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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,
August 16, 2022.

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

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

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

Mighty and all-powerful God, who are we that You should love us? For we have all sinned and fallen short of the glory You shared with us at creation.

Who are we that You should use us? For there is not a righteous person on Earth who does good and never fails in Your sight.

Who are we to dare to come into Your company? For mountains quake, the hills dissolve, and all are overwhelmed in Your awesome presence.

And yet, You have shown Your love to us while we are yet sinners. Your favor rests upon us and You prosper for us the work of our hands. You let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith in the mercy You offer to each one of us.

So may we be open to receive Your love, willing to be used according to Your will, and seek You throughout this day, that we can and will do all things by the strength You provide.

Now to You who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to Your power that is at work within us we offer our prayers in Your most holy name. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2 of House Resolution 1289, 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.

COMMUNICATION FROM CHIEF OF STAFF, THE HONORABLE JARED GOLDEN, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Aisha Woodward, Chief of Staff, the Honorable JARED GOLDEN, Member of Congress:

JARED GOLDEN,
CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
2nd District of Maine, August 15, 2022.
Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I, Aisha Woodward, have been served with a subpoena to testify as a witness in a criminal trial in the United States District Court for the District of Columbia.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena is consistent with the privileges and rights of the House.

Sincerely,

AISHA WOODWARD,
Chief of Staff.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, the following

enrolled bill was signed by the Speaker on Friday, August 12, 2022:

H.R. 5376, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res. 14.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Cheryl L. Johnson, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker on Friday, August 12, 2022:

H.R. 5376. An act to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res. 14.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 1 of House Resolution 1230, the House stands adjourned until 11 a.m. on Friday, August 19, 2022.

Thereupon (at 1 o'clock and 3 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Friday, August 19, 2022, at 11 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-5089. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for International Security Affairs, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's Report on United States Government Assistance Provided to the Security Forces of the Government of Ukraine, pursuant to Public Law 117-103, Sec. 2704(a); (136 Stat. 786); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-5090. A letter from the Under Secretary for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter authorizing Lieutenant General Michael E. Langley,

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United States Marine Corps, to wear the insignia of the grade of general for a period not to exceed 14 days before assuming the duties of the position for which the higher grade is authorized, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 777a(b)(4); Public Law 111-383, Sec. 505(a)(1); (124 Stat. 4208); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5091. A letter from the Under Secretary, Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting a semiannual report titled, "Acceptance of Contributions for Defense Programs, Projects, and Activities; Defense Cooperation Account", pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2608(i); Public Law 101-403, title II, Sec. 202(a)(1) (as amended by Public Law 103-160, Sec. 1105(b)); (107 Stat. 1750); to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5092. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Energy, Installations, and Environment, Department of Defense, transmitting a report entitled "Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Cleanup: Schedule, Status, and Cost Estimates"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5093. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Fiscal Year 2021 Annual Progress Report to Congress on the C.W. Bill Young Cell Transplantation Program and National Cord Blood Inventory Program, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 274k(a)(6); July 1, 1944, ch. 373, title III, Sec. 379 (as amended by Public Law 109-129, Sec. 3(a)); (119 Stat. 2554); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-5094. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a Memorandum of Justification regarding a Certification under Section 7041(a)(1) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2022; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-5095. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a Determination under Section 506(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-5096. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a Memorandum of Justification for a drawdown under Section 506(a)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

EC-5097. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Department's Report to Congress on the Physicians' Comparability Allowance Program, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 5948(j); Public Law 103-114, Sec. 2(a); (107 Stat. 1116); to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

EC-5098. A letter from the Executive Director, Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin, transmitting the Commission's audited Eighty-First Financial Statement for the period of October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2021; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

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 Ms. LOFGREN:

H.R. 8716. A bill to provide compensation for United States victims of Libyan state-sponsored terrorism, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. CRAIG:

H.R. 8717. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the inclusion in gross income of social security benefits, and

for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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. CROW (for himself and Mr. WALTZ):

H.R. 8718. A bill to direct the Director of National Intelligence to designate an intelligence community coordinator for Russian atrocities accountability, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Intelligence (Permanent Select).

