

of California, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Korea.

CLOTURE MOTION

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I send a cloture motion to the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Executive Calendar No. 760, Michelle Steel, of California, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Korea.

John Thune, Ted Budd, Tim Scott of South Carolina, Katie Boyd Britt, Thom Tillis, Roger Marshall, Rick Scott of Florida, Bernie Moreno, Mike Rounds, John Boozman, Joni Ernst, Jon A. Husted, Marsha Blackburn, Steve Daines, Shelley Moore Capito, Cindy Hyde-Smith, Pete Ricketts.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I move to proceed to legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the motion. The motion was agreed to.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I move to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 763.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the motion. The motion was agreed to.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of George Holding, of North Carolina, to be United States Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

CLOTURE MOTION

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I send a cloture motion to the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Executive Calendar No. 763, George Holding, of North Carolina, to be United States Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

John Thune, Ted Budd, Tim Scott of South Carolina, Katie Boyd Britt,

Thom Tillis, Roger Marshall, Rick Scott of Florida, Bernie Moreno, Mike Rounds, John Boozman, Joni Ernst, Jon Husted, Marsha Blackburn, Steve Daines, Shelley Moore Capito, Cindy Hyde-Smith, Pete Ricketts.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate resume legislative session and be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

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

RECOGNIZING THE TRIANGLE X RANCH CENTENNIAL

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I rise today to celebrate the centennial of the Triangle X Ranch.

Located at the base of the Grand Teton Mountains in Moose, the Triangle X Ranch is a fully operational guest ranch. This Western icon has introduced thousands of visitors to Wyoming over the past ten decades.

Triangle X Ranch's centennial aligns with America's 250th anniversary. It took the same tenacity and bravery that America's founders demonstrated to forge a life out of the harsh Western frontier. These two milestones align in a way that allows us to honor the independence and hard work required to craft a life on a new frontier.

On June 20, 2026, Triangle X Ranch will celebrate its 100th anniversary as a successful ranching operation, serving five generations of the Turner family. Purchased on July 6, 1926, by John and Maytie Turner, the ranch has a storied history steeped in beauty and overcoming challenges.

That summer, John and Maytie packed up their lives in Morgan, UT, moving to the valley with their sons John C. and Burt. By the fall of 1926, they welcomed their first official guests: a group of big game hunters.

While game was abundant and the land was well suited for cattle, early life on the ranch presented its own challenges. Situated 26 miles out of town, the commute to Jackson was always long, and winter made it treacherous. Since the valley roads went unplowed, the family had no choice but to become fiercely self-sufficient.

For most of the winter, they were confined to the ranch. The infrequent trips to town required a covered horse-drawn sleigh, heated by a small wood stove. Without electricity on the ranch, the Turners relied on wood stoves to heat just two rooms of the main house. During the winter months, the family cut ice chunks from nearby beaver ponds and stored them in piles of sawdust for the summer.

In the late 1920s, the Turners sold the ranch property to John D. Rockefeller,

Jr.'s Snake River Land Company. The family negotiated the right to continue operating the Triangle X Ranch as a working dude ranch. In 1950, Congress expanded the boundaries of Grand Teton National Park, fully incorporating the Triangle X Ranch property and making it an authorized concessioner of the National Park Service. The ranch remains the last dude ranch within any National Park.

Today, the Triangle X Ranch is a top destination for visitors from around the world. As a premier dude ranch, it offers guests the opportunity to experience the cowboy lifestyle and immerse themselves in the beauty of the Jackson Hole Valley. Much like its early days, guests can take a horseback ride, hike, hunt, fish, or raft down the Snake River.

In addition to hosting guests, it also offers outfitting and guide services, pack trips, and big game hunts. Folks from around the world make the trip to Triangle X ranch to experience firsthand their own Western adventure and experience the grandeur Grand Teton National Park has to offer.

Triangle X Ranch's commitment to conservation is impressive. For generations, the ranch has been a leader in land stewardship efforts and wildlife management. Their guiding principle of caring for the land has also fostered conservation leaders.

John F. Turner served the State of Wyoming first in the State house and then the State senate from 1970-1989. John went on to serve as the Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and then as the Assistant Secretary for the State of Oceans and International Environmental Affairs within the U.S. Department of State. He was instrumental in expanding the National Wildlife Refuge System and ensuring protection for millions of acres after seeing the benefits of quality management on the Triangle X Ranch.

Each member of the Turner family has been instrumental in preserving the Western legacy of the Triangle X Ranch. Their hard work and dedication have preserved the beauty and resilience of the ranch. The family successfully bridges the gap between the values of a working ranch and the luxury experience of a western dude ranch. Over the years, members of the family have dedicated their lives to the ranch, including:

John S. and Maytie Turner
John C. and Louise Turner
Bert Turner
Harold and Berniece Turner
John F. and Mary Kay Turner
Donald and Anne Turner
Matt Turner
John Turner
Robert Turner
John Tote Turner
Kathryn Turner
Mark Turner
Lucas Turner
Elizabeth Turner

From humble beginnings to a legacy as one of the most iconic ranches of the West, Triangle X Ranch has preserved

the true spirit of Wyoming cowboy culture. For generations, the ranch has embodied the cowboy code. Its deep family ties, incredible location and dedication to excellence have solidified its status as an icon of the American West.

In honor of the 100th anniversary of Triangle X Ranch, I urge my colleagues to take part in celebrating the legacy of this iconic symbol of Wyoming and America. I applaud the Turner family who, for generations, has worked every day to ensure the ranch remains a leading Western destination. I join the Triangle X Ranch staff, friends, and family in celebrating this momentous anniversary.

REMEMBERING MICHAEL JOHNSON

Ms. BALDWIN. Mr. President, today I rise to recognize the life and legacy of Michael Johnson, a respected community leader, a dedicated advocate for young people, and a champion for opportunity throughout Wisconsin. Mr. Johnson's leadership, vision, and unwavering commitment to service transformed countless lives and helped build a stronger future for children and families across Dane County. His passing is a tremendous loss to the Madison community, Dane County, the State of Wisconsin, and to all those fortunate enough to know him.

Mr. Johnson was raised in Chicago, where he developed an early understanding of the challenges facing many young people and families. Those experiences shaped a lifelong commitment to creating opportunities for others. He believed deeply that every child deserves the chance to succeed, regardless of circumstance, and he dedicated his career to making that belief a reality.

Before coming to Wisconsin, Mr. Johnson worked with youth-serving organizations in Chicago, Philadelphia, and St. Louis. In 2010, he became president and chief executive officer of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Dane County. Over the next 16 years, he transformed the organization into one of the region's most impactful nonprofit institutions. Under his leadership, the Boys & Girls Clubs expanded its reach, strengthened partnerships throughout the community, and increased its capacity to serve young people and their families.

Mr. Johnson understood that helping young people succeed required more than afterschool programs alone. He championed initiatives focused on education, workforce development, mentorship, and career readiness. Through partnerships with schools, businesses, and community organizations, Mr. Johnson helped create opportunities for students to pursue higher education, develop professional skills, and prepare for successful futures. Thousands of young people benefited from programs and services made possible through his vision and determination.

Among Mr. Johnson's most significant accomplishments was his vision for the McKenzie Regional Workforce Center. Recognizing both the growing demand for skilled trades workers and the need to create pathways to economic mobility for young people, he led the effort to develop a first-of-its-kind workforce training center in Dane County. Through years of planning, partnership-building, and fundraising, Mr. Johnson transformed an ambitious idea into reality. Today, the center provides hands-on training, industry certifications, and career preparation in high-demand skilled trades, creating opportunities for young people to build family-sustaining careers while helping address workforce shortages throughout the region. Mr. Johnson viewed the center not simply as a building, but as an investment in the future of Wisconsin's youth and a model for how communities can expand opportunity through innovation and collaboration.

Mr. Johnson also understood the importance of ensuring that young people see themselves reflected in the history and institutions around them. He played a leading role in the effort to establish the Vel Phillips Memorial Statue on the grounds of the Wisconsin State Capitol. Through his leadership and fundraising efforts, supporters from across Wisconsin came together to create a lasting tribute to Vel Phillips, a pioneering civil rights leader, jurist, and public servant whose groundbreaking achievements opened doors for generations of Wisconsinites. The unveiling of the statue marked a historic milestone for the State of Wisconsin and reflected Mr. Johnson's belief that honoring the accomplishments of trailblazing leaders can inspire future generations to pursue lives of service and leadership.

Mr. Johnson's impact extended far beyond the Boys & Girls Clubs. He became one of Madison's most trusted civic leaders and strongest advocates for building a more inclusive community. He brought together leaders from education, business, government, and nonprofit organizations to address challenges facing local families. Whether working to expand educational opportunities, strengthen neighborhoods, or create pathways to economic success, Mr. Johnson had a unique ability to unite people around a common purpose.

Those who knew Mr. Johnson often spoke of his gift for connecting with others. He believed in meeting people where they were and helping them realize their potential. He served as a mentor to countless young people and emerging leaders, offering encouragement, guidance, and support. His leadership was grounded in the belief that meaningful change comes from investing in people and empowering them to succeed.

While Mr. Johnson received many honors throughout his career, his greatest achievement was the lasting impact he made on the lives of others.

The students who graduated, the families who found support, and the community leaders he inspired all stand as a testament to his life's work. His legacy can be seen throughout Dane County in the opportunities he helped create and the futures he helped shape.

Mr. Johnson was also a devoted husband, father, and family man. He carried the same compassion, integrity, and commitment into his personal life that he demonstrated in his professional career. His family, friends, colleagues, and community will remember him not only for what he accomplished, but for the kindness, optimism, and generosity he shared with others.

Mr. Johnson devoted his life to expanding opportunity and strengthening communities. His leadership helped countless young people imagine a brighter future and gave them the tools to pursue it. As we honor his life and mourn his passing, we celebrate a legacy of service that will continue to inspire generations to come. I am proud to join communities across Wisconsin in recognizing Michael Johnson's extraordinary contributions and the enduring legacy of his life's work.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Hanley, 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.)

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 3922. An act to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on existing programs, rules, and authorities that enable or inhibit wildfire mitigation across land ownership boundaries on Federal and non-Federal land, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on June 15, 2026, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bill:

S. 1003. An act to require the Federal Communications Commission to issue an order providing that a shark attack is an event for which a wireless emergency alert may be transmitted, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with