Act, which was led by Senators CORNYNS. The legislation was instrumental in creating a legal framework to prevent human trafficking. It formally recognizes the significant role played by various organizations in combating human trafficking.

It is important to note the role of technology in combating trafficking. The Trafficking Victims Protection Act empowers law enforcement authorities with tools to disrupt online platforms used by traffickers. This allows law enforcement agencies to prevent individuals from using such platforms to commit crimes.

Civil injunction authority, a powerful tool, has been integral in preventing human trafficking. It is used by law enforcement agencies to stop traffickers from using online tools to exploit children. This authority is critical in ensuring that traffickers are held accountable for their actions.

Additionally, the ability of law enforcement agencies to prevent sex tourism is another significant aspect of the act. It has helped in curbing the demand for commercial sex acts and has been instrumental in traffickers being held responsible for their exploitation.

The act also introduced mandatory restitution provisions for traffickers who knowingly advertise minors for commercial sex acts. This has been a significant step in ensuring that traffickers pay for their crimes and that victims receive compensation for their suffering.

The act further strengthens law enforcement's ability to prevent and prosecute trafficking offenses. It has led to the creation of a comprehensive framework that gives law enforcement a more readily accessible means to deny human traffickers access to platforms like Backpage.com and other online tools.

Adding to this effectiveness, the act has been instrumental in expanding mandatory restitution provisions for traffickers and increasing their penalties. This has been a significant step in ensuring that traffickers are held accountable for their actions.

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Colonel Kash grew up in a military family. His father was a career Army officer and flew helicopters in Vietnam. While not a native of Maine, Colonel Kash first moved to the State of Maine to attend Colby College in Waterville, where he graduated in 1981 with a bachelor of arts in classics. He then went on to earn his master of science in hospital and health services administration from Ohio State University, before earning a commission in the U.S. Air Force in 1984. As deputy commander of an air transportable hospital, he provided medical support to deployed U.S. forces in support of Operation Provide Comfort, as well as medical care to over 5,000 Indigent Haitian patients. In his final assignment, he served as commander of the 18th Medical Group, the largest U.S. Air Force medical unit in the Pacific.

Upon his retirement from Active Duty in 2007, the veterans community of Maine was fortunate to gain a profound leader when Colonel Kash was hired as the CEO of Maine Veterans’ Home. During his tenure as CEO, he directed National efforts that inspired Federal legislation to correct serious underfunding problems with the new VA program for severely disabled veterans receiving care in State veterans homes.

While his efforts and achievements both in the Air Force and with MVH are notable, a few highlights that illustrate his leadership are MVH Scarborough became the first nursing home in Maine to achieve the rare Gold Seals of Excellence Award from the American Health Care Association and one of only 31 awarded nationally since 1997. Not only have all six facilities in Maine been recognized for providing quality customer services, but they have also achieved the elite Silver Achievement in Quality Award. Four MVH facilities are currently at the highest five-star overall rating by the Center of Medicare and Medicaid Services for four consecutive years.

Colonel Kash has prepared Maine Veterans’ Home for long-term success by completing a strategic master plan for all MVH campuses with the goal of better delivering resident-directed care in “home” environments using small-house model design principles. His plan includes over $200 million worth of funding spanning over the next 15 years. His plan is already underway.

The culture of MVH continues to thrive, as evidenced by the operations chief for Marine Corps Embassy Security Guard School, where he was responsible for training the men and women who guard America’s embassies and consulates around the world. Upon completion of that tour, Will was assigned to Marine Corps Air Station, New River, NC. Following this tour, Will was assigned to 8th Marine Corps District Recruiting Headquarters in New Orleans, LA.

Selected for Marine security guard duty for a second time while serving in New Orleans, Will went to Quantico, VA, and served at the U.S. Embassy security detachments in Vienna, Austria, and Lusaka, Zambia. Upon his return to the United States, he was assigned to Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, NC. Slowing this time, Will was assigned to 8th Marine Corps District Recruiting Headquarters in New Orleans, LA.

Will enlisted in the Marine Corps on January 7, 1987, and attended basic training in Parris Island, SC. His occupational specialty training as a ground-to-air missile systems operator took place at Fort Bliss in El Paso, TX. Tours in Yuma, AZ, and Okinawa, Japan, followed, with deployments to San Clemente Island, CA, and South Korea.

Will was selected for Marine security guard duty for a second time while serving in New Orleans, LA, to Quantico, VA, for training as a security detachment commander. After completing his training as the class honor graduate, Will assumed command of the Marine detachment of the American Embassy in Ljubljana, Slovenia. He also served as command of the security detachment in Tbilisi, Republic of Georgia, where he was meritoriously promoted to the rank of gunnery sergeant and selected for instructor duty in Quantico. Will served as the aide to the Deputy Commandant, and the operations chief for Marine Corps Embassy Security Guard School, where he was responsible for training the men and women who guard America’s embassies and consulates around the world. Upon completion of that tour, Will was assigned to Marine Corps Air Station, New River, NC. He deployed to Anbar Province, Iraq, in late 2008.

While serving in Iraq, Will was selected for the Marine Special Operations Command’s fellowship program, one of only four enlisted servicemembers to have been selected for this program at that time. After returning stateside in August 2009 and completing several months of familiarization training and education in Washington, DC, he was assigned to serve as a member of my legislative staff. Will provided invaluable insight on matters ranging from the New START Nuclear Disarmament Treaty to veterans’ affairs issues to weapons procurement programs for the Department of Defense.

Following his fellowship in my office, Will was assigned as the senior enlisted adviser to the Undersecretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness. In this position, he advised senior Department of Defense officials on all matters pertaining to the enlisted members of the Armed Forces, their families, and retirees. In addition, Will was designated the additional duty of senior enlisted adviser to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs for more than 2 years, providing senior military medical leadership with a line perspective to many initiatives.

After completing his time in the Pentagon, Will was selected to serve as the senior enlisted adviser to the director of the White House Military Office, WHMO. In this position, he advised the First Family and Family staff on matters pertaining to the members of the Armed Forces assigned to support the office of the President.

Will’s humble character rarely does justice to his accomplishments and accolades. However, he does speak very proudly of his wife, Claire, and their three daughters, Katrina, Shannon, and Sophie. Military families are true testaments to both hardship and pride. They are constantly challenged by deployments, changes in duty stations, and uncertainties. These hurdles create resiliency, which the Mahoney family patriotically embodies. Will’s family is his pride and joy and will be equally missed by all they have served with.

While we will miss seeing Will in uniform, his future endeavors will continue to make us proud. I want to again thank Will and his family for their service to our great Nation and congratulate him on his retirement.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, Connor is the product of a great military heritage. Connor has demonstrated the determination and diligence 18-year-old who has proven to be a leader among his peers and in his community. As an athlete, Connor has had a distinguished career and was awarded the Christian Character Award by the Montana Christian Athletic Association. These experiences have led him to apply his leadership in the service of our Nation’s defense, continuing the legacy of military service of his grandfathers, U.S. Marines, U.S. Navy, and uncles, U.S. Navy.

Connor has spent the past year preparing to enter the U.S. Army, where he plans to serve his country in Special Forces with the Green Berets. He will wear the uniform for the first time later this month upon arrival at Fort Benning, GA, where he will be among a group of highly qualified recruits who will proceed directly from initial entry training to Special Forces training. Upon completion of the rigorous and challenging 2-year training, Connor will become a member of one of the best and most highly skilled combat forces in the world.