By Mr. GRIJALVA:

H.R. 8719. A bill to establish the Great Bend of the Gila National Conservation Area in the State of Arizona, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. GROTHMAN:

H.R. 8720. A bill to prohibit the availability of funds for the Department of Defense for organizing, promoting, or hosting drag shows as a means of diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota:

H.R. 8721. A bill to designate the mountain at Mount Rushmore National Memorial, South Dakota, as Mount Rushmore, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mrs. LEE of Nevada (for herself and Mr. FITZPATRICK):

H.R. 8722. A bill to reauthorize the program for mental health awareness training grants, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mrs. LURIA (for herself and Mr. DONALDS):

H.R. 8723. A bill to amend the Energy Act of 2020 to require the Secretary of Energy to establish a program to accelerate the availability of commercially produced high-assay, low-enriched uranium in the United States and to make high-assay, low-enriched uranium produced from Department of Energy inventories available for use in advanced nuclear reactors, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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 Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York (for herself, Ms. MENG, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. BARRAGAN, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. CARSON, Ms. CHU, Ms. CLARKE of New York, Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois, Ms. ESCOBAR, Mr. KHANNA, Ms. KUSTER, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ):

H.R. 8724. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish a program of research regarding the risks posed by the presence of dioxins, phthalates, pesticides, chemical fragrances, and other components of menstrual products and intimate care products; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 8725. A bill to provide supplemental appropriations for the Emergency Food and Shelter Program to provide humanitarian relief for migrants, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. STEWART:

H.R. 8726. A bill to prohibit the transfer of arms and the sharing of intelligence with the Government of Ukraine in the absence of certain certifications, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Intel-

ligence (Permanent Select), 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. WILLIAMS of Georgia (for herself, Mr. LARSEN of Washington, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. BROWNLEY, Ms. TITUS, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. LYNCH, and Mr. CARSON):

H.R. 8727. A bill to establish an alternative fuel and low-emission aviation technology program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on 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. CLEAVER (for himself and Mr. GRAVES of Missouri):

H. Res. 1323. A resolution honoring the life of fallen Officer Daniel Vasquez and expressing condolences to his family; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. NORTON:

H. Res. 1324. A resolution expressing support for the designation of August 22, 2022, as national "Chuck Brown Day", and honoring his contributions to music and to the District of Columbia; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

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 Ms. LOFGREN:

H.R. 8716.

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

Section 8 of Article I of the Constitution

By Ms. CRAIG:

H.R. 8717.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the Commerce Clause

By Mr. CROW:

H.R. 8718.

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

Intelligence Community Coordinator for Russian Atrocities Accountability Act of 2022

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. GRIJALVA:

H.R. 8719.

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

Article IV, sec. 3

By Mr. GROTHMAN:

H.R. 8720.

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

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota:

H.R. 8721.

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

Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2: "The Congress shall have power to dispose of and make all needful rules and regulations respecting the territory or other property belonging to the United States."

By Mrs. LEE of Nevada:

H.R. 8722.

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

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1 provides Congress with the power to “lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises” in order to “provide for the . . . general Welfare of the United States.”

By Mrs. LURIA:

H.R. 8723.

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

Clause 18 of Section 8 of Article 1 of the Constitution

By Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York:

H.R. 8724.

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

Article I, Section 8

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 8725.

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

clause 18 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution.

By Mr. STEWART:

H.R. 8726.

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

Article I Section 8 of the Constitution

By Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia:

H.R. 8727.

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

Article 1, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

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

H.R. 302: Mrs. AXNE.

H.R. 393: Mr. POCAN.

H.R. 864: Mr. BIGGS.

H.R. 1115: Mr. MOONEY.

H.R. 1282: Mr. BOWMAN and Mr. BAIRD.

H.R. 1623: Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.

H.R. 1624: Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.

H.R. 1956: Mr. LYNCH.

H.R. 2252: Ms. PORTER, Mr. TAKANO, Mr.

O’HALLERAN, Ms. KUSTER, and Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 2698: Mr. MALINOWSKI.

H.R. 2709: Mr. MCEACHIN.

H.R. 2920: Mr. NADLER.

H.R. 2974: Mr. MOONEY, Mr. MCKINLEY, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. ARMSTRONG, and Mrs. CHERFILUS-MCCORMICK.

H.R. 3089: Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.

H.R. 3402: Mr. JONES.

H.R. 3779: Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.

H.R. 3897: Mr. NEWHOUSE.

H.R. 4402: Mrs. TORRES of California, Mrs. CHERFILUS-MCCORMICK, Ms. MANNING, and Ms. SHERRILL.

H.R. 4423: Ms. TITUS and Ms. JAYAPAL.

H.R. 4612: Mr. CARSON.

H.R. 4766: Mr. NORCROSS.

H.R. 4810: Mr. KHANNA.

H.R. 5067: Mr. CRENSHAW.

H.R. 5222: Ms. STANSBURY.

H.R. 5514: Mr. KIM of New Jersey.

H.R. 5632: Mr. BACON.

H.R. 5727: Ms. SLOTKIN and Ms. PLASKETT.

H.R. 5788: Mr. CASTEN.

H.R. 6117: Mr. FOSTER.

