. forces, alongside brave and committed global Allied forces from over 10 nations, including Italian resistance brigades, faced grueling conditions, fierce combat, and severe materiel constraints. Battles such as Monte Cassino and Anzio stand as two of the most intense of the war, costing countless lives.

Today, fewer than half a percent of the more than 16 million Americans who served in World War II are still living today. The veterans of the Italian campaign, including my father SSG Raymond Moran of the 603rd Armament Maintenance Battalion are dwindling in number. My father dedicated 2 years of his life to the liberation of Italy, repairing rifles and other small arms weapons under the regular threat of attack to make certain U.S. forces were equipped to win.

I am joined in this resolution by my colleague from Florida Senator RICK SCOTT, whose father also served in this campaign, in recognizing the personal and collective sacrifices of these heroes.

The Italian campaign spanned 602 days, culminating in the surrender at Caserta, just north of Naples, on April 29, 1945, when nearly 1 million Axis troops capitulated—the largest surrender of German forces at that point in the war. The following day, Adolf Hitler's death marked the collapse of the Nazi regime—a turning point made possible by the military operations comprising the Italian campaign.

This resolution acknowledges the tremendous and significant cost of the Italian campaign, with hundreds of thousands of U.S. and Allied casualties, many of whom rest in the serene and

pristine American cemeteries across Italy.

Our resolution reaffirms that the victory was driven by an unwavering force of will, ironclad military alliances, and the enduring power of democratic values and principles that remain vital in today's global conflicts.

I hope my colleagues in the Senate will join me in honoring the memory of those who fought and died in the Italian campaign, to salute the surviving veterans, and to recognize the families who carry on their legacy. Let us designate September 9 as "National World War II Italian Campaign Remembrance Day" to ensure their sacrifices are not forgotten and are memorialized here on the floor of the U.S. Senate.

I yield 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 OFFICER SUZANNE O

Mr. SCHATZ. Mr. President, I join people on Maui and across Hawaii in honoring the life and service of Maui Police Department officer Suzanne O, who was tragically killed in the line of duty on August 15, 2025.

Over the course of her service with the Maui Police Department, Officer O protected the Kihei and Wailuku communities with honor and an abiding commitment to helping others. She went above and beyond to support her colleagues and neighbors, volunteering for duty during busy periods and supporting the dispatch team even on her days off. Fittingly, she was remembered by those who knew and worked with her as a compassionate and dedicated servant to her community.

In times of crisis, Officer O demonstrated remarkable courage and integrity. Her bravery was beyond measure, and she was duly awarded a Certificate of Merit for her heroic efforts during the fires in Upcountry Maui in August of 2023. Officer O's generosity and sacrifice were an example to everyone, and they will not be forgotten by her fellow officers whom she stood shoulder-to-shoulder with or the communities she so valiantly served.

I extend my deepest condolences and heartfelt aloha to the family and loved ones of the late Officer O. May her memory be a blessing.

## ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

## RECOGNIZING PARKERSBURG PHARMACY

• 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 Parkersburg Pharmacy of Parkersburg, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

In 2010, Tom Reinart established Parkersburg Pharmacy as a trusted healthcare provider. In 2023, Brent Bovy took ownership when Reinart decided to step back from the business. Reinart has continued to take occasional shifts to help ensure a smooth transition. In addition to Parkersburg, Bovy owns and operates Reinbeck Pharmacy in Reinbeck, IA. Parkersburg Pharmacy's team of 10 strives to provide excellent personalized care and customer support for the town. The business also features a gift shop, offering home decor, children's toys, greeting cards, jewelry, and locally made food items.

Bovy and Reinart recognize the perks of operating in a small town, ensuring patients are using medication correctly and utilizing the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program—PDMP—to double-check patient prescriptions and prevent medication abuse. Bovy has highlighted the important role independent pharmacies play in protecting public health across Iowa.

In 2020, Bovy's wife Val joined the team and has been instrumental in the successful operation of the pharmacy, demonstrating a family commitment to patient well-being. Together, they have worked to maintain and enhance the personalized service that Parkersburg residents rely on.

Bovy and his team are also deeply involved in the community. Parkersburg Pharmacy is a proud member of the Parkersburg Chamber of Commerce. Bovy serves as chair of the Reinbeck Economic Development Board, where he plays a key role in driving business development and community advancement. He is also a member of the Lions Club and serves as a volunteer firefighter in Dike, IA. In 2023, Bovy was recognized as one of the "20 Under 40" by the Waterloo-Cedar Falls Courier for his leadership, entrepreneurial drive, and service to the community. From pharmacy operations to civic leadership, Bovy is passionate about growing and revitalizing the towns he serves.

