

who had enormous admiration for her and who hoped that somehow she might live forever.

Jane Goodall recognized early in her life that protecting nature is first and foremost about educating and motivating human beings, on whom the survival of all other species depends. That became her life's mission, and she also never stopped advocating for the ethical treatment of animals, as embodied in the Captive Primate Safety Act, of which I am a cosponsor.

Her passing touches the hearts of countless millions of people of every generation on every continent. She was an extraordinary role model for young people of all nationalities and inspired many to seek careers in scientific discovery. Despite the increasing destruction of the Earth's environment caused by humans' ever-increasing demand for natural resources, she never lost hope in our collective ability to save the planet. We owe her immense gratitude for devoting her life to ensuring that we don't lose hope either.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO CAPTAIN TAMARA BREWER

• Mr. TUBERVILLE. Mr. President, serving others takes on many different forms. For many of Alabama's veterans, their hometowns inspired them to pursue military service. And those strong upbringings and deep hometown roots often lead them to continue serving, even after their time in the military ends.

That is true for CPT Tamara Brewer of Marion. Growing up in Mobile, she saw firsthand the hardships our coastal communities endure when natural disasters strike. Tamara enlisted in the Alabama Army National Guard with a desire to help her fellow Americans. She had no idea that 9/11 would happen shortly after she entered basic training. Seeing terrorists attack our country made her desire to protect and serve even stronger.

Tamara was deployed to serve on the forefront of the war against terror, in Iraq, in 2008. For a year, she valiantly served as the headquarters company commander, where she received a Bronze Star for her brave leadership. After finishing her time in the Middle East, Tamara came back home to Marion where she continued finding ways to serve, particularly Alabamians living in the Blackbelt.

Sadly, Tamara was also faced with another challenge to overcome. She developed lung failure from her injuries in Iraq, causing her to retire in 2013. She uses her medical retirement as a new way to serve her neighbors, advocating for Alabama's veterans and inspiring Alabama's youth. Her husband of 25 years Scott and her son Grayson have encouraged and empowered her to use her talents in every way possible.

Tamara has been a part of countless efforts to solidify the Marion Military

Institute as a premiere military college in the country. Whether through working with the VFW Post 5104 to tell Alabama's World War II veterans' stories, serving on the Alabama Military Hall of Honor Board, or working with the Marion Military Institute's junior golf program to engage youth in the region, Tamara is undoubtedly impacting countless lives.

Tamara is a huge advocate for art therapy—finding solace in her photography, graphic design, and any outlet she can find to use her creativity for the betterment of those around her. She has designed various logos for Alabama businesses and helped capture Alabamians' important milestones such as weddings and graduations.

It is my honor to recognize her as the October Veteran of the Month.●

REMEMBERING SUE HECHT

• Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Mr. President, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Sue Hecht, a distinguished public servant, trailblazer, and protector, from Frederick, MD, who passed away on September 23, 2025.

Born in Takoma Park on December 7, 1947, Sue devoted her life to public service and community betterment. She was a proud graduate of Hood College and later earned her M.B.A. from Frostburg State University. Before entering elected office, she worked as a freelance writer, a program specialist with the Frederick Job Training Agency, and most notably as the executive director of Heartly House, Inc., a non-profit dedicated to supporting victims of domestic violence. These early roles shaped her lifelong commitment to giving voice to the vulnerable and building systems of care.

Sue was first elected to the Maryland House of Delegates in 1994 where we served together briefly. She was re-elected to her position in 1998. During her time in the statehouse, she served on numerous committees, including appropriations. In her second term, she was appointed as deputy majority whip—a testament to her skill and her initiative. Sue was well known in Annapolis and back home in Frederick for her leadership, compassion, and steadfast support of her colleagues.

Sue also served as a leader among women legislators, rising to become president of the Women Legislators of Maryland. She was deeply committed to ensuring that women's voices were represented in every policy discussion and that issues affecting families, from childcare to healthcare to workplace fairness, received the attention they deserved.

In her leadership roles with Heartly House and the house of delegates, Sue fiercely fought for better resources for her constituents and did so with grace and humility. She held numerous positions with a variety of organizations including the Maryland Commission for Women, the Frederick County Affordable Housing Commission, the

Family Violence Council, the Frederick County Consortium of Human Service Providers, and the Maryland Network Against Domestic Violence. Her contributions were widely recognized, earning her honors such as the Dorothy Beatty Memorial Award from the Women's Law Center of Maryland, recognition as one of Maryland's Top 100 Women, and the Consumer Legislator of the Year Award from the Maryland Consumer Rights Coalition.

Above all, Sue will be remembered as a mother, a wife, a friend, and an inspiration. She is survived by her daughter Shannon Aleshire, who followed in her footsteps of public service as the CEO of the Mental Health Association of Frederick County.