H.R. 6889: Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas, Mr. LATURNER, Mr. GRIFFITH, and Mr. MANN.

H.R. 6964: Ms. JAYAPAL.

H.R. 7116: Ms. JAYAPAL.

H.R. 7213: Mr. VALADAO and Mr. CARBAJAL.

H.R. 7240: Mr. COSTA, Ms. STRICKLAND, and

Mr. SWALWELL.

H.R. 7382: Mr. FOSTER.

H.R. 7398: Ms. TLAIB.

H.R. 7432: Mr. KIM of New Jersey.

H.R. 7525: Ms. HERRELL.

H.R. 7559: Ms. SCHRIER, Mr. TRONE, and Mr. TONKO.

H.R. 7591: Ms. SPEIER.

H.R. 7647: Mr. AGUILAR.

H.R. 7744: Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana and

Ms. KUSTER.

H.R. 7882: Mr. MCEACHIN.

H.R. 7892: Mrs. CAMMACK and Mr.

ARRINGTON.

H.R. 7925: Ms. CHU and Mr. CALVERT.

H.R. 7961: Mr. MALINOWSKI and Mr. SOTO.

H.R. 8006: Mr. DONALDS.

H.R. 8111: Mr. NEGUSE, Ms. WASSERMAN

SCHULTZ, Ms. JAYAPAL, and Mr. MEEKS.

H.R. 8116: Mr. MAST.

H.R. 8168: Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS and Mrs.

LEE of Nevada.

H.R. 8170: Mr. RESCHENTHALER.

H.R. 8171: Mr. RESCHENTHALER.

H.R. 8268: Mr. BIGGS.

H.R. 8341: Mr. CARSON and Ms. TITUS.

H.R. 8354: Mr. BUCK.

H.R. 8421: Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas.

H.R. 8440: Ms. NORTON.

H.R. 8450: Mr. DESAULNIER and Mrs. MCBATH.

H.R. 8488: Mr. JOYCE of Ohio.

H.R. 8500: Mr. SCHIFF and Mr. DEFazio.

H.R. 8611: Mr. FEENSTRA.

H.R. 8631: Mr. GREEN of Tennessee.

H.R. 8666: Mr. HILL.

H.R. 8667: Mr. KATKO and Mr. KIND.

H.R. 8681: Ms. SCANLON, Mr. RASKIN, Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York, and Mr. JONES.

H.R. 8685: Ms. SANCHEZ, Ms. JAYAPAL, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. MOULTON, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. FITZPATRICK, and Mr. SCHIFF.

H.R. 8703: Mr. RUTHERFORD.

H.J. Res. 11: Mr. CARTER of Texas.

H.J. Res. 53: Mr. PASCARELL.

H. Con. Res. 65: Ms. TENNEY, Mr. KILMER, Mr. CAREY, and Ms. SLOTKIN.

H. Res. 99: Mr. MOONEY.

H. Res. 240: Mr. CROW.

H. Res. 362: Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia.

H. Res. 647: Mr. VICENTE GONZALEZ of Texas.

H. Res. 1226: Mr. CARSON.

H. Res. 1297: Mr. GROTHMAN.

H. Res. 1309: Mr. MOONEY.

H. Res. 1318: Mr. HARRIS, Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana, Mrs. MILLER of Illinois, Mr. BIGGS, and Mr. GOSAR.

H. Res. 1320: Mr. MOONEY.

H. Res. 1322: Mr. COSTA.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII,

ML-225. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Legislature of the State of Wisconsin, relative to Joint Resolution 9, requesting the Congress of the United States call a convention of the states to propose amendments to the Constitution of the United States; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.



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Senate

The Senate met at 8 a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable ROBERT P. CASEY, Jr., a Senator from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

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 senior assistant legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, August 16, 2022.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable ROBERT P. CASEY, Jr., a Senator from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to perform the duties of the Chair.

PATRICK J. LEAHY,
President pro tempore.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL FRIDAY,
AUGUST 19, 2022, AT 2:30 P.M.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until Friday, August 19, 2022, at 2:30 p.m.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 8 and 33 seconds a.m., adjourned until Friday, August 19, 2022, at 2:30 p.m.

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EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING JOHNATHAN PERKINS

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a tenacious and self-motivated leader, Coach Johnathan Perkins. Coach Perkins has shown what can be done through hard work, dedication, and a desire to achieve success.

Coach Perkins was recently selected as the 2022 United States Track & Field and Cross-Country Coaches Association (USTFCCCA) High School Girls Track & Field Coach of the Year for the State of Mississippi. This is his 2nd time winning the award for the State of Mississippi. Coach Perkins has racked up a total of 12 Mississippi High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) Track and Field State Championships. Coach Perkins and the Clinton High School Track & Field program have produced some of the state's most unforgettable track athletes. He has created what some call a dynasty in the world of track and field, and his work never goes unnoticed. Aside from his coaching accolades, he has been a teacher in the State of Mississippi for 18 years.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Coach Johnathan Perkins for his passion and dedication in the field of coaching.

HONORING THE LEGACY OF DANIEL D. DOLAN, SR.

HON. BILL FOSTER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. FOSTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the legacy of Mr. Daniel D. Dolan, Sr. Mr. Dolan was a U.S. Navy veteran, serving his country during the Korean War, who went on to serve both in the Aurora, IL Fire Department and the U.S. Postal Service before starting his own business, Dolan & Murphy Real Estate in 1965. Dan loved selling and buying real estate throughout his career, especially land. His legacy development being Farnsworth International, which encompassed 450 acres of land on the North side of the I-88 and Farnsworth Avenue Cloverleaf Interchange in Aurora and is home to millions of square feet of Commercial and Industrial buildings (including Chicago Premium Outlet Mall) and is the largest Real Estate Tax base in Kane County, Ill. Dan was also very proud and instrumental in the extension of Indian Trail Road from Farnsworth Ave to the far eastern boundary of Aurora. Dolan and Murphy had just celebrated their 55th year in business when Dan passed on February 20, 2020.

Born and raised in Aurora, IL, Mr. Dolan believed strongly in giving back to his commu-

nity. He often did so through his business and life's passion, Dolan & Murphy Real Estate. Dolan & Murphy has sponsored little league baseball for over 50 years and fastpitch softball for over 35 years and Dan was inducted into the International Softball Congress Hall of Fame in August of 2016 for his long-time contribution as a sponsor. Dan believed that "what's good for Dolan & Murphy is good for Aurora" and worked hard to be charitable to the hometown he loved so deeply.

Dan also spent much of his personal time giving back. He was instrumental in the funding and construction of Aurora Central Catholic High School's current campus, which opened in the fall of 1995. As a graduate of East Aurora High School, he was committed to being a "lifelong Tomcat," coaching and mentoring many Aurora students throughout his life. Dan was honored by his Alma Mater in 2011 by receiving the coveted East Aurora High School "Distinguished Alumni Award".

I am proud to represent Aurora, and I am grateful for the support and kindness Dan and his family have shown over the years. Daniel D. Dolan, Sr. was an Aurora icon, is an Aurora legend, and his generosity and contribution to the city will never be forgotten. I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating Mr. Dolan's incredible life.

CELEBRATING THE 90TH BIRTHDAY OF RICHARD E. LEWIS

HON. RALPH NORMAN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. NORMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate Richard E. Lewis's ninetieth birthday.

Born in Sedalia, Missouri in 1932, Mr. Lewis has lived a full and vibrant life for the last ninety years. His father, J.D. Perry Lewis, built the first automobile west of the Mississippi River in 1883. With the automotive business in Dick's blood, he graduated from General Motors Institute in Flint, Michigan and later moved to Charlotte, North Carolina where he worked for the Pontiac Motor Division of General Motors. During this time, Dick and his beautiful wife Darla fell in love with the Lake Wylie area. He retired in 1987, and the couple built a home in River Hills.

Following his retirement from General Motors, Dick began serving with Dick Keffer Automotive and helped establish the Keffer Management Company Foundation. In 1990, Dick was named Executive Director of the Greater Charlotte Automobile Dealer Association. He grew association membership from forty dealers to over 100 until his retirement in 2010.

Dick also founded the Charlotte International Auto Show, which remains one of the largest automobiles shows in the Southeast. The Auto Show raises money for charities in the Charlotte area and has donated over 7 million dollars to local charities since its inception.

In addition to his automotive business success, Dick has a passion for sparking synergy between people and groups and is always on the hunt for new projects, especially those that help his community. He has been an active member of the River Hills/Lake Wylie Lions Club for over forty years, during which he served as President of the Club for numerous years and received the Melvin Jones Award and other accolades in recognition of his service and involvement. Dick was instrumental in helping form the River Hills/Lake Wylie Lions Club Charitable Foundation, which provides ongoing support to local charities. He is also involved with the Charlotte Rescue Mission, which provides faith-based recovery programs to help those struggling with the disease of addiction.

Dick Lewis has lived a remarkable life full of success and service. On behalf of the Fifth District of South Carolina, it is my sincere pleasure to wish Dick a happy 90th birthday. May the next 90 be even better.

HONORING JA'LYN RILEY MCELROY

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable activist and serial entrepreneur, Ja'lyn R. McElroy of Jackson, Mississippi.

Ja'lyn is a proud product of the Central Jackson Georgetown neighborhood. She has always been recognized by for the community outreach that she's done from grade school until now.

She is a graduate of the 2016 Class of William B. Murrah High School, where she graduated as an honor student. After high school, Ja'lyn furthered her education to Jackson State University (JSU), where she received her bachelor's in Business Administration with a concentration in Finance. During her time at JSU, she was known for her engagement with the student body by showing her service through organizations such as AmeriCorps, Air Force ROTC, Pre-Alumni Council, Girl's Coalition, and more. Ja'lyn is now a candidate at JSU to receive her Master's in Business Administration.

After undergrad, Ja'lyn wanted to follow back into her footsteps of being an entrepreneur. In 2020, she opened an online store to sell her skincare products; as well as a marketing agency to help small business owners function throughout their business. Recently, Ja'lyn founded a nonprofit organization to end period poverty and provide unlimited period aid. Through her organization, The P.U.P.A Project, she's not only been an activist but an advocate for all women. Since founding the organization last July, she's provided over 18,000 worth of period aid to young girls and women in the South.

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Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Ms. Ja'lyn McElroy for her passion and dedication to serving her community.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF MR.
HOWARD MISKELLY

HON. MICHAEL GUEST

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and accomplishments of Mr. Howard Miskelly of Mississippi. As a businessman, veteran, and local leader, Mr. Miskelly left a legacy that will be remembered by his family, peers, and community for many generations to come.

Drafted into World War II, Mr. Miskelly served his country honorably, earned the rank of Staff Sergeant, and was awarded two Bronze Stars. I am humbled by Mr. Miskelly's heroic actions to protect and serve our great nation, and our country is grateful for his service.

After his military service, Mr. Miskelly strived for greatness in his daily life as he attended Union University on a basketball scholarship. He later transferred to Mississippi State University (MSU) where he was Cadet Colonel of the MSU ROTC and president of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity.

Following his education, Mr. Miskelly returned to Okolona, opened a furniture store, and started a family. Mr. Miskelly was a committed Christian and remarked that his greatest accomplishment in life was that his family all walked with the Lord. He loved his family, and his love for the Lord touched numerous lives. Mr. Miskelly also served on the Veterans Administration Board, on the board for the Mississippi School for the Deaf and Blind, and as president of the Mississippi Retail Association.

Mississippi is honored to call Mr. Howard Miskelly one of its own. Although his time on Earth is over, his legacy that he has left through his service, family, community, and faith will endure.

RECOGNIZING THE COMMUNITY
SERVICE OF JIM OLIVER

HON. MIKE GARCIA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. GARCIA of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today in celebration, honoring a man who has dedicated himself to serving his community of Santa Clarita and beyond in an astounding manner: Jim Oliver. After serving in the United States Army, he became a member of the service organization Optimist International and has remained involved for over 52 years. His continued involvement reflects his genuine belief in the organization's goals, which is evident in his optimism and compassion towards everyone he encounters. As a member of Optimist International, Jim Oliver prioritizes meeting the needs of young people across the world alongside the mission of bringing out the best in every individual as they develop into their greatest potential.

Jim has consistently recruited and sought new members to sponsor and mentor within Optimist while upholding a steady commitment to the Optimist Creed. Since 1970, Jim has been named an officer at the Optimist International and district level 78 times and maintained membership in 9 different clubs. Putting the Optimist Creed into action, he has dedicated time to the Blind Olympics, taught water skiing to the Braille Institute, and provided necessities to an orphanage in Mazatlán, Mexico. These philanthropic exploits are just a few of the many examples of service that Jim has displayed in his over five decades of membership to Optimist International.

His service has left a remarkable impact on not only our local community, but in communities around the world. Those that have served alongside can attest he is undoubtedly due recognition by his nation and Optimist International. It is an honor to represent him in the United States Congress.

HONORING LILLIAN LEWIS

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a bright and vibrant student, Lillian Lewis. Lillian has shown what can be done through hard work, dedication, and a desire to achieve success.

Lillian Lewis is the Valedictorian of the Holmes County Central High School Class of 2022. She currently has a 4.04 GPA. Lillian is the daughter of Mr. Benjamin and Mrs. Shanatosha Lewis. Lillian has always been supported through every endeavor by her family. The love and respect they share for one another has taken her a long way.

Throughout her high school years, Lillian has prided herself on being the absolute best version of herself. She is driven, dependable, and resourceful. These characteristics shaped her school life tremendously. She has accomplished many academic goals already. She is a part of the National Honors Society, Beta Club, National Society of High School Scholars, The National Society of Future Physicians, and the Superintendent's Round Table. Lillian has chosen to spend the next chapter of her life at the University of Mississippi in Oxford MS, majoring in biomedical engineering on a Pre-Med track to become an internal medicine physician. Lillian hopes to take every experience life has to offer her and learn from them, whether they are good, bad, happy, or sad. Lillian lives knowing that without God none of this would be possible.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Holmes County Central High School's 2022 valedictorian, Lillian Lewis, for being an exemplary student and citizen.

HONORING JAMES TIPTON

HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. BARR. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the life of a patriotic American, Mr. James Tipton.

Mr. Tipton lives in Waco, Kentucky. He celebrated his 99th birthday on July 24, 2022.

Mr. Tipton grew up on his family's farm in Union City, Kentucky. In 1941, a new Ordinance called the Bluegrass Army Depot was opening in Richmond and Mr. Tipton helped work on it. In December of 1942, he decided to enlist and joined the United States Army Air Corps. Following basic training, he was assigned as a right-wing gunner. He was sent overseas and flew missions over Europe. On his last mission in April of 1944, his plane ran short of fuel, and they lost engine power. The crew had to jump out of the camera hatch. They landed over enemy territory in France and were captured by German soldiers and taken as prisoners of war. Mr. Tipton spent 13 months as a POW in Krems, Austria in STA-LAG XVII-B. After a march of about 160 miles, the prisoners were liberated on April 26, 1945.

Following his time in the service, Mr. Tipton returned to Madison County and worked at the Bluegrass Ordinance for many years. He is a faithful member of the Waco Baptist Church, where he is the oldest male member. Mr. Tipton is well-respected by his community.

It is my honor to recognize Mr. James Tipton, celebrate his 99th birthday and thank him for his service and sacrifice to our nation during World War II. As a part of "The Greatest Generation," Mr. Tipton and his fellow soldiers are true heroes who bravely served and sacrificed to preserve the freedoms that we enjoy today, and we can never thank them enough. I am forever grateful for Americans like James Tipton.

BIDEN "LETTERS" ON AFGHANISTAN
WITHDRAWAL: NEARLY
ONE YEAR LATER

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, during his August 26th remarks regarding the 2021 terrorist attack at the Kabul, Afghanistan airport, where 13 American servicemembers were murdered, Biden was asked about the Afghanistan withdrawal and the addition of forces to protect Americans during the evacuation.

Biden responded that military leaders have contacted him, "... usually by letter, saying they subscribe to the mission as designed ...".

That evening, I sent the first of now five written requests to the White House asking for copies of these letters by a deadline of September 11. Nearly one year later, I am still waiting for a reply.

During an August 2021 House Armed Services Committee hearing, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Mark Milley and General Frank McKenzie, then the commander of the U.S. Central Command, both testified that they had recommended to Biden that he should leave a residual troop presence.

Additionally, in a closed Senate hearing, Operation Resolute Support Commander General Scott Miller testified that he opposed the Biden administration's decision to withdraw all U.S. forces, citing the threat posed by the Taliban.

The decision to withdraw U.S. forces from Afghanistan and abandon Americans regardless of the conditions on the ground, has been correctly identified by Senate Majority Leader MITCH MCCONNELL as “one of the worst foreign policy decisions in American history.” While President Donald Trump went a step further saying, “This is the greatest embarrassment . . . in the history of our country.”

President Trump has made clear his withdrawal would have been orderly and Bagram Air Base would have been maintained to defeat a terrorist safe haven.

Sadly, no response from the White House reveals admission of no ‘letters.’

It is also important to ask where the American media is on this critical issue of the claimed Afghanistan letters?

Ultimately, this ill-advised decision not only resulted in the death of U.S. servicemembers, but put the reputation and credibility of the U.S. in question, all while leaving the remaining American citizens in Afghanistan vulnerable.

The world is less safe with the Taliban regime emboldened.

In conclusion, God Bless our troops, who successfully protected America for 20 years, as the Global War on Terrorism continues moving from a safe haven in Afghanistan to America.

HONORING BRIANNA MCFIELD

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a tenacious and self-motivated leader, Brianna McField. Brianna has shown what can be done through hard work, dedication, and a desire to achieve success.

Brianna McField is the 2013 Valedictorian of Yazoo County High School, an alumna of Millsaps College, and a current student at Jackson State University seeking her doctorate in Public Health Policy and Administration. She proves that beauty queens are more than pretty faces.

