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Blunt Rochester	Kim	Schumer
Booker	King	Shaheen
Cantwell	Klobuchar	Slotkin
Coons	Lujan	Smith
Cortez Masto	Markey	Van Hollen
Duckworth	Merkley	Warner
Durbin	Murphy	Warnock
Fetterman	Murray	Warren
Gallago	Ossoff	Welch
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NOT VOTING—1

Moody

The nomination was confirmed. The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. RICKETTS). Under previous order, the motion to reconsider is considered made and laid upon the table. The President will be immediately notified of the Senate's actions.

The Senator from Wyoming.

DESIGNATING THE GENERAL GEORGE C. MARSHALL HOUSE, IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, AS AN AFFILIATED AREA OF THE NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM

REDESIGNATING THE NATIONAL HISTORIC TRAILS INTERPRETIVE CENTER IN CASPER, WYOMING, AS THE "BARBARA L. CUBIN NATIONAL HISTORIC TRAILS INTERPRETIVE CENTER"

Ms. LUMMIS. Mr. President, as if in legislative session, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be discharged from further consideration and the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of the following bills, en bloc: S. 603 and S. 790.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bills by title.

The bill clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 603) to designate the General George C. Marshall House, in the Commonwealth of Virginia, as an affiliated area of the National Park System, and for other purposes.

A bill (S. 790) to redesignate the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper, Wyoming, as the "Barbara L. Cubin National Historic Trails Interpretive Center".

There being no objection, the committee was discharged of the bills, and the Senate proceeded to consider the bills, en bloc.

Ms. LUMMIS. Mr. President, I further ask unanimous consent that the bills be considered read a third time and passed and that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table, all en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The bills (S. 603 and S. 790) were ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, were read the third time, and passed en bloc as follows:

S. 603

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. ESTABLISHMENT OF THE GENERAL GEORGE C. MARSHALL HOUSE AS AN AFFILIATED AREA.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The General George C. Marshall House in the Commonwealth of Virginia is established as an affiliated area of the National Park System (referred to in this section as the "affiliated area") to promote public appreciation of the significant historic contributions made by United States military leader and statesman George Catlett Marshall, Jr.

(b) DESCRIPTION OF AFFILIATED AREA.—The affiliated area shall consist of the area generally depicted as the "General George C. Marshall House Property, Leesburg, Virginia" on the map entitled "General George C. Marshall House, Proposed Affiliated Area", numbered 999/189,974, and dated September 2023.

(c) ADMINISTRATION.—The affiliated area shall be managed in a manner consistent with—

- (1) this section; and
- (2) any law generally applicable to units of the National Park System.

(d) MANAGEMENT ENTITY.—The George C. Marshall International Center shall be the management entity for the affiliated area.

(e) AGREEMENTS.—The Secretary of the Interior (referred to in this section as the "Secretary")—

(1) may provide technical assistance and enter into cooperative agreements with the management entity designated by subsection (d) for the purpose of providing financial assistance for the marketing, marking, interpretation, and preservation of the affiliated area; and

(2) shall enter into an agreement with the management entity designated by subsection (d) that describes the roles and responsibilities for the management of the affiliated area consistent with the policies and standards that apply to units of the National Park System.

(f) LIMITED ROLE OF THE SECRETARY.—Nothing in this section authorizes the Secretary—

- (1) to acquire property at the affiliated area; or
- (2) to assume overall financial responsibility for the operation, maintenance, or management of the affiliated area.

S. 790

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. DESIGNATION OF BARBARA L. CUBIN NATIONAL HISTORIC TRAILS INTERPRETIVE CENTER.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The National Historic Trails Interpretive Center established under section 2(a) of Public Law 105-290 (112 Stat. 2783) in Casper, Wyoming, shall be known and designated as the "Barbara L. Cubin National Historic Trails Interpretive Center".

(b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center referred to in subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Barbara L. Cubin National Historic Trails Interpretive Center".

(c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 2(a) of Public Law 105-290 (112 Stat. 2783) is amended, in the second sentence, by striking "the National Historic Trails Interpretive

Center" and inserting "the 'Barbara L. Cubin National Historic Trails Interpretive Center'".

S. 790

Ms. LUMMIS. Mr. President, today I rise with great joy and pride to celebrate the passage of S. 790, a bill to rename the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper, WY, after former Representative Barbara Cubin, a true Wyoming trailblazer and a longtime personal friend.

Barbara Cubin was the first woman elected to Federal office from our State and one of the most consequential public servants Wyoming has ever known. She gave more than a decade of her life in service to Wyoming here in Washington, and her record speaks for itself. She was a founding member of the Congressional Western Caucus and fought tirelessly to protect our lands, Western heritage, and way of life. Nearly 30 years ago, she secured the very legislation that created the center we are now proud to name in her honor.

Barbara wasn't just making history; she was preserving it for future generations.

For those who haven't yet visited, the National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper brings to life the stories of the 500,000 pioneers who traveled the Oregon, Mormon Pioneer, and California Trails between 1840 and 1890 in search of land, religious freedom, gold, and a better life. The interactive exhibits, productions, and galleries take visitors through the triumphs and hardships of westward expansion.

Barbara Cubin blazed trails her entire career, not just for Wyoming, but for women across this country who saw in her what was possible, myself included. She proved that a woman from Wyoming could stand in these halls and fight for her constituents with the best of them. She opened doors that had been closed for generations.

I am grateful to my colleagues Senator BARRASSO and Representative HAGEMAN for joining me in this effort and to this body for moving this bill forward.

As we celebrate this passage during Alzheimer's Awareness Month, I want to acknowledge the special urgency and meaning behind this honor. Barbara Cubin is today battling advanced Alzheimer's, and it is our deepest hope that she can see the significance of this recognition, that her country, and especially her beloved Wyoming, remembers her and cherishes her legacy.

I can think of no one more worthy of having their name immortalized at these trails than Barbara Cubin. She deserves this honor, her family deserves this moment, and Wyoming is proud to celebrate her. I hope everyone will add the Barbara L. Cubin National Historic Trails Interpretive Center in Casper to their list of travel destinations.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Oklahoma.

TRIBUTE TO JESSE MAHAN

Mr. LANKFORD. Mr. President, there are many days that I come to this floor to talk about a lot of different policy issues and things we need to get done—and there are a lot of things needing to get done. Our list is long here in the Senate.

I did just want to take a moment of personal privilege to not talk about policy for just a moment but to talk about some people.

I have got two staff members that are leaving my team that my State and the Nation may or may not know their name, but they have been exceptionally impactful in what they have done.

Jesse Mahan has been on my team, as he reminds me, so long that when he first came on the team, he was issued a BlackBerry when he first came on the team.

He came on writing letters and doing background work. He led Indian Affairs. He is a Tribal member. He was a terrific hand in a lot of different areas, and he ended up leading a lot of my budget work and then eventually tax work.

He has led through a lot of really complicated issues over the years, and every single time—whether it is Tribal law or whether it is tax law, which both of them are very complicated—he thrived. He did his homework, and he helped this Nation.

There were significant areas of the Working Families Tax Cut last year that we got over the finish line because of his work with some of the staff behind the scenes to be able to explain some of the complexity and to be able to convince some people this is actually good for the economy. He did a terrific job through that process.

Unfortunately, we are losing him in the next week, and he will be dearly missed on our team.

TRIBUTE TO MONA TAYLOR

There is a lady on our team that is not just a member of our team—she is an Oklahoma institution. Her name is Ramona Taylor. She was born in Oklahoma City, but if you ask her, she is going to claim Burns Flat, OK. You have got to be from Oklahoma to know where Burns Flat is—or use Google Maps. But Burns Flat is a small town in Western Oklahoma. She brought those small-town, Western Oklahoma values to our team as well.

She has served the Nation for 41 years—41 years of Federal service. And, unfortunately, she is retiring, and my State has no idea what is about to happen in the loss of Mona Taylor.

She graduated from Burns Flat in 1979 and then she went to Central State University—which is now called the University of Central Oklahoma—got a bachelor's degree in business administration and then began her Federal career serving with Congressman Mickey Edwards.

Now, this will tell you how long ago that was. At the time, Mickey Edwards was the only Republican Member of Congress from Oklahoma. We had one,

and it was Mickey. She served with Mickey Edwards there.