Maryland has lost a fierce advocate for the most vulnerable among us. Sue was a legislator of impact, a leader of courage, and a neighbor whose legacy will endure in Frederick, across Maryland, and beyond. I ask my colleagues to join me in extending condolences to Sue's family and in honoring the indelible impact she made in Frederick County and across Maryland.●

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-1934. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pistachios Grown in California, Arizona, and New Mexico; Decreased Assessment Rate" (Docket No. AMS-SC-24-0021) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2025; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1935. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pears Grown in Oregon and Washington; Increased Assessment Rate for Fresh Pears" (Docket No. AMS-SC-24-0045) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2025; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1936. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Privacy Act of 1974; Implementation" (RIN0790-AL30) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2025; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1937. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Limitation on Certain Institutes of Higher Education (DFARS Case 2024-D023)" (RIN0750-AM20) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2025; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1938. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense,

transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “TRICARE Coverage of Clinical Trials and Termination of Expanded Access Treatments” (RIN0720-AB83) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2025; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1939. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Assessing Contractor Implementation of Cybersecurity Requirements (DFARS Case 2019-D041)” (RIN0750-AK81) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2025; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1940. A communication from the Army Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of the Army, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Environmental Analysis of Army Actions (AR 200-2)” (RIN0702-AB02) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2025; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1941. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Inflation Adjustment of Acquisition-Related Thresholds (DFARS Case 2024-D002)” (RIN0750-AL99) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2025; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1942. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Preventing Conflicts of Interest for Certain Consulting Services (DFARS Case 2024-D007)” (RIN0750-AM04) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2025; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1943. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Technical Amendments” (Docket DARS-2025-0001) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2025; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1944. A communication from the Congressional and Public Affairs Specialist, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Relaxing Export Controls for Syria” (RIN0694-AK28) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2025; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1945. A communication from the Secretary, Division of Corporation Finance, Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Acceleration of Effectiveness of Registration Statements of Issuers with Certain Mandatory Arbitration Provisions” (RIN3235-AN55) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2025; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1946. A communication from the Congressional and Public Affairs Specialist, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Revocation of

Validated End-User Authorizations in the People’s Republic of China” (RIN0694-AK32) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2025; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1947. A communication from the Acting President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a nomination for a position covered by the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998 for the position of First Vice President and Vice Chairman, Export-Import Bank of the United States, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2025; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1948. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel for Housing Programs, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to action on a nomination for a position covered by the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998 for the position of General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 25, 2025; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1949. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the issuance of a Proclamation with respect to action to adjust imports of timber and lumber and their derivative products (collectively, wood products) so that such imports will not threaten to impair the national security of the United States; to the Committee on Finance.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. LEE (for himself and Mr. CURTIS):

S. 2968. A bill to ensure access to certain public land, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. LEE (for himself and Mr. CURTIS):

S. 2969. A bill to amend title 54, United States Code, to provide that State law shall apply to the use of motor vehicles on roads within a System unit; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. LEE (for himself and Mr. CURTIS):

S. 2970. A bill to authorize the use of off-highway vehicles in certain areas of the Capitol Reef National Park, Utah; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. SHEEHY:

S. 2971. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to exclude from the definition of “transporting gas” certain movement of gas within, or in the vicinity of, a plant, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. SCOTT of Florida (for himself and Mrs. MOODY):

S. 2972. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a reduced excise tax rate for portable, electronically-aerated bait containers; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MORENO:

S. 2973. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to impose a daily tax on members of Congress during a lapse in appropriations; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HYDE-SMITH:

S. 2974. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require taxpayers claiming the child and earned income tax credits, and their qualifying children, to have a valid social security number for employment purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Ms. LUMMIS (for herself, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. LANKFORD, Mr. CRAPO, Mrs. CAPITO, Mr. RISCH, Mr. JUSTICE, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. CRUZ, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. CRAMER, and Mr. HUSTED):

S. Res. 430. A resolution designating October 4, 2025, as “National Energy Appreciation Day” to celebrate the people who work to power the United States and the economy of the United States and to build awareness of the important role that the energy producers of the United States play in reducing poverty, strengthening national security, and improving the quality of life for people around the world; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SULLIVAN (for himself and Mr. SCHIFF):

S. Res. 431. A resolution supporting the goals and objectives of Choose Respect Day; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 88

At the request of Mr. SCOTT of Florida, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. TUBERVILLE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 88, a bill to provide that Members of Congress may not receive pay after October 1 of any fiscal year in which Congress has not approved a concurrent resolution on the budget and passed the regular appropriations bills.

S. 556

At the request of Mr. SULLIVAN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. COTTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 556, a bill to impose sanctions with respect to persons engaged in logistical transactions and sanctions evasion relating to oil, gas, liquefied natural gas, and related petrochemical products from the Islamic Republic of Iran, and for other purposes.

S. 701

At the request of Mrs. MURRAY, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. OSSOFF) was added as a cosponsor of S. 701, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish the Veteran Family Resource Program, and for other purposes.

S. 736

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 736, a bill to increase the penalty for prohibited provision of a phone in a correctional facility, and for other purposes.

S. 978

At the request of Mrs. MOODY, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr.