

and resolving the challenges presented by conventional vending units.

Dan, who was stationed aboard a frigate tasked with intercepting drug smugglers attempting to travel to the U.S., and Theresa, who served in Afghanistan, brought their military backgrounds, precision, and integrity into the mission of All Hands Vending.

Today, the Willises continue their service by putting charitable giving at the center of their company's values. During the holiday season, their All Hands Helping Santa program brings Christmas joy to children across eastern Idaho by partnering with local organizations to buy and deliver hundreds of gifts to families in need.

Thank you, Dan and Theresa Willis, for your service to our country, and congratulations to All Hands Vending for being selected as an Idaho Small Business of the Month for November 2025. You are an outstanding example of the immeasurable impact veterans have in communities across Idaho and the U.S. You make the Gem State proud, and I look forward to your continued success.●

RECOGNIZING AMERICAN PATRIOT PLUMBING

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American Patriot Plumbing opened in 2022 after Matt Rude retired from the Idaho Army National Guard. Matt joined an engineer battalion when he enlisted in 2003. He served two combat tours and over 20 years as a combat engineer heavy demolition expert and petroleum supply specialist.

Upon retiring, Matt had years of experience as both an engineer and plumber, thanks to years of working for his father's plumbing company. His unique skillset from the Army National Guard and 27 years of plumbing experience allowed the perfect opportunity for him to start American Patriot Plumbing.

American Patriot Plumbing specializes in residential, commercial, and remodel plumbing, diagnosis and repair, water heaters, sewer line repair, and water supply line installations. As both a veteran and a third-generation plumber, Matt serves the Athol and surrounding areas with military precision and a lifetime of experience.

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RECOGNIZING IRON MULE, INC.

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Iron Mule was founded in 2018 through the merger of two Idaho coffee companies: Cafe Mule and Ironside Roasting Co. Matt Bishop started Cafe Mule in 2016 to serve free trailside coffee in the Boise Foothills. The business was inspired by Matt's experiences in the Marine Corps and as a special forces team leader in the National Guard, during which he completed several deployments to Iraq and South America. While serving overseas, Matt greatly valued the moments where he could sit down and build connections with people from different backgrounds over a cup of tea. He set out to bring this back to Idaho.

Ironside Roasting Co. was founded in 2015 by Colin Seeley and operated as a small batch, craft coffee roastery in the Boise area. In early 2018, Matt and Colin's paths crossed, and the two quickly brewed up an agreement to join forces and create Iron Mule. Through their partnership, Colin would roast coffee for Cafe Mule, and Matt would produce and package cold brew coffee for Ironside Roasting Co. Today, Iron Mule operates with a small team to sell three unique coffee brands: Ironside Roasting Co., Cafe Mule, and Draft Mule.

While Matt and Colin do not have a brick-and-mortar store in Boise, Iron Mule operates one of the largest coffee roasting facilities by volume in the State and remains heavily involved in the community by donating to trail maintenance organizations and hunting and fishing-oriented wildlife conservation groups.

Thank you, Matt Bishop, for your service to our country, and congratulations to Iron Mule, Inc., on being selected as an Idaho Small Business of the Month for November 2025. You are an outstanding example of the immeasurable impact veterans have in communities across Idaho and the U.S. You

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RECOGNIZING LAVA HILLSIDE SUITES AND THE ROOFTOP BAR

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As Bannock County natives, Cody and Brandon De Los Reyes grew up traveling to Lava Hot Springs and always felt like one thing was missing: the perfect hotel. When the De Los Reyes brothers, both Air Force Reservists, returned home from deployment in the Middle East, they began looking for land in southeast Idaho to open their dream business. With the help of their father, who is also a military veteran, the De Los Reyes built Lava Hillside Suites from the ground up, using the money Cody and Brandon saved during their combined eight deployments.

Lava Hillside Suites opened in 2018, and by 2020, Cody and Brandon had completed the nearly 14,000-square-foot structure, along with The Rooftop Bar. The hotel features nine rooms that comfortably sleep six guests, each with a covered outdoor patio and all heated by the natural hot waters of Lava Hot Springs. With the addition of The Rooftop Bar, the hotel has become a popular attraction for both locals and those visiting the famous hot springs.

Cody and Brandon serve in the Air Force Reserves in the 67th Aerial Port Squadron at Hill Air Force Base in Utah. SMSgt Cody De Los Reyes enlisted in 2002 and will retire at the end of the year. He deployed four times, earned a bachelor's degree from the Idaho State University, and received 23 medals throughout his service. CMSgt Brandon De Los Reyes enlisted in 2003, was selected to facilitate the Air Force Reserve Command Noncommissioned Officer Leadership Course, deployed four times, and was awarded 27 medals throughout his career.

