after a 48-year career in broadcasting. He first joined the WIBW-TV team in April 1990 as an anchor for 13 NEWS at 10. He briefly left WIBW-TV in the fall of 1998 for his wife's job in Tennessee, but returned to his anchor desk in Topeka exactly 2 years later, and has remained a constant at 13 NEWS ever since.

Ralph first thought of retirement more than 2 years ago, but when the pandemic began, he gladly remained part of the 13 NEWS teams to help get everyone through the tough times. The last 2 years were the most challenging and rewarding of Ralph's entire career with WIBW-TV.

Throughout his career, Ralph has hosted various programs and segments loved by many in Northeast Kansas. He was a longtime host for the Sunday night scholastic quiz bowl program "High Q," recognized exceptional students of all ages in the "Good Kids" Tuesday night segment, and has hosted hundreds of viewers from the famous red couch set since 2006. Hosting this program from the red couch has been a blessing and joy for him, especially throughout the pandemic. Helping people in their time of need is what the business is all about to Ralph, and the Red Couch Program provided him the opportunity to be able to help others.

I now ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the wonderful impact Mr. Ralph Hipp has had on the WIBW-TV team and to honor him for his 30 years of serving the families of Northeast Kansas in what he calls "the best job in the world."

RECOGNIZING HOUSE DOCTORS HANDYMAN

• Mr. PAUL. Mr. President, as ranking member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Kentucky small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week, it is my privilege to recognize House Doctors Handyman of Hardin County, in Elizabethtown, KY, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

For most people, retirement is the clear choice following an illustrious career in their chosen field. Franko Antolovich, on the other hand, is not like most people. After serving in the U.S. Army for 35 years, including over 20 years in the Special Forces, Franko took the road less traveled. When many would have chosen retirement, Franko embarked on a new endeavor, swapping his combat boots for work boots by becoming the franchise owner of House Doctors Handyman of Hardin County, KY.

House Doctors provides top quality home repairs and maintenance to residents of central Kentucky and the surrounding areas. Franko ensures that his customers receive exemplary service by employing handymen who are the best at what they do, with most members of his team having years of

experience in the realm of home repair. Franko understands that it takes a great amount of trust to employ someone to work on your own home. As the name House Doctors would imply, each employee of this successful franchise provides an unrivaled level of care because they understand that a house is more than just a roof over one's head. The repair men and women operating at House Doctors treat their customers' homes with as much respect as they would treat their own; that is the level of quality that Franko and his team are committed to providing to Central Kentucky.

House Doctors' services range from

one-time maintenance repairs for home appliances, to small projects like drywall installation and repair, all the way up to full home remodels. Whatever the need may be, residents of central Kentucky can count on House Doctors to provide the services they need for quick and professional home repair. In addition to the wide array of services they perform, House Doctors offers a 1-year labor guarantee for each job they perform, proving their steadfast commitment to quality craftsmanship. This commitment extends beyond House Doctors' policy of a 1-year labor guarantee, as Franko ensures that all the handymen and women he employs are professional, insured, bonded, and trained. Residents of central Kentucky can achieve full peace of mind knowing that the job they have entrusted to House Doctors will be completed only after the highest standards of quality have been met.

I want to thank Frank Antolovich for the service he has paid to this country and commend him for his transition from Active Duty to being an active member in his central Kentucky community. After putting his mind and body to work for our country, he saw a franchise opportunity that allowed him to work towards the betterment and protection of central Kentucky homes. It is the level of dedication and service that has been a hallmark throughout Franko's life that makes his franchise thrive Congratulations to Franko Antolovich and to the entire team at House Doctors Handyman of Central Kentucky. I look forward to watching your continued growth and success in Kentucky.

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 OF THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY THAT WAS ORIGINALLY DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 13581 OF JULY 24, 2011, WITH RESPECT TO SIGNIFICANT TRANSNATIONAL CRIMINAL ORGANIZATIONS—PM 36

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 significant transnational criminal organizations that was declared in Executive Order 13581 of July 24, 2011, under which additional steps were taken in Executive Order 13863 of March 15, 2019, is to continue in effect beyond July 24, 2022.

activities of significant The transnational criminal organizations have reached such scope and gravity that they threaten the stability of international political and economic systems. Such organizations are becoming increasingly sophisticated and dangerous to the United States; they are increasingly entrenched in the operations of foreign governments and the international financial system, thereby weakening democratic institutions, degrading the rule of law, and undermining economic markets. These organizations facilitate and aggravate violent civil conflicts and increasingly facilitate the activities of other dangerous persons.

Significant transnational criminal organizations continue 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 with respect to significant transnational criminal organizations declared in Executive Order 13581.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN, Jr. THE WHITE HOUSE, July 21, 2022.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:48 p.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 bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 8373. An act to protect a person's ability to access contraceptives and to engage in contraception, and to protect a health care provider's ability to provide contraceptives, contraception, and information related to contraception.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The message further announced that the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. RASKIN) has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 8351. An act to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to suspend temporarily rates of duty on imports of certain infant formula products, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the Acting President protempore (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO).

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 8404. An act to repeal the Defense of Marriage Act and ensure respect for State regulation of marriage, and for other purposes.

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-4647. 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 the situation in Hong Kong that was declared in Executive Order 13936 of July 14, 2020; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4648. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license amendment for the export of defense articles, including technical data and defense services to the UAE in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 21-055); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4649. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense (Legislative Affairs), transmitting additional legislative proposals relative to the "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2023"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4650. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Determination Under Sections 506(a)(1) and 614(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to Provide Military Assistance to Ukraine"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4651. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notification of intent to provide military assistance to Ukraine, including for self-defense and border security operations; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4652. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a notification of intent to provide military assistance to Ukraine, including for self-defense and border security operations; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4653. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Depart-

ment of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Determination Under Sections 506(a)(1) and 614(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to Provide Military Assistance to Ukraine"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

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EC-4656. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Semiannual Jackson-Vanik Compliance Report for Certain Independent States"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4657. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "U.S. Compliance with the Authorization for Use of Military Force in Iraq, from March 6, 2022 to May 5, 2022"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4658. A communication from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to the Case-Zablocki Act, 1 U.S.C. 112b, as amended, the report of the texts and background statements of international agreements, other than treaties (List 2022-0105-2022-0118); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-4659. A communication from the Secretary to the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 2022 annual report on the financial status of the railroad unemployment insurance system; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4660. A communication from the Secretary to the Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the actuarial status of the railroad retirement system; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-4661. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA) Proficiency Testing Regulations Related to Analytes and Acceptable Performance" (RIN0938-AT55) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on July 12, 2022; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

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

S. 3502. A bill to establish an Office of Civil Rights, Equity, and Community Inclusion at the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 117–133).

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

S. 3655. A bill to amend the Civil Rights Cold Case Records Collection Act of 2018 to extend the termination date of the Civil Rights Cold Case Records Review Board (Rept. No. 117–134).

By Mr. MENENDEZ, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 552. A bill to direct the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development to submit to Congress a report on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on global basic education programs.

H.R. 1036. An act to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to authorize rewards under the Department of State's rewards program relating to information regarding individuals or entities engaged in activities in contravention of United States or United Nations sanctions, and for other purposes.

S. 3052. A bill to promote free and fair elections, democracy, political freedoms, and human rights in Cambodia, and for other purposes.

S. 3317. A bill to strengthen United States national security through the defense of democracy abroad and to address contemporary threats to democracy around the world, and for other purposes.

S. 4216. A bill to reauthorize the North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004, and for other purposes.

S. 4320. A bill to enhance security at United States diplomatic facilities, and for other purposes.

S. 4466. A bill to amend the Peace Corps Act by reauthorizing the Peace Corps, providing better support for current, returning, and former volunteers, and for other purposes.

By Mr. MENENDEZ, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment:

H.R. 4693. An act to advance targeted and evidence-based interventions for the prevention and treatment of global malnutrition and to improve the coordination of such programs, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6899. An act to prohibit the Secretary of the Treasury from engaging in transactions involving the exchange of Special Drawing Rights issued by the International Monetary Fund that are held by the Russian Federation or Belarus.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. REED for the Committee on Armed Services.

*Army nomination of Maj. Gen. Robert A. Rasch, Jr. to be Lieutenant General

Army nominations beginning with Col. Sarah K. Albrycht and ending with Col. Kevin J. Lambert, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on May 12, 2022. (minus 32 nominees beginning with Col. Gail E. Atkins)

*Air Force nomination of Lt. Gen. Tony D. Bauernfeind, to be Lieutenant General.

*Air Force nomination of Maj. Gen. Donna D. Shipton, to be Lieutenant General.

*Army nomination of Maj. Gen. Andrew M. Rohling, to be Lieutenant General.

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. (lh) Thomas J. Anderson, to be Rear Admiral.

*Space Force nomination of Maj. Gen. Philip A. Garrant, to be Lieutenant General.

Air Force nominations beginning with Brig. Gen. Anne B. Gunter and ending with Brig. Gen. Aaron G. Vangelisti, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 11, 2022.

Air Force nominations beginning with Col. Michael P. Cruff and ending with Col. Dean