

those buried at Greenwich Cemetery free of charge.

Outside of the graveyard, Kurt has proven himself to be an outstanding community leader, helping educate others on historic preservation, volunteering his experience with multiple boards over the years, including the Missouri Board of Preservation and Elmwood Cemetery Society. He currently serves on the Missouri Western State University Board of Directors.

Mr. Jordan has truly found a unique way to serve families in our great State and help preserve the legacies of our ancestors, and his dedication is truly inspiring. I am deeply grateful for his meaningful work and am happy to recognize him as a Champion of Missouri.●

TRIBUTE TO ANISTON KENNEDY

● Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I rise today to commend the selfless work of Aniston Kennedy of Excelsior Springs, MO. Over the last few years, Ms. Kennedy has shown herself to be one of the Show-Me State's animal rescue champions. Since 2023, her volunteer efforts have helped spay and neuter over 40 animals and helped at least 35 find their forever homes. Her passion for helping animals goes beyond common pets, as she has helped rehome and rehabilitate creatures as diverse as bearded dragons and even roosters.

Her impact goes beyond the animals she directly cares for. Her work to humanely manage stray animal colonies has already inspired additional community efforts across Excelsior Springs and has the potential to be modeled across the State as a humane way to effectively manage the State's animal populations. I wish Ms. Kennedy the best as she pursues her career in animal welfare. Her commitment to caring for our furry and feathered friends is nothing short of remarkable, and she has more than proven herself to be a Champion of Missouri.●

TRIBUTE TO JADA McMILLAN

● Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize SrA Jada McMillan, an outstanding medic with the 509th Medical Group at Whiteman Air Force Base. After leaving work one day in July of 2025, Senior Airman McMillan witnessed a hit-and-run auto accident resulting in one of the vehicles becoming airborne. After quickly pulling over to check on the passengers alongside one of her coworkers, Jada drew upon her experience in the medical field to remain calm and help the injured passenger escape from the soon-burning vehicle, choosing to stay with the passenger until first responders could arrive. Thanks to her ability to remain calm and focused, the victim survived and was able to receive the necessary medical care.

SrA Jada McMillan has truly proven herself a Champion of Missouri, both in her dedicated service to our Nation in

the U.S. Air Force and for her decisive action last July. Her outstanding devotion to protecting others is truly remarkable, and she has more than shown that she embodies the spirit of service that makes our Nation truly special. I am proud to represent such an outstanding individual in the U.S. Senate and wish her all the best as she continues serving in our Armed Forces.●

TRIBUTE TO MIKE RANKIN

● Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I rise today to commemorate the remarkable career of Deputy Mike Rankin. For over 50 years, Deputy Rankin has gone above and beyond in serving the people of Missouri as a member of the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office. As a volunteer and commander in the reserve division, he has more than proven his dedication to protecting our fellow Missourians over his impressive career and continues to serve his community admirably. His selfless choice to dedicate countless hours shielding others from danger is nothing short of remarkable and exemplifies the very best of Missouri law enforcement.

Deputy Mike Rankin's dedication is truly inspiring and demonstrates an unparalleled and enduring commitment to the spirit of service. I am sincerely grateful for his decades of volunteering as a first responder and am proud to recognize him today as a Champion of Missouri.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Ms. Holstead, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:04 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 4138. An act to waive the 60-day notice requirement for the posthumous honorary promotion of Captain Cody Khork, United States Army.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 1:32 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker Pro Tempore (Mr. ADRIAN SMITH) has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 4138. An act to waive the 60-day notice requirement for the posthumous honorary promotion of Captain Cody Khork, United States Army.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. GRASSLEY).

At 2 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 556. An act to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture from prohibiting the use of lead ammunition or tackle on certain Federal land or water under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1958. An act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to clarify that aliens who have been convicted of defrauding the United States Government or the unlawful receipt of public benefits are inadmissible and deportable.

H.R. 4638. An act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide that an alien who has been convicted of harming animals used in law enforcement is inadmissible and deportable, and for other purposes.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 3(b) of the Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor Act of 2001 (42 U.S.C. 15202), and the order of the House of January 3, 2025, the Speaker appoints the following individuals on the part of the House of Representatives to the Medal of Valor Review Board for a term of 4 years: Mr. Jayson Richardson of Gloster, Louisiana and Mr. Brandon Clabes of Choctaw, Oklahoma.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 556. An act to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture from prohibiting the use of lead ammunition or tackle on certain Federal land or water under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 1958. An act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to clarify that aliens who have been convicted of defrauding the United States Government or the unlawful receipt of public benefits are inadmissible and deportable; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 4638. An act to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide that an alien who has been convicted of harming animals used in law enforcement is inadmissible and deportable, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

MEASURES DISCHARGED
PETITIONS

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, hereby direct that the Senate Committee on Finance be discharged of further consideration of S.J. Res. 107, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval of the rule submitted by the Internal Revenue Service relating to "Beginning of Construction Requirements for Purposes of the

Termination of Clean Electricity Production Credits and Clean Electricity Investment Credits for Applicable Wind and Solar Facilities.” and, further, that the resolution be immediately placed upon the Legislative Calendar under General Orders.

