

of Transportation. He has displayed his commitment to improving the quality of life for Arkansans, and he leaves behind a legacy that will continue to be felt across the State. I appreciate his friendship and am grateful for his years of devoted service to the Natural State.●

REMEMBERING HAROLD HOWARD  
"SONNY" HOWELL II

● Mr. MANCHIN. Mr. President, I rise today to honor a proud West Virginian, a dedicated public servant, a beloved husband, father, grandfather, and a dear friend to all who had the pleasure of knowing him. It is a privilege to recognize the life and legacy of Mayor Harold Howard "Sonny" Howell II for his many years of dedicated service to the city of Madison, Boone County, and to our entire home State.

Gayle and I are heartbroken to learn of the passing of our dear friend Sonny. My uncle, the late A. James Manchin, and Sonny were the closest of friends. I first met Sonny in the 1970s and he remained an absolute unconditional, lifelong friend. I have met many unique people throughout the years, but nobody compared to Sonny. He was a true example of what it means to be a public servant, having served in the U.S. Army, as justice of the peace, Boone County Circuit clerk, and for many years as mayor of Madison.

Born and raised in Madison, Sonny was a member of the Madison United Methodist Church for more than 80 years. He was a 1956 graduate of Scott High School, and he attended West Virginia Wesleyan College, Morris Harvey College, and West Virginia State College. He was a member of the Masonic O'Dell Lodge, Beni Kedem Shrine, Royal Order of the Jesters, Madison Rotary Club, Paul Harris Fellow for Rotary International, Member of the Municipal League, and a recipient of the 35th Star from my uncle A. James Manchin. He and his wife Onia have been the owners of Howell Rental, a family business started by Sonny's father in 1940.

There is a lot to be said of someone who bravely serves our Nation, then returns home to continue giving back to the community that made them who they are. When visitors come to West Virginia, I jump at the chance to tell them we have fought in more wars, shed more blood, and lost more lives for the cause of freedom than most any State. We have always done the heavy lifting and never complained. We have mined the coal and forged the steel that built the guns, ships, and factories that have protected and continue to protect our country to this day. I am so deeply proud of what West Virginians have accomplished and what they will continue to accomplish to protect the freedoms we hold dear. That is Sonny's legacy, and his courage, loyalty, and humility will never be forgotten.

Put simply, Sonny represented the very best of West Virginia, which is

saying quite a lot. In the Mountain State, if you are hungry, you will be fed. If you are lost, someone will not only give you directions but will offer to drive you to your destination. That is just who we are, and that is who Sonny was. We have lost a shining star in Boone County, but his impact, vision, and his passion for this special community will last forever. It was an honor to have known him and to call him my friend. He never met a stranger and always had time to share a story.

What is most important is that Sonny lived a full life, surrounded by dear friends and family. It is my hope that his loved ones are able to find peace, strength, and support in one another. I extend my condolences to his wife of 59 years, Onia, his son Kip, his daughter-in-law Deanna, his grandchildren Harry and Meredith, sister-in-law Marilyn, brother-in-law Mike, and a host of nieces and nephews, who lovingly referred to him as Uncle Son. Again, I extend to you my most sincere condolences for our loss of this wonderful person. The unwavering love Sonny had for his family, friends, community, and our home State will live on forever in the hearts of all who knew him.●

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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

PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

REPORT ON THE CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY ORIGINALLY DECLARED IN EXECUTIVE ORDER 13288 OF MARCH 6, 2003, WITH RESPECT TO THE ACTIONS AND POLICIES OF CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF ZIMBABWE AND OTHER PERSONS TO UNDERMINE ZIMBABWE'S DEMOCRATIC PROCESSES OR INSTITUTIONS—PM 49

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 before 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 13288 of March 6, 2003, with re-

spect to the actions and policies of certain members of the Government of Zimbabwe and other persons to undermine Zimbabwe's democratic processes or institutions is to continue in effect beyond March 6, 2020.

In the wake of the resignation of former President Robert Mugabe in November 2017, Zimbabwe's national elections in July 2018, and President Mugabe's subsequent death in September 2019, Zimbabwe has had ample opportunity to implement reforms that could set the country on a constructive path, stabilize the southern African region, and open the door to greater cooperation with the United States. Unfortunately, President Emmerson Mnangagwa's administration has yet to signal credible political will to implement such reforms. Indeed, the Zimbabwean government has arguably accelerated its persecution of critics and economic mismanagement in the past year, during which security forces have conducted extrajudicial killings, rapes, and alleged abductions of numerous dissidents.

These actions and policies by certain members of the Government of Zimbabwe and other persons to undermine Zimbabwe's democratic processes or institutions continue to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the foreign policy of the United States. Therefore, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13288 with respect to Zimbabwe.

DONALD J. TRUMP,  
THE WHITE HOUSE, March 4, 2020.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 10:02 a.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, 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. 4508. An act to expand the number of scholarships available to Pakistani Women under the Merit and Needs-Based Scholarship Program.

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. 1822. An act to require the Federal Communications Commission to issue rules relating to the collection of data with respect to the availability of broadband services, and for other purposes.

At 5:03 p.m., a message from House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, 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. 6074. An act making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated: