

Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, Ray was eventually stationed in Germany for 10 months as an infantry unit commander.

Following Pearl Harbor, Ray married his sweetheart Ellen in Reno, NV. After his discharge from the Army, they farmed his family's land and raised five children. Since 1983, they lived in Minot, and following the death of Ellen in 2014, he moved to an assisted living center, where he continues to live a full and active life.

We consider the centenarians living in North Dakota among our most treasured residents. Their pioneer spirit, dignity, and hard work have brought them through many challenges and personal achievements. And while we owe a debt of gratitude to every veteran who has served our country, having Ray as one of the Nation's oldest living World War II veterans increases our admiration and appreciation for him and his remarkable life.

On behalf of all North Dakotans, I thank Ray Curtis for his service to our country and wish him a happy 109th birthday. We hope he enjoys continued good health and vitality. ●

TRIBUTE TO BOB MURPHY

● Ms. HASSAN. Mr. President, I am honored to recognize Bob Murphy of Salem as January's Granite Stater of the Month for his efforts to support Parkinson's disease research.

Last June, Bob was asked to participate in a bracelet-making fundraiser to benefit the Alzheimer's Association. Bob discovered he had a hidden talent for making beading designs and enjoyed the creative outlet that the crafting provided. When he realized other residents and staff at the facility where he lived were interested in buying his bracelets, Bob started selling them in the lobby and donating the proceeds to the Parkinson's Foundation. So far, Bob has donated \$1,500.

Bob picked the Parkinson's Foundation because he has lived with Parkinson's disease for 20 years. Bob likes to do activities that keep his mind active, such as doing puzzles, playing cards, reading, and now, making bracelets. Although he sometimes drops beads or moves more slowly than he would like to, the beading keeps him focused, and he will sometimes work on bracelets for the entire day—comparing his crafting operation to a factory. The hobby has also helped him make new connections with other residents who come by to watch him work and even request bracelet designs.

Bob's creative fundraising is an inspiring example of the Granite State spirit of ingenuity and persistence. His work to contribute to Parkinson's research is why I am honored to name him January's Granite Stater of the Month. ●

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

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.)

PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

REPORT OF THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY THAT WAS ORIGINALLY DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 14014 OF FEBRUARY 10, 2021, WITH RESPECT TO BURMA—PM 48

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within 90 days prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the national emergency with respect to the situation in and in relation to Burma declared in Executive Order 14014 of February 10, 2021, is to continue in effect beyond February 10, 2026.

My Administration is closely monitoring developments in and in relation to Burma and is engaging with relevant stakeholders and regional partners to encourage dialogue among conflict parties that reduces violence and increases political stability. I am prepared to calibrate pressure as necessary to protect American interests in and in relation to Burma. Therefore, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared in Executive Order 14014 with respect to the situation in and in relation to Burma.

DONALD J. TRUMP.
THE WHITE HOUSE, February 3, 2026.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 1:09 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. 3377. An act to authorize the President to award the Medal of Honor to James Capers, Jr., for acts of valor as a member of the Marine Corps during the Vietnam War.

H.R. 7194. An act to authorize the President to award the Medal of Honor to Nicholas Dockery for acts of valor as a member of the Army while serving in Afghanistan.

H.R. 7211. An act to authorize the President to award the Medal of Honor to John W. Ripley for acts of valor during the Vietnam War, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED FEBRUARY 3, 2026

The President pro tempore (Mr. GRASSLEY) announced that yesterday, February 3, 2026, he had signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 3424. An act to amend titles 11 and 28, United States Code, to modify the compensation payable to trustees serving in cases under chapter 7 of title 11, United States Code, to extend the term of certain temporary offices of bankruptcy judges, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7148. An act making further consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 7194. An act to authorize the President to award the Medal of Honor to Nicholas Dockery for acts of valor as a member of the Army while serving in Afghanistan; to the Committee on Armed Services.

