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House of Representatives

The House met at 1 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. EVANS).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

WASHINGTON, DC,
April 18, 2022.

I hereby appoint the Honorable DWIGHT EVANS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI,
House of Representatives.

PRAYER

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

On this first day of the week, O Lord, the world looks a little different. With eyes of renewed faith we see the proof of creation with which You have blessed us, in the emergence of leaves from the trees and the multitude of flowers from the darkness of winter.

Awaken us to the promise of new life You offer us, where joy emerges from the depths of our souls and hope from the bleakness around us. May we rejoice in Your creative renewal within us and delight in the signs of Your presence among us.

We pray, then, as we venture into this week and dare to work toward a peaceful future, that You will answer even before we speak, that You will hear us even before we finish praying.

Make us the instruments of Your perfect will. Direct our passions to bringing the wolf and the lamb together, and our efforts to encouraging the lion to eat straw with the ox.

So may we dedicate ourselves neither to harm nor destroy this Your holy creation.

By Your grace we pray in Your name.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 11(a) of House Resolution 188, 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 11(b) of House Resolution 188, the House stands adjourned until 9 a.m. on Thursday, April 21, 2022.

Thereupon (at 1 o'clock and 2 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Thursday, April 21, 2022, at 9 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

EC-3745. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting the Budget of the United States Government for Fiscal Year 2023, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1105(a); Public Law 97-258 (as amended by Public Law 101-508, Sec. 13112(c)(1)); (104 Stat. 1288-608) (H. Doc. No. 117—82); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

EC-3746. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting the Economic Report of the President together with the Annual Report of the Council of Economic Advisers, pursuant to 15 U.S.C.

1022(a); Feb. 20, 1946, ch. 33, Sec. 3(a) (as amended by Public Law 101-508, Sec. 13112(e)); (104 Stat. 1388-609) (H. Doc. No. 117—81); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce and ordered to be printed.

EC-3747. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification that the national emergency with respect to the unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States constituted by specified harmful foreign activities of the Government of the Russian Federation, that was declared in Executive Order 14024 of April 15, 2021, as amended, is to continue in effect beyond April 15, 2022, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1622(d); Public Law 94-412, Sec. 202(d); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 117—112); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

EC-3748. A letter from the Chief Justice, Supreme Court of the United States, transmitting amendments to the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure that have been adopted by the Supreme Court of the United States pursuant to Section 2072 of Title 28, United States Code (H. Doc. No. 117—111); to the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered to be printed.

EC-3749. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Medicare Program; Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems for Acute Care Hospitals; Changes to Medicare Graduate Medical Education Payments for Teaching Hospitals; Changes to Organ Acquisition Payment Policies [CMS-1752-FC3] (RIN: 0938-AU44) received March 21, 2022, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

EC-3750. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Medicare Program; Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS) Policy Issues and Level II of the Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS); DME Interim Pricing in the CARES Act; Durable Medical Equipment Fee Schedule Adjustments to Resume the Transitional 50/50 Blended Rates to Provide Relief in Rural Areas and Non-Contiguous Areas [CMS-1738-

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F, CMS-1687-F, and CMS-5531-F] (RINs: 0938-AU17, 0938-AT21, and 0938-AU32) received March 21, 2022, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

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. CRIST (for himself and Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ):

H.R. 7532. A bill to expand the section 203(k) rehabilitation and title I property improvement loan programs of the Department of Housing and Urban Development to authorize such loans to be made to low-income families residing in condominium units to cover the costs of special assessments imposed for repair or replacement of common areas, systems, and features, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. ESCOBAR (for herself, Mr. NEGUSE, and Mr. CICILLINE):

H.R. 7533. A bill to amend the Victims of Crime Act of 1984 to provide that recipients of crime victim assistance grants shall prioritize programs that provide assistance to victims of firearm violence or the family members of victims of homicide, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GALLEGO (for himself and Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN):

H.R. 7534. A bill to require the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to establish an excess urban heat mitigation grant program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. KHANNA (for himself, Ms. MACE, and Mr. CONNOLLY):

H.R. 7535. A bill to encourage the migration of Federal Government information technology systems to quantum-resistant cryptography, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. LARSON of Connecticut:

H.R. 7536. A bill to require each eligible citizen to appear to vote in each regularly scheduled general election for Federal office, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mrs. MCBATH (for herself, Mr. NEGUSE, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mr. CARSON, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. DEUTCH, Mrs. HAYES, Mr. HORSFORD, and Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia):

H.R. 7537. A bill to amend title V of the Public Health Service Act to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, to establish a program under which the Secretary will award grants to eligible entities to provide community-based mental health services in communities in which an active shooter event or incident of targeted violence occurred, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. MOORE of Alabama:

H.R. 7538. A bill to provide the equivalent of a 6-month Federal income tax holiday for certain individuals; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin (for herself, Mr. COLE, Ms. NORTON, Mr. JOYCE of Ohio, and Mr. CARSON):

H.R. 7539. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income payments under the Indian Health Service Loan Repayment Program and certain amounts received under the Indian

Health Professions Scholarships Program; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. NEGUSE (for himself, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mrs. MCBATH, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. CARSON, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, Mrs. HAYES, and Mr. HORSFORD):

H.R. 7540. A bill to direct the Secretary of Labor to promulgate an occupational safety and health standard on reducing the threat of violence in the workplace, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. NEGUSE (for himself, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mrs. MCBATH, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. CARSON, Mr. CICILLINE, Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia, Mrs. HAYES, and Mr. HORSFORD):

H.R. 7541. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 and the Victims of Crime Act of 1984 to authorize the use of certain grant funds for active shooter preparedness, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. SPEIER (for herself, Ms. UNDERWOOD, Ms. SCANLON, Ms. PORTER, Mrs. BUSTOS, Ms. NORTON, Ms. NEWMAN, Mr. CLEAVER, Ms. ADAMS, Ms. JACOBS of California, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. VARGAS, and Mrs. CHERFILUS-McCORMICK):

H.R. 7542. A bill to amend the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 to require Members of Congress to reimburse the Treasury for amounts paid as settlements and awards under such Act in all cases of employment discrimination acts committed personally by Members, to permit individuals who file claims under such Act to file an amended claim if the preliminary review of the individual's claim by a hearing officer includes the determination that the individual filing the claim is not a covered employee under such Act or has not stated a claim for which relief may be granted under title IV of such Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Ms. STEVENS:

H.R. 7543. A bill to require information about the motor vehicle plant in which vehicles are assembled for Federal procurement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. TORRES of New York:

H.R. 7544. A bill to provide a private right of action against the maker of any component of a ghost gun, and any person who facilitated a sale of the ghost gun, for injury or death resulting from the use of the ghost gun; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. CRIST:

H.R. 7532.

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.

By Ms. ESCOBAR:

H.R. 7533.

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

THE U.S. CONSTITUTION
ARTICLE I, SECTION 8: POWERS OF CONGRESS

CLAUSE 18

The Congress shall have power 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.

By Mr. GALLEGO:

H.R. 7534.

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

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18: "[The Congress shall have the power . . .] 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."

By Mr. KHANNA:

H.R. 7535.

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

The Quantum Cybersecurity Preparedness Act

Article 1, Section 8 of the Constitution gives Congress the power to make laws that are necessary and proper to carry out its enumerated powers.

By Mr. LARSON of Connecticut:

H.R. 7536.

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

Article I of the Constitution

By Mrs. MCBATH:

H.R. 7537.

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

Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article I of the U.S. Constitution

By Mr. MOORE of Alabama:

H.R. 7538.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 of the Constitution of the United States.

By Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin:

H.R. 7539.

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

The Congress enacts this bill pursuant to Sections 7 & 8 of Article I of the United States Constitution and Amendment XVI of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. NEGUSE:

H.R. 7540.

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

Article 1, Section 8

By Mr. NEGUSE:

H.R. 7541.

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

Article 1, Section 8

By Ms. SPEIER:

H.R. 7542.

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

Article 1, Section 5 of the United States Constitution

By Ms. STEVENS:

H.R. 7543.

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

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. TORRES of New York:

H.R. 7544.

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

Article I, Section 8

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 304: Mr. BACON.	H.R. 4058: Ms. MANNING.	H.R. 7055: Mr. RASKIN.
H.R. 899: Mr. BROOKS.	H.R. 4200: Ms. STEFANIK and Mr. NEHLS.	H.R. 7062: Ms. CHU.
H.R. 1016: Mr. LAMB, Mr. MCCAUL, and Mr. SCHRADER.	H.R. 4319: Ms. TITUS.	H.R. 7079: Mr. COHEN.
H.R. 1212: Mrs. CHERFILUS-McCORMICK, Mr. JACKSON, Mr. DOGGETT, and Mr. GARAMENDI.	H.R. 4390: Mr. NORMAN.	H.R. 7132: Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin.
H.R. 1275: Mrs. MILLER of Illinois.	H.R. 4472: Miss GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN.	H.R. 7249: Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER and Mr. RUSH.
H.R. 1481: Ms. CHU.	H.R. 4496: Ms. STEVENS.	H.R. 7263: Mr. BUDD.
H.R. 1623: Mr. GOMEZ and Mr. DELGADO.	H.R. 4824: Mr. NEGUSE.	H.R. 7267: Mr. COHEN.
H.R. 1624: Mr. GOMEZ, Mr. DELGADO, and Mr. BACON.	H.R. 5084: Mr. DOGGETT.	H.R. 7366: Ms. STEFANIK.
H.R. 1661: Mr. POCAN.	H.R. 5504: Mr. CARSON.	H.R. 7438: Mr. CARBAJAL.
H.R. 1704: Ms. KAPTUR.	H.R. 5583: Mr. SCHRADER.	H.R. 7502: Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Ms. PORTER.
H.R. 2056: Mr. SMUCKER.	H.R. 5685: Mr. GOMEZ.	H.R. 7510: Mr. BUCK.
H.R. 2102: Mr. SMITH of Washington, Mr. WELCH, and Mr. GRIJALVA.	H.R. 5912: Mr. LYNCH.	H.R. 7512: Ms. CASTOR of Florida.
H.R. 2214: Mr. HORSFORD.	H.R. 6002: Mr. GOLDEN.	H.R. 7520: Mr. DONALDS.
H.R. 2549: Mr. HORSFORD.	H.R. 6192: Mr. PAPPAS.	H.J. Res. 72: Mrs. FISCHBACH and Mr. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN of Florida.
H.R. 2565: Mr. COHEN and Mr. MEUSER.	H.R. 6339: Mr. DELGADO.	H. Res. 69: Mr. SHERMAN.
H.R. 2638: Mr. PAPPAS and Mr. RYAN.	H.R. 6380: Mrs. KIM of California.	H. Res. 588: Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin.
H.R. 3115: Mr. NORCROSS.	H.R. 6398: Ms. DEGETTE.	H. Res. 964: Mr. CORREA.
H.R. 3431: Ms. PORTER, Ms. TLAIB, and Mr. LOWENTHAL.	H.R. 6571: Mr. KILMER and Mr. PAPPAS.	H. Res. 994: Mr. CARSON.
H.R. 3609: Ms. PORTER.	H.R. 6629: Ms. MACE.	H. Res. 1022: Mr. KILDEE, Mrs. LAWRENCE, Mr. PASCRELL, and Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY.
H.R. 3843: Mr. DESAULNIER.	H.R. 6658: Mr. MULLIN.	H. Res. 1050: Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER.
H.R. 3867: Mr. TRONE.	H.R. 6661: Mr. SWALWELL.	
H.R. 4020: Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.	H.R. 6670: Ms. NEWMAN, Mr. JONES, and Mr. NADLER.	
	H.R. 6715: Ms. DEGETTE.	
	H.R. 6748: Mr. DONALDS.	
	H.R. 7018: Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts and Mr. KILMER.	



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Senate

The Senate met at 12:40 and 1 second p.m. and was called to order by the Honorable GARY C. PETERS, a Senator from the State of Michigan.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

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

The legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, April 18, 2022.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable GARY C. PETERS, a Senator from the State of Michigan, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATRICK J. LEAHY,
President pro tempore.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL THURSDAY,
APRIL 21, 2022, AT 8:45 A.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until Thursday, April 21, 2022, at 8:45 a.m.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 12:40 and 30 seconds p.m., adjourned until Thursday, April 21, 2022, at 8:45 a.m.

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EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN RECOGNITION OF THE LIFE AND MEMORY OF RENEE SPAAR

HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 18, 2022

Mr. CLEAVER. Madam Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to honor the life of Ms. Renee Spaar and recognize her for the tremendous work achieved in the Odessa community. Renee loved her community and would stop at nothing to help the people within it. She truly was an amazing person to work with and a pioneer in education for the Odessa School District and school districts throughout Lafayette County, Missouri.

Her career began after graduating from Southwest Missouri State University in 1982 at The Odessan, where she would go on to develop the Newspapers in Education program. Through this program Renee was able to link real-world experiences to the classroom, promote lifelong learning, and develop reading habits by advancing the use of a newspaper in the classroom to promote literacy for kids across the Odessa area. Additionally, she was one of the founding members of the Odessa Outreach, an organization created to help serve and fund local non-profits in the area who need assistance. Renee's life will be remembered for her passion for education and outstanding work for everyone in her city. She always found a way to overcome any difficulties she faced in her long, dedicated career to service, and in doing so remained positive no matter what.

Renee was loved by many and in return loved all that she encountered. She was described by her peers as always having a bright smile on her face, a joke to tell, and uplifting for those who needed it. She was an enjoyable person to be around and would light up every room she walked into. We should all strive to be as happy, loving, and gracious as Renee was in her admirable 61 years of living. She will be deeply missed, but her long-lasting impact and legacy will live on for years to come. I would like to offer my condolences to all that knew Renee and her loving family and remember her for the outstanding work she did for the Odessa community. May her memory be a blessing.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE INAUGURATION OF BAY PATH UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT SANDRA J. DORAN

HON. RICHARD E. NEAL

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 18, 2022

Mr. NEAL. Madam Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Sandra Doran on being inaugurated as the sixth president of Bay Path University in Longmeadow,

Massachusetts. As Bay Path marks their 125th anniversary, I could not think of a more appropriate platform to celebrate the inauguration of President Doran.

Over the past 18 years, President Doran's experience in academics has culminated in her becoming a leader in higher education. Most recently, President Doran served as President of Salem Academy and College in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, the nation's oldest women's college. In just two years, President Doran helped develop and implement a plan to bring financial stability to Salem College, while transforming their academic programs to educate future generations of female leaders. Prior to beginning her academic career in 2004, President Doran worked in the private sector for 18 years, building a unique skillset that will serve her well in her new position at Bay Path.

In 1897, Bay Path University was founded upon the ideals of providing career-focused educational programs and providing students with the resources needed to affect real change in their communities. Offering 71 all-women undergraduate programs, and 33 co-educational graduate programs, Bay Path prides itself on empowering its diverse student body of more than 3,000 students to help women close the wage gap and stem the cycle of poverty. President Doran has demonstrated her commitment to these fundamental issues throughout her career, and that is why I am confident she will be a strong leader and outspoken advocate as Bay Path begins a new era in the institution's history.

Madam Speaker, I would like to once again congratulate President Doran on being inaugurated as the sixth president of Bay Path University. Bay Path is a cherished institution in Massachusetts' First District, and I wish their faculty, staff, student body, and new president, Sandra Doran, many more years of success and prosperity.

IN RECOGNITION OF 2022 CENTER FOR PUBLIC SAFETY EXCELLENCE RAY PICARD AWARD RECIPIENT NORMA JEAN VALDEZ

HON. TERESA LEGER FERNANDEZ

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 18, 2022

Ms. LEGER FERNANDEZ. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor Norma Jean Valdez.

As Senior Management Analyst with the Los Alamos County Fire Department (LACFD), Ms. Valdez has demonstrated a deep commitment to public safety through her work on fire accreditation.

Our state is all too familiar with the devastation that fires can cause. Ms. Valdez's work is so important for keeping New Mexicans and their property safe.

Ms. Valdez's leadership in the fire and emergency service is well-recognized among her colleagues and community.

This leadership earned her the 2022 Center for Public Safety Excellence Ray Picard Award.

I would also like to recognize the historic nature of Ms. Valdez's selection as the first civilian, woman, Hispanic, and New Mexican to ever receive this prestigious award.

Ms. Valdez's work is commendable, and I'm proud to represent such a dedicated public servant in Congress. I join the Los Alamos community in congratulating her on this incredible accomplishment.

IN RECOGNITION OF COMMANDER RUSS NORRIS

HON. CHRIS PAPPAS

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 18, 2022

Mr. PAPPAS. Madam Speaker. I rise today in recognition of Commander Russ Norris's dedicated service to his country. Commander Norris served in the U.S. Marine Corps for more than 22 years and brought his spirit of service home, maintaining active participation and leadership with Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Commander Norris has gone above and beyond the call of duty in his service to his country, as in addition to the many milestones of Marine Corps training, he has achieved over a dozen advanced certifications. These include completing the Defense Institute for Security Assistance Management's Security Cooperation course, and the Commanders Responsibility Course. Amongst his many accolades, Russ earned the Korean Defense Service Medal, was selected to be a Staff Sergeant (E-6) and became a commissioned officer. Norris rose to the rank of Major and served at the highest echelons of the US military, before retiring in 2011.

Commander Norris currently holds a B.A. in Government & International Studies, a master's degree in Operations Science and, while serving as Commander at the Post for Veterans of Foreign Wars, is pursuing his Doctorate.

On behalf of my constituents in New Hampshire's First Congressional District, I would like to thank Commander Russ Norris for his service and wish him the best in his work toward the completion of his degree.

RECOGNIZING AUTISM AFTER 21 DAY

HON. JAMIE RASKIN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 18, 2022

Mr. RASKIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize April 21 as national "Autism After 21 Day". As many of my colleagues know, April is Autism Acceptance Month, so it is fitting and crucial that we take a moment today

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to acknowledge the unique challenges faced by adults with autism after the age of 21.

The transition to adulthood is challenging for many young people. However, this transition period can be especially difficult for autistic young people, who often face a formidable challenge—the so-called “services cliff”—as they age out of the school system. Federal support services drop off, and young adults with autism and their families often struggle to find meaningful educational and job opportunities, face challenges in obtaining essential support services, and experience what can feel like an overwhelming loss of their community.

In light of these pressing challenges, Madam Speaker, I want to recognize the important work being done to support adults with autism in my community. Two extraordinary constituents of mine, JaLynn Prince and Dr. Gregory A. Prince, founded the Madison House Autism Foundation, which works to improve the health and wellbeing of autistic adults throughout their lifespan. The Madison House Autism Foundation is expanding choices and opportunities for adults with autism through housing initiatives, employment partnerships, and many other innovative efforts, including the Autism After 21 movement.

Madam Speaker, we must continue working to achieve a more inclusive and enlightened society that provides equitable opportunities to autistic individuals of every age. This month, as we celebrate the contributions of so many adults with autism and their allies, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing April 21st as national “Autism After 21 Day”.

IN HONOR OF THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FLYING TIGERS

HON. RAJA KRISHNAMOORTHY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 18, 2022

Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY. Madam Speaker, today I wish to commemorate the 80th Anniversary of the Flying Tigers. Originally named the American Volunteer Group (AVG), the Flying Tigers were a group of American aviators who were recruited by China during World War II to fight Japanese forces in China and Burma from 1941 to 1942. The 100-member company assisted in the transport of vital supplies, provided air cover for the Burma Road, helped protect China's capital region, and opposed Japan's invasion of China. The unit is credited with 297 enemy aircraft destroyed despite a lack of medical support and maintenance crew. Over the course of the unit's service, 14 dedicated crew were killed, captured, or deemed missing in combat.

The Flying Tigers were led by Retired U.S. Army Captain, Claire Lee Chennault, whose training enabled the utilization of high-speed diving and climbing techniques to exploit the weaknesses of the larger Japanese aircraft. The unit was lauded for their ability to inflict damage on Japan's superior force despite the significant disadvantages they held. The success achieved by the Flying Tigers on the battlefield was a morale boost for the Chinese and American allies at a time when the war appeared to be going in Japan's favor.

Madam Speaker, I honor the bravery of the Flying Tigers, and I celebrate the efforts of the

Asian Pacific Public Affairs Association and the Sino-American Heritage Foundation to memorialize the Flying Tigers' legacy.

THANKING PHARMACIES AND HEALTH CENTERS FOR THEIR ROLE IN EQUITABLE VACCINE DISTRIBUTION

HON. RAUL RUIZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 18, 2022

Mr. RUIZ. Madam Speaker, I rise to commend pharmacies and health centers for their efforts in distributing COVID-19 vaccines to underserved communities throughout Southern California, including in the Coachella Valley.

In February of 2021, I called upon retail pharmacies, including Rite Aid, to expand the number of their vaccination sites located in high-risk, underserved communities in eastern Riverside County, where my district lies. Twelve communities in my district are defined by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) as Medically Underserved Areas, including Blythe, Hemet, San Jacinto, Coachella, Indio, Idyllwild/Pine Cove, Banning, Beaumont, and Chiriac Summit/Desert Center. Many of these same communities were hit particularly hard by the pandemic and began to experience disparities in vaccination rates.

I am grateful to the businesses and organizations that answered this call and stepped up to promote vaccine equity. Following my letter, several additional vaccine sites and mobile vaccine clinics in vulnerable and underserved communities were opened in my district, increasing access for high-risk individuals.

I was honored to collaborate with organizations including Rite Aid Pharmacy, Desert Healthcare Clinic, Eisenhower Health, and the Riverside University Health System on multiple on-the-ground mobile clinics throughout 2021. As an emergency medicine physician, I was able to directly administer vaccines to my constituents, while observing the vital work that these groups brought to our region. Thanks to pharmacy organizations, health centers, several wonderful local organizations, President Biden's federal retail pharmacy program, and the Health Equity Task Force, we were not only able to bring COVID-19 vaccines to pharmacies located in the hardest-to-reach communities, but also take vaccines directly to the people.

Over the last 12 months, the Coachella Valley's vaccination rate for residents 12 and over has risen to over 80 percent. These high vaccination rates have proven to be lifesaving as the region continues to face challenges presented by COVID-19 and its variants. I am grateful for the collaborative effort that played a critical role in addressing vaccine equity and am happy that my high-risk constituents now have much-needed access to COVID-19 vaccines.

On behalf of the great people of California's 36th Congressional District, thank you to the pharmacies, health centers, health systems, and local organizations for your work to bring equitable health and vaccine access to our district. I look forward to continuing our shared work to address health disparities and protect underserved populations throughout communities across the nation.

IN RECOGNITION OF RITA MCCABE

HON. CHRIS PAPPAS

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 18, 2022

Mr. PAPPAS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Rita McCabe's years of service for Veterans of Foreign Wars. In 2010, Rita made history as the first President of the John H. Hargreaves Pelham Memorial Auxiliary 10722. In her time with the organization, Rita has provided Officer Training Sessions, as well as earned several distinctions, including an Outstanding President award.

Rita became a business owner in 2014, opening the first Sub Zero Nitrogen Ice Cream shop in Nashua, New Hampshire, and has expanded the franchise to add locations in Ashland, Worcester, Cambridge, and Manchester.

Rita's community involvement and impact do not end there. She was a Girl Scout Leader for 7 years, a Pastoral Council member for St. Patrick's Church twice and served two terms as Director-at-large for the Veteran Business Owners Initiative. Her commitment to bettering her community led Rita to provide unique hybrid training opportunities for officers at the John H. Hargreaves Pelham Memorial Auxiliary. Rita is a dedicated supporter of our troops, businesswoman and volunteer. The Granite State is thankful for her years of commitment and service.

On behalf of my constituents in New Hampshire's First Congressional District, I want to thank Rita McCabe for her continued dedication to the Auxiliary and congratulate her on her many well-deserved awards.

IN RECOGNITION OF METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S ADVANCE TECHNICAL SKILLS INSTITUTE

HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 18, 2022

Mr. CLEAVER. Madam Speaker, for two generations now, the promise of college is one on which we as a nation have largely failed to deliver. At a time when seven of ten undergraduate students and nine of ten Pell Grant recipients must take on debt simply to graduate college—a debt load which averages \$30,000 per borrower—many families have begun considering alternatives. However, the WPA is gone, and with it even rhetorical concessions to the idea of full employment. More disappointingly evanescent is the yeoman idea which once accompanied manual labor. The artisans and mechanics of whom Jefferson wrote so fondly—the ideal American citizen—theirs has become an almost antiquarian way of life. The Great Emancipator once wrote, “Labor is the superior of capital, and deserves much the higher consideration.” In this vein, and on behalf of Missouri's Fifth Congressional district, I rise to honor Metropolitan Community College's Advanced Technical Skills Institute's Early College Program.

The Early College Program allows students to consider their options, rather than locking them into a field of study, and allows them to

earn college credit towards certificate and Associates programs. The four careers which students can pursue through the program promise dignified and liberating labor, livable wages, a community's respect, and autonomy. The pathways include HVAC, Construction Careers, Engineering and Technology, and Welding. The program delivers the institutions promise of bolstering participation in the trades and developing a skilled workforce that is prepared to meet the demands of the future. The satisfaction, the fulfillment, and the compensation that comes with these trades belongs to the tradesperson alone. The graduate will carry these with them as a badge of honor; they will wear a proud and dignified smile.

Our infrastructure crumbles around us. Bridges fall. Housing stock sits vacant. Our water is unsafe to drink. Missouri's infrastructure was recently graded a C— by the White House. I am further ashamed to announce that this is one of the higher rankings in the nation. No state received a grade above C+. Great disasters—manmade disasters, bred of indecision and postponement, of abdication of responsibility—await us if we do not act. We must provide avenues such as this Early College Program, training millions for the labor we all know is necessary. The Bipartisan Infrastructure Law marks the largest investment in Americas critical infrastructure in nearly a century and will create an estimated 2 million jobs per year—particularly for those with trade experience and technical skills. Those participating in MCCCK's Early College Program will be leaders in the Midwest region, charged with the duty to not only tackle the nation's crumbling infrastructure, but also in preparing for a greener future. Roosevelt met the Great Depression head on with a whole alphabet of innovative solutions: CCC, NYA, WPA. I believe this program—the MCCCK ATSI ECP, if you will—can serve as a model for higher education reform across the country.

When I consider the endless potential of this program, I reflect on these historical lessons. I think of the new opportunities. I think of the new future these students will build together with capable hands and keen minds. They will become sharp without becoming narrow. They will graduate into good, honest careers. I hope this hallowed body joins me in honoring Metropolitan Community College in this tremendous vision, and in wishing them eternal luck in an uncertain future. They have my utmost confidence and support.

IN RECOGNITION OF VAISAKHI

HON. RICHARD E. NEAL

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 18, 2022

Mr. NEAL. Madam Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to join with the Sikh community in celebrating Vaisakhi.

The Sikh New Year Festival is a time for 30 million Sikhs around the world to celebrate the solar new year and reflect on the rich history of their religion. Founded in the Punjab region of India by Guru Nanak in the 15th Century CE, Sikhism was founded upon the principles of living an honest and hard-working lifestyle while serving others and treating everyone equally. Despite their beliefs of good-will,

Sikhs have been subjected to violence and have fought relentlessly to defend their faith, most notably in 1984 with Sikh genocide during the anti-Sikh riots in India.

In the First Congressional District of Massachusetts, the City of Holyoke declared April 14th National Sikh Day. Every year, the Sikh community of western Massachusetts gathers at Holyoke City Hall to raise the Nishan Sahib flag in celebration of Vaisakhi. The First District is fortunate to have a Sikh community that plays a prominent philanthropic role by giving back to those less fortunate. As we celebrate Sikh Awareness Month in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, let us all embrace the Sikh principles of service and generosity.

Madam Speaker, I would like to wish the World Sikhs Parliament and the Sikh community a happy and prosperous Vaisakhi.

HONORING THOMAS PEEK ROZIER, JR. AS HE RETIRES AFTER 42 YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

HON. JAKE ELLZEY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 18, 2022

Mr. ELLZEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Thomas Peek Rozier, Jr., as he retires after 42 years of distinguished service in keeping the lights on for the people of Texas. A graduate of DeSoto High School, Tom started his career as a member of the Right-of-Way Crew for Texas Power & Light in 1980. The following year, Tom graduated from climbing school and scaled his way up—both literally and figuratively—to become a senior lineman in 1984, which happened to be the year Texas Power & Light became Texas Utilities Electric Company, later known as TXU and now Oncor. For the next 22 years, Tom proved to be a trusted employee of TXU, rising to the ranks of senior electrician and patrolman and managing several substation crews. A humble kid from Greenville, Mississippi, who—in his own words—“crammed 12 years of school into 14,” Tom never saw himself reaching the heights that he did. Luckily, his superiors recognized his potential and encouraged him to seek a position in the Transmission Grid Management (TGM) Division in 2004, where he has worked ever since. Tom's decades of experience as a lineman and patrolman have been invaluable for TGM and allowed him the opportunity to serve the very crews he dedicated so much of his life to. Madam Speaker, on behalf of the people of the 6th Congressional District and the State of Texas, it is an honor to recognize Tom for his many years of hard work and to wish him the best in his retirement.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF PAUL SAN NICOLAS SHIMIZU

HON. MICHAEL F.Q. SAN NICOLAS

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 18, 2022

Mr. SAN NICOLAS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Paul San Nicolas Shimizu. Paul was an esteemed vi-

sionary, outstanding ambassador, and true pillar of our community. Our people will fondly remember him as a passionate leader who aspired to cultivate a greater quality of life for our island and region by forging connections with the rest of the world.

As the youngest son of the late Ambrosio Shimizu, Paul joined his father and brothers in elevating their four-generation family business, Ambros, Inc., into a catalyst of prosperity for all those whose lives it touched. Contributing to its significant expansion, alongside increased opportunities for many throughout our region, he brought new meaning to their company slogan, “Generations Serving Micronesia.” In addition to having learned every aspect of Ambros, Inc., risen as its Corporate Secretary and joint owner, and spearheaded iconic sports and entertainment events for the island public, he further dedicated his work toward the growth of the company's subsidiaries, Marianas Pacific Distributors, Inc., Shimbros Inc. in Palau, Shimbros Audio, and American Samoa, Inc. Moreover, as appointed Vice Chair on the Board of Directors for the Guam Visitors Bureau with critical roles as chair for the North America, Pacific and Philippines Marketing and Sports and Events Committees and vice-chair of the Air Service Development and Japan Marketing Committee, he materially advanced Guam's tourism industry and fostered its ties to government and community.

Paul's influence within our community also extended beyond the business sector. With a passion to showcase Guam's people, talent, and greatness to the rest of the world, he was an ardent supporter of musicians. He worked to transform Shimbros into more than a music production company by facilitating music lessons for almost any instrument to generations of islanders in addition to hosting historic concerts for international artists such as Toto, Skid Row, Santana, Maxi Priest, Reggae Sunsplash, Mike Love & The Beach Boys Touring Band, and UB40. An accomplished Team Guam basketball gold-medalist himself, he also recognized the importance of creating spaces for our athletes to rise as fierce opponents and champions on the world stage. This was partly demonstrated by the guidance and support he offered to his nephew, Steve, in establishing the Marianas Open—a recognized Brazilian jiu-jitsu competition for all ages—as well as his consistent sponsorship of numerous professional boxing matches, soccer leagues, and other sports organizations and activities. His devotion to others also materialized in numerous philanthropic endeavors including involvement with the IRecycle program, charitable giving, and other worthy causes.

Paul San Nicolas Shimizu admirably embodied the Håfa Adai spirit and CHamoru value of inafa'maolek with humility and distinction. His unwavering zeal to put Guam on the map for our region, nation, and world to see continues to inspire many throughout the island, and I join the People of Guam in remembering and celebrating his life and legacy of commitment to serving community at the unique intersections of one's skills, opportunities, and interests. My family and I wish to extend our hearts and prayers for Paul San Nicolas Shimizu, his wife, Jeni; their children, Toby, Carlos, Lucas, Pilar, and Diego; the rest of their family, and friends. He will be dearly

missed, and his love and memories will forever remain in the hearts of the People of Guam.

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate met at 12:40:01 p.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 12:40:30 p.m. until 8:45 a.m., on Thursday, April 21, 2022.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 7532–7544, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Evans to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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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 1 p.m. and adjourned at 1:02 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 21, 2022

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Oversight and Reform, Subcommittee on Government Operations, hearing entitled “IRS: Is It Ready?”, 10 a.m., Zoom.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

8:45 a.m., Thursday, April 21

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Thursday, April 21

Senate Chamber

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

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 9 a.m.

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