

coverage for undocumented immigrants, farmworkers, and Dreamers; to improve health outcomes for communities of color; and to increase diversity in the healthcare workforce.

Dr. Ross' leadership of the LA County Task Force on Alternatives to Incarceration helped reframe our approach to health in the justice system. His efforts have not only improved health outcomes but have also ensured that inclusion and equity are at the forefront of our health systems.

And of course, as a founding board member of Covered California, Dr. Ross' dedication to fostering an equitable healthcare delivery system was pivotal in bringing the Affordable Care Act to life in California.

While it is hard to believe there would ever come a day when the "Yoda of Philanthropy" would step down, we know the legacy he now leaves behind. It is a legacy of service, a commitment to equitable healthcare in California, and a roadmap for the California Endowment and all Californians to follow.

We are profoundly grateful for Dr. Ross' unyielding commitment to a healthier, more equitable California.●

TRIBUTE TO DONALD "D." TAYLOR

● Mr. PADILLA. Mr. President, I rise today to congratulate Donald "D." Taylor for a lifetime of commitment to the labor movement and the empowerment of workers across the Nation.

In March, Taylor stepped down as president of the UNITE HERE labor union, after dedicating four decades to mobilizing support and relentlessly advocating for working families.

Born in Williamsburg, VA, D. Taylor started his journey in the food services industry at just 14, working at a Kentucky Fried Chicken, before eventually waiting tables part time while he attended Georgetown University. It was there that Taylor joined the Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees Union—HERE—the start of what would become an extraordinary career fighting for dignity of workers.

Not long after graduation, Taylor began work in the Reno-Tahoe area of Nevada for the Culinary Workers' Union, before eventually arriving in Las Vegas to help organize during a strike against the hotel-casino industry at a time when the union's membership had fallen to 18,000.

Taylor quickly rose the ranks of leadership, serving as staff director and chief lieutenant to the head of the Culinary, before eventually being elected secretary-treasurer himself in 2002. By the time he was elected president of the international parent union UNITE HERE 10 years later, the local Culinary had tripled in size, becoming an essential resource for hospitality workers in the region, and a powerhouse in Nevada politics.

Under his tenure as president of UNITE HERE from 2012 to 2024, over 140,500 workers have joined the union,

making UNITE HERE the fastest growing private sector affiliate of the AFL-CIO.

On a personal note, as the proud son of a UNITE HERE Local 11 retiree, looking back, I now know why families like mine could see a doctor when we were sick or could take time off of work each year for vacation—or could even afford to buy a home. It is because of a good union contract. And it is because of the leadership of people like D. Taylor.

For decades, he has fought to improve the quality of working standards for service employees across the country, defending that most basic belief that no matter who you are or where you come from, "One Job Should Be Enough."

While we know his work advocating for working people doesn't end today, we honor D. Taylor for his tireless dedication and the transformative impact he has had on the lives of hundreds of thousands of workers.●

50TH ANNIVERSARY OF TABLE ROCK LAKE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

● Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize 50 years of steady economic development, volunteerism, and stewardship from the Table Rock Lake Area Chamber of Commerce in Missouri.

Formed in 1974 as the Kimberling City Chamber of Commerce, the group has adapted and changed to accommodate the needs and interest of its community. In the 1990s, the chamber launched an initiative to protect the waters of Table Rock Lake, which spawned a part of the organization known today as H2Ozarks. Now, the chamber has embarked on a 5-year economic development initiative called Launch Stone County and has recently moved to a new location in Branson West to provide additional services to the business community.

The chamber has remained committed to promoting tourism of Stone County and the Ozarks, working to preserve the beauty of Table Rock Lake for future generations to enjoy. I am proud that such a vibrant community of small businesses exists and thrives in Missouri and hope Table Rock Lake continues to be a celebrated tourist destination for years to come.●

PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGES

REPORT OF THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY THAT WAS ORIGINALLY DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 13873 OF MAY 15, 2019, WITH RESPECT TO SECURING THE INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY AND SERVICES SUPPLY CHAIN—PM 50

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 declared in Executive Order 13873 of May 15, 2019, with respect to securing the information and communications technology and services supply chain, is to continue in effect beyond May 15, 2024.

The unrestricted acquisition or use in the United States of information and communications technology or services designed, developed, manufactured, or supplied by persons owned by, controlled by, or subject to the jurisdiction or direction of foreign adversaries augments the ability of these foreign adversaries to create and exploit vulnerabilities in information and communications technology or services, with potentially catastrophic effects. This threat 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 13873 with respect to securing the information and communications technology and services supply chain.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN, Jr.
THE WHITE HOUSE, May 8, 2024.

