the National Forests in North Carolina. Mr. Nicholas has served for over 30 years and has been a living embodiment of the National Forest Service's motto, ''Caring for the Land and Serving People.''

Mr. Nicholas was born in Magnolia, MS, and graduated from Mississippi State University with a bachelor's degree in forest resource management and then with a master's degree in business administration. He began his career as a silvicultural technician in the Daniel Boone National Forest and went on to serve in numerous natural resource and leadership positions throughout the southern and eastern United States.

When he arrived to his first forest supervisor position on the Shawnee National Forest, equestrian use across the forest was rampant. Mr. Nicholas led a multiyear effort to reduce the impact of trail use on natural resources while also supporting an equestrian-based tourism economy.

As forest supervisor, Mr. Nicholas oversaw North Carolina's four National Forests. The Croatan, the Nantahala, the Pisgah, and the Uwharrie National Forests contain more than 1.25 million acres of land that stretches from the Appalachian Mountains to the Atlantic Coast. All together, the forests welcome more than 7 million visitors each year. Mr. Nicholas led a team to reduce the number of accidental visitor deaths in National Forests in the southern region. Under his leadership, the team recommended a set of actions that are now being implemented to track data, improve communication to visitors, and provide more official presence through volunteers and partners. Mr. Nicholas demonstrates an impressive talent for balancing the safety of visitors with responsible stewardship of our Nation's natural resources.

All who interact with Allen Nicholas—and countless more past, present, and future visitors—benefit greatly from his service. His commitment to the betterment of others is reflected in his lasting relationships with Forest Service employees and the public. His words inspire and empower, and he leads by example with his actions. Quite simply, he is a natural mentor to others and a wonderful example of a public servant.

Please join me in congratulating Allen Nicholas, his wife Debra, daughters and sons-in-law, Anna Lisa and Taylor Roberts, and Kelsey and Garrett Dismukes, and his grandchildren Gracie and Charlie on his distinguished public service career and retirement. I wish him and his family the best in his future endeavors.●

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–5292. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of a national emergency declared in Executive Order 13222 of August 17, 2001, with respect to the lapse of the Export Administration Act of 1979; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC–5293. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled ''Determination of Failure to Attain by the Attainment Date and Denial of Serious Area Attainment Date Extension Request; Alaska: Fairbanks North Star Borough 2006 24-hour Fine Particulate Matter Serious Nonattainment Area'' (FRL No. 10011–59–Region 10) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2020; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–5294. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled ''Air Plan Approval; California; San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District and Feather River Air Quality Management District'' (FRL No. 10012–28–Region 9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2020; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–5295. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled ''Air Plan Approval; Massachusetts; Negative Declaration for the Oil and Gas Industry'' (FRL No. 10012–83–Region 1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2020; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–5296. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled ''Determination of Failure to Attain by the Attainment Date and Denial of Serious Area Attainment Date Extension Request; Alaska: Fairbanks North Star Borough 2006 24-hour Fine Particulate Matter Serious Nonattainment Area'' (FRL No. 10011–59–Region 10) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2020; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–5297. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled ''Air Plan Approval; Texas; Beaumont-Port Arthur Area Second Maintenance Plan for 1997 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards'' (FRL No. 10012–88–Region 6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2020; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–5298. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled ''Revocation of Significant New Use Rule for a Certain Chemical Substance (P–16–581)'' (FRL No. 10012–90–OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2020; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–5299. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled ''Air Plan Approval; Kentucky; Jefferson County Existing and New Miscellaneous Metal Parts and Products Surface Coating Operations'' (FRL No. 10012–91–Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2020; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–5300. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled ''Air Plan Approval; Rhode Island; Reasonably Available Control Technology for the 2008 and 2015 Ozone Standards'' (FRL No. 10013–00–Region 1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2020; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–5301. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled ''Air Plan Approvals; Kentucky; Prevention of Significant Deterioration and Modeling Infrastructure Requirements for 2015 Ozone NAAQS'' (FRL No. 10013–28–Region 4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2020; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–5302. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled ''National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Miscellaneous Organic Chemical Manufacturing Residual Risk and Technology Review'' (FRL No. 10010–27–OAR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2020; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC–5303. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled ''Technical Correction to the Flex-fuel Vehicle Provisions in CAFE Regulations (DFR)'' (FRL No. 10012–25–OAR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 11, 2020; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM–233. A resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco, California, urging the United States Congress to expeditiously pass and enact subsequent interim emergency coronavirus relief stimulus packages in addition to the Coronavirus Aid , Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

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

S. 1004. A bill to increase the number of U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations officers and support staff and to require reports that identify staffing, infrastructure, and equipment needed to enhance security at ports of entry (Rept. No. 116–264).

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 4024. A bill to establish in the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency of the Department of Homeland Security a Cybersecurity Advisory Committee (Rept. No. 116–265).

S. 4157. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to expand the authority of