

stories from my colleagues in the days ahead.

In the memory of Katie and Curren and so many others who were lost to their families—killed in these tragedies—we must pass the STURDY Act. It is not complicated. It is not complicated at all. We must ensure that the furniture sold to consumers is tested—tested for safety and tested for stability. Congress must do all it can. We in the Senate must do all we can to ensure that no more children—no more children—are harmed or killed by furniture tipovers.

I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. CASEY. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS

Mr. CASEY. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that all postcloture time on the Pagan nomination be considered expired, with all previous provisions remaining in effect.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### APPOINTMENT

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 117-81, appoints the following individual to serve as a member of the Congressional Commission on the Strategic Posture of the United States: Robert M. Scher of the District of Columbia.

#### LEGISLATIVE SESSION

##### MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. CASEY. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to legislative session and be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### EMMETT TILL ANTILYNCHING ACT

Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina. Madam President, for the last 4 years I have worked hard with my friends across the aisle on antilynching legislation, legislation that has failed in this body 200 times. We passed it in 2019 under Republican leadership in this Senate, only for it to fall apart in the House.

Well, after more than a century of failed attempts, both Chambers of Congress have finally passed this historic piece of legislation. I am proud to say we did the right thing not for Repub-

licans or Democrats, but for Americans who have watched their government fall short too many times.

While we cannot erase our Nation's past, today, we have taken a significant step toward a better future for all. This long overdue piece of legislation sends a clear message: We will not tolerate hatred and violence against our fellow Americans.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### TRIBUTE TO OFFICER ERIK CLARK

• Mr. MARSHALL. Madam President, I rise today to honor a true hero from Olathe, KS Officer Erik Clark. His brave actions during an active shooter situation at Olathe East High School helped keep an already tragic situation from taking students' lives.

On Friday, March 4, a senior student at Olathe East was called into the administration office after a tip that he had brought in a gun to school. A few minutes into meeting with the assistant principal, the senior wouldn't open his backpack, prompting Officer Clark—the school's resource officer—to step into the situation. Shortly after Clark arrived, the student pulled out his weapon and began opening fire.

In a flurry, Clark responded and returned fire, ultimately shooting and subduing the student, but not without himself and the assistant principal being wounded as well. Both, however, have thankfully been discharged from the hospital. I pray that something like that may never happen in those halls or any others across America again, for even though there were no fatal wounds, the scars of trauma everyone at Olathe East will surely run deep.

Lastly, I want to thank this brave officer for being so courageous to dive headfirst into peril on that day. If it were not for Officer Clark, this situation could have turned out to be a much darker day in Olathe. As the son of a police chief, I know the risks our men and women in blue take on each day. I admire Officer Clark for continually working to ensure our safety. He has shown what true valor looks like, and Olathe East is safer because of him. I ask now that my colleagues show this same admiration and recognition for Officer Clark and that he may stay safe protecting his community.●

##### TRIBUTE TO DR. KALEB STOPPEL

• Mr. MARSHALL. Madam President, I rise today to honor a school administrator that went above and beyond the service to his students, Dr. Kaleb Stoppel. His brave actions during an active shooter situation at Olathe East High School helped keep an already tragic situation from taking students' lives.

On Friday, March 4, a senior student at Olathe East was called into Dr.

Stoppel's office after a tip was submitted saying the student brought a gun to the school. Dr. Stoppel first asked the student to open his backpack, which he did not comply with, prompting the school's resource officer to step into the situation. Shortly after the officer arrived, the student pulled out his weapon and began opening fire.

In a flurry, the officer returned fire, ultimately shooting and subduing the student, but not without himself and Dr. Stoppel being wounded as well. Both, however, have thankfully been discharged from the hospital. I pray that something like that may never happen in those halls or any others across America again, for even though there were no fatal wounds, the scars of trauma for everyone at Olathe East will surely run deep.

