business dedicated to preserving America’s history. Recently, McGrogan merged his business with his grandson’s company, Popular Patch, where he works as a business partner with his son and grandson.

Poplar Patch’s goal is to become the world’s foremost military patch business by replicating designs for each U.S. military patch ever made. The company has an inventory of more than 6,000 military patches, and its selection of Navy patches is one of the largest in the world. The company also creates custom patches using original designs, including patches for hunters, fishermen, bikers, and zombie fans. Its designs are popular among veterans, collectors, and actors, such as Hollywood actors in “Saving Private Ryan” and “Clear and Present Danger.”

Congratulations to Dan McGrogan and all of the employees at Popular Patch for being selected as the Veteran-owned Idaho Small Business of the Day for November 6, 2019. You make our great State proud, and I look forward to your continued growth and success.

REMEMBERING ARTURO COBO

Mr. RUBIO. Mr. President, today, I honor the life and legacy of Cuban-American, Arturo Cobo, who died on Sunday, October 27, 2019, at the Lower Keys Medical Center in Key West, FL. Arturo, a beloved south Florida resident, founded the Transit Home in Key West, a sanctuary for Cuban refugees fleeing Fidel Castro’s tyrannical regime by boat and raft. Arturo fled Cuba in 1960 to escape Fidel Castro’s communist revolution but returned to Cuba in 1961 to fight in Brigade 2506 during the Bay of Pigs. After being imprisoned, Arturo fled to the United States in 1962 and dedicated the rest of his life to supporting Cuban refugees and fighting for a democratic Cuba. The Transit Home not only provided a safe haven for Cuban refugees, but also provided hope for a new life for them in a free society. All who came to the Transit Home received food, clothing, and assistance to help rebuild their lives in America.

I pay tribute to Arturo’s life with immense gratitude for his invaluable work during such difficult circumstances and for his dedication to the South Florida community.

RECOGNIZING GLOBAL FREIGHT & COMMERCE LLC

Mr. RUBIO. Mr. President, as chairman of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, it is my privilege to honor small businesses that embody the entrepreneurial spirit of our American economy. I am proud to recognize Global Freight & Commerce of Jacksonville, FL—a veteran-owned small business—as we celebrate this National Veterans Small Business Week.

Following his retirement from the U.S. Army in 2014, founder Jesus Garay started Global Freight & Commerce using the precision and skill gained from more than 20 years of military experience. During his years of Active Duty, Jesus specialized in strategic operations and completed six combat tours in Iraq and Bosnia. The Armed Forces Transports thousands of individuals, such as Jesus, with leadership skills that are practically applicable to entrepreneurial pursuits. Because of Jesus’s leadership experience, Global Freight & Commerce has become a successful owner-operated trucking, logistics, and transportation company. This business not only provides quality service but also makes a dedicated effort to extend dignified employment opportunities to our nation’s veterans.

Through its website, Global Freight & Commerce assists semi-truck owner-operators with the buying and selling process of their vehicles, a feature that enables owner-operators to gain independence and grow a potential fleet of vehicles. Global Freight & Commerce makes the safety of its drivers and those around them a priority. It follows national safety protocols in all operations to provide the best, and safest, service possible for its customers.

A member of the Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce, Global Freight & Commerce is also involved in the community through events such as job fairs and conferences. These community events provide leadership training and the opportunity to assist and develop the local workforce. Such efforts are valuable to the Jacksonville economy as they help to provide skilled and reliable employees.

Even after leaving the service, our Nation’s veterans continue to serve our country. Making up nearly 10 percent of all businesses in the United States, veteran-owned small businesses ensure that our unique economy remains robust. Veteran-owned businesses like Global Freight & Commerce are examination cases of our Nation’s veterans. This National Veterans Small Business Week, I would like to thank Jesus Garay for his service and congratulate him on the creation of a successful small business. I look forward to watching Global Freight & Commerce’s continued growth and success.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

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

H.R. 4842. An act to authorize the Secretary of State to provide funds for a United States pavilion at Expo 2020, Dubai, 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-3103. A communication from the Senior Advisor, Office of the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 30, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3104. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, General Law, Ethics, and Regulation, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Inspector General, Department of Treasury received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 31, 2019, to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3105. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Publications and Library Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Information Reporting for Certain Life Insurance Contracts—Transactions and Modifications to the Transfer for Valuable Consideration Rules” (RIN1545–BO49) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on October 30, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3106. 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 “Medicare Program; End-Stage Renal Disease Prospective Payment System” (RIN0938–AT70) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3107. 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 “Medicare and Medicaid Programs; CY 2020 Home Health Prospective Payment System Rate Update; Home Health Value-Based Purchasing Model; Home Health Quality Reporting Requirements; and Home Infusion Therapy Requirements” (RIN0938–AT66) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3108. 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 “Medicare and Medicaid Programs; CY 2020 Outpatient Prospective Payment and Ambulatory Surgical Center Payment Systems and Quality Reporting Programs” (RIN0938–AT77) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3109. 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 “Physician Fee Schedule, Parts B and C; Payment Policies under the Physician Fee Schedule and Other Changes to Part B Payment Policies” (RIN0938–AT72) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 5, 2019; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3110. 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 2019–0104 – 2019–0107); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3111. A communication from the White House Liaison, Department of Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of