Thank you, Cody and Brandon De Los Reyes, for your service to our country, and congratulations to Lava Hillside Suites and The Rooftop Bar for being selected as an Idaho Small Business of the Month for November 2025. You are an outstanding example of the immeasurable impact veterans have in communities across Idaho and the U.S. You make the Gem State proud, and I look forward to your continued success.●

RECOGNIZING LOCK, STOCK, AND BARREL GUNWORKS

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Paul "Wes" Wilson opened Lock, Stock, and Barrel Gunworks in April 2019 after returning to Idaho from Alaska, his last duty station in the Army. During his service, he earned airborne wings, served as a drill sergeant and jumpmaster, and completed a combat tour in Afghanistan. After 8 duty stations and 20 years of service, Wes retired from the Army as a sergeant first class.

Before coming back to the Gem State, Wes owned a carpentry business in Alaska and earned a degree in gunsmithing from the Colorado School of Trades, graduating with honors. Between his education, background as a former Army infantryman, and his experience as an accomplished big-game hunter and skilled gunsmith, Wes is well-equipped to service a wide range of guns.

Today, Lock, Stock, and Barrel Gunworks specializes in custom pistol builds, stock repair, and muzzle brake installation. Over the past 6 years, Wes and his business have gained a positive reputation as a trusted resource in the Twin Falls shooting community.

Thank you, Wes Wilson, for your service to our country, and congratulations to Lock, Stock, and Barrel Gunworks for being selected as an Idaho Small Business of the Month for November 2025. You are an outstanding example of the immeasurable impact veterans have in communities across Idaho and the U.S. You make the Gem State proud, and I look forward to your continued success.●

RECOGNIZING THE OUTBACK

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honor The Outback in Pierce as one of Idaho's Small Businesses of the Month for November 2025.

Harv and Colleen Nelson purchased The Outback in 2006 by converting bunkhouses originally built in the 1930s into nightly rental cabins. Harv, a Marine Corps veteran, served 24 years as an Active-Duty combat engineer officer, light armored vehicle officer, and operations analyst. After serving across many duty stations, both domestically and abroad, Harv retired as a lieutenant colonel in the fall of 2002.

During the remodel of The Outback, Harv's engineering experience proved invaluable as they expanded from 9 to 16 units, renovated, and upgraded the original bunkhouses. His experience is still a goldmine, as upkeep of 90-year-old cabins can be an uphill battle, but Harv describes owning and maintaining The Outback as winning the lottery.

Colleen, who earned a degree in recreation management from the University of Idaho while raising four children and moving around with the Marine Corps, quickly became accustomed to the ins and outs of running the lodge. She and Harv work with two part-time employees who keep The Outback open for visitors.

The Nelsons are very active in the Pierce community. Harv previously served as a Pierce City councilman, the president of the Pierce-Weippe Chamber of Commerce, and was an EMT for Clearwater County Ambulance. Until he retired from State of Idaho service in 2023, Harv served as the program coordinator for the Idaho Youth Challenge Academy and assistant fire chief, and he continues to serve as an elder in his church. This involvement has helped knit Harv and Colleen into the fabric of the Pierce community. Harv encourages other veterans who want to make an impact to find a small Idaho town and get involved.

Thank you, Harv Nelson, for your service to our country, and congratulations to The Outback for being selected as an Idaho Small Business of the Month for November 2025. You are an outstanding example of the immeasurable impact veterans have in communities across Idaho and the U.S. You make the Gem State proud, and I look forward to your continued success.●

RECOGNIZING TABLE VIII OVERLAND CATERING COMPANY

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Company in Boise as one of Idaho's Small Businesses of the Month for November 2025.

Table VIII Overland Catering Company started in January 2024 when Alexander Balderas, call sign "Combat Knife," decided to pursue a dream that had been in his heart for years. Alexander, a veteran of the Marine Corps, Army, and Army Reserves with a combined 24 years of service, served as a cook and culinary arts instructor during four combat missions. Upon returning to civilian life, he worked as the senior chef at the Boise VA Medical Center.

Alexander opened Table VIII after connecting with other veterans in Boise who were able to help him navigate life after service and managing PTSD. Alexander credits much of his success to the family, friends, and community that supported him through the struggles he faced.

The name Table VIII honors Alexander's military experience and comes from a training term used by his Army unit. During training, his unit went through gunnery tables I to VIII to assess and qualify crews on their ability to effectively engage targets. When his unit completed table VIII, Alexander would help the team celebrate with a feast after a week of "meals ready to eat"—MRE—in the field.

Today, Table VIII offers catering services for galas, fundraisers, weddings, off-road events, and exclusive functions for veterans and first responders. While Alexander and his team specialize in smaller gatherings of around 30, they can serve a specialized menu for up to 300 with the aid of his wife and volunteers.

Thank you, Alexander Balderas, for your service to our country, and congratulations to Table VIII for being selected as an Idaho Small Business of the Month for November 2025. You are an outstanding example of the immeasurable impact veterans have in communities across Idaho and the U.S. You make the Gem State proud, and I look forward to your continued success.●

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 4550. An act to reauthorize the United States Grain Standards Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

MEASURES DISCHARGED PETITION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, hereby direct that the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be discharged from further consideration of S.J. Res. 80, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Land Management relating to "National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska Integrated Activity Plan Record of Decision" and, further, that the joint resolution be immediately placed upon the Legislative Calendar under General Orders.