H.R. 7211. An act to authorize the President to award the Medal of Honor to John W. Ripley for acts of valor during the Vietnam War, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

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-2682. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Agency Financial Report for fiscal year 2025; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2683. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Office of Inspector General's Semiannual Report and the Management Response for the period of April 1, 2025 through September 30, 2025; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2684. A communication from the Acting Deputy Staff Director, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2025 received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2685. A communication from the Assistant Chief Counsel for Safety, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reflectorization of Rail Freight Rolling Stock; Codifying Existing Waivers" (RIN2130-AC77) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 30, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2686. A communication from the Manager of Legal Litigation and Support, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc., Airplanes, Amendment 39-23242" (RIN2120-AA64)

(Docket No. FAA-2025-1351) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 30, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2687. A communication from the Manager of Legal Litigation and Support, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Rolls-Royce Deutschland Ltd & Co KG Engines; Amendment 39-23225" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2025-5398)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 30, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2688. A communication from the Manager of Legal Litigation and Support, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; International Aero Engines LLC Engines; Amendment 39-23226" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2025-0480)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 30, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2689. A communication from the Manager of Legal Litigation and Support, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; MHI R/J Aviation ULC (Type Certificate Previously Held by Bombardier, Inc.); Amendment 39-23239" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2026-0013)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 30, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2690. A communication from the Manager of Legal Litigation and Support, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; CFM International, S.A. Engines; Amendment 39-23244" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2025-1725)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on January 30, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. PAUL, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

S.J. Res. 102. A joint resolution disapproving the action of the District of Columbia Council in approving the D.C. Income and Franchise Tax Conformity and Revision Temporary Amendment Act of 2025.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. KAINE (for himself and Mr. BOOZMAN):

S. 3771. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to codify the requirements for appointment, qualifications, and pay for the therapeutic medical physicists of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. CRAMER (for himself and Mr. WARNER):

S. 3772. A bill to extend the authority of the Export-Import Bank of the United States; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. COTTON:

S. 3773. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to condition Federal highway funding on State compliance with Federal immigration enforcement policies related to driver's licensing and information sharing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. GALLEGU (for himself and Mr. MORENO):

S. 3774. A bill to prohibit online platforms from displaying fraudulent or deceptive commercial advertisements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND (for herself, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. DUCKWORTH, and Ms. WARREN):

S. 3775. A bill to reduce the incidence of death by underride by enhancing underride protection on trailers, semitrailers, and single unit trucks, which will result in more survivable truck crashes, to improve motor carrier, passenger motor vehicle, and Vulnerable Road User safety, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BOOKER (for himself, Mr. KAINE, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. LUJÁN, and Ms. HIRONO):

S. 3776. A bill to prohibit the Attorney General from requiring compliance with certain laws, memoranda, and Executive Orders in determining eligibility for grants; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. REED (for himself, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. KAINE, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. PADILLA, Ms. SMITH, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Ms. ALSOBROOKS, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. LUJÁN, and Ms. DUCKWORTH):

S. 3777. A bill to provide for the long-term improvement of public school facilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SHEEHY (for himself and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. 3778. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the carbon oxide sequestration credit to include solid or liquid carbon capture facilities; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. MERKLEY, Ms. ALSOBROOKS, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. 3779. A bill to limit the Department of Homeland Security's use of facial recognition; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. GALLEGU:

S. 3780. A bill to provide for increases in the Federal minimum wage, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. GRAHAM:

S. 3781. A bill to authorize the President to award the Medal of Honor to James Capers, Jr., for acts of valor as a member of the Marine Corps during the Vietnam War; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. KAINE:

S.J. Res. 105. A joint resolution redesignating the Robert E. Lee Memorial in Arlington National Cemetery as the "Arlington House National Historic Site"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. WHITEHOUSE:

S.J. Res. 106. 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 "Effluent Limitations Guidelines and Standards for the Steam Electric Power Generating Point Source Cat-

egory-Deadline Extensions"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mrs. MURRAY (for herself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. HASSAN, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. KING, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHIFF, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. SMITH, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 596. A resolution designating the week of February 2 through 6, 2026, as "National School Counseling Week"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 106

At the request of Mr. CRAMER, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. LUJÁN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 106, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide Medicare coverage for all physicians' services furnished by doctors of chiropractic within the scope of their license, and for other purposes.

S. 126

At the request of Mr. SCHATZ, the names of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS) and the Senator from Maryland (Ms. ALSOBROOKS) were added as cosponsors of S. 126, a bill to increase the rates of pay under the statutory pay systems and for prevailing rate employees by 4.3 percent, and for other purposes.

S. 134

At the request of Mr. KAINE, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 134, a bill to place limitations on exempting positions from the competitive service, and for other purposes.

S. 142

At the request of Mr. BARRASSO, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 142, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to wildland firefighters in recognition of their strength, resiliency, sacrifice, and service to protect the forests, grasslands, and communities of the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 156

At the request of Mr. MARSHALL, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. SLOTKIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 156, a bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to modify the delivery of technical assistance, and for other purposes.

S. 226

At the request of Mr. SHEEHY, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. HAWLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 226, a bill to require a strategy to oppose financial or material support by