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Senate passes bill to reopen government amid Democratic rift

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WASHINGTON

The Senate passed legislation Monday night to end the nation's longest government shutdown, after a critical splinter group of Democrats joined with Republicans and backed a spending package that omitted

the chief concession their party had spent weeks demanding. The 60-40 vote, on Day 41 of the shutdown, signaled a break in the gridlock that has shuttered the government for weeks, leaving hundreds of thousands of federal workers furloughed, millions of Americans at risk of losing food assistance and millions more facing air-travel disruptions.

The measure goes next to the House, which was expected to take it up no sooner than Wednesday and where the small Republican margin of control and intense Democratic opposition could make for a close vote. President Donald Trump has indicated that he will sign it. The breakthrough came after eight senators in the Democrat-

ic caucus broke their own party's blockade of spending legislation Republicans have been trying to pass for weeks to reopen the government, prompting a bitter backlash in their ranks. They said they had done so after concluding that Republicans were never going to accede to Democrats' central demand in the shutdown fight – the extension of federal health care subsidies set to expire at the end of the year – while millions of Americans continued to suffer amid the federal closure. “We had no path forward on health care because the Republicans said, ‘We will not talk about health care with the government shut down,’” said Sen. Tim Kaine, D-Va. “And we had

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Journalism leader, owner of The Telegraph honored with plaque

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The song “Hail to the Chief” used to play up the elevator to the office of Peyton Anderson Jr., publisher and owner of the Macon Telegraph and Macon News, in the typewriter days of the mid-1900s. Dr. R. Reid Hanson laughed about that memory of his late grandpa Anderson, after dedicating a permanent historical plaque to him Monday afternoon in downtown Macon. “Journalistic integrity was his foremost (and) he had a great sense of humor,” Hanson said, before humming the presidential song. Anderson was most known for his “journalistic integrity” and dedication to uplifting Macon, according to the new historical marker located in front of Lawrence Mayer Florist on the corner of Mulberry and Second streets. As a kid, Hanson used to ride along with his grandpa to the paper's circulation, printing press and offices near where Anderson's plaque now sits. “If news had to be reported, even if it was sensitive to people in the community, he would report it,” Hanson said. “He was a mentor to a lot of young beat reporters who went on to have

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U.S. Air Force veteran Celia Henderson-St. Louis stands in front of the future space in Warner Robins for a new breakfast, brunch and lunch franchise restaurant brand she's bringing to Middle Georgia.

Veteran steps into entrepreneurship with new Warner Robins restaurant

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WARNER ROBINS

A U.S. Air Force veteran who retired from active military duty at Robins Air Force Base is bringing a new breakfast, brunch and lunch concept to Middle Georgia. Celia Henderson-St. Louis, 52, retired from Headquarters Air Force Reserve Command at Robins AFB as a senior master sergeant in 2012 after 20 years and seven months in the Air Force. She was a supply manager. After retiring, Henderson-St. Louis took a little break before returning to Robins AFB in a civilian position as a logistics manager in foreign military sales. Today, she's also stepping into entrepreneurship by open-



Courtesy Eggs Up Grill

A homestead platter from Eggs Up Grill, a new breakfast, brunch and lunch spot coming to Warner Robins, Georgia.

ing an Eggs Up Grill franchise restaurant at 770 Ga. 96, Suite 200 and 205, in the Kroger Marketplace shopping center in

the Bonaire community of Warner Robins. The restaurant is in the design phase with plans to knock

out a wall between the two suites to create a 2,800-square-foot space. She expects to open Eggs Up Grill in the second quarter of 2026. Henderson-St. Louis also is planning to open a second Eggs Up Grill in Macon after she gets the first one up and running. The fast-growing restaurant brand is known for its traditional breakfasts such as “the grand classic” of two eggs, bacon, sausage, toast, home fries, and grits. Eggs Up Grill is also known for its unique signature dishes, such as the crab-ocado scramble of eggs scrambled with cheddar cheese, topped with crab cakes, fresh avocado, bacon, spinach, caramelized red onion and a creamy hollandaise sauce.

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Shooting that left teen injured under investigation

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A 16-year-old was hospitalized in a shooting on Gray Highway over the weekend, according to the Bibb County Sheriff's Office. Deputies said in a news release that officers were called to the 900 block of Gray Highway Saturday evening in reference to a person shot. “When deputies arrived on scene, they discovered a sixteen-year-old male suffering from a gunshot wound,” the sheriff's office said. “Paramedics responded to the scene and transported the victim to a medical facility for treatment. According to medical staff, the victim is listed to be in critical but stable condition.” The sheriff's office has urged anyone with information about this incident to contact the Bibb County Sheriff's Office at 478-751-7500 or the Macon Regional Crime Stoppers at 1-877-68CRIME. “The circumstances surrounding this incident are currently under investigation,” the sheriff's office said.



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