Over the years, Parkersburg Pharmacy has gone above and beyond in providing exceptional patient care while maintaining a strong commitment to the community. The pharmacy has grown into a trusted healthcare provider for Parkersburg. It is my honor to recognize Tom Reinart, Brent Bovy, Val Bovy, and the entire Par-

kersburg Pharmacy team for their remarkable work and dedication to the community. I look forward to their continued success and wish them the very best in the years ahead.●

## RECOGNIZING YOUNG CONSTRUCTION

• 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 Young Construction of Mason City, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

Founded in 2001 by Dan and Tami Young, Young Construction started as a small roof installation company. What began as a small startup has since grown to offer a full range of exterior services, including roofing, siding, gutters, and installation. For more than 20 years, Young Construction has worked to protect homeowners through its outstanding craftsmanship and generosity. The team of 25 employees takes pride in their attention to detail and quality workmanship, delivering a seamless, stress-free experience for every customer. Their main goal is to give homeowners peace of mind with every exterior project. Always looking to expand, Young Construction opened a new location in Albert Lea, MN, in 2024. Young Construction serves all of Iowa, southern Minnesota, and Venice, FL.

Young Construction is also deeply involved in the community and has made it their mission to give back to the people who helped them succeed. They are proud members of both the Mason City Chamber of Commerce and the Albert Lea-Freeborn Chamber of Commerce. In 2023, the company was awarded the Mason City Chamber of Commerce Business of the Year award. They also rank among the top 1 percent of the Nation's roofing contractors, as Platinum Preferred members of Owens Corning Roofing Contractor Network. Through the Owens Corning Roof Deployment Project, the Youngs launched YC Roof Rescue, an initiative that provides a free roof to a deserving family and a local veteran each year. They have also donated roofs to vital community-based organizations, including the local homeless shelter and the Youth Baseball Complex. Through its YC Cares program, Young Construction supports MercyOne's north Iowa Thanksgiving dinner for employees working through the holiday and provides funding to four local families each Christmas to cover gift shopping and to spread the holiday cheer. The company also donates to local schools and daycares, a cause close to the Young family's hearts.

Over the past two decades, Young Construction has built a reputation for excellence and community service. What began with a truck has grown

into something truly special in Iowa and beyond. It is my honor to recognize the Young family and the entire Young Construction team for their outstanding work and dedication to their community. I look forward to their continued success and wish them the very best in the years ahead.●

## REMEMBERING SUE VEER

• Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina. Mr. President, as the junior Senator from the great State of South Carolina, it is my pleasure to honor the legacy and extraordinary work of the late Sue Veer from Greenwood, SC. Sue was the president and CEO of Carolina Health Centers, Inc., a community health center serving over 26,000 patients in rural Greenwood, SC. Sue was born in Springfield, OH, and raised in Florida. She earned her B.A. from Carlow University, attended Penn State University, and later received her MBA from Winthrop University. She is survived by three children, nine grandchildren, and a wide circle of extended family and friends.

She previously worked at Children's Hospital in Pittsburgh and Grand Strand Regional Medical Center in Myrtle Beach, SC. In addition to leading Carolina Health Centers for 19 years, she was a member of the executive committee for the National Association of Community Health Centers, NACHC, helped to lead the NACHC 340B Working Group, and served as a member of the board of directors for the South Carolina Primary Health Care Association.

Veer gained recognition both across South Carolina and nationally for her expertise in community health centers and the 340B Drug Pricing Program. She often traveled to Washington, DC, to meet with my office and other congressional offices on health policy. She testified numerous times in committees in both the House and the Senate.

Veer once said, "Nothing in the professional realm has brought greater purpose to my life than participating in the process of ensuring everyone has access to comprehensive health care, along with the knowledge and motivation for them to seek better health and well-being for themselves and those they love and care about."

Today, it is my pleasure to recognize the late Sue Veer and her dedication to making a difference in the health of Greenwood, SC, and our Nation.●

## TRIBUTE TO SERGEANT MICHAEL THORIN

• Mr. TUBERVILLE. Mr. President, it is hard to truly comprehend just all that our veterans face, even after returning home from the battlefield. They often bring home some form of scars—both visible and invisible—that they carry with them for the rest of their lives.

That is true for Michael Thorin of Gardendale. After enlisting in the