Brianna will go on to represent the state of Mississippi in the 2022 Miss Black USA Scholarship Pageant. She is a strong advocate for education and the uplift of women. Brianna has promoted women's empowerment and education about public health and social justice topics including heart disease, sex trafficking, autism awareness, and financial literacy.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Brianna McField for her passion and dedication to educate the community on health and financial literacy.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE OF MR. KEN SPEARS OF NESHOPA COUNTY

HON. MICHAEL GUEST

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and legacy of Mr. Ken

Spears of Neshoba County, Mississippi. In Matthew 5:16 Jesus says, “let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.” Ken Spears undoubtedly was a man who embodied a servant's heart.

Mr. Spears dedicated his life to serving his community. He began his service as a law enforcement officer and continued in that role for 20 years. He cared for his community as a school bus driver for the Neshoba County School System. As a founding member of the Linwood Fire Department, he also served as a firefighter and board president.

Philippians 2:3–4 says, “Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.” Mr. Spears's life was an example of selflessly serving others and living a life of purpose that our Lord has called for us. He served his community wholeheartedly, was adored by many, and lived a life with compassion. I am inspired by Ken Spears's goodwill and selflessness, and I am grateful for his actions that touched numerous lives. The great State of Mississippi is proud to call Ken Spears one of its own.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JERRY L. CARL

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. CARL. Madam Speaker, on Roll Call No. 420 on final passage of Senate Amendment to H.R. 5376, I am not recorded. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 420.

HONORING JOSEPHINE PRADIA RHYMES

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor an impeccable and an accomplished leader, Josephine Pradia Rhymes. Mrs. Rhymes currently is “officially” retired from Tri-County Workforce alliance after 25 years of dedicated service as of May 31, 2022. She has been a champion of education, and a leader of service in the Mississippi Delta and our great state.

Mrs. Rhymes received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Southern University and A & M College in Baton Rouge, Louisiana; and her Master of Education degree from the University of Mississippi (Ole Miss) in Oxford, Mississippi. She recently completed the requirements for the CITI Program at Ole Miss.

She was married to the late Robert A. Rhymes, Sr. She is the mother of one daughter Tarra Katrice Rhymes-Slack; one son Robert A. Rhymes, Jr.; a grandmother of one granddaughter, Pradia Nicole Slack; and one grandson Tyler Rhymes-Christian Slack.

Mrs. Rhymes, a Lake Charles, Louisiana native, was Executive Director of Tri-County Workforce Alliance ever since its implementation in 1997. Tri-County's mission is to pro-

mote long-term economic and community development by building a healthy and competitive workforce through education and job training to a three-county region (Bolivar, Coahoma, and Quitman counties) of the Mississippi Delta.

Mrs. Rhymes taught French, English, German, and Journalism at Clarksdale High School, and French, English, Oral Communication, and Journalism at Coahoma Community College for eleven (11) years. She taught school for 32 years total.

Mrs. Rhymes has won numerous awards over the years. At Clarksdale High she was selected “Star Teacher” four (4) times and was selected for Who's Who Among American Teachers in 1990. She received the NAACP's Education Heritage Award in 1992. Also, the English Honor Society at Clarksdale High School was named in her honor in 2014. It is called the Josephine Pradia Rhymes English Honor Society. She was inducted into Coahoma Community College's Sports Hall of Fame as a Community Leader Inductee; featured in a documentary by Blue Magnolia Films and Barefoot Workshops (through Nickalus Jones, a senior at Clarksdale High School) for her work to improve the lives of youth in Clarksdale; and as a part of the project, two life-size pictures are on the doors of the old Paramount Theater to help with revitalization of downtown Clarksdale.

Mrs. Rhymes continues to serve as a dedicated leader in the community. She is an advocate for the youth, education, and community service. She serves in a plethora of other community organizations in various capacities—her work and dedication is unending. Mrs. Rhymes has proven herself throughout her career and earned a reputation of impeccable character, unquestionable integrity, unparalleled professional achievement, and superior leadership.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Josephine Pradia Rhymes for her leadership, service, and dedication.

HONORING DINA VELOCCI

HON. CARLOS A. GIMENEZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. GIMENEZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Dina Velocci, DNP, CRNA, APRN. Ms. Velocci, who is a constituent of Florida's 26th Congressional District, will soon complete her year as national president of the American Association of Nurse Anesthesiology (AANA). I am proud that Ms. Velocci was elected as the 2021–2022 president of this prestigious national organization.

Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs) are advanced practice registered nurses who administer more than 50 million anesthetics to patients each year. They work in every setting in which anesthesia is delivered, including hospital surgical suites, obstetrical delivery rooms, ambulatory surgical centers, and the offices of dentists, podiatrists, and specialty surgeons. They also provide acute and chronic pain management services to patients in need of such care. CRNAs provide anesthesia for all types of surgical cases and are the sole anesthesia providers in many rural hospitals.