Ron Wyden, Mark Kelly, Alex Padilla, Jeff Merkley, Catherine Cortez Masto, Jacky Rosen, Chris Van Hollen, Charles E. Schumer, Sheldon Whitehouse, Tina Smith, Andy Kim, Ben Ray Lujan, Edward J. Markey, Elizabeth Warren, Richard J. Durbin, Jack Reed, Peter Welch, Ruben Gallego, John W. Hickenlooper, Tammy Baldwin, Tim Kaine, Mark R. Warner, Brian Schatz, Jeanne Shaheen, Lisa Blunt Rochester, Kirsten E. Gillibrand, Patty Murray, Martin Heinrich, Bernard Sanders, Maria Cantwell.

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, hereby direct that the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works be discharged from further consideration of S.J. Res. 139, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to “Air Plan Disapproval; Colorado; Regional Haze Plan for the Second Implementation Period” and, further, that the joint resolution be immediately placed upon the Legislative Calendar under General Orders.

Michael F. Bennet, John W. Hickenlooper, Andy Kim, Christopher A. Coons, Jack Reed, Mark Kelly, Elizabeth Warren, Tina Smith, Brian Schatz, Ruben Gallego, Chris Van Hollen, Sheldon Whitehouse, Patty Murray, Bernard Sanders, Tim Kaine, Richard Blumenthal, Ron Wyden, Mazie Hirono, Tammy Duckworth, Edward J. Markey, Ben Ray Lujan, Richard J. Durbin, Angela D. Alsobrooks, Jeanne Shaheen, Jeff Merkley, Adam B. Schiff, Elissa Slotkin, Peter Welch, John Fetterman, Gary C. Peters, Mark R. Warner, Cory A. Booker.

MEASURES DISCHARGED

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

S.J. Res. 107. Joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Internal Revenue Service relating to “Beginning of Construction Requirements for Purposes of the Termination of Clean Electricity Production Credits and Clean Electricity Investment Credits for Applicable Wind and Solar Facilities”.

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

S.J. Res. 139. Joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to “Air Plan Disapproval; Colorado; Regional Haze Plan for the Second Implementation Period”.

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-3026. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Visas: Enhancing Vetting and Combatting Fraud in the Diversity Immigrant Visa Program” (RIN1400-AF76) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2026; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3027. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(b)(1) and 36(c)(2) of the Arms Export Control Act, the Memorandum of Justification, to authorize the immediate transfer and licensing of U.S.-origin defense articles to Israel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3028. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of firearms, parts, and components controlled under Category I of the U.S. Munitions List to Kuwait in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 25-136); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3029. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of firearms, parts, and components controlled under Category I of the U.S. Munitions List to Qatar in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 25-130); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3030. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license amendment for the manufacture of significant military equipment abroad and the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services to the United Kingdom in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 25-113); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3031. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of firearms, parts, and components controlled under Category I of the U.S. Munitions List to Ukraine in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 26-003); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3032. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license amendment for the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services to Netherlands and Germany in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 25-135); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3033. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Schedule of Fees for Consular Services - Fee for Administrative Processing of Request for Certificate of Loss of Nationality of the United States” (RIN1400-AF61) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2026; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3034. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “2025 Re-

port to Congress; Promoting the Integration of Primary and Behavioral Health Care (PIPBHC) Grant Program”; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3035. A communication from the Deputy Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “Report on Locality Pay Area Eligibility Criteria and Remote Work”; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3036. A communication from the Acting Chairman, Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board’s fiscal year 2025 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Anti-discrimination and Retaliation Act (No FEAR Act) received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3037. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “National Priorities List” (FRL No. 11724.1-02-OLEM) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2026; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3038. A communication from the Acting Division Director, Rural Development, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Single Family Housing Guaranteed Loan Program” (RIN0575-AD08) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2026; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3039. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, 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 Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy, Department of Transportation, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3040. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy for a position covered by the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998 for the position of Administrator, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. PAUL for the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

*Markwayne Mullin, of Oklahoma, to be Secretary of Homeland Security.

By Mr. GRASSLEY for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Colin McDonald, of California, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

James Bishop, of North Carolina, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of North Carolina for the term of four years.

Brian Barber, of Louisiana, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Louisiana for the term of four years.

Steven Lewis, of Missouri, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Missouri, for the term of four years.