Lastly, I want to thank Dr. Stoppel for being so responsive to the situation and keeping students out of harm's way. Had he not investigated the tip, this tragedy surely would have been much graver. Olathe East is safer because of him. I ask now that my colleagues show this same admiration and recognition for Dr. Stoppel and that he may stay safe while educating our future leaders.●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Swann, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As 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 RELATIVE TO THE ISSUANCE OF AN EXECUTIVE ORDER WITH RESPECT TO THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION'S UNJUSTIFIED, UNPROVOKED, UNYIELDING, AND UNCONSCIONABLE WAR AGAINST UKRAINE, AND EXPANDING THE SCOPE OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION ORIGINALLY DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 14024 OF APRIL 15, 2021—PM 26

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

*To the Congress of the United States:*

Pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*), the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1601 *et seq.*), and section 301 of title 3, United States Code, I report that I have issued an Executive Order finding that the Russian Federation's unjustified, unprovoked, unyielding, and unconscionable war against Ukraine, including its recent further invasion in violation of international law, including the United Nations Charter, further threatens the peace, stability, sovereignty, and territorial integrity of Ukraine, and thereby constitutes an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States.

As a result, I have prohibited the following: (i) the importation into the United States of the following products of Russian Federation origin: crude oil; petroleum; petroleum fuels, oils, and products of their distillation; liquefied natural gas; coal; and coal products; (ii) new investment in the energy sector in the Russian Federation by a United States person, wherever located; and (iii) any approval, financing, facilitation, or guarantee by a United States person, wherever located, of a transaction by a foreign person where the transaction by that foreign person would be prohibited by this section if performed by a United States person or within the United States.

I am enclosing a copy of the Executive Order I have issued.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN, Jr.  
THE WHITE HOUSE, March 8, 2022.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 11:36 a.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. 5615. An act to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to submit a plan to make Federal assistance available to certain urban areas that previously received Urban Area Security Initiative funding to preserve homeland security capabilities, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5616. An act to require reporting regarding accreditation of basic training programs of the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 658. An act to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security to work with cybersecurity consortia for training, 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. 5615. An act to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to submit a plan to make Federal assistance available to certain urban areas that previously received Urban Area

Security Initiative funding to preserve homeland security capabilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 5616. An act to require reporting regarding accreditation of basic training programs of the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### 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-3312. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the continuation of the national emergency with respect to Cuba that was originally declared in Proclamation 6867 of March 1, 1996; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3313. A communication from the General Counsel, National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civil Monetary Penalty Annual Inflation Adjustment" (RIN3147-AA24) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2022; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3314. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting a legislative proposal entitled "To authorize Coast Guard activities for fiscal year 2022, and for other purposes"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3315. A communication from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Wireline Competition Bureau adopts final rules for the Affordable Connectivity Program, which builds upon the Emergency Broadband Benefit Program (EBB Program) for January 21, 2021" (FCC 22-2) (WC Docket Nos. 20-445 and 21-450) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2022; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3316. A communication from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism" (RIN3060-AK57) (CC Docket No. 02-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2022; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3317. A communication from the Associate Administrator for Policy, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Qualifications of Drivers; Vision Standard" (RIN2126-AC21) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 28, 2022; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3318. A communication from the Attorney Adviser, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Control of Alcohol and Drug Use: Coverage of Mechanical Employees and Miscellaneous Amendments" (RIN2130-AC80) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2022; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3319. A communication from the Deputy Chief, Office of Economics and Analytics, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Auction of Construction Permits for Full Power Television Stations; Notice and Filing Requirements, Minimum Opening Bids, Upfront Payments, and Other Procedures for Auction 112; Bidding Scheduled to Begin June 7, 2022" (AU Docket No. 21-449) (DA 22-125) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2022; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3320. A communication from the Special Assistant of the Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Take of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Seabird Research Activities in Central California" (RIN0648-BJ47) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2022; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3321. A communication from the Special Assistant of the Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Taking and Importing Marine Mammals; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to the U.S. Navy Training and Testing Activities in the Northwest Training and Testing (NWT) Study Area" (RIN0648-BJ30) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2022; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3322. A communication from the Special Assistant of the Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Take of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Rocky Intertidal Monitoring Surveys Along the Oregon and California Coasts" (RIN0648-BJ37) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2022; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3323. A communication from the Special Assistant of the Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2020 Annual Determination To Implement the Sea Turtle Observer Requirement" (RIN0648-BI91) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2022; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3324. A communication from the Special Assistant of the Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "List of Fisheries for 2020" (RIN0648-BI76) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2022; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3325. A communication from the Special Assistant of the Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "List of Fisheries of 2021" (RIN0648-BJ47) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 16, 2022; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3326. A communication from the Special Assistant of the Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled