

I commend Ms. Lewis for her extraordinary service to our Nation. I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking Ms. Lewis and wishing her a well-earned, fulfilling, and enjoyable retirement.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO FLOYD BRANTLEY

• Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, I rise to honor 100 years of one Arkansan's life and service as a living testament of the sacrifice and character embodied by our "Greatest Generation." Floyd Brantley is a beloved resident of Conway, AR, and I am honored to extend a birthday greeting that celebrates this milestone.

Mr. Brantley's military career spans decades and three wars. He first answered the call to serve in the Navy as a highschooler. His brother, while serving on the U.S.S. *Atlanta*, made the ultimate sacrifice at the Battle of Guadalcanal, the first major Allied attack against Japan in World War II. Leaving high school to enlist, Brantley first served as a medic at a fleet hospital in the Pacific Theater. My office was honored to interview him for the Library of Congress Veterans History Project in 2016. During that visit, he recounted the horrors of war he saw every day in that hospital, but also his lifelong devotion to our Nation and the cause of freedom.

When WWII ended, Brantley returned to the United States determined to finish his education. He re-enrolled in high school at the age of 20 and went on to study at Baylor University. Still driven by an unwavering patriotism, he found himself called back to the service during his time at Baylor and worked with Air Force officials on campus until he enlisted with the Air Force after graduation. As an airman, he fought in the Korean war and eventually earned the rank of captain.

Even after two Active-Duty wartime experiences, Brantley never lost his devotion to our Nation and passion to serve. At the age of 50, he joined the Air National Guard as a cook. When the Vietnam war started, he attempted to serve overseas again but the service would not allow him due to his age.

Over the years, I have been fortunate to visit with Mr. Brantley, most recently on his visit to Washington for Memorial Day. It is an honor to watch him continue to thrive and inspire others, including bright young students at the University of Central Arkansas where he regularly visits campus to encourage our next generation of leaders to understand and appreciate the Pledge of Allegiance. He was also appointed to a 3-year term on the Arkansas Veterans' Commission by Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders. That term expires October 2026, when he will be 101 years old.

Floyd Brantley is a true American hero. His life is a powerful example of service, resilience, and love of country.

As the city of Conway and the State of Arkansas celebrate his 100th birthday, I want to share my sincere congratulations and gratitude for his tremendous spirit, resilience, and patriotism.●

TRIBUTE TO LISA STOCKDALE

• Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize an extraordinary Arkansan whose steadfast commitment to children and families has made a profound impact across The Natural State, my 2025 Angels in Adoption Honoree Lisa Stockdale of Bentonville. I am proud to celebrate her selfless service, enduring compassion, and tireless advocacy.

Lisa was recently named the 2024 Arkansas Foster Parent of the Year, a well-deserved recognition following 9 years of dedication as a wonderful foster parent. Since beginning her journey with The CALL, a faith-based organization that recruits and supports foster families, Lisa has welcomed 37 children into her home. Her care has spanned the broadest range of needs, from medically fragile infants to teenagers navigating difficult transitions, with each child benefiting from the safe, loving, and stable environment she cultivated.

Lisa combines her professional expertise as a nurse with extraordinary empathy to safeguard kids in need. She has served as a nursing instructor and worked in a juvenile detention facility, experiences that have shaped her unique, holistic approach to caregiving. Her ability and willingness to foster children with significant medical needs is especially appreciated by those who know her work. At home, she is a single mother to sons Ethan and Isaac who share in her mission of opening their hearts and home to others. She and her family approach foster care with humility and purpose, saying, "Without my kiddos and without foster care, I would still be wandering around aimlessly looking for God's purpose for me." Her faith and resilience are evident in every aspect of her life.

Lisa's record of service to others is extensive. She is a veteran of the U.S. Army Reserve and deployed to Afghanistan in 2004-2005 with the 325th Field Hospital out of Independence, MO. It was through the Army that she earned her nursing license, a credential she has used to heal, teach, and uplift others ever since.

Lisa Stockdale embodies the spirit of Arkansas through faithful, generous, and deep investment in her community. Her conviction reminds us that one person can transform lives, strengthen families, and inspire hope. I am honored to recognize her as an Angel in Adoption and thank her for the light she brings to our State and to the foster care system.●

RECOGNIZING THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF TRINITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL IN FORT SMITH

• Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, I rise today to celebrate 40 years of edu-

cational excellence at Trinity Catholic School in Fort Smith. For four decades, Trinity has provided an exceptional education to students while fostering a community that upholds high standards of learning and nurtures the hearts and minds of every student.

Founded in 1986 by Father Jack Harris, the Sisters of Mercy, and the Benedictine Sisters in Fort Smith, the school began as an extension of Immaculate Conception Church and quickly grew into a vibrant center for youth education and spiritual enrichment. In 1996, the school transitioned to the grounds of St. Scholastica Monastery where it has maintained its emphasis on community and character development. With the support of the Trinity Trust, a modern activities center was added in 2005 to accommodate its expanding athletic and extracurricular programs.

Trinity's success is rooted in the dedication of its teachers, clergy, administrators, and staff, all working tirelessly to cultivate an environment where each student is known, supported, and challenged. That unwavering commitment to meeting students where they are—in their studies, personal growth, and faith—has made a lasting impact on countless lives.

Its powerful motto, "Be something. Do something. Leave Something. All for the Glory of God," is a lived mission. The passionate pursuit of academic excellence, faith-centered guidance, and a robust activities program at Trinity undeniably prepares students for lives of purpose and service.

On this 40th anniversary, I extend my heartfelt congratulations to the entire Trinity community and thank them for decades of faithful devotion to Fort Smith and the River Valley as we anticipate many more years blessed with continued growth and success in the classroom and beyond.●

RECOGNIZING IDAHO MOUNTAIN SEARCH AND RESCUE K-9 STELLA BLUE

• Mr. CRAPO. Mr. President, I pay tribute to the Idaho Mountain Search and Rescue Unit, IMSARU, in Boise, as they mourn the unexpected loss of one of the unit's treasured K-9s, Stella Blue.

Stella Blue was an instrumental part of this team. She faithfully served her community with honor and dedication in her role as a live find search and rescue K-9 team member. She committed thousands of hours and countless miles in search of lost and missing people, bringing comfort, light, and hope to her team and to the people of Idaho.

Stella's life and the loss felt by her teammates is a reminder of the extraordinary dedication of the Idaho Mountain Search and Rescue Unit. These committed individuals voluntarily give incredible amounts of their time to not only helping their fellow Idahoans and others in distress, but also ensuring they and the K-9s entrusted to aid with their searches are

effectively trained. Stella Blue's handler, Brian Marinelli, a Boise teacher and U.S. Air Force veteran, devoted innumerable hours to Stella Blue's training, while forging a bond cemented in trust. I also recognize the loss felt by the Marinelli family—Brian's wife Midori and their children Sara and Dante—as Stella Blue was a cherished member of their family in addition to her service to the people of Idaho.

As I extend my condolences to Brian Marinelli and the entire Idaho Mountain Search and Rescue Unit, I also thank the team for its outstanding service. Stella Blue's days were too few but exceedingly well spent. And your remembrance of her as a trusted partner, teammate, and friend is a moving example of your devotion to those you search for and alongside. Thank you for your loyal and dedicated service.●

RECOGNIZING BANNOR TOYS

● 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 Bannor Toys of Madrid, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

In 2011, Stacey and Jesse Bannor founded Bannor Toys after becoming frustrated with low-quality, easily broken, and overly complicated children's toys. Instead, they yearned for nostalgic, traditional, wooden toys for their own children like the ones they remembered playing with at their grandparents' houses. With this in mind, Jesse got to work in their basement and began crafting toys for their kids. But word quickly spread as the parents and children at Stacey's home daycare loved the toys, sparking the start of their business. What started as a personal mission and hobby transitioned to selling at craft fairs and farmers markets and, today, has grown into a successful toy company offering high-quality, modern, and eco-friendly toys through their Bannor Toys website, Etsy shop, and wholesale partners. The products range from rattles and teething toys to matching games, bath toys, and more. Today, Stacey manages every aspect of production, running the business primarily on her own. While Bannor Toys partners with a small company in Illinois to cut the wood, Stacey finishes each toy personally in their Madrid workshop. The business continues to thrive 14 years later.

