

charities, youth, and nonprofit organizations, the Caldwell Night Rodeo has made a significant difference in the Caldwell community. With the help of over 500 volunteers and the support of more than 100 community business and media sponsors, the rodeo raises thousands of dollars each year for local causes. Since its establishment, the Caldwell Night Rodeo Foundation has granted more than \$262,000 in youth scholarships, livestock purchases for 4H and FFA, and sponsored other youth activities. In addition to its charitable contributions, the Caldwell Night Rodeo is estimated to have an annual economic impact of \$10 to \$12 million to the city of Caldwell.

The Caldwell Night Rodeo serves as the hometown rodeo of the Man Up Crusade, a nonprofit organization that raises awareness of domestic violence at professional rodeo venues across the Nation. During Wednesday's events, attendees are encouraged to wear purple to stand up and "man up" against domestic violence. The Caldwell Night Rodeo also hosts a first responder family night, a cancer awareness night—known as CNR Strong—and Patriot Night to recognize servicemembers and veterans.

The Caldwell Night Rodeo's 100-year anniversary is a testament to its legacy and the remarkable impact on the community of Caldwell. We commend the organizers, volunteers, participants, and sponsors for their dedication and contributions to this outstanding event. May the Caldwell Night Rodeo continue to thrive and bring joy to the community for years to come.●

TRIBUTE TO SHERIFF ALAN C. JONES

● Mr. TILLIS. Mr. President, today I rise to recognize the remarkable career of Sheriff Alan C. Jones, a law enforcement officer who has dedicated over 35 years of his life to protecting and serving the citizens of Caldwell County.

His journey in law enforcement began in 1988, following his graduation from West Caldwell High School. Since 2007, he has been the sheriff of Caldwell County, leading a team of 120 employees who share his unwavering commitment to the safety and security of the county's residents.

Throughout his distinguished tenure in law enforcement, Sheriff Jones has pioneered community-based policing initiatives and served on several law enforcement-related commissions and committees, including the North Carolina Sheriffs' Training and Standards Commission and the North Carolina Sheriffs' Traumatic Incident Response Team. His exceptional service was recognized in 1994 when he was awarded Officer of the Year while serving as a police officer for the city of Lenoir. During his tenure at the Lenoir Police Department, he became one of the youngest officers in North Carolina history to attain the rank of lieutenant.

Since 2019, he has served as secretary of the North Carolina Sheriff's Association, where he has generously shared his wealth of experience to mentor newly elected sheriffs on how to better serve their communities.

Sheriff Jones' career has been marked by a deep love for public service and his community. I want to extend a heartfelt thank you to Sheriff Jones for his lifelong dedication to law enforcement and wish him and his family the very best as he retires and begins this new chapter of his life. Sheriff Jones represents the very best of law enforcement. North Carolina is proud of him and forever grateful for his service.●

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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

PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

REPORT ON THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY THAT WAS DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 13936 OF JULY 14 2020, WITH RESPECT TO THE SITUATION IN HONG KONG—PM 59

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 Foreign Relations:

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 Hong Kong that was declared in Executive Order 13936 of July 14, 2020, is to continue in effect beyond July 14, 2024.

The situation with respect to Hong Kong, including recent actions taken by the People's Republic of China to fundamentally undermine Hong Kong's autonomy, continues to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat, which has its source in substantial part outside the United States, 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 13936 with respect to the situation in Hong Kong.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN, Jr.
THE WHITE HOUSE, July 10, 2024.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:14 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. 7637. An act to prohibit the Secretary of Energy from prescribing or enforcing energy conservation standards for refrigerators, refrigerator-freezers, and freezers that are not cost-effective or technologically feasible, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7700. An act to prohibit the Secretary of Energy from prescribing or enforcing energy conservation standards for dishwashers that are not cost-effective or technologically feasible, 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. 7637. An act to prohibit the Secretary of Energy from prescribing or enforcing energy conservation standards for refrigerators, refrigerator-freezers, and freezers that are not cost-effective or technologically feasible, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R. 7700. An act to prohibit the Secretary of Energy from prescribing or enforcing energy conservation standards for dishwashers that are not cost-effective or technologically feasible, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. MANCHIN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, without amendment:

S. 3044. A bill to redesignate the Mount Evans Wilderness as the "Mount Blue Sky Wilderness", and for other purposes (Rept. No. 118-189).

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. SMITH:

S. 4650. A bill to establish a rental assistance program for low-income veteran families, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mr. PETERS):

S. 4651. A bill to require agencies to use information and communications technology products obtained from original equipment manufacturers or authorized resellers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. CRAMER (for himself, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. RISC, Mr. BUDD, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. DAINES, Mr. CRAPO, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. THUNE, Mr. COTTON, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. BARRASSO, and Mrs. BLACKBURN):

S. 4652. A bill to amend chapter 44 of title 18, United States Code, to update certain