

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.

Dan Sullivan, Pete Ricketts, Cynthia M. Lummis, James E. Risch, Mike Lee, Rick Scott, John Kennedy, James Lankford, Steve Daines, Roger F. Wicker, Ted Cruz, Cindy Hyde-Smith, Mitch McConnell, John Hoeven, Lisa Murkowski, David McCormick, Kevin Cramer, Markwayne Mullin, Tim Scott, Tommy Tuberville, Shelley Moore Capito, Todd Young, Tim Sheehy, Mike Rounds, James C. Justice, Bernie Moreno, John Barrasso, Ron Johnson, Marsha Blackburn, Jim Banks.

MEASURES DISCHARGED

The following joint resolution was discharged from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, by petition, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 802(c), and placed on the calendar:

S.J. Res. 80. 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".

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-2077. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the issuance of Executive Order 14346 on Modifying the Scope of Reciprocal Tariffs and Establishing Procedures for Implementing Trade and Security Agreements, which deals with the national emergency with respect to regulating imports with a reciprocal tariff to rectify practices that contribute to large and persistent annual United States goods trade deficits declared in Executive Order 14257 of April 2, 2025; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2078. A communication from the Section Chief, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Relief from Penalty for Failure to Deposit Remittance Excise Tax" (Notice 2025-55) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2025; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2079. A communication from the Section Chief, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Section 42, Low-Income Housing Credit Average Income Test Procedures" (RIN1545-BQ47) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2025; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-2080. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Administration, Office of the General Counsel, Central Intelligence Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to designation of an acting officer, a nomination, change in previously submitted reported information, and discontinuation of service in an acting role for a position covered by the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998 for the position of General Counsel, Central Intelligence Agency, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2025; to the Select Committee on Intelligence.

EC-2081. A communication from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting, pursuant to

law, a report relative to the Administration's 2025 compensation program adjustments; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2082. A communication from the Senior Counsel, Legal Division, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Procedures for Supervisory Designation Proceedings" (RIN3170-AB34) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2025; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2083. A communication from the Senior Counsel, Legal Division, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interpretive Rules, Policy Statements and Advisory Opinions; Withdrawal" (12 CFR Chapter X) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2025; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2084. A communication from the Senior Counsel, Legal Division, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Small Business Lending Under the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (Regulation B); Extension of Compliance Dates" (RIN3170-AB40) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2025; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2085. A communication from the Acting General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Removal of Regulations Limiting Authorizations to Proceed with Construction Activities Pending Rehearing" ((RIN1902-AG34) (Docket No. RM25-9-000)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2025; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-2086. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 26-161, "Peace DC Omnibus Temporary Amendment Act of 2025"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2087. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 26-158, "Official Sports Capital of the United States Designation Amendment Act of 2025"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2088. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 26-159, "Steatery Program Endorsement Extension and Medical Cannabis Clarification Temporary Amendment Act of 2025"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2089. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 26-157, "Fiscal Year 2025 Revised Local Budget Temporary Act of 2025"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2090. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 26-162, "Community Health Temporary Amendment Act of 2025"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2091. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 26-136, "African American Civil War Museum Limited Grant-Making Authority Temporary Amendment Act of 2025"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2092. A communication from the Branch Chief, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Collection of Biometric Data from Aliens Upon Entry to and Departure from the United States" (RIN1651-AB12) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 27, 2025; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Ms. MURKOWSKI, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, without amendment:

S. 673. A bill to amend the Miccosukee Reserved Area Act to authorize the expansion of the Miccosukee Reserved Area and to carry out activities to protect structures within the Osceola Camp from flooding, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 119-90).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. WICKER for the Committee on Armed Services.

Air Force nomination of Brig. Gen. Christopher A. Jarratt, to be Major General.

Air Force nomination of Brig. Gen. David W. May, to be Major General.

*Space Force nominations beginning with Lt. Gen. David N. Miller, Jr. and ending with Maj. Gen. Steven P. Whitney, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 2, 2025. (minus 1 nominee: Rear Adm. Heidi K. Berg)

*Air Force nomination of Gen. Kenneth S. Wilsbach, to be General.

*Air Force nominations beginning with Lt. Gen. Jason T. Hinds and ending with Maj. Gen. Jennifer Hammerstedt, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 29, 2025. (minus 1 nominee: Maj. Gen. Dennis O. Bythewood)

*Space Force nomination of Maj. Gen. Dennis O. Bythewood, to be Lieutenant General.

Army nominations beginning with Lt. Gen. Christopher O. Mohan and ending with Maj. Gen. Francisco J. Lozano, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 29, 2025. (minus 3 nominees: Maj. Gen. John L. Rafferty, Jr.; Rear Adm. Patrick J. Hannifin; Rear Adm. Michael W. Baze)

*Navy nominations beginning with Rear Adm. Patrick J. Hannifin and ending with Rear Adm. Michael W. Baze, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 29, 2025. (minus 11 nominees beginning with Lt. Gen. Christopher O. Mohan)

*Navy nomination of Vice Adm. Karl O. Thomas, to be Admiral.

Air Force nomination of Brig. Gen. Lisa K. Snyder, to be Major General.

Army nomination of Brig. Gen. Clinton K. Murray, to be Major General.

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. (1h) Anthony E. Rossi, to be Rear Admiral.

Air Force nomination of Col. Sonya L. Morrison, to be Brigadier General.

*Army nomination of Lt. Gen. Christopher C. LaNeve, to be General.

*Army nomination of Lt. Gen. Joseph A. Ryan, to be General.

Army nominations beginning with Col. Constance L. Jenkins and ending with Col.