She met her husband in 1992—Andy—who was an air traffic controller who has been a terrific leader. They have now been married for 34 years.

I have to tell you, she has done remarkable work in ways that people will never know, but just the story of her life is also significant as well: Being the girl from Burns Flat and then finding ways to be able to serve that the country will never forget.

She and Andy, when they were married in 1992, they ended up, with his career in air traffic control, moving up to Washington, DC. They just had their first son Clay in 1994, and they moved up to DC to have this job up here to be able to work alongside Andy.

It was a painful day on April 19, 1995, when the Murrah Building bombing happened in Oklahoma City. It was a painful day for the entire country, but especially for those of us from Oklahoma. But she realized that day that if she had not been with her husband here in Washington, DC, that their young son Clay would have actually been in the Murrah Building bombing in that daycare that day. It never leaves you.

She, in her constituent work, did a remarkable amount of constituent work to be able to walk alongside families during that time period because, as you can imagine, there was a lot to do.

At the time, she had come up to be able to work with FRANK LUCAS and was serving alongside him in his office here. She returned to work with a guy named J.C. Watts and to be able to serve with J.C. Watts and then with the person after him, TOM COLE. Along the way, her second son Sam was born in 1996, and they continued to be able to build their family.

Mona really sunk into what some people call constituent services. She just calls it ministry to people. She wants to help in every way she possibly can. Mona was the one—when people want to call and to be able to yell on the phone, and they are just angry at whatever is going on in government, Mona was always the calming voice to be able to listen. In fact, our team calls it “getting Monaed” because this angry person would rage, and she would listen and listen and calm them and calm them, would take notes. And I will tell you, if she couldn't calm them down and they just wanted to be able to continue to scream and cuss at her endlessly, she would just say, “God loves you. Thank you. Goodbye” and just hang up because she wants to be able to help people just to be able to see that things can get better. And she has helped make it that way over and over again.

She had a short stint working with the FAA. In her leadership role at the FAA is when I was actually elected into the House of Representatives. I will never forget how I met her. I knew her husband Andy before I knew Mona. We were planning to go on a mission trip together, and I had to sit down

with Andy and say: Hey, I can't go on this mission trip. You don't know it; I have not announced it yet, but I am going to be running for Congress, and so I am not going to be able to leave with you and go on this mission trip because that is going to be a distraction to what is going on.

I remember him saying to me: Do you know who my wife is?

I said: No.

He said: My wife is Mona Taylor.

I remember distinctly saying to him: The Mona Taylor is your wife?

I said: I would love to be able to pick her brain.

Everybody wants to know Mona Taylor because she knows so much of behind the scenes about how Federal offices work from working with so many different Federal offices and actually finding ways to not just do the job but to actually serve people in that role, to set an atmosphere on this.

I was honored in 2011, when I came into the House of Representatives, that Mona agreed to leave FAA, come back into congressional service, and to be able to serve as my district director. Then, when I was elected into the Senate, she then took the role as the State director for me. I will never regret that.

She has an absolute heart of gold and loves people. She has often said that she wants our office to be known for our casework, how we take care of people, and it is. Mona has also mentored countless staff from all over the Federal delegation in our State. Literally, there is no caseworker in any of the seven Federal offices in our State that Mona has not impacted in some way.

Mona was the congressional staffer when the Edmond Post Office shooting happened in 1986. She was the one working with all of those families and trying to be able to help them through years ago. She was the one doing a lot of the casework, as I mentioned before, in 1995, with all the victims and families around the Murrah Building bombing. She was the one that was actually taking care of a lot of these issues and coordinating the work behind the scenes to make sure we helped each person.

Mona even, notoriously in her family, as she drives into work, prays for the task and what she is going to do that day. We have never forgotten the day that Mona, on the way in to work, saw two French bulldogs just on the side of the road and determined those French bulldogs were probably somebody's. So she just picked them up, put them in her car, and then started working to try to figure out—because they had to be a constituent—try to figure out how to be able to take care of a constituent that lost two French bulldogs. You know what. She figured it out and got the dogs back to them. So apparently Mona not only loves people, but she loves dogs as well because she knows they are attached to people.

I will tell you, Mona was also that person, always, that you don't ever tell