As a member of the AANA for 20 years, Ms. Velocci has contributed greatly to the healthcare community in the Key West area and nationwide. Ms. Velocci has long been active in nurse anesthesiology as both a CRNA and as a clinical and didactic instructor for nurse anesthetists. She supplied anesthesia services for office-based practices and free-standing surgery centers. She is also an innovator and entrepreneur and assisted in building and marketing an interactive web-based learning resource for CRNAs. Throughout her career in nurse anesthesiology, Ms. Velocci served on committees, advisory panels, and boards of directors at the state and national levels. She is a former president of the Tennessee Association of Nurse Anesthetists.

I extend my sincere congratulations to Ms. Velocci on a job well done. Her service to her patients and to our community represents the best of our district. I am always proud to recognize constituents that go above and beyond for our community. I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Ms. Velocci's notable career and outstanding achievements.

BUILD BACK BETTER ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. EARL BLUMENAUER

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 12, 2022

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Madam Speaker, I came to Congress with a mission to make the federal government a better partner to local communities to make them more livable, healthy, and economically secure.

Last week, Congress made unprecedented progress on fulfilling the fundamental premise of this mission. The House and Senate both passed the Inflation Reduction Act, a historic investment in our nation's health, climate, and economy, including several provisions I authored to combat the climate crisis. President Biden is expected to sign the legislation into law this afternoon.

The Inflation Reduction Act will save Americans \$288 billion on health care over the next ten years. Critically, it will allow Medicare to negotiate prescription drug prices, starting with the ten most expensive prescriptions. These negotiations will bring down costs for patients and taxpayers alike. When combined with new provisions capping Medicare beneficiaries' out-of-pocket costs at \$2,000 a year, the legislation will make an extraordinary difference in peoples' lives.

This package is the single largest investment in climate action in our nation's history. It will deliver \$385 billion in energy and climate investments, including for electric vehicles, solar and wind energy, pollution reduction, and support for the vulnerable communities most impacted by environmental degradation. Long term extensions to the production and investment tax credits, including direct pay and transferability provisions, are critical components in ending our dependence on fossil fuels. I am also pleased that the investment tax credit was expanded to include energy storage projects, a key piece of the puzzle in delivering renewable energy to households at any time of day.

Combatting the climate crisis also means investing in infrastructure that is sustainable and

efficient. Clean transportation incentives like an expanded electric vehicle credit for new and used vehicles, an expanded credit to charge e-bikes and e-scooters, and incentives to electrify commercial fleets will help accelerate the reduction of carbon emissions and fossil fuels in our day-to-day activities. Likewise, any construction projects in the 21st century must be made to meet the needs and goals of our communities. That's why I advocated for provisions in this package that make commercial buildings more energy efficient and sustainable.

While working families in our community and across the nation are struggling to pay for basic goods like gas, groceries, and rent, ultra-wealthy corporations are raking in record profits. Inflation is hitting Americans hard while many corporations aren't paying their fair share. This legislation will enact a corporate minimum tax of 15 percent. Currently, hundreds of the largest corporations in America pay substantially less, or nothing, in taxes. This provision ensures that large corporations will pay a minimum of 15 percent in taxes. The legislation also makes polluters pay by including my legislation reinstating the Superfund tax on crude oil.

It is no secret that the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) is outmatched. Decades of chronic underfunding have left the IRS understaffed and overburdened, allowing hundreds of billions of dollars in taxes owed to go uncollected. This legislation provides \$3.2 billion for taxpayer services and \$45.6 billion for enforcement, which the Congressional Budget Office estimates will raise more than \$200 billion in additional revenue for the federal government. By investing in the IRS, we can finally close the "tax gap" between what people owe and what they end up paying.

The Inflation Reduction Act represents more than the sum of these individual provisions, it is proof that our system works and that the United States has the capacity to solve our most pressing challenges in the years ahead.

HONORING GLORIA TRIPLETT-JACKSON

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable educator and recent retiree, Mrs. Gloria Triplett-Jackson.

Mrs. Jackson began her educational journey in the '70s as a basketball player and graduate from Greenville High School, where she became the high school first female to play in the Mississippi High School All Star game.

Mrs. Jackson went on to further her education at Alcorn State University, where she obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration. She began her career teaching and coaching at Jonesboro High School in Louisiana, while in graduate school at Grambling State University.

Nine Years later, Mrs. Jackson returned to Greenville and finished her second master's degree at Delta State University. Mrs. Jackson spent more than 22 years in the Leland School District, serving in a number of positions, such as a teacher, coach, assistant prin-

cipal, principal, curriculum specialist, and eventually superintendent until 2015. Under Mrs. Jackson's leadership, Leland School District improved, moving from an "F" failing rating to a "C" successful rating