REPORT ON THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY THAT WAS ORIGINALLY DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 13338 OF MAY 11, 2004, WITH RESPECT TO THE ACTIONS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF SYRIA—PM 51

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 the actions of the Government of Syria declared in Executive Order 13338 of May 11, 2004—as modified in scope and relied upon for additional steps taken in Executive Order 13399 of April 25, 2006, Executive Order 13460 of February 13, 2008, Executive Order 13572 of April 29, 2011, Executive Order 13573 of May 18, 2011, Executive Order 13582 of August 17, 2011, Executive Order 13606 of April 22, 2012, and Executive Order 13608 of May 1, 2012—is to continue in effect beyond May 11, 2024.

The regime's brutality and repression of the Syrian people, who have called for freedom and a representative government, not only endangers the Syrian people themselves, but also generates instability throughout the region. The Syrian regime's actions and policies, including with respect to chemical weapons and supporting terrorist organizations, continue to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to continue in effect the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13338 with respect to Syria.

In addition, the United States condemns the brutal violence and human rights violations and abuses of the Assad regime and its Russian and Iranian enablers. The United States calls on the Assad regime, and its backers, to stop its violent war against its own people, enact a nationwide ceasefire, facilitate the unhindered delivery of humanitarian assistance to all Syrians in need, and negotiate a political settlement in Syria in line with United Nations Security Council Resolution 2254. The United States will consider changes in policies and actions of the Government of Syria in determining whether to continue or terminate this national emergency in the future.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN, Jr.
THE WHITE HOUSE, May 8, 2024.

REPORT ON THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY THAT WAS ORIGINALLY DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 13667 OF MAY 12, 2014, WITH RESPECT TO THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC—PM 52

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 the Central African Republic declared in Executive Order 13667 of May 12, 2014, is to continue in effect beyond May 12, 2024.

The situation in and in relation to the Central African Republic has been marked by a breakdown of law and order; intersectoral tension; the pervasive, often forced recruitment and use of child soldiers; and widespread violence and atrocities, including those committed by Kremlin-linked and Yevgeniy Prigozhin-affiliated entities such as the Wagner Group. These dynamics threaten the peace, security, or stability of the Central African Republic and neighboring states, and continue to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. Therefore, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13667 with respect to the Central African Republic.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN, Jr.
THE WHITE HOUSE, May 8, 2024.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:58 p.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 bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 3354. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 220 North Hatcher Avenue in Purcellville, Virginia, as the "Secretary of State Madeleine Albright Post Office Building".

H.R. 6192. An act to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to prohibit the Secretary of Energy from prescribing any new or amended energy conservation standard for a product that is not technologically feasible and economically justified, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7423. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 103 Benedette Street in Rayville, Louisiana, as the "Luke Letlow Post Office Building".

The message also announced that the House having proceeded to reconsider the resolution (H.J. Res. 98) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the National Labor Relations Board relating to "Standard for Determining Joint Employer Status", returned by the President of the United States with his objections, to the House of Representatives, in which it originated, it was resolved that the said resolution do not pass, two-thirds of the House of Representatives not agreeing to pass the same.

At 5:25 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Alli, one of its reading clerks, an-

nounced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 8289. An act to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program, to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, and for other purposes.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 6:43 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:

H.R. 1042. An act to prohibit the importation into the United States of unirradiated low-enriched uranium that is produced in the Russian Federation, 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. 3354. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 220 North Hatcher Avenue in Purcellville, Virginia, as the "Secretary of State Madeleine Albright Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 6192. An act to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to prohibit the Secretary of Energy from prescribing any new or amended energy conservation standard for a product that is not technologically feasible and economically justified, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 7423. An act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 103 Benedette Street in Rayville, Louisiana, as the "Luke Letlow Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

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-4405. A communication from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Chief Human Capital Officers Council's annual report to Congress for 2023; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4406. A communication from the National Cyber Director, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2024 Report on the Cybersecurity Posture of the United States"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4407. A communication from the Associate Administrator for Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Administration's fiscal year 2023 annual report relative to the Notification and Federal Employee Anti-discrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002 (No FEAR Act) received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-4408. A communication from the Secretary, American Battle Monuments Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Commission's fiscal year 2023 annual report