

2015, he oversaw the construction of the Fire Science Training Center, which the college completed in conjunction with the Hutchinson Fire Department. A few years later, Carter orchestrated the opening of the HutchCC Cosmetology Program, expanding the diversity of programs the college offers its students. But perhaps Carter's crowning achievement is being able to coordinate the support of the city of Hutchinson, the voters of Hutchinson, and the college to garner the funds necessary to revitalize the Hutchinson Sports Arena, which has brought nationwide industry and acclaim to Hutchinson and throughout Central Kansas.

Carter will officially retire from Hutchinson Community College on August 31, 2024, after over 24 years of service in higher education. I now ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the distinguished career of Dr. Carter File, as well as thank him for all his work on behalf of the State of Kansas and Hutchinson Community College.●

REMEMBERING LLOYD KENNETH ROGERS

● Mr. PAUL. Madam President, I rise to honor a great Kentuckian, Lloyd Kenneth Rogers, who passed away on December 8, 2023, at the age of 90, following a recurrence of mantle cell lymphoma.

Lloyd was born on June 10, 1933, in Bracken County, KY. Early in his life, he lost his father at a young age and spent time in an orphanage with his brother. However, despite these humble beginnings and challenges, he developed a resilience that would serve him well later in life.

Lloyd was guided by his unwavering commitment to freedom and liberty. He demonstrated this in his service with the U.S. Navy and later through numerous leadership roles in his community. From his service as judge executive of Campbell County, KY, to his role as director of veteran Affairs for Congressman THOMAS MASSIE, to his advocacy of legislative reform for veterans, Lloyd embodied service before self and demonstrated his deep affection for this country and the men and women of our armed services. He put the needs of those around him first, and he never backed down when he believed he was fighting for what was right.

Lloyd worked tirelessly to advocate for and encourage candidates for public office that he believed in. In my first campaign, he spent hours, braving all elements, putting up hundreds of signs supporting my candidacy for Senate, and in 2016, he organized a nationwide veteran's group for my Presidential campaign. I am grateful for the enthusiasm and support he showed me throughout the years.

While we share in the great sadness of his passing, it is with great joy we look back at his life, his many accomplishments, and the positive impact he

had on his community and Kentuckians across the Commonwealth. We honor Lloyd and his family, and may he rest in peace.●

TRIBUTE TO ZHON BUTTERFIELD

● Mr. RUBIO. Madam President, I recognize Zhon Keith Butterfield, a fall 2023 intern with my gulf coast regional office, for the hard work he has done for my office and the people of Florida.

Zhon is currently a student at St. Petersburg College, where he is majoring in public policy and administration. He is a dedicated and diligent worker who was devoted to getting the most out of his internship experience.

I extend my deepest gratitude to Zhon for his work with my office, and I look forward to hearing of his continued good work in the years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO JOHN NOEL

● Mr. VAN HOLLEN. Madam President, I rise today to honor John Noel, a man who has been instrumental in preserving Maryland's historical sites at the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park for over two decades. Throughout his tenure, he has established a reputation as a dedicated leader and guardian of Maryland's treasured landscapes.

Since assuming the role of deputy superintendent in 2014, Mr. Noel has been vital to the C&O Canal's mission. He has ensured that the Park's over 5 million annual visitors experience a page of history as they walk through its grounds. Mr. Noel's charge at the C&O Canal—overseeing the Park's maintenance, operations, and educational programming—has touched the lives of many. His work, in collaboration with his team, spans the Park's impressive 184.5-mile stretch.

Mr. Noel's leadership in preserving the history of the C&O Canal is truly commendable. For nearly 100 years, the canal was a lifeline for communities along the Potomac River, transporting coal, lumber, and agricultural products to market. His journey at the National Park Service has had a profound impact, shaping not only the terrain of the park but also the hearts of all who had the pleasure of working alongside him.

Mr. Noel's footprints along the C&O Canal and his impact will continue to be remembered by all and serve as a source of strength. Maryland's historical sites will continue to be honored and preserved because of Mr. Noel's leadership, and I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating him and wishing him a well-earned, enjoyable, and fulfilling retirement.●

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message from the President of the United States was communicated to the Senate by Mrs. Stringer, one of his secretaries.

PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

REPORT OF THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY THAT WAS ORIGINALLY DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 14059 OF DECEMBER 15, 2021, WITH RESPECT TO GLOBAL ILLICIT DRUG TRAFFICKING—PM 33

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 global illicit drug trafficking declared in Executive Order 14059 of December 15, 2021, is to continue in effect beyond December 15, 2023.

The trafficking into the United States of illicit drugs, including fentanyl and other synthetic opioids, is causing the deaths of tens of thousands of Americans annually, as well as countless more non-fatal overdoses with their own tragic human toll. Drug cartels, transnational criminal organizations, and their facilitators are the primary sources of illicit drugs and precursor chemicals that fuel the current opioid epidemic, as well as drug-related violence that harms our communities. International drug trafficking—including the illicit production, global sale, and widespread distribution of illegal drugs; the rise of extremely potent drugs such as fentanyl and other synthetic opioids; as well as the growing role of internet-based drug sales—continues to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States. Therefore, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared in Executive Order 14059 with respect to global illicit drug trafficking.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN, Jr.
THE WHITE HOUSE, December 13, 2023.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:46 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 788. An act to amend the Permanent Electronic Duck Stamp Act of 2013 to allow

States to issue fully electronic stamps under that Act, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 357. An act to require the head of an agency to issue and sign any rule issued by that agency, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4531. An act to reauthorize certain programs that provide for opioid use disorder prevention, recovery, and treatment, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5119. An act to amend title 31, United States Code, to provide small businesses with additional time to file beneficial ownership information, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5524. An act to amend the start date of the pilot program on sharing with foreign branches, subsidiaries and affiliates.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 12:39 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 2747. An act to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to extend the Administrative Fine Program for certain reporting violations.

S. 2787. An act to authorize the Federal Communications Commission to process applications for spectrum licenses from applicants who were successful bidders in an auction before the authority of the Commission to conduct auctions expired on March 9, 2023.

The enrolled bills were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mrs. MURRAY).

ENROLLED BILL AND JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

At 6:16 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill and joint resolution:

H.R. 1734. An act to require coordinated National Institute of Standards and Technology science and research activities regarding illicit drugs containing xylazine, novel synthetic opioids, and other substances of concern, and for other purposes.

S.J. Res. 32. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection relating to "Small Business Lending Under the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (Regulation B)".

The enrolled bill and joint resolution were subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mrs. MURRAY).

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 357. An act to require the head of an agency to issue and sign any rule issued by that agency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 4531. An act to reauthorize certain programs that provide for opioid use disorder prevention, recovery, and treatment, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H.R. 5119. An act to amend title 31, United States Code, to provide small businesses with additional time to file beneficial ownership information, and for other purposes; to

the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 5524. An act to amend the start date of the pilot program on sharing with foreign branches, subsidiaries and affiliates; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

ENROLLED BILLS PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on today, December 13, 2023, she had presented to the President of the United States the following enrolled bills:

S. 2747. An act to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to extend the Administrative Fine Program for certain reporting violations.

S. 2787. An act to authorize the Federal Communications Commission to process applications for spectrum licenses from applicants who were successful bidders in an auction before the authority of the Commission to conduct auctions expired on March 9, 2023.

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-3088. A communication from the Chair, National Endowment for the Humanities, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Endowment's Performance and Accountability Report for fiscal year 2023; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3089. A communication from the Chair of the Board, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Corporation's Office of Inspector General's Semiannual Report to Congress and the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation Management's Response for the period from April 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3090. A communication from the Chair of the Federal Trade Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023 and the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) for the report; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3091. A communication from the Chair of the Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Inspector General's Semiannual Report for the six-month period from April 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3092. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3093. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's Semiannual Report of the Inspector General for the period from April 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3094. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Colum-

bia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-317, "CJCC Data Collection Correction Temporary Amendment Act of 2023"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3095. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-302, "Karin House TOPA Exemption Temporary Act of 2023"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3096. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-303, "Medical Cannabis Patient Access Clarification Temporary Amendment Act of 2023"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3097. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-312, "Ward 8 Community Investment Fund Temporary Clarification Act of 2023"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3098. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-313, "Parity in Workers' Compensation Recovery Temporary Amendment Act of 2023"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3099. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-314, "Sexual Harassment Investigation Review Clarification Temporary Amendment Act of 2023"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3100. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-315, "Clarification of UDC PR Harris Exclusive Use Repeal Temporary Amendment Act of 2023"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3101. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-316, "DC Nursing Education Enhancement Program Temporary Amendment Act of 2023"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3102. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-318, "11th Street Bridge Project DOEE Permit Temporary Act of 2023"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3103. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-306, "Pathways to Behavioral Health Degrees Act of 2023"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3104. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-307, "Edna Brown Coleman Way Designation Act of 2023"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3105. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 25-308, "Julius Hobson Sr. Way Designation Act of 2023"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3106. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Colum-