In 2019, Bannor Toys was recognized at the White House Made in America Showcase and received the Renew Rural Iowa Entrepreneur Award from the Iowa Farm Bureau. The company has also been featured multiple times on Fox and Friends and Fox Business and is an active member of the Madrid Chamber of Commerce. These honors are a testament to the high-quality, fun, and safe toys Stacey and Jesse cre-

ate, as well as the success of their business.

Stacey and Jesse are also dedicated to giving back to the community. They donate to children's shelters, participate in Toys for Tots, and provide new books for local school students. More than 6 years ago, Bannor Toys launched Supplies for Success with Madrid Elementary School to provide school supplies, basic hygiene items, winter hats and mittens, and classroom snacks for students in need. Every fall, they stock this room with supplies for students to "shop" and pick out their own items to ensure each student has something special for back-to-school season. Stacey and Jesse have used the success of their business to give generously and leave their community better than they found it.

Over the past 14 years, Bannor Toys has become a model of innovation in children's toys and a proud example of local manufacturing. Bannor Toys serves as a reminder that innovation and tradition can go hand in hand, creating products that inspire families while preserving timeless values. It is my honor to recognize Stacey and Jesse Bannor 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.●

RECOGNIZING GREAT WESTERN SUPPLY CO.

● 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 Great Western Supply Co. of Davenport, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

In 1986, Collin Carney used seed money from his father to purchase the failing Great Western Supply Co. in Burlington, IA. Mr. Carney set out to become more than a purveyor of shovels and rakes and expanded the company's offerings to include janitorial and food service items. To further align with the commercial janitorial space, Mr. Carney engaged a chemist to develop cleaning supplies unique to Great Western Supply Co., such as "Hammerhead Degreaser" and "No Rinse Floor Cleaner," which are manufactured locally and sold at their three storefronts in Davenport, Marion, and Burlington and are also available online. Mr. Carney employs nearly 30 staff who are certified in 27 custodial training programs, one aspect of Great Western Supply's second-to-none commitment to quality care and customer service. A friendly and knowledgeable voice answering each phone call and fulfilling orders with a 99-percent accuracy rate continues that priority and highlights the core values of the company which are love, respect, honesty, and hard work.

Great Western Supply Co. is deeply involved in the sanitation supply industry. They are proud members of the Quad City, Marion, and Burlington Chambers of Commerce, as well as C12, an organization for Christian business leaders. Mr. Carney is a very active member of the Pro-Link network of janitorial and sanitation distributors and the International Sanitation Supply Association. Great Western Supply Co. was recognized for their year-over-year growth and continuous collaboration with Pro-Link by being named Business of the Year in 2023. Collin Carney's involvement in the community includes a seat on the board of directors at One Eighty, a faith-based nonprofit organization which serves the community by providing a 14-month residential recovery program for people in the throes of crisis, poverty, and addiction. His commitment to the program goes above and beyond leadership, as he employs several One Eighty residents, who not only receive meaningful work and a paycheck, but also the benefits of the positive culture and family atmosphere Carney has created for his team.

Over the years, Great Western Supply Co. has built a reputation for excellence and collaboration. What began as a rake and shovel supply company in Burlington has grown into something truly special in Iowa. It is my honor to recognize Collin Carney and the entire Great Western Supply Co. team for their outstanding work and dedication to supporting their community. I look forward to their continued success and wish them the very best in the years ahead.●

RECOGNIZING THE HINCKLEY INSTITUTE

● Mr. LEE, Mr. President, I rise today to honor the Hinckley Institute of Politics at the University of Utah on the occasion of its 60th anniversary. For six decades, this esteemed institution has exemplified a commitment to public service, civic engagement, and the betterment of our State and Nation by inspiring generations of students to become involved American citizens.

Founded in 1965 by visionary philanthropist Robert H. Hinckley through a generous bequest from the Noble Foundation, the institute was established with the honorable mission to teach students respect for practical politics and true personal engagement in government. That goal has expanded over the last six decades to encourage students of all majors and disciplines to gain hands-on experience and dedicate their skills to public service. Over the years, the institute has placed more than 10,000 interns in positions that foster growth, leadership, and a deep appreciation for the American political process.

In Washington, DC, the institute stands as one of the oldest continuous internship programs in the country. Thousands of interns have tackled