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## House of Representatives

The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. WALTZ).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC

August 11, 2023.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MICHAEL WALTZ to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

KEVIN MCCARTHY,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, how stunned we are to see an island paradise engulfed in flames, to watch hallmarks of Hawaii's rich history absorbed in a firestorm. More overwhelming are the loss of life and livelihoods, the destruction of homes and holy places.

Hear our prayers for Maui and the Big Island of Hawaii. Provide comfort to the widespread grief for Lahaina and Kihei. We pray, O Lord, that You would grant safety to the first responders fighting the devastation, and shelter to the evacuees fleeing from its ruinous power.

Remind us again, especially in times like these, to call upon You, O Holy One, our savior. Make evident Your presence among those who now walk through the fire's desolation. Let not the flames of loss and despair burn the soul of Hawaii. Let not the memory and tradition of "ohana" ever be overcome by the fiery blaze.

Lift from the ashes that special something which has also bound Hawaiians together in the face of both joy and adversity. Precious in Your sight, may they find the strength and hope You provide in the living of these days.

In hope of Your redemption and in Your strong name, we offer our prayers to You.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the House stands adjourned until 11 a.m. on Tuesday, August 15, 2023.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 2 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, August 15, 2023, at 11 a.m.

### EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized for Official Foreign Travel during the second and third quarters of 2023, pursuant to Public Law 95-384, are as follows:

#### REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, DELEGATION TO HUNGARY AND ROMANIA, EXPENDED BETWEEN JUNE 25 AND JULY 1, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
John Leganski .....	6/25	6/28	Hungary .....		987.93		12,918.25				13,906.18
	6/28	7/1	Romania .....		736.23						736.23
Aaron Bonnaure .....	6/25	6/28	Hungary .....		987.93		12,918.25				13,906.18
	6/28	7/1	Romania .....		736.23						736.23
David Planning .....	6/25	6/28	Hungary .....		987.93		12,918.25				13,906.18
	6/28	7/1	Romania .....		736.23						736.23
Lois Ismail .....	6/25	6/28	Hungary .....		987.93		12,918.25				13,906.18
	6/28	7/1	Romania .....		736.23						736.23
Ray Salazar .....	6/25	6/28	Hungary .....		987.93		12,918.25				13,906.18
	6/28	7/1	Romania .....		736.23						736.23
Jason Smith .....	6/25	6/28	Hungary .....		987.93		12,918.25				13,906.18

☐ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., ☐ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.



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REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, DELEGATION TO HUNGARY AND ROMANIA, EXPENDED BETWEEN JUNE 25 AND JULY 1, 2023—Continued

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
	6/28	7/1	Romania		736.23						736.23
Committee total					10,344.96		77,509.50				87,854.46

<sup>1</sup> Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.  
<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

JOHN LEGANSKI, July 28, 2023.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, DELEGATION TO TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, EXPENDED BETWEEN JULY 5 AND JULY 6, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Hakeem Jeffries .....	7/5	7/6	Trinidad and Tobago .....	411.70		(3)				411.70	
Hon. Amata Coleman Radewagen .....	7/5	7/6	Trinidad and Tobago .....	411.70		(3)				411.70	
Hon. Gregory Meeks .....	7/5	7/6	Trinidad and Tobago .....	411.70		(3)				411.70	
Hon. Steven Horsford .....	7/5	7/6	Trinidad and Tobago .....	411.70		(3)				411.70	
Hon. Yvette Clarke .....	7/5	7/6	Trinidad and Tobago .....	411.70		(3)				411.70	
Hon. Joyce Beatty .....	7/5	7/6	Trinidad and Tobago .....	411.70		(3)				411.70	
Hon. Joaquin Castro .....	7/5	7/6	Trinidad and Tobago .....	411.70		586.45				998.15	
RADM Brian Monahan .....	7/5	7/6	Trinidad and Tobago .....	411.70		(3)				411.70	
Tasia Jackson .....	7/5	7/6	Trinidad and Tobago .....	1,235.10		842.70				2,077.80	
Gideon Bragin .....	7/5	7/6	Trinidad and Tobago .....	411.70		(3)				411.70	
Wayne Williams .....	7/5	7/6	Trinidad and Tobago .....	411.70		(3)				411.70	
Emily Berret .....	7/5	7/6	Trinidad and Tobago .....	1,235.10		842.70				2,077.80	
Wyndee Parker .....	7/5	7/6	Trinidad and Tobago .....	411.70		(3)				411.70	
Kalisse Dickerson .....	7/5	7/6	Trinidad and Tobago .....	411.70		(3)				411.70	
Tejah Robinson .....	7/5	7/6	Trinidad and Tobago .....	411.70		(3)				411.70	
Committee total .....				7,822.30		2,271.85				10,094.15	

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<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.  
(3) Military air transportation

HON. HAKEEM JEFFRIES, July 17, 2023.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Kat Cammack .....	5/26	5/29	Italy .....	.....	2,085.62	.....	1,215.75	.....	405.34	.....	3,706.71
Committee total .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,085.62	.....	1,215.75	.....	405.34	.....	3,706.71

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HON. GLENN THOMPSON, July 28, 2023.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Steve Womack .....	4/1	4/5	Singapore .....		1,387.00	.....	12,809.55	.....	1,056.00	.....	15,252.55
Stephen Steigleider .....	4/2	4/8	Brazil .....		1,719.00	.....	11,739.45	.....	2,831.00	.....	16,289.45
Hon. Jerry Carl .....	5/26	5/29	Italy .....		2,085.62	.....		.....	1,508.15	.....	3,593.77
			Greece *Cancel Fees .....		130.00	.....		.....	813.64	.....	943.64
Hon. Michael Guest .....	5/26	5/29	Italy .....		2,085.62	.....		.....	1,508.15	.....	3,593.77
			Greece *Cancel Fees .....		130.00	.....		.....	813.64	.....	943.64
Committee total .....					7,537.24	.....	24,549.00	.....	8,530.58	.....	40,616.82

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HON. KAY GRANGER, July 28, 2023.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Tony Cardenas .....	4/2	4/5	Chile .....	1,555.67		(3)					1,555.67
	4/5	4/7	Uruguay .....	647.00		(3)					647.00
	4/7	4/9	Brazil .....	563.00		(3)					563.00
	4/9	4/10	Ecuador .....	485.00		(3)					485.00
Hon. Cathy McMorris Rodgers .....	4/11	4/14	Belgium .....	1,279.37		(3)					1,279.37
	4/14	4/16	Czech Republic .....	1,254.02		(3)					1,254.00
	4/16	4/17	Poland .....	273.16		(3)					273.16
Hon. Jeff Duncan .....	4/11	4/14	Belgium .....	1,279.37		(3)					1,279.37
	4/14	4/16	Czech Republic .....	1,254.02		(3)					1,254.02
	4/16	4/17	Poland .....	273.16		(3)					273.16
Hon. Larry Bucshon .....	4/11	4/14	Belgium .....	1,279.37		(3)					1,279.37
	4/14	4/16	Czech Republic .....	1,254.02		(3)					1,254.02
	4/16	4/17	Poland .....	273.16		(3)					273.16

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 2023—Continued

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Debra Lesko .....	4/11	4/14	Belgium .....		1,279.37		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,279.37
	4/14	4/16	Czech Republic .....		1,254.02		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,254.02
	4/16	4/17	Poland .....		273.16		( <sup>3</sup> )				273.16
Hon. Troy Balderson .....	4/11	4/14	Belgium .....		1,279.37		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,279.37
	4/14	4/16	Czech Republic .....		1,254.02		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,254.02
	4/16	4/17	Poland .....		273.16		( <sup>3</sup> )				273.16
Hon. August Pfluger .....	4/11	4/14	Belgium .....		1,279.37		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,279.37
	4/14	4/16	Czech Republic .....		1,254.02		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,254.02
	4/16	4/17	Poland .....		273.16		( <sup>3</sup> )				273.16
Nathan Hodson .....	4/11	4/14	Belgium .....		1,279.37		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,279.37
	4/14	4/16	Czech Republic .....		1,254.02		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,254.02
	4/16	4/17	Poland .....		273.16		( <sup>3</sup> )				273.16
Sarah Burke .....	4/11	4/14	Belgium .....		1,279.37		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,279.37
	4/14	4/16	Czech Republic .....		1,254.02		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,254.02
	4/16	4/17	Poland .....		273.16		( <sup>3</sup> )				273.16
Emily King .....	4/11	4/14	Belgium .....		1,279.37		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,279.37
	4/14	4/17	Czech Republic .....		1,254.02		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,254.02
	4/16	4/17	Poland .....		273.16		( <sup>3</sup> )				273.16
Mary Martin .....	4/11	4/14	Belgium .....		1,279.37		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,279.37
	4/14	4/16	Czech Republic .....		1,254.02		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,254.02
	4/16	4/17	Poland .....		273.16		( <sup>3</sup> )				273.16
Tiffany Guarascio .....	4/11	4/14	Belgium .....		1,279.37		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,279.37
	4/14	4/16	Czech Republic .....		1,254.02		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,254.02
	4/16	4/17	Poland .....		273.16		( <sup>3</sup> )				273.16
Hon. Kat Cammack .....	5/25	5/30	Italy .....		2,085.62		( <sup>3</sup> )				2,085.62
Hon. Dan Crenshaw .....	5/25	5/30	Italy .....		2,085.62		( <sup>3</sup> )				2,085.62
Hon. Russ Fulcher .....	6/25	6/27	Greece .....		1,634.00		4,715.50				6,349.50
	6/27	6/30	Austria .....		1,340.03		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,340.03
Hon. Diana DeGette .....	6/25	6/30	Japan .....		1,712.03		14,897.10				16,609.13
Hon. Frank Pallone .....	4/14	4/16	Czech Republic .....		897.25						897.25
	4/16	4/17	Poland .....		194.16						194.16
Committee total .....					44,071.43		19,612.60				63,684.03

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<sup>3</sup> Military air transportation.

HON. CATHY McMORRIS RODGERS, July 28, 2023.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON ETHICS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>

HOUSE COMMITTEES

Please Note: If there were no expenditures during the calendar quarter noted above, please check the box at right to so indicate and return. ☒

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HON. MICHAEL GUEST, July 25, 2023.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Michael McCaul .....	4/2	4/4	Japan .....		723.29		319.57		113.06		1,155.92
Hon. French Hill .....	4/2	4/4	Japan .....		723.28		319.57		113.06		1,155.91
Hon. Ami Bera .....	4/2	4/4	Japan .....		723.28		319.57		113.06		1,155.91
Hon. Young Kim .....	4/2	4/4	Japan .....		723.28		319.57		113.06		1,155.91
Hon. Nathaniel Moran .....	4/2	4/4	Japan .....		723.28		319.57		113.06		1,155.91
Hon. Michael Lawler .....	4/2	4/4	Japan .....		723.28		319.57		113.06		1,155.91
Hon. Madeleine Dean .....	4/2	4/4	Japan .....		723.28		319.57		113.06		1,155.91
Hon. Michael Waltz .....	4/2	4/4	Japan .....		723.28		319.57		113.06		1,155.91
Dan Markus .....	4/2	4/4	Japan .....		723.28		319.57		113.05		1,155.90
Ann Kowalewski .....	4/2	4/4	Japan .....		723.28		319.57		113.05		1,155.90
Leslie Shedd .....	4/2	4/4	Japan .....		723.28		319.56		113.05		1,155.89
Rachel Walker .....	4/2	4/4	Japan .....		723.28		319.56		113.05		1,155.89
Michael Levine .....	4/2	4/4	Japan .....		723.28		319.56		113.05		1,155.89
Anubhav Gupta .....	4/2	4/4	Japan .....		723.28		319.56		113.05		1,155.89
Hon. Michael McCaul .....	4/4	4/6	South Korea .....		674.00				529.22		1,203.22
Hon. French Hill .....	4/4	4/6	South Korea .....		674.00				529.22		1,203.22
Hon. Ami Bera .....	4/4	4/6	South Korea .....		674.00				529.22		1,203.22
Hon. Young Kim .....	4/4	4/6	South Korea .....		674.00				529.21		1,203.21
Hon. Nathaniel Moran .....	4/4	4/6	South Korea .....		674.00				529.21		1,203.21
Hon. Michael Lawler .....	4/4	4/6	South Korea .....		674.00				529.21		1,203.21
Hon. Madeleine Dean .....	4/4	4/6	South Korea .....		674.00				529.21		1,203.21
Hon. Michael Waltz .....	4/4	4/6	South Korea .....		465.00				529.21		994.21
Dan Markus .....	4/4	4/6	South Korea .....		674.00				529.21		1,203.21
Ann Kowalewski .....	4/4	4/6	South Korea .....		674.00				529.21		1,203.21
Leslie Shedd .....	4/4	4/6	South Korea .....		674.00				529.21		1,203.21
Rachel Walker .....	4/4	4/6	South Korea .....		674.00				529.21		1,203.21
Michael Levine .....	4/4	4/6	South Korea .....		674.00				529.21		1,203.21
Anubhav Gupta .....	4/4	4/6	South Korea .....		674.00				529.21		1,203.21
Hon. Michael McCaul .....	4/6	4/8	Taiwan .....		739.31				861.32		1,600.63
Hon. French Hill .....	4/6	4/8	Taiwan .....		739.31				861.32		1,600.63
Hon. Ami Bera .....	4/6	4/8	Taiwan .....		739.31				861.32		1,600.63
Hon. Young Kim .....	4/6	4/8	Taiwan .....		739.31				861.32		1,600.63
Hon. Nathaniel Moran .....	4/6	4/8	Taiwan .....		739.31				861.32		1,600.63
Hon. Michael Lawler .....	4/6	4/8	Taiwan .....		739.31				861.32		1,600.63
Hon. Madeleine Dean .....	4/6	4/8	Taiwan .....		739.31				861.32		1,600.63
Dan Markus .....	4/6	4/8	Taiwan .....		739.31				861.32		1,600.63
Ann Kowalewski .....	4/6	4/8	Taiwan .....		739.31				861.32		1,600.63
Leslie Shedd .....	4/6	4/8	Taiwan .....		739.31				861.32		1,600.63
Rachel Walker .....	4/6	4/8	Taiwan .....		739.31				861.31		1,600.62

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 2023—  
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	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Michael Levine .....	4/6	4/8	Taiwan .....		739.31				861.31		1,600.62
Anubhav Gupta .....	4/6	4/8	Taiwan .....		739.31				861.31		1,600.62
Katherine Earle .....	4/10	4/11	Germany .....		638.00		1,269.65				1,907.65
	4/12	4/14	Hungary .....		656.00		183.76				839.76
Joe Foltz .....	5/29	5/30	Ghana .....		311.00		5,044.95				5,355.95
Jessica Steffens .....	5/29	5/30	Ghana .....		311.00		5,044.95				5,355.95
Michael Levine .....	5/29	5/30	Ghana .....		311.00		5,044.95				5,355.95
Sophie Jones .....	5/29	5/30	Ghana .....		311.00		5,044.95				5,355.95
Joe Foltz .....	5/30	6/2	Nigeria .....		1,255.00				203.00		1,458.00
Jessica Steffens .....	5/30	6/2	Nigeria .....		1,255.00						1,255.00
Michael Levine .....	5/30	6/2	Nigeria .....		1,249.00						1,249.00
Sophie Jones .....	5/30	6/2	Nigeria .....		1,348.00						1,348.00
Committee total .....					36,608.96		26,107.15		20,391.88		83,107.99

<sup>1</sup> Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.  
<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

HON. MICHAEL T. McCAUL, July 28, 2023.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON HOUSE ADMINISTRATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
HOUSE COMMITTEES											
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HON. BRYAN STEIL, Aug. 1, 2023.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
HOUSE COMMITTEES											
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HON. JIM JORDAN, Aug. 2, 2023.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
HOUSE COMMITTEES											
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<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

HON. JAMES COMER, July 27, 2023.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON RULES, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Kelly Dixon Chambers .....	6/25	6/28	Hungary .....		987.93		12,918.25				13,906.18
	6/28	7/1	Romania .....		736.23						736.23
Don Sisson .....	6/25	6/28	Hungary .....		987.93		12,918.25				13,906.18
	6/28	7/1	Romania .....		736.23						736.23
Committee total .....					3,448.32		25,836.50				29,284.82

<sup>1</sup> Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.  
<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

HON. TOM COLE, July 18, 2023.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, PERMANENT SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Darin LaHood .....	4/4	4/6	Europe .....		1,378.00		1,230.45				2,608.45

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, PERMANENT SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 2023—Continued

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Adrienne Spero .....	4/4	4/6	Europe .....		1,906.00		1,218.95				3,124.95
Hon. Chrissy Houlahan .....	4/9	4/14	Europe .....		1,601.83		5,541.75				7,143.58
Kara Benson .....	4/9	4/14	Europe .....		1,986.08		4,592.95				6,579.03
Matthew Pylypciw .....	4/9	4/14	Europe .....		1,986.08		4,592.95				6,579.03
Hon. Ami Bera .....	4/29	5/1	Middle East .....		405.38		4,134.58				4,539.96
Hannah Carse .....	4/29	5/1	Middle East .....		405.38		4,596.98				5,002.36
Hon. Michael Turner .....	5/1	5/7	Middle East .....		2,844.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				2,844.00
Hon. Elise Stefanik .....	5/1	5/7	Middle East .....		2,844.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				2,844.00
Hon. Darin LaHood .....	5/1	5/6	Middle East .....		2,141.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				2,141.00
Hon. French Hill .....	5/1	5/6	Middle East .....		2,141.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				2,141.00
Hon. Dan Crenshaw .....	5/1	5/7	Middle East .....		2,844.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				2,844.00
Hon. Michael Waltz .....	5/2	5/7	Middle East .....		2,844.00		3,583.90				6,427.90
Hon. Jim Himes .....	5/1	5/7	Middle East .....		2,844.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				2,844.00
Hon. Ami Bera .....	5/1	5/7	Middle East .....		2,946.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				2,946.00
Hon. Stacey Plaskett .....	5/1	5/7	Middle East .....		2,844.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				2,844.00
Hon. Abigail Spanberger .....	5/1	5/7	Middle East .....		2,844.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				2,844.00
Hon. Jimmy Gomez .....	5/1	5/6	Middle East .....		2,844.00		4,475.27				7,319.27
Adam Howard .....	5/1	5/7	Middle East .....		2,844.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				2,844.00
Mike Calcagni .....	5/1	5/7	Middle East .....		2,844.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				2,844.00
John Cuaderes .....	4/30	5/7	Middle East .....		5,284.00		3,668.60				8,952.60
Jonathan Clifford .....	5/1	5/6	Middle East .....		2,141.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				2,141.00
Jeff Naft .....	5/1	5/7	Middle East .....		2,844.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				2,844.00
Kathryn King .....	4/30	5/7	Middle East .....		2,946.00		12,047.10				14,993.10
Aaron Thurman .....	4/30	5/7	Middle East .....		2,946.00		12,062.10				15,008.10
Kathy Suber .....	5/1	5/7	Middle East .....		2,844.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				2,844.00
Hannah Carse .....	5/1	5/7	Middle East .....		2,946.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				2,946.00
Mark Snyder .....	5/1	5/7	Middle East .....		2,946.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				2,946.00
Hon. French Hill .....	5/6	5/8	Middle East .....		546.00		1,986.74				2,532.74
Darin LaHood .....	5/6	5/8	Middle East .....		546.00		1,986.74				2,532.74
Jonathan Clifford .....	5/6	5/8	Middle East .....		546.00		1,747.94				2,293.94
Hon. Rick Crawford .....	5/29	6/2	South America .....				105.00				105.00
Hon. Dan Crenshaw .....	5/29	6/2	South America .....				35.00				35.00
Griffin Decker .....	5/29	6/2	South America .....				512.75				512.75
Adam Howard .....	6/24	6/29	South America .....				345.00				345.00
Rushon Turner .....	6/24	6/29	South America .....		819.59		12,725.92				13,545.51
Committee total .....					72,691.34		81,190.67				153,882.01

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<sup>3</sup> Military air transportation.

HON. MICHAEL R. TURNER, July 28, 2023.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE STRATEGIC COMPETITION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Mike Gallagher .....	5/18	5/21	UK .....		1,627.09		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,627.09
Hon. Haley Stevens .....	5/18	5/21	UK .....		1,627.09		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,627.09
Hon. Dan Newhouse .....	5/18	5/21	UK .....		1,627.09		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,627.09
Hon. Rob Whittman .....	5/18	5/21	UK .....		925.50		364.20				1,289.70
Taylor Andreae .....	5/18	5/21	UK .....		1,627.09		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,627.09
Charles Morrison .....	5/18	5/21	UK .....		1,627.09		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,627.09
Matthew Nguyen .....	5/18	5/21	UK .....		1,537.21		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,537.21
Maseh Zarif .....	5/18	5/21	UK .....		1,537.21		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,537.21
Melodie Ha .....	5/18	5/21	UK .....		1,537.21		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,537.21
Hon. Joe Courtney .....	5/18	5/21	UK .....		1,627.09		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,627.09
Hon. Mike Waltz .....	5/18	5/21	UK .....		1,373.81		7,936.20				9,310.01
Hon. Donald Norcross .....	5/18	5/20	UK .....		1,054.90		606.95				1,661.85
Hon. Blake Moore .....	5/18	5/21	UK .....		1,627.09		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,627.09
Hon. Mark Green .....	5/18	5/21	UK .....		1,360.97		12,276.20				13,637.17
Committee total .....					20,716.44		21,183.55				41,899.99

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<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.  
<sup>3</sup> Military air transportation.

HON. MIKE GALLAGHER, July 28, 2023.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, JOINT COMMITTEE ON TAXATION, EXPENDED BETWEEN APR. 1 AND JUNE 30, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>

HOUSE COMMITTEES

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HON. JASON SMITH, July 27, 2023.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

EC-1622. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class E Airspace; Devils Lake, ND [Docket No.: FAA-2023-1077; Airspace Docket No.: 23-AGL-

16] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received July 25, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1623. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting Addressing United States Investments In Certain National Security Technologies And Products In Countries Of Concern, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1703(b); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(b); (91 Stat. 1627) and 50 U.S.C. 1641(b); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 401(b); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 118-60); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

EC-1624. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Department Report Number: 005273; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-1625. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc., Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2023-1406; Project Identifier MCAI-2023-00787-T; Amendment 39-22500; AD 2023-13-15] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received July 25, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1626. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Saab AB, Support and Services (Formerly Known as Saab AB, Saab Aeronautics) Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2023-1401; Project Identifier MCAI-2023-00760-T; Amendment 39-22492; AD 2023-13-07] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received July 25, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1627. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus SAS Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2023-0927; Project Identifier MCAI-2023-00013-T; Amendment 39-22461; AD 2023-12-03] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received July 25, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1628. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class C Airspace; Palm Beach International Airport, West Palm Beach, FL [Docket No. FAA-2023-1533; Airspace Docket No. 23-AWA-4] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received July 25, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1629. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus SAS Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2023-0669; Project Identifier MCAI-2022-01238-T; Amendment 39-22459; AD 2023-12-01] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received July 25, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1630. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc., Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2023-0169; Project Identifier MCAI-2022-00462-T; Amendment 39-22460; AD 2023-12-02] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received July 25, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1631. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Depart-

ment's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc., Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2023-0662; Project Identifier MCAI-2022-00745-T; Amendment 39-22464; AD 2023-12-06] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received July 25, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1632. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Pilatus Aircraft Ltd., Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2023-0926; Project Identifier MCAI-2022-01583-A; Amendment 39-22462; AD 2023-12-04] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received July 25, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1633. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Pilatus Aircraft Ltd., Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2023-0667; Project Identifier MCAI-2022-00735-A; Amendment 39-22475; AD 2023-12-17] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received July 25, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1634. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Survitec Group Limited (RFD Beaufort Ltd.) Life Jackets [Docket No.: FAA-2023-0666; Project Identifier MCAI-2022-00555-Q; Amendment 39-22484; AD 2023-12-25] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received July 25, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1635. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Bombardier, Inc., Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2023-0025; Project Identifier MCAI-2022-00804-T; Amendment 39-22479; AD 2023-12-20] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received July 25, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1636. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; BAE Systems (Operations) Limited Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2023-0929; Project Identifier MCAI-2022-01401-T; Amendment 39-22481; AD 2023-12-22] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received July 25, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1637. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus SAS Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2023-0011; Project Identifier MCAI-2022-00211-T; Amendment 39-22478; AD 2023-12-19] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received July 25, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1638. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus SAS Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2023-0924; Project Identifier MCAI-2022-01262-T; Amendment 39-22489; AD 2023-13-04] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received July 25, 2023, pur-

suant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1639. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — IFR Altitudes; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No.: 31498; Amdt. No.: 573] received July 25, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1640. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Amendment of Class E Airspace; Wabash, IN [Docket No.: FAA-2023-1008; Airspace Docket No.: 23-AGL-14] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received July 25, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1641. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Establishment of Class E Airspace; Benton Field Airport, Redding, CA [Docket No.: FAA-2020-0707; Airspace Docket No.: 18-AWP-28] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received July 25, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-1642. A letter from the Management and Program Analyst, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Airworthiness Directives; Airbus SAS Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2023-0928; Project Identifier MCAI-2023-00134-T; Amendment 39-22465; AD 2023-12-07] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received July 25, 2023, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

## PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. DESAULNIER (for himself, Mr. RASKIN, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Ms. WILD, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Ms. NORTON, and Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ):

H.R. 5183. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage of cancer care planning and coordination under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. CARTER of Texas (for himself and Mr. MORAN):

H.R. 5184. A bill to amend the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to strengthen school security; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. CRANE:

H.R. 5185. A bill to maintain in effect certain sanctions imposed with respect to Iraq in the event of a termination of the applicable declared national emergency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mrs. DINGELL (for herself and Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota):

H.R. 5186. A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to reauthorize the voluntary public access and habitat incentive program; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. GAETZ (for himself, Mr. ROSENDALE, Mr. BIGGS, Mr. GOOD of Virginia, and Mr. CRANE):

H.R. 5187. A bill to provide for a cause of action to remedy prohibitions on personal prayer in schools; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GALLAGHER (for himself and Mr. BEYER):

H.R. 5188. A bill to amend the Trade Expansion Act of 1962 to impose limitations on the authority of the President to adjust imports that are determined to threaten to impair national security, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. MIKE GARCIA of California:

H.R. 5189. A bill to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to condition the eligibility of a State or jurisdiction in a State to receive Federal funds to support the administration of elections for Federal office in the State on having laws in effect that require voters to present a valid photo identification in order to receive or cast a ballot in such elections, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. KIM of New Jersey:

H.R. 5190. A bill to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to expand certain protections to dependents of members of the Armed Forces; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. LIEU (for himself, Ms. PLASKETT, Mrs. GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN, Mr. SABLON, Mr. MOYLAN, and Mrs. RADEWAGEN):

H.R. 5191. A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a renewable energy grant program for territories of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and Science, Space, and Technology, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. LIEU (for himself, Ms. LEGER FERNANDEZ, Ms. NORTON, Mr. TONKO, Mr. POCAN, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, Mr. SCHIFF, and Mr. KILMER):

H.R. 5192. A bill to establish a grant program in the Department of Labor to assist unemployed and under-employed workers to document the American experience; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committee on House Administration, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. MURPHY (for himself, Ms. VAN DUYN, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. TIFFANY, and Mrs. HARSHBARGER):

H.R. 5193. A bill to amend title II of the Social Security Act to repeal the retirement earnings test, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. OGLES (for himself, Mr. CRANE, and Mr. MOONEY):

H.R. 5194. A bill to prohibit Federal funds from being used to pay the salary of John Luman Smith; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. OGLES (for himself, Mr. DONALDS, and Mr. ROSENDALE):

H.R. 5195. A bill to repeal the District of Columbia Home Rule Act; to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the

Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. PANETTA (for himself, Ms. JACOBS, Mr. MOULTON, Ms. NORTON, Mr. VEASEY, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. STRICKLAND, Mr. GALLEGO, Mr. NADLER, Mr. LIEU, Ms. TITUS, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. POCAN, Mrs. HAYES, Ms. SCANLON, and Mr. TORRES of New York):

H.R. 5196. A bill to expand protections under the Exceptional Family Member Program of the Department of Defense for transgender dependents of members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. POSEY:

H.R. 5197. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish memorial headstones and markers for eligible spouses and dependent children of veterans whose remains are unavailable, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. ROSE:

H.R. 5198. A bill to amend the definition of "manufactured home" in the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. SLOTKIN:

H.R. 5199. A bill to amend the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 to reauthorize the Specialty Crop Research Initiative, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H.R. 5200. A bill to require a report from the Director of the Secret Service on illicit use of controlled substances at the Executive Residence; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi:

H.R. 5201. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide for the mitigation of cybersecurity risks by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ (for herself, Mr. CARTER of Texas, Mr. ALLRED, Mr. BURGESS, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Mr. FLOOD, Ms. ROSS, Mr. BACON, and Mr. GOTTHEIMER):

H.R. 5202. A bill to reauthorize the Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. WEXTON (for herself, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Mr. PANETTA, Mr. VALADAO, Mr. HARDER of California, and Mr. ROUZER):

H.R. 5203. A bill to establish in the Department of Agriculture an Office of Agritourism, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. GOLDMAN of New York:

H. Res. 650. A resolution in the matter of George Santos; to the Committee on Ethics.

By Mr. GROTHMAN (for himself and Mr. TIFFANY):

H. Res. 651. A resolution condemning the decision of the Secretary of Education to prohibit the use of funds under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 for hunter, archery, and other shooting sports education programs in schools and explicitly affirming that school programs that train students in archery, hunting, or other shoot-

ing sports are eligible for Federal funding under such Act; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

By Mr. STEUBE:

H. Res. 652. A resolution impeaching Joseph Robinette Biden, Jr., President of the United States, for high crimes and misdemeanors; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. TORRES of California (for herself, Mr. COSTA, Mr. AGUILAR, Ms. PORTER, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mr. TAKANO, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Ms. CHU, Mr. ROBERT GARCIA of California, Mr. SCHIFF, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. ESPAILLAT, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. TONKO, Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN, Mrs. CHERFILUS-MCCORMICK, Ms. BARRAGÁN, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. NORCROSS, Ms. SHERRILL, Ms. MENG, and Mr. GOTTHEIMER):

H. Res. 653. A resolution expressing support for the recognition of August 13th through August 19, 2023, as "Warehouse Worker Recognition Week", the national event celebrating the workers in the logistics industry; to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

## CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY AND SINGLE SUBJECT STATEMENTS

Pursuant to clause 7(c)(1) of rule XII and Section 3(c) of H. Res. 5 the following statements are submitted regarding (1) the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution and (2) the single subject of the bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. DESAULNIER:

H.R. 5183.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8.

The single subject of this legislation is:

improving cancer care and communication.

By Mr. CARTER of Texas:

H.R. 5184.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 1 of section 8 of article 1 of the Constitution.

The single subject of this legislation is:

To enable local school districts to use Support and Academic Enrichment (SSAE) block grant funding for school safety infrastructure and technology with evidence-based effectiveness.

By Mr. CRANE:

H.R. 5185.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, clause 3 provides Congress with the power to "regulate commerce with foreign nations"

The single subject of this legislation is:

Foreign Affairs

By Mrs. DINGELL:

H.R. 5186.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The constitutional authority of Congress to enact this legislation is provided by Article I, section 8 of the United States Constitution.

The single subject of this legislation is:

This bill reauthorizes the Voluntary Public Access and Habitat Incentive Program (VPA-HIP) and increases the program's funding by \$100 million over 5 years.

By Mr. GAETZ:

H.R. 5187.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
To protect prayer in schools.  
By Mr. GALLAGHER:  
H.R. 5188.  
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:  
Article I, Section 8  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
To amend the Trade Expansion Act of 1962 to impose limitations on the authority of the President to adjust imports that are determined to threaten to impair national security  
By Mr. MIKE GARCIA of California:  
H.R. 5189.  
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:  
Article I, Section 8, Clause 18  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
To condition the receipt of Help America Vote Act (HAVA) grants on states implementing Voter ID laws.  
By Mr. KIM of New Jersey:  
H.R. 5190.  
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:  
Article 1, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
Military  
By Mr. LIEU:  
H.R. 5191.  
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:  
Article I Section 8  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
Energy Policy  
By Mr. LIEU:  
H.R. 5192.  
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:  
Article I Section 8  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
Labor  
By Mr. MURPHY:  
H.R. 5193.  
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:  
Clause 1 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
Social Security  
By Mr. OGLES:  
H.R. 5194.  
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:  
Article I, Section VIII of the United States Constitution  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
To prohibit the use of federal funds from being used to provide a salary for John L. "Jack" Smith.  
By Mr. OGLES:  
H.R. 5195.  
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:  
Article I, Section VIII of the United States Constitution  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
To nullify DC home rule  
By Mr. PANETTA:  
H.R. 5196.  
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:  
Article 1, Section 8 Clause 14  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
To expand protections under the Exceptional Family Member Program of the Department of Defense for transgender dependents of members of the Armed Forces.  
By Mr. POSEY:  
H.R. 5197.  
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:  
Article 1; Section 8; Clause 14: To make Rules for the Government and Regulation of the land and naval Forces.

The single subject of this legislation is:  
Armed Forces and National Security.  
By Mr. ROSE:  
H.R. 5198.  
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:  
Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
Manufactured Housing  
By Ms. SLOTKIN:  
H.R. 5199.  
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:  
To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
This bill would increase funding for the Specialty Crop Research Initiative and IR-4 Project.  
By Mr. STEUBE:  
H.R. 5200.  
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:  
Article I Section 8  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
Oversight  
By Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi:  
H.R. 5201.  
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:  
Article I, section 8  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
To provide for the mitigation of cybersecurity risks by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.  
By Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ:  
H.R. 5202.  
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:  
US Constitution, Article 1, Section 8  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
DROWNING PREVENTION AND POOL SAFETY  
By Ms. WEXTON:  
H.R. 5203.  
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:  
Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution  
The single subject of this legislation is:  
Create an Office of Agritourism at the U.S. Department of Agriculture

**ADDITIONAL SPONSORS**

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 40: Mr. MOULTON.  
H.R. 69: Mr. PERRY.  
H.R. 83: Mr. PERRY.  
H.R. 96: Mr. GOSAR.  
H.R. 118: Mrs. LESKO.  
H.R. 383: Mr. ADERHOLT.  
H.R. 396: Mr. CARBAJAL.  
H.R. 431: Mr. WILSON of South Carolina and Mr. DUNN of Florida.  
H.R. 531: Mr. GRAVES of Louisiana.  
H.R. 705: Mr. MEUSER, Mr. NORMAN, and Mr. POSEY.  
H.R. 726: Ms. SCHOLTEN.  
H.R. 770: Mr. BEYER.  
H.R. 830: Mrs. CHAVEZ-DEREMER and Ms. CASTOR of Florida.  
H.R. 913: Mr. CARTER of Louisiana.  
H.R. 952: Mr. NADLER.  
H.R. 1024: Ms. SCHOLTEN.  
H.R. 1088: Mr. SWALWELL, Mr. DOGGETT, and Ms. BARRAGAN.  
H.R. 1247: Mrs. RAMIREZ.  
H.R. 1277: Mr. RYAN, Mr. PETERS, and Mr. COSTA.

H.R. 1278: Ms. TLAIB, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. WEXTON, and Ms. CRAIG.  
H.R. 1293: Mr. LEVIN.  
H.R. 1318: Ms. ROSS, Ms. STANSBURY, and Mr. D'ESPOSITO.  
H.R. 1349: Ms. CLARKE of New York.  
H.R. 1371: Mr. NUNN of Iowa.  
H.R. 1385: Ms. PORTER.  
H.R. 1421: Ms. STRICKLAND.  
H.R. 1437: Mr. DUNN of Florida and Mr. CARTER of Georgia.  
H.R. 1468: Mr. MAGAZINER.  
H.R. 1477: Mr. MOYLAN, Ms. PEREZ, and Mr. LALOTA.  
H.R. 1488: Ms. DEGETTE and Mr. SCHIFF.  
H.R. 1493: Ms. TLAIB.  
H.R. 1499: Mr. SCHIFF.  
H.R. 1511: Mr. THOMPSON of California and Mr. HUFFMAN.  
H.R. 1582: Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. CARBAJAL, and Mr. SWALWELL.  
H.R. 1610: Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania, Mr. CAREY, and Mr. GOTTHEIMER.  
H.R. 1617: Mr. GOTTHEIMER.  
H.R. 1634: Mr. CAREY.  
H.R. 1637: Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida.  
H.R. 1685: Mr. LYNCH and Mr. LARSEN of Washington.  
H.R. 1750: Mr. MILLS.  
H.R. 1763: Ms. MCCOLLUM.  
H.R. 1770: Mr. GOTTHEIMER.  
H.R. 1774: Mr. CROW.  
H.R. 1780: Mr. GOTTHEIMER.  
H.R. 1816: Mr. DUNCAN and Mrs. HOUCHIN.  
H.R. 1826: Ms. TLAIB.  
H.R. 1831: Mr. MOLINARO.  
H.R. 1832: Mr. LARSEN of Washington.  
H.R. 2365: Mr. LANDSMAN, Ms. TLAIB, Mr. STANTON, Mr. GOTTHEIMER, Mr. SHERMAN, and Mr. WALBERG.  
H.R. 2370: Mr. TORRES of New York, Mr. LEVIN, and Ms. DEGETTE.  
H.R. 2395: Ms. SALINAS.  
H.R. 2402: Mr. CONNOLLY, Ms. BUDZINSKI, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Ms. PINGREE.  
H.R. 2407: Mr. MILLS.  
H.R. 2434: Mr. ALFORD.  
H.R. 2584: Ms. KUSTER, Ms. MANNING, and Ms. CARAVEO.  
H.R. 2647: Mr. DUNN of Florida.  
H.R. 2656: Ms. TLAIB.  
H.R. 2708: Ms. CARAVEO.  
H.R. 2766: Mr. MOULTON.  
H.R. 2803: Mr. HORSFORD.  
H.R. 2819: Ms. SCHRIER.  
H.R. 2878: Ms. MALLIOTAKIS.  
H.R. 2900: Mr. MAGAZINER, Mr. KEATING, and Mr. SMITH of New Jersey.  
H.R. 3006: Ms. TLAIB.  
H.R. 3036: Mr. TRONE and Mrs. HOUCHIN.  
H.R. 3039: Mr. GOOD of Virginia and Mr. STAUBER.  
H.R. 3040: Mr. GOLDMAN of New York, Ms. TITUS, Ms. NORTON, Mr. GRIJALVA, and Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER.  
H.R. 3073: Mr. CARTER of Louisiana and Ms. STEVENS.  
H.R. 3106: Ms. ESHOO.  
H.R. 3161: Mr. MOONEY.  
H.R. 3356: Mr. CUELLAR.  
H.R. 3382: Ms. PLASKETT and Ms. ADAMS.  
H.R. 3396: Mr. LEVIN.  
H.R. 3423: Mr. GOTTHEIMER.  
H.R. 3443: Mr. CASE.  
H.R. 3461: Mr. GOTTHEIMER.  
H.R. 3475: Mr. PAPPAS, Mrs. HAYES, Ms. SLOTKIN, and Ms. MCCOLLUM.  
H.R. 3477: Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. CASAR, Ms. WATERS, and Mr. POCAN.  
H.R. 3489: Ms. DELBENE.  
H.R. 3491: Mr. MFUME.  
H.R. 3497: Mr. GOODEN of Texas.  
H.R. 3503: Mr. CASTEN.  
H.R. 3561: Mr. KIM of New Jersey, Mr. POSEY, and Mr. STANTON.  
H.R. 3608: Mr. HARDER of California.  
H.R. 3633: Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ.  
H.R. 3649: Mr. TIMMONS.



- H.R. 3741: Mr. BIGGS.  
H.R. 3774: Mr. LUTTRELL, Mrs. STEEL, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, and Mr. JACKSON of Texas.  
H.R. 3777: Mr. GARAMENDI and Mr. DIAZ-BALART.  
H.R. 3838: Mr. GOTTHEIMER.  
H.R. 3843: Mr. BLUMENAUER.  
H.R. 3845: Mr. PHILLIPS.  
H.R. 3848: Mr. BARR.  
H.R. 3853: Ms. TLAIB and Mr. FOSTER.  
H.R. 3877: Mrs. TRAHAN and Mr. MOULTON.  
H.R. 3879: Mr. CASTEN.  
H.R. 3934: Mr. MOULTON.  
H.R. 3940: Mrs. BEATTY.  
H.R. 3955: Ms. PINGREE.  
H.R. 3957: Ms. PETTERSEN, Mr. NEGUSE, Ms. BALINT, Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania, Ms. ROSS, and Mr. POCAN.  
H.R. 4007: Ms. KUSTER.  
H.R. 4021: Ms. KUSTER, Ms. PORTER, Mr. LEVIN, and Mr. POCAN.  
H.R. 4064: Ms. BROWNLEY.  
H.R. 4065: Mr. ESPAILLAT.  
H.R. 4073: Mr. BURCHETT.  
H.R. 4127: Mr. CARSON.  
H.R. 4166: Mr. CASAR.  
H.R. 4182: Mr. CLEAVER.  
H.R. 4198: Mr. OGLES.  
H.R. 4217: Mr. NUNN of Iowa.  
H.R. 4261: Ms. CLARKE of New York.  
H.R. 4268: Ms. BARRAGÁN and Ms. NORTON.  
H.R. 4282: Mr. MAGAZINER.  
H.R. 4315: Ms. SEWELL.  
H.R. 4335: Ms. STRICKLAND, Mr. CASE, Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. CLEAVER, Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania, Ms. GARCIA of Texas, Mr. MEEKS, Mr. POSEY, Ms. SALAZAR, Mr. SWALWELL, Mr. VEASEY, and Mr. WITTMAN.  
H.R. 4438: Mr. BACON.  
H.R. 4442: Mr. FITZPATRICK.  
H.R. 4461: Mr. ROSENDALE.  
H.R. 4481: Mr. FITZPATRICK.  
H.R. 4531: Mr. BUCHANAN, Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia, Mr. VALADAO, and Mr. SESSIONS.  
H.R. 4537: Mr. LIEU.  
H.R. 4547: Mr. EZELL.  
H.R. 4572: Ms. KUSTER, Ms. MENG, Mr. DESAULNIER, Mr. LYNCH, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. KIM of New Jersey, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Mr. MEEKS, and Mr. TAKANO.  
H.R. 4602: Ms. SCANLON and Mr. GALLEGGO.  
H.R. 4636: Ms. SCHOLTEN.  
H.R. 4667: Mr. LALOTA.  
H.R. 4707: Mr. OGLES.  
H.R. 4713: Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. BABIN, and Mr. LANGWORTHY.  
H.R. 4760: Ms. TLAIB.  
H.R. 4829: Mr. POCAN.  
H.R. 4851: Ms. NORTON.  
H.R. 4858: Ms. SCANLON.  
H.R. 4860: Mr. SESSIONS.  
H.R. 4865: Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana.  
H.R. 4893: Mr. FOSTER and Ms. MCCLELLAN.  
H.R. 4907: Mr. ROBERT GARCIA of California and Ms. JAYAPAL.  
H.R. 4964: Mr. CLINE.  
H.R. 4969: Mr. CLINE.  
H.R. 4987: Mr. DOGGETT, Ms. PLASKETT, and Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia.  
H.R. 4992: Ms. NORTON, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. CASTEN, Mrs. RAMIREZ, Ms. ROSS, Ms. SÁNCHEZ, Mr. HIGGINS of New York, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, and Ms. GARCIA of Texas.  
H.R. 4995: Ms. NORTON.  
H.R. 5006: Mrs. WAGNER, Mr. BIGGS, Ms. MACE, and Mr. NORMAN.  
H.R. 5013: Mr. KILMER.  
H.R. 5018: Ms. HAGEMAN, Mr. NUNN of Iowa, and Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana.  
H.R. 5020: Ms. LEE of Florida.  
H.R. 5025: Mr. RASKIN.  
H.R. 5030: Ms. PEREZ.  
H.R. 5048: Mr. FOSTER, Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE, and Mrs. TRAHAN.  
H.R. 5057: Mr. PANETTA and Mr. COSTA.  
H.R. 5086: Mr. MCGOVERN.  
H.R. 5103: Mr. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida.  
H.R. 5110: Mr. GROTHMAN and Mr. ROUZER.  
H.R. 5141: Mr. LYNCH, Mr. GRIJALVA, and Ms. TITUS.  
H.R. 5145: Ms. ROSS and Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia.  
H.R. 5169: Mr. MOLINARO and Mr. GALLEGGO.  
H.R. 5175: Mr. HARDER of California and Mr. CÁRDENAS.  
H.R. 5178: Mr. ROSENDALE and Mr. BIGGS.  
H.R. 5182: Mr. SMITH of Missouri.  
H.J. Res. 8: Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana.  
H.J. Res. 65: Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia.  
H. Res. 86: Mr. VEASEY, Mr. LALOTA, and Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida.  
H. Res. 274: Mr. CASTRO of Texas.  
H. Res. 277: Ms. CHU.  
H. Res. 320: Mr. ESPAILLAT.  
H. Res. 618: Ms. CASTOR of Florida, Mr. CASTEN, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, Mr. EVANS, and Mr. PAYNE.  
H. Res. 627: Mr. CARTER of Louisiana, Mr. PANETTA, and Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota.



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The Senate met at 9 and 8 seconds a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable SHELDON WHITEHOUSE, a Senator from the State of Rhode Island.

### APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mrs. MURRAY).

The legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,  
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,  
Washington, DC, August 11, 2023.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable SHELDON WHITEHOUSE, a Senator from the State of Rhode Island, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATTY MURRAY,  
President pro tempore.

Mr. WHITEHOUSE thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL TUESDAY,  
AUGUST 15, 2023

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 12 p.m. on Tuesday, August 15, 2023.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 9 and 38 seconds a.m., adjourned until Tuesday, August 15, 2023, at 12 p.m.

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## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### RECOGNIZING THE 90TH BIRTHDAY OF EDWARD DALY

#### HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 11, 2023

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Edward Daly, Sr. of Vernon, Connecticut. Ed turns 90 this August 15th, and as he reaches this milestone, it is fitting that we take this opportunity to honor and recognize his contributions as a model citizen and passionate advocate for workers' rights.

Born 1933 to Michael and Catherine Daly, Ed was raised in Hartford, Connecticut. He was instilled with the values of service from a young age. Brought up by a politically active family, he also learned early on that one must proactively fight for effective representation, to improve the lives of working families. There is much to cite about Ed's 90 years of activity. However, it is important to emphasize that organizing—advocating for effective representation—within local, state, and federal communities became a defining mission within Ed's life.

Mr. Speaker, there were several benchmarks from Ed's life which influenced his outlook and community involvement. From 1953 to 1955, he bravely served his country in the Korean War as a radio operator. Upon his return from the Korean peninsula, he pursued an education in and achieved a degree in Animal Science from UConn's esteemed College of Agriculture. In 1969, he and his family moved to Vernon, where they have remained pillars of the community ever since.

Armed with his education, Ed continued his life of public service as a Dairy Inspector for Connecticut's Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources. Afterwards, he transitioned to the Department of Environmental Protection as a founding employee in the Soil Conservation Division. There, as a Land Agent, he helped establish the Open Spaces and Tidal Wetland Programs. The Department of Environmental Protection would eventually morph into the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection. Ed's early contributions helped nurture the Department into becoming the lynchpin of statewide conservation practices that it is today.

While Ed's trailblazing career with the State's civil service is a living piece of Connecticut history in and of itself, a more prominent aspect of his still incomplete legacy has been his penchant for advocacy. Given his upbringing, Ed viewed a workforce as a community where it was their responsibility to collectively better their own condition. He personally felt the carveouts of the federal government's 1935 Labor Relations Act which notably excluded workers protections for state public employees. Ed spurred to action and laid the foundations for a new era of organized labor in Connecticut. He championed the formation of Connecticut State Employee Association, formally franchised by Generally Assembly

statute in 1975, to represent workers in disputes. Before the arrival of collective bargaining agreements for state employees, civil servants like Ed saw their hours, working conditions and livelihoods at the whims of Connecticut's annual budgetary process. Unsurprisingly, Ed has a history of leadership within the CSEA, including serving as its president in 1986.

As a union leader, Ed was instrumental in uplifting surrogate advocates for the Connecticut State Employee Association. A story that reflects his unyielding organizing efforts was his work to help elect Connecticut Governor Ella Grasso—the very person who, in their first year in office, signed the 1975 statutory recognition of the Connecticut State Employee Association into law. Convinced of her candidacy during the union endorsement convention before the general election, Ed instructed then-candidate Ella Grasso not to leave upon finishing her speech. In a sort of old fashion gamesmanship, he jumped to the stage upon the departure of the other candidate, took control of the microphone and provided a riveting endorsement of Ella Grasso before the audience. As the story goes, Grasso was elected one of the first female governors in U.S. history later that year.

Ed has existed as a backbone in Connecticut Democratic politics. He served as Campaign Manager and Treasurer for several successful local candidates and further served as the Chair of the Vernon Democratic Town Committee from 2001 to 2003, where he helped deliver majorities on the Board of Education and Town Council. I have lived in the same town as Ed for quite some time. I can personally attest that he has been there thick and thin to uplift solid candidates in and out of Vernon, Connecticut.

Mr. Speaker, as Ed initiates his 90th year, where he continues in his retirement as a serious model railroad maker and avid Red Sox fan, I find it appropriate that we take a moment to recognize this father of organizing. I count myself incredibly fortunate to represent constituents as civically minded and progress-oriented as Ed Daly. I urge my colleagues to pay a testament to his 90 well-lived years.

### RECOGNIZING SIBU NAIR

#### HON. BRIAN HIGGINS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 11, 2023

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Mr. Speaker, today I am honored to pay tribute to a pillar of my community and a cultural visionary, Sibu Nair. Sibu's unwavering dedication to preserving the rich cultural heritage of India has had a profound impact on countless Indian American and Asian American members of Western New York.

Since 2010, Sibu has been actively involved in various capacities within the Indian American community, committing himself to cultural

understanding and unity between Western New Yorkers. As the former president of the India Association of Buffalo, he played a pivotal role in securing the first cricket ground in Eric County for the community. His ambitious leadership was also evident in the successful execution of the "Festival of India," or "India Mela." This grand event is attended by thousands of people, including prominent elected officials and delegates from the Indian Consulate, a monumental accomplishment for Buffalo.

As the Vice President of the Hindu Cultural Society of Western New York in 2018, Sibu continued to promote the importance of heritage and tradition to future generations. He recognizes that our children are the torchbearers of our own cultural legacy—a legacy that must be carried on at all costs. This sentiment continues to guide Sibu now as the founder and current Executive Director of the Council of Heritage and Arts of India, an organization dedicated to the preservation and celebration of India's rich culture. His current role as Deputy Director for Asian American Affairs for New York State has further proven his selfless dedication to public service. Of course, that is in addition to his deep involvement in various public committees and boards across Erie County.

Sibu's reputation is formidable; Buffalonians know him as a respected and honorable advocate for the Indian American community. It is with great admiration that I commend him for his relentless efforts to preserve cultural heritage and promote cultural harmony. His contributions have enriched the lives of Western New Yorkers and have left an indelible mark on the community he serves.

### HONORING THE LIFE OF DOÑA JOSEFINA CERVANTES FLORES

#### HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 11, 2023

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the extraordinary life of Doña Josefina Cervantes Flores, a tireless advocate for farmworkers and a dedicated member of the United Farm Workers (UFW) movement. At the age of 92, she peacefully passed away in Visalia on Monday, June 26, leaving behind a legacy of courage, dedication, and unwavering commitment.

Doña Josefina was part of a remarkable group of veteran farm worker activists who continued to organize and engage with the UFW well into their 70s, 80s, and beyond. Throughout her life, she participated in practically every major VFW campaign and event, witnessing the movement's triumphs and sacrifices. She was a true warrior for agricultural labor rights, tirelessly fighting for the cause that she held dear.

Doña Josefina's fierce loyalty extended not only to her own large family but also to her

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labor family. She cared deeply for her UFW brothers and sisters, and her commitment to the movement's goals was unwavering. Through strikes, boycotts, marches, and political campaigns, she contributed immensely, to the advancement of farmworker rights.

Born on October 24, 1930, in Calexico, California, to a Yaqui family from Sonora, Mexico, Josefina's warrior spirit was evident from an early age. Despite having no formal education, she taught herself to read and write, demonstrating her determination and resourcefulness. Her encounter with Cesar Chavez in the 1960s in Reedley, Fresno County, was a turning point in her life. From that moment, she became deeply involved with the UFW, learning English and actively participating in organizing efforts. Even a serious injury sustained during an incident in a field did not deter her from her mission.

Josefina's dedication to the UFW extended to the lettuce boycott, organizing events in Chicago and New York. She continued to fast, a powerful form of protest, well into her 80s, despite pleas from her family. Her commitment and activism earned her meetings with prominent figures, including Hilary Clinton, the Kennedys, and President Obama. One of her remarkable contributions was on Cesar Chavez's birthday, March 31, 2021, when Josefina accompanied her great-grandchildren to help First Lady Dr. Jill Biden administer COVID vaccines to farm workers at the movement's historic Forty Acres property near Delano.

Throughout her life, Josefina inspired countless young UFW organizers and personnel. Known for her direct approach, she encouraged workers to take charge of their lives and effect positive change. Her ability to balance patience and urgency left a profound impact on those she mentored. Beyond her public role, Josefina also engaged in caring for UFW staff and leadership children and cooked for Cesar Chavez during his time at the La Paz headquarters in Keene. Her dedication to the cause also extended to her residence at the Paulo Agbayani Retirement Village outside Delano and the Casa Hernandez affordable senior housing neighborhood, both under the auspices of the Cesar Chavez Foundation.

Josefina leaves behind a large and loving family, including her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren. Her democratic union values and, if possible (*Si Se Puede*), attitude have been passed down through 5 generations, continuing the legacy of her tireless efforts for farmworker rights. In honor of Doña Josefina Cervantes Flores, a memorial service will be held to pay tribute to her extraordinary life and unwavering commitment to the UFW. Her contributions to the farm worker movement will forever be remembered and celebrated.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my esteemed colleagues to join me in recognizing and honoring Doña Josefina Cervantes Flores, a true pioneer of the farm worker movement, whose legacy will continue to inspire us all to fight for justice and dignity in the labor community. May her family find comfort in knowing that her contributions have touched the lives of many, leaving an enduring impact on farm workers and communities throughout the nation.

## TRIBUTE TO THE MCGROARTY ARTS CENTER

**HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the McGroarty Arts Center in Tujunga, California, as it celebrates its centennial anniversary.

The McGroarty Arts Center is named after the late John Steven McGroarty, former Congressman and Poet Laureate of California. Born in 1862, McGroarty moved to the Los Angeles area in 1901, settling in the Verdugo Hills of Tujunga. That same year he began his 40-year career as a journalist and editorial writer for the Los Angeles Times, penning the "Seen from the Green Verdugo Hills" weekly column.

The McGroarty home, known as "Rancho Chupa Rosa," was constructed in 1923 on the surviving foundation of the burned-down house of John and Ida McGroarty. It served as their home during the latter portion of Mr. McGroarty's distinguished career in writing and politics.

Upon Mr. McGroarty's death in 1944, Rancho Chupa Rosa went to his niece, Miss Margaret McHale who sold the property and surrounding acres in 1953 to the City of Los Angeles. The City's Department of Recreation and Parks managed the McGroarty home until 1974, when the supervision was transferred to the Department of Cultural Affairs, a few years after the home was declared a City of Los Angeles Historic-Cultural Monument. Since 1995, when the center was privatized, it has been operated by the non-profit organization, the McGroarty Arts Center in partnership with the City's Department of Cultural Affairs.

A thriving community arts complex, the center offers access to arts and history by providing a variety of creative events, comprehensive arts instruction, and the cultural and historic venue for artists to show their work in a multitude of forms. The McGroarty Arts Center has hosted countless events, workshops, and exhibitions over the years in the beautiful, historic home that is deeply cherished by the members of the community. Events include the annual Ceramics Juried Open Exhibition, the annual Chili Bowl Fest and Art Craft Faire, Hanukkah in the Foothills and Poet Laureate of Sunland Tujunga celebrations, as well as drawing, ceramic, piano, tai chi and watercolor classes.

I ask all Members to join me in honoring McGroarty Arts Center upon the celebration of its Centennial Anniversary.

## IN MEMORIAM OF MRS. ZINETTA MARIE NASSIF

**HON. DARRELL ISSA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Mr. ISSA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Mrs. Zinetta Marie Nassif.

Mrs. Nassif was born on June 3, 1944, and lived an incredible life serving her family, community, and country. She had a passion for her loved ones and a remarkable giving spirit.

Mrs. Nassif was often described as the most fun to be around at a party, as she had a keen sense for bringing people together. Her ability to connect was best exemplified during her tenure abroad with her husband, Ambassador Thomas Nassif.

Mrs. Nassif served alongside her husband, Thomas Nassif, when he was Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to Morocco. Mrs. Nassif's diplomatic efforts were highly regarded by those she worked with. Her commitment to public service and unwavering support for her husband made her a beloved figure in Morocco and at home in the United States. The Nassifs' legacy of service to their country will always be remembered and admired by those who knew them.

On August 5, 2023, Mrs. Zinetta Marie Nassif passed away at her home in La Jolla, California. Mrs. Nassif left a noteworthy impact across the globe with her servant's heart, and her legacy will continue to inspire future generations of Americans.

## TRIBUTE TO YOUNG STAFF MEMBERS FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF THE 18TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF TEXAS AND THE UNITED STATES

**HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I am here today to extend my deepest appreciation and profound gratitude to the extraordinary legislative fellows who have graced my office with their unwavering dedication and unyielding commitment.

Members of Congress know well, perhaps better than most, how blessed our Nation is to have in reserve such exceptional young men and women who will go on to become leaders in their local communities, states and the Nation in the areas of business, education, law, government, philanthropy, the arts and culture, and the military.

We know this because we see them and the benefits from their contributions everyday. Many of them work for us in our offices as junior staff members, congressional fellows, or interns and they do amazing work for and on behalf of the constituents we are privileged to represent.

Mr. Speaker, I believe there is no higher calling than the call to serve a cause larger than ourselves.

That is why I ran for public office. I was inspired to serve by so many great public figures that came before me. I was inspired to serve by President Kennedy who said, "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country," and by the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. who said: "Everybody can be great because anybody can serve. . . . You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love."

By this measure there are several other great young men and women who served as legislative fellows this Spring and Summer in my office. Each day, they exemplified the highest standards of excellence, bringing forth fresh perspectives, innovative ideas, and an unrelenting drive to effect positive change

within our cherished community. Their tireless efforts to address the diverse needs and pressing concerns of our constituents resonate deeply with the values we hold dear.

In the pursuit of serving the constituents of the 18th Congressional District of Texas, their contributions have been nothing short of remarkable.

That is why today I rise to pay tribute to fourteen extraordinary young persons for their service to my constituents of the 18th Congressional District of Texas and to the American people. They are:

Panashé Siachitema, Texas Tech University  
Ramanpreet Kaur, Indiana University  
Amy Arceo, Texas A&M University  
Ainsley Gill, Vanderbilt University  
Joel Crawford, Harvard University  
Kevin Darmadi, George Washington University

Lindsey O'Neal, Payne International Development Fellowship

Niyonsaba Magnifique, Payne International Development Fellowship

Vanessa Rogers-Wright, Charles B. Rangel International Affairs Program

Wilson Pemboh, Texas Tech University  
Alexandra Wilhelm, Pepperdine University  
Parker Milligan, Oglethorpe University  
J Hardy, Howard University

Carrington Blair, Jackson State University

Mr. Speaker, the energy, intelligence and idealism that these wonderful young people brought to my office and those interning in the offices of my colleagues help keep our democracy vibrant. The insights, skills, and knowledge of the governmental process they gain from their experiences will last a lifetime and prove invaluable to them as they go about making their mark in this world.

Because of people like them the future of our country is bright, and its best days lie ahead. I wish them all well.

#### RECOGNIZING AND HONORING THE CAREER OF ELIZABETH "BETTI" KUSZAJ

#### HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the career of one of northeastern Connecticut's greatest community advocates, Elizabeth "Betti" Kuszaj of Brooklyn, Connecticut. Betti is retiring after over four decades of service as the Northeastern Connecticut Chamber of Commerce's Executive Director. In this role, Betti has earned a reputation as an institution unto herself, working tirelessly during good economic times and bad to keep Connecticut's northeastern region growing, while at the same time maintaining its unique rural appeal as, "the Quiet Corner". Betty's business expertise, knowledge of the people in the region, and well-deserved reputation as an ethical, trustworthy person, will not soon be replaced.

Betti has tackled her professional and personal life with an unmatched vigor—even before her career at the Chamber. Prior to the start of her leadership through the Chamber in 1982, Betti served within the Brooklyn, Connecticut school system having graduated from the University of Connecticut with a degree in

speech pathology. In addition to her service to the students of Brooklyn, Betti worked part-time as a waitress, demonstrating an incredible work ethic that would be a hallmark of her time with the Chamber.

Betti's transition from advocating for the growth of students to the growth of her local business community would completely transform the Northeastern Connecticut Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber's founding roots originate with the once-Brooklyn-Killingly Chamber of Commerce, which then served 70 businesses. Today, it is a regional bulwark in business development. The towns incorporated within its mission have ballooned from two towns to twenty-three. It now supports a community of more than 530 member businesses. By 1991, less than 10 years into Betti's visionary leadership, the change was made official, and the Northeastern Chamber was formally organized out of its predecessor chambers.

After the reorganization, Betti settled very comfortably into the role that many business and government leaders have known and appreciated her for—a tenacious fighter and dependable resource. Cooperation and collaboration have been hallmarks of Betti's time, as she built partnerships across the state and region, always putting the needs of her clientele first. She has served on multiple boards and commissions across northeast Connecticut—from Day Kimball Hospital to Putnam's Rotary Club. There are few places in the Quiet Corner that do not bear the mark of Betti's influence and assistance.

On a personal note, Mr. Speaker, my interactions with Betti began shortly after my election in 2006 when she invited my office to a Chamber Breakfast in Danielson. From my perspective, it was in difficult times that Betti really distinguished herself as a calm, competent and consistent leader. For example, when the U.S. economy was shaken in the wake of the great financial collapse of 2009, or more recently during the shock of the global pandemic which disrupted every sector, private and public in the region. Under Betti's leadership, the Northeastern Chamber became a hub for businesses small and large who needed help obtaining PPE, SBA loans and or information on Employee Retention Tax Credits. There is no question in my mind that due to Betti's efforts, she saved many businesses and countless jobs. In some ways, the pandemic was Betti's "finest hour."

Mr. Speaker, the likes of Betti's long career of consummate service to Northeast Connecticut's business sector will not be witnessed again for a long time. She has passionately sacrificed her time and energy for the betterment of our community. I am deeply thankful for her efforts over these four decades. In her retirement, Betti will spend some much-deserved time with her family, specifically her granddaughter who Betti will be happily babysitting. Although the Quiet Corner is losing a titan through Betti's retirement, we can take solace in the knowledge that she has left the chamber in a position to further flourish under the leadership of her successors. I ask my colleagues to please join me in further etching Betti's legacy.

#### RECOGNIZING CHIEF T.R. MERICKEL

#### HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Chief T.R. Merickel for his 26 years of dedicated service to the Kern County Probation Department and congratulate him on his well-earned retirement. Chief Merickel became a resident of the Central Valley as a young man when he began attending California State University, Bakersfield in 1992. Not only did he excel academically during his time in school, but he also was a renowned member of the Roadrunner Wrestling team—even being selected for a two time PAC-10 All-Academic team selection. In 1996, he graduated summa cum laude with degrees in history and religious studies. Following graduation, Chief Merickel began his career with the Kern County Probation Department, where he worked as a Group Counselor in Juvenile Hall. He was quickly promoted to Deputy Probation Officer and worked in Juvenile Supervision, Investigations, and Intake. In 2004, Chief Merickel became a Probation Supervisor and oversaw the Adult and Juvenile Divisions. During his time as Supervisor, he became an expert in sentencing and case law and was responsible for the implementation of the Static Risk and Needs Assessment (SRNA) tool for the Adult Division. Seven years later, Chief Merickel was promoted to Division Director of Adult Services. In this role, he was critical in the implementation of Assembly Bill 109, the Public Safety Realignment Act of 2011, in Kern County. As Director, Chief Merickel was a member of the Community Corrections Partnership and worked with local partners on the bill's implementation to focus on safety, alternative sanctions, and reducing recidivism in Kern County. In 2014, the Kern County Superior Court named Chief Merickel as Chief Probation Officer. Chief Merickel has been committed to the Kern County Probation Department's mission of public safety for decades. His dedication to his colleagues, his work, and his community is a true testament to Chief Merickel's character and leadership. I know that his service to the Department and his commitment to the safety of Kern County will have a lasting impact for years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I ask all my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in thanking Chief Merickel for his decades of service to the Central Valley and wishing him a happy and well-deserved retirement.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF ROBERT FERNANDES PERRY

#### HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Robert Perry, whose commitment to education has left an indelible mark in his community and the greater San Joaquin Valley.

Born on December 11, 1938, Robert inherited the Portuguese work ethic, ingenuity, and

family devotion from his Pereira lineage. These values aligned well with his American upbringing as Bob seized his opportunities and became the man, we all knew and loved, one who devoted his life to God, family and nature.

Just one year after wedding the love of his life, Shirley, Bob was called to service in the U.S. Army in 1959. Upon being Honorably Discharged as a Private 1st Class, Robert and Shirley decided to settle in Hanford, CA so Shirley's mother could help her take care of their two sons, Mark and Mike.

After working as a machinist, Bob eventually moved the family to a tight-knit community in Three Rivers where the landscape fed his passion for nature. His love for the outdoors was evident in his pursuits of hunting, fishing, and boating. He found solace in the beauty of the world around him, and his observations of life and human behavior enriched the lives of those who had the privilege of knowing him.

This environment also fostered Bob and Shirley's dream of starting their own business—a school that would teach Medical Assisting, drawing from Shirley's training and work experience. Seeing the opportunity in the growing city of Visalia, Bob and Shirley risked everything they had to launch San Joaquin Valley College in 1977. With the help of three Medical Assisting program students, Bob ran the business operations and Shirley handled the curriculum, instruction and stability of the MA program. Teenagers Mike and Mark started out as school janitors this family of four ignited an unimagined trajectory of success.

Soon enough, their high hopes became promising returns as SJVC expanded to three cities before Bob and Shirley passed the reins to Mark and Mike in 1995. Under their new leadership and Bob's diligence on the Board of Directors, SNC has since become a renown private university with 18 campuses across California. To this day, almost a quarter-million graduates have received medical, business and technical education from SJVC with another 12,000 students currently pursuing their own education goals thanks to Bob and Shirley's dream.

Bob's legacy is one shared with family, but his qualities as an individual were uniquely his own. Beyond his professional accomplishments, Bob possessed an artistic spirit and a keen eye for beauty. He was a master woodcraft, turning raw materials into intricate works of functional art. His creations were a testament to his attention to detail and the love he poured into each piece. Bob's talent as a storyteller delighted those around him, as he shared his adventures in hunting, fishing, and exploring, leaving cherished memories for all who knew him.

In his community, Bob will be remembered not only as a successful entrepreneur and educator but also as a compassionate and caring individual. He touched the lives of many with his kindness, warmth, and willingness to lend a helping hand.

Bob has finally reunited with he and Shirley's third-born son Timothy. Still, he is survived by his life's love, Shirley, their sons Mike and Mark, five grandchildren: Joshua, Kristopher, Stephanie, Alyssa and Aaron, and four great grandchildren: Savvy, Noam, Eva and Clover and nephew, Steve Perry.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the lifelong contributions of Robert Fernandes Perry to his family, commu-

nity, and the field of education. May his story serve as an inspiration to us all.

#### RECOGNIZING 1001 EAST DELAVAN AND VIRIDI

**HON. BRIAN HIGGINS**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Mr. Speaker, today I am honored to recognize 1001 East Delavan Avenue, which can now mark its 100th year of operation as a manufacturing plant in the city of Buffalo. For 100 years this site has been at the forefront of American manufacturing and a homebase to the hard-working people of Western New York. Viridi has remade this location to meet the needs of today and tomorrow, providing job opportunities that recruit from surrounding neighborhoods through its partnership with GreenForce, and positioning Buffalo to be a global leader in clean energy manufacturing.

The plant began operation on August 13, 1923, as General Motors utilized the factory to assemble Chevrolet vehicles. At the beginning of its existence, Buffalo was the 11th largest city in the United States with a population of over 500,000 residents. Of course, Buffalo's economic standing was due to its immense manufacturing prowess, to which 1001 East Delavan was a steady contributor.

In 1994, American Axel purchased the plant from GM and continued manufacturing auto parts until its abrupt closing in 2007. Today, the former General Motors plant is occupied by Ontario Specialty Contracting, Viridi, and several community organizations, which has injected new life into the 42-acre property. As 1001 East Delavan's newest tenant, they are the catalyst that is responsible for bringing life back into the Eastside property. Viridi focuses on designing and building battery systems that are meant to redefine energy storage and power the transition to renewable energy.

Viridi is not only committed to revitalizing the site, but also hiring people from the surrounding community. They have teamed up with GreenForce Training, which handles recruitment, training, support, and retention efforts for entry level jobs. Viridi currently possesses a workforce of over 150 employees and is projected to increase staff levels to approximately 500 employees. Seventy-eight percent of Viridi and sixty-six percent of GreenForce applicants for production positions are located within the 4 zip codes that surround the plant. Thus, not only has 1001 East Delavan been a successful operation, but they are also once again delivering quality jobs for our community. Today, I ask that you join me in celebrating the centennial anniversary of 1001 East Delavan Avenue and Viridi's continued commitment to the city of Buffalo. We look forward to seeing this be a place of growth and opportunity for generations to come.

#### CONGRATULATING UKRAINE ON THEIR INDEPENDENCE DAY

**HON. MICHAEL T. MCCAUL**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Mr. MCCAUL. Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate the Consulate General of Ukraine in Houston, and all the people of Ukraine, on their Independence Day. The spirit of Ukraine is an inspiration to all freedom loving peoples in the world. The rights that we so often take for granted are under constant threat from dictators like Vladimir Putin. There is no stronger example of what it takes to stand up for liberty in the world today than the struggle fought every day in Ukraine.

I take a special pride in offering this congratulations as Texans and Ukrainians are most assuredly kindred spirits. In a book he wrote after a 1946 trip to the Soviet Union, the late John Fischer concluded that Ukrainians are "Texans in Fur Hats." It's no surprise that a significant portion of the first wave of Ukrainian immigrants to the United States settled in Texas. Our histories are intertwined, as is our love of liberty. Glory to Ukraine (Slava Ukraini).

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 109; NAY on Roll Call No. 108; YEA on Roll Call No. 140; YEA on Roll Call No. 212; NAY on Roll Call No. 231; and NAY on Roll Call No. 234.

#### RECOGNIZING PASTOR EDDIE WILLIAMS

**HON. RASHIDA TLAIB**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Pastor Eddie Williams for his 17 years of service to the congregation at Lakeridge Ministries Church of God in Christ.

Lakeridge Village Ministries was founded on the principle of uplifting people from all walks of life in spirituality and that the gift of spirituality is not limited to clergy. Pastor Williams has sought to lead his flock under that guidance, fostering a true sense of community and caring for the most vulnerable. In addition to his work in ministry, Pastor Williams has sought to expand resources and options for people suffering from the pain of addiction and mental illness. His work at Lakeridge Village has accomplished so much in fighting the stigma around mental health issues and connecting those struggling with substance abuse to the assistance they need. In short Pastor Williams has performed outstanding service to the community through his ministry and charitable work.

Please join me in tribute to Pastor Eddie Williams in celebration of his 17 years in spiritual service to Lakeridge Ministries Church of God in Christ.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF  
COLLIN MICHAEL MORRISON

**HON. PAUL A. GOSAR**

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Mr. GOSAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life of Collin Michael Morrison, devoted American patriot and late President/CEO of LionHeart Security Services in Tempe, Arizona.

Born at a British military base in Singapore, Michael was the son of Scottish U.S. Army servicemembers. He spent his childhood in the United Kingdom and Southeast Asia where his father worked in intelligence.

After moving to the United States, Michael's core values in teamwork and equal justice led him to serve in both the U.S. Navy and U.S. Army, in the Monterey County Sheriff's Department, and later in international security.

Notably, his international work landed him at U.S. embassies in Africa, including roles as a Project Manager for security forces in Guinea, West Africa, and as a security consultant for U.S. embassies in Burundi, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Kenya, Rwanda, and Senegal. Here, he developed security training modules for local security forces assigned to these embassies.

After 7 years in Africa, Michael returned to the United States to foster his continued sense of duty and create LionHeart Security Services in Arizona. As a business owner, he held an "always can do and will do" attitude with intense follow through. Every time the United States of America asked Michael to step up, you can guarantee he did.

Beyond his accomplishments in the security industry, Michael was also a strong Conservative Republican. He was instrumental in drafting Congressional legislation to ensure U.S. Security Force project managers only report to U.S. Diplomatic Security Agents at U.S. embassies and consulates abroad. Similarly, he assisted in the Arizona House to pass a law to allow honorably discharged veterans to obtain a security guard I.D. card without a waiting period, thus enabling veterans to begin working as soon as their discharges were complete.

He did not consider himself a hero, but an ordinary man in service of the nation he so loved. However, Michael's greatest service was not in work, but in friendship. He lived by the following words:

If you cannot stand, I will lift you.  
If you cannot walk, I will carry you.  
If you are blind, I will see for you.  
If you are mute, I will speak for you.  
If you are deaf, I will hear for you.  
If you are in fear, I will comfort you.  
If you are lost, I will guide you.  
If you are in danger, I will protect you.  
If you need courage, I will be brave for you.  
If you are confused, I will reassure you.  
If you cannot fight, I will defend you.  
And if you just need a friend, I am here for you.

After contracting COVID-19, Michael spent his final days surrounded by friends, family,

and his loving wife Mariam. He will be remembered as a man of courage, honor, and integrity. But most of all, a friend of mine.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DOROTHY  
DIANA (ROZA) DECKER

**HON. JIM COSTA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, today we gather to honor the life of Dorothy Diana (Roza) Decker, a passionate advocate for early childhood education and a beacon of dedication within our community. Diana's lifelong commitment to education has left an indelible mark on the lives of countless individuals. She peacefully passed away at her Fresno home on July 23, 2023, leaving behind a legacy of compassion, determination, and lasting influence.

Born on November 11, 1942, in Hanford, California, Diana's journey began on a dairy farm in Easton, California, surrounded by the love of her parents and five brothers. Her heart radiated with a genuine concern for others from an early age, a trait that would define her entire life. Diana attended Washington Union High School, excelling academically, and serving as the editor of the school's newspaper, a role that foreshadowed her lifelong dedication to sharing stories and voices.

Diana's path intertwined with that of her soulmate, Mike Decker, in 1963. Their story unfolded with a sense of fate, and on July 4, 1964, they embarked on a journey of love that spanned 53 remarkable years. Together, they raised a family and built a legacy of love, resilience, and unwavering commitment to one another.

Diana's passion for early childhood education was both a vocation and a calling. For over 30 years, she poured her heart and soul into advocating for the youngest members of our society. Her contributions to the Central California Association of Young Children were immeasurable, embodying her dedication through roles such as Chapter President, Community Outreach advocate, Governing Board member, and was the very first recipient of the Fansler Institute ECE Leader of the Year award for her contributions to the educational community. She continued to shine her light at the state level, serving as a Central California representative on the State board of the California Association for the Education of Young Children, leaving an indelible mark on the landscape of childhood education across the State.

Diana's impact extended to her teaching career, empowering children, and adults with her wisdom. Her role as a special education teacher for Central Unified and later as a Special Education Specialist Lead for the Merced County Office of Education, CPIN, exemplified her dedication to fostering growth and potential in every individual. Her compassion radiated not only in her professional endeavors but also within her family. As a loving mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, she left an indelible mark of love, unity, and boundless support.

As we mourn Diana's physical absence, we find solace in the beautiful memories and legacy of love she has gifted us. Her life's tap-

estry is woven with threads of compassion, kindness, and resilience, reminding us that the impact of a single life, lived with purpose, can reach far beyond the confines of time. Diana is survived by her three children: Timothy John Decker of Pagosa Springs, Colorado; Katie Marie Decker and Scott Arthur Decker, both Fresno, California and daughter-in-law Marie Estrada Decker. Her legacy also includes three grandchildren: Michael Anthony Hill, Jady Decker Garrett, and Nicho Decker, as well as a great-granddaughter, Neelia Grace Hill. She is also survived by her brothers Gene Roza and his wife, Marylou Roza; Robert Roza and his wife, Gail Roza; and Franklin Roza. Numerous cousins, including myself, nieces, and nephews also cherish her memory.

May we honor Diana's memory by carrying forward her torch of compassion, nurturing the dreams of our youth, and supporting one another with the unwavering devotion she showed throughout her remarkable journey.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my esteemed colleagues to join me in honoring the legacy of Dorothy Diana (Roza) Decker, a dedicated educator whose commitment to early childhood education has profoundly shaped the lives of many. Her contributions will continue to inspire generations, fostering a love for learning and education.

FOUNDER'S DAY FOR THE LADIES  
OF FUTURITY, INC ORGANIZATION

**HON. LOIS FRANKEL**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor founders Tracey & Amaris Graham, and each of the members of the Ladies of Futurity Inc. on the occasion of their 10 year anniversary. Amaris is a member of my team as a Staff Assistant and Legislative Correspondent.

Amaris and her mother, Tracey Graham, founded the Ladies of Futurity, Inc. nonprofit organization on May 26, 2013, to equip and empower young girls of diverse backgrounds to become ladies, obtain a higher education, and to be servant leaders in their community with essential life and leadership skills to create a pathway to educational success and career development through workshops, sisterly gatherings, and exceptional community service in Palm Beach County, Florida.

With over 312 inducted members since its inception, Ladies of Futurity continues to accomplish its mission of helping girls realize their true potential as they establish and ultimately achieve their future goals. Their dedication to ensuring each of its members is "empowered to achieve, educated to succeed, and forever evolving as a lady" is truly admirable. Tracey and Amaris Graham strive to provide the tools necessary for each young lady to "possess a favor, fulfilling, future."

Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in extending congratulatory wishes to the Ladies of Futurity, Inc. for 10 years of remarkable service. I am honored to recognize them today and wish them continued success in the years to come.

## HONORING THE 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE U.S. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

### HON. VICENTE GONZALEZ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Mr. VICENTE GONZALEZ of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). Over the last seven decades, the U.S. Small Business Administration has played a vital role in supporting and empowering small businesses. Providing entrepreneurs important guidance on financial products, the SBA has proven to be an invaluable resource.

Small businesses and their employees drive growth and innovation and play an essential role in the American economy. In the United States, there are over 33 million small businesses that employ approximately 61.7 million Americans. In the past 28 years, these businesses have created 17.3 million net new jobs, which accounts for 62.7 percent of jobs created since 1995.

The Lower Rio Grande Valley District of the U.S. Small Business Administration serves 14 counties in south Texas. In 2020, over 179,000 jobs were supported by approximately 10,000 establishments in the 34th Congressional District alone. Through their various programs and initiatives, the SBA has provided small businesses access to capital, Federal contracting certifications and opportunities, and disaster recovery.

Mr. Speaker, I have witnessed the U.S. Small Business Administration open doors for and provide a lifeline to small business owners across south Texas and it gives me great pleasure to acknowledge this agency's invaluable contributions to our region and country.

## CELEBRATING THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF ALICE DAVIS

### HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise to celebrate Alice Davis, a tenacious servant/leader, astute fundraiser and compassionate and committed humanitarian who is turning 100 this week.

A fourth generation Washingtonian, Alice Tompkins Davis is a product of the District of Columbia public school system, whose love of mathematics led to a Bachelor of Science degree from Miner Teachers College (now the University of the District of Columbia) in 1943 and graduate studies in mathematics at Catholic University. This career path of critical thinking helped refine her methodical, detail-oriented intellect and provided a background for organized planning and execution abilities—all of which make her an invaluable leader and team player on several local and national organization and association boards and committees. It is these specific talents and skills that served her well for decades and served the Howard University Medical Alumni Association (HUMAA) so well from 1982 to 1996 in her role as Executive Director.

While Alice Tompkins grew up in the segregated town of the District of Columbia, she was never handicapped by race or sex. She was a 20th century leader in women's rights, civil rights, children's rights, mental health and housing, by example. In recognition of her talents, she was chosen for several mayoral appointments including member on the DC Commission for Women, the DC Health Plan, State Health Coordinating Committee (SHCC) and 8 years on the District of Columbia Lottery and Charitable Games Board. Her extensive leadership roles on the national and local levels for Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. began in 1945. One of her most significant achievements was the establishment of the Delta Housing Corporation of Washington, D.C. in 1977. This landmark development project, with HUD funding of over \$6.5 million, built affordable housing. It was the first of its kind awarded to a Black women's organization. To date, it has continued as an ongoing legacy.

As a member since 1948 and a past president of the Auxiliary to the National Medical Association, her work in health education and volunteer services set a national standard as did her National Youth Forum leadership in conjunction with the March of Dimes. Her service to the D.C. Mental Health Association began in 1967 with policy development and lobbying and being a media spokesperson and program coordinator. Her service contribution awards, spanning over 60 years, are numerous.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the House of Representatives to wish Alice Tompkins Davis a happy 100th birthday, in recognition of her distinguished life of service to others.

## TRIBUTE TO THE WHITLEY HEIGHTS CIVIC ASSOCIATION

### HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 100th anniversary of the Whitley Heights Civic Association of Los Angeles, California.

The Whitley Heights Civic Association, founded in 1923 as a garden club, has represented the members of the Whitley Heights neighborhood for 100 years. This notable achievement also earns the association the honor of being one of the longest continually operating civic associations in Los Angeles.

The Whitley Heights community was established when major land developer Hobart Johnstone Whitley commissioned architect Arthur Barnes to begin the design and construction of a new Mediterranean-style neighborhood in the Hollywood Hills. The arched doorways and windows, iconic red-tiled roofs, and balconies were new to Los Angeles, inspired by Barnes' tour of the Mediterranean; in particular, Italy and its historic hillside towns. With many of the homes constructed between 1918 and 1928, Whitley Heights was one of the first Hollywood developments. The style and aesthetic of the homes as well as the secluded hillside setting, attracted many prominent residents, including Charlie Chaplin, Gloria Swanson, Bette Davis, William Faulkner, and F. Scott Fitzgerald. In fact, the neighborhood's design was so highly regarded that many ex-

terior features became popular in other contemporary Los Angeles developments.

Preservation of this iconic neighborhood has been a challenge in the decades since the initial development. Construction and alteration of the Hollywood Freeway divided the original development in the 1940's and 1960's, during which almost 50 homes were demolished. In the 1980's, after the demolition of a historic bungalow to make space for potential tract homes, actor Brian Moore, president of the civic association, began advocating for the historical preservation of Whitley Heights; this resulted in the neighborhood being added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1982, and later, into a Los Angeles Historical Preservation Overlay Zone. The civic association works with the residents, city agencies and elected officials to ensure the preservation of this beautiful neighborhood.

It is an honor to recognize the Whitley Heights Civic Association for its commitment to preserving a historic neighborhood of Los Angeles, and I ask all Members to join me in congratulating this organization upon their centennial anniversary.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. ERIC A. "RICK" CRAWFORD

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Mr. CRAWFORD. Mr. Speaker, I was absent on July 17, 2023, due to a family matter. Had I been present, I would have voted YES on Roll Call No. 329 for S. 111, Providing Accountability Through Transparency Act, and YES for H.R. 1418, the Animal Drug and Animal Generic Drug User Fee Amendments of 2023, and YES on Roll Call No. 330 for H.R. 813, the Global Investment in American Jobs Act.

## RECOGNIZING THE EXCELLENCE OF THE MARCHING CENTURIONS

### HON. MIKE GARCIA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Mr. MIKE GARCIA of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Saugus High School's 2022–2023 Marching Centurions for their selection to represent California's 27th Congressional District in the National Memorial Day Parade held in our Nation's capital. Their designation as a distinguished participant in this year's festivities is a testament to not only their performative excellence, but their resilience through several years of challenges from which they have emerged stronger than ever.

It is important to recognize that this distinction is one that very few marching bands and color guards across the United States have the privilege of touting, and it is certainly one that is earned rather than given. For years leading up to their participation in the National Memorial Day Parade, the Marching Centurions of Saugus High School have distinguished themselves as a benchmark of virtuosity and dedication to craft. Time and time again, students throughout the years have



represented their fellow classmates with unmatched pride and skill and it is heartening to see this program be rewarded with such an honor.

I also want to pay special recognition to the members who graduated with the Class of 2023. Since they began high school in 2019, their graduating class has faced a gauntlet of trials and tribulations that many of their contemporaries or even most adults have not. After the tragic shooting in November of 2019, they were immediately confronted with the COVID-19 pandemic, lockdowns, and virtual learning which forced them to press on with rehearsals over Zoom. These challenges were of course coupled with the typical obstacles a teenager faces when navigating high school: homework, crushes, college applications, and anxiety about the future. As their representative in the halls of Congress, I could not be prouder of their resilience in the face of the impossible, and the manner in which they relied on each other to overcome the odds.

Once again, I want to extend my sincerest congratulations to the Marching Centurions for this great honor that they had to commemorate our Nation's heroes who have been killed in the defense of freedom for Memorial Day. As a Saugus alumnus myself, my heart swelled with pride seeing these students clad in blue and silver marching along the streets of Washington to honor our great country.

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#### V-J DAY 2023

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### HON. KEVIN HERN

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Mr. HERN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the end of World War II and the 78th anniversary of Victory over Japan Day, otherwise known as V-J Day. The sacrifices of our World War II veterans paid for the end to what was one of the most horrific wars in human history.

On this day in 1945, Japan signed the terms of surrender aboard the USS *Missouri* in Tokyo Bay. This day marks the heroic triumph of American forces for the good of the whole world.

Our World War II veterans may be dwindling in number, but their legacy as the greatest generation continues to grow. We must continue to esteem the truly incredible men and women who showed what a unified America can do to secure hope and liberty in the face of the most formidable adversary.

I am grateful for the work of Frank Reisinger who recalls the celebrating of V-J Day in downtown Tulsa with his father as a young man. Frank has diligently held a celebration of this important day in Broken Arrow for the last 8 years so that his community understands the cost of war and the price of freedom.

May we never forget that freedom is never free and that we are but 1 generation away from losing what so many have fought and died to secure.

### HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF THE CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS, ADMIRAL MIKE GILDAY

### HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the diligent and honorable service of Chief of Naval Operations Admiral Mike Gilday. On August 14, Admiral Gilday is slated to retire from his four-year term as the U.S. Navy's 32nd Chief of Naval Operations, and it is more than fitting that this chamber take a moment to recognize his extraordinary record leading our Nation's Navy.

A New England native hailing from Massachusetts, Mike Gilday was raised in a family with a strong Navy tradition. His innate intelligence, his patriotism and his leadership qualities stood out at an early age, foreshadowing a promising career as a naval officer. Upon graduating high school, he received a congressional nomination to the U.S. Naval Academy, and after graduation was commissioned as a Surface Warfare Officer in 1985. During his career he continued his passion for learning and obtained an MPA from the Harvard Kennedy School and an MS from the National War College.

Admiral Gilday's record at sea is impressive. He commanded the Destroyers USS *Higgins* and USS *Benfold*, was Commodore of Destroyer Squadron 7, and Commander of Carrier Strike Group 8. As Vice Admiral, he was the fourth commander of U.S. Fleet Cyber Command developing and enhancing the Navy's information network operations, offensive and defensive cyberspace operations, space operations and signals intelligence. In the 21st century, proficiency in cyber command—something which didn't exist until recently, provides an immense benefit to naval readiness. Admiral Gilday is the first to bring skill to the CNO position.

Ashore he served our Nation with distinction during a remarkable career. He completed several tours as a staff officer working for the Chief of Naval Operations and the Vice Chief of Naval Operations. He served as the executive assistant to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and naval aide to the President.

His commitment to our allies and partners were not only reflected during his work as the Chief of Naval Operations, but during his distinguished service as the director of operations for NATO's Joint Force Command Lisbon and as Chief of Staff for Naval Striking and Support Forces NATO.

Appointed to the role of Chief of Naval Operations in August 2019, Admiral Gilday has, in conjunction with the Congress's constitutional mandate in Article One, Section 8 "To provide and maintain a Navy", done outstanding work to keep our fleet relevant and oriented to challenges across the globe. Equipped with his striking educational background, as well as his history of deployments and command, his competent service as the head of naval operations has come to no surprise. It speaks volumes that he was the first three-star admiral to be appointed, to the position of Chief of Naval Operations in nearly half a century.

Each of his prior missions have influenced a modernized national security perspective with-

in him, and by extension from the top of the U.S. Navy down. As our Nation has shifted emphasis of our security strategy toward the Indo-Pacific region over the last decade-plus, Admiral Gilday has been a pioneer in adapting cyber preparedness and how best to prepare for and respond to competition or challenges to our collective freedom of the seas. He has been a steady presence in touring our Nation's industrial base capabilities, testifying to the U.S. Navy's needs before the House Armed Services Committee and a particular spokesperson in successfully advancing the cutting-edge vision of the AUKUS alliance.

Mr. Speaker, as both Ranking Member and Chair of the House Armed Services' Seapower Projection Forces Subcommittee, I have had a front row seat to view his tenure. It was not an easy time, contending with an unstable budget environment, historic turnover in the Office of Secretary of the Navy from 2017 until 2020, and a global pandemic. Through it all, he maintained a steady hand on the helm of our fleet and the marine corps. Overcoming adversity is I believe the sternest test of leadership, and in my opinion, Admiral Gilday passed that test with flying colors. The weightiness of his sea legs will be incredibly difficult to replace, but we will welcome the new perspective brought on by the next Chief of Naval Operations. As Admiral Mike Gilday enters this new era of retirement with his wife, Linda, I ask that my colleagues in the House, and particularly those who serve on the House Armed Services Committee, to join me in recognizing his life of service to the Navy and the United States.

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### HONORING THE LIFE OF LEE ANN EAGER

### HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, August 11, 2023*

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, today we gather to honor the remarkable contributions and career of Lee Ann Eager, a dedicated leader who has played a pivotal role in the economic development and growth of Fresno County. As she embarks on a new chapter in her life, retiring from her role as President and CEO of the Fresno County Economic Development Corporation (EDC), we take this moment to express our gratitude for her tireless efforts in building a thriving economic base and fostering long-term economic resiliency.

Throughout her tenure at the Fresno County EDC, Lee Ann Eager demonstrated exemplary leadership in guiding economic development and attracting investments to the region. Her visionary approach and strategic thinking allowed the EDC to expand its influence beyond the local sphere, engaging stakeholders from the private, public, philanthropic, and academic sectors at both national and international levels.

Lee Ann's dedication to supporting families in her community was evident throughout her career. Before joining the EDC, she championed the cause of survivors of sexual violence as the Executive Director of the Rape Counseling Services of Fresno, empowering and advocating for those in need. Her passion for making a positive impact on the lives of others continued in her work at the EDC,

where she tirelessly focused on creating opportunities for employers, workers, and job seekers to partake in the region's economic growth.

Governor Newsom's appointment of Lee Ann Eager to the California Transportation Commission in June 2020 and her subsequent role as Chair exemplify her commitment to prioritizing programs and funding that uplift families throughout the Central Valley. Additionally, her involvement in various state boards, councils, and advisory groups showcases her dedication to public policy initiatives that benefit the entire community.

Lee Ann's passion for infrastructure development and workforce empowerment led her to work diligently on the High-Speed Rail project for over 14 years. Her efforts in assisting local businesses impacted by the project and advocating for workforce development

across California demonstrate her dedication to creating inclusive economic opportunities.

Her commitment to Fresno County extended to numerous local boards, including the Mayor's Advisory Council, Fresno State Transportation Institute, Fresno State's Lyles College of Engineering, and Five Cities JPA, among others. Through her active engagement with these organizations, Lee Ann contributed significantly to the growth and prosperity of the region.

A fourth-generation Fresnan, Lee Ann Eager's unwavering dedication to her community and her exemplary service as the President and CEO of the Fresno County EDC have left an indelible mark on the region's economic landscape. Her leadership and vision have transformed the EDC into a dynamic, agile, and award-winning organization,

earning accolades both nationally and internationally.

As we celebrate Lee Ann's retirement and the impact she has had on Fresno County's economic development, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for her exceptional service. Her dedication to improving the lives of others, promoting economic growth, and advancing the well-being of the community will continue to inspire future generations of leaders.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my esteemed colleagues to join me in recognizing and honoring Lee Ann Eager's significant contributions to Fresno County, the Central Valley, and beyond. In closing, we express our warmest wishes to Lee Ann Eager on her well-deserved retirement and commend her for leaving a legacy that will continue to shape the economic future of Fresno County for years to come.

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### *Chamber Action*

The Senate met at 9:00:08 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 9:00:38 a.m. until 12 noon on Tuesday, August 15, 2023.

### *Committee Meetings*

No committee meetings were held.

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## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 21 public bills, H.R. 5183–5203; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 650–653 were introduced. **Pages H4180–81**

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**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Waltz to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H4175**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 11 a.m. and adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

### *Committee Meetings*

No hearings were held.

### *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2023

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

#### House

No hearings are scheduled.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

12 noon, Tuesday, August 15

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

11 a.m., Tuesday, August 15

## Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

## House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 11 a.m.

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