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THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 2016

UNITED STATES SENATE,
COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION
Washington, DC.

The Committee met, pursuant to notice, at 2:03 p.m., in Room 301, Russell Senate Office Building, Hon. Roy Blunt, Chairman of the Committee, presiding.

Present: Senators Blunt, Alexander, McConnell, Cochran, Roberts, Capito, Wicker, Schumer, Udall, Leahy, Klobuchar and King.

Staff present: Stacy McHatton McBride, Staff Director; Shaun Parkin, Deputy Staff Director; Paul Vinovich, Chief Counsel; David Adkins, Counsel; Trish Kent, Senior Professional Staff; Nichole Kotschwar, Professional Staff; Jeffrey Johnson, Chief Clerk; Matthew McGowan, Professional Staff; Kelly Fado, Staff Director; Jay McCarthy, Director of Operations Oversight; Ben Hovland, Senior Counsel; Abbie Sorrendino, Legislative Assistant; Dana Gansman, Special Assistant

**OPENING STATEMENT OF HONORABLE ROY BLUNT,
CHAIRMAN, A U.S. SENATOR FROM THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

Chairman BLUNT. The Committee will come to order.

We have one item on the agenda today, the nomination of Dr. Carla Hayden to be the 14th Librarian of Congress for a term of ten years.

The Committee last met on this nomination on April 20, 2016 for a hearing with the nominee. In addition, Dr. Hayden has met individually with members of the Committee and has responded to questions for the record.

The nominee, in my opinion, will bring a wealth of experience to the position and it is my hope that this experience will lead the Library of Congress in a way that capably meets the demands of the 21st century.

If confirmed, this will be the first Librarian of Congress to serve a term appointment instead of a lifetime appointment.

I think there are 10 members present. We believe the Ranking Member is on the way.

But since there is a quorum of at least 10 members present, is there any further debate on the nomination?

Senator ALEXANDER. Mr. Chairman.

Chairman BLUNT. Yes.

Senator ALEXANDER. I would just like to say that I am impressed with Dr. Hayden. She has 40 years of experience in library management. The Library of Congress is a national treasure and a big management responsibility and I look forward to supporting her.

Chairman BLUNT. Does anybody else have anything they would like to say?

Senator LEAHY. I think she is great.

Senator KLOBUCHAR. I think the fact that Senator Mikulski and Senator Cardin so strongly recommended her is a point in her favor, so we are excited to have her.

Chairman BLUNT. In fact, if you were not here for the hearing, there were three Senators representing Maryland at the hearing, including Senator Sarbanes.

Well, if there is no further debate, I move that the nomination of Dr. Hayden be ordered reported to the Senate with a recommendation that it be approved.

I am absolutely confident that Senator Schumer seconds this. I would like a second from Mr. Udall.

Senator UDALL. Second.

Chairman BLUNT. Thank you.

Pursuant to the Committee rules, this voice will be a voice vote unless there is a request for a roll call.

All in favor, say aye.

[Chorus of ayes.]

Chairman BLUNT. All opposed, say nay.

[No response.]

Chairman BLUNT. The ayes have it. The nomination of Dr. Hayden to be Librarian of Congress is favorably reported to the Senate with a recommendation that the nominee be confirmed.

Any member who wishes to have his or her vote recorded differently should let me know and the record will reflect that.

Thank you all.

[Whereupon, at 2:06 p.m., the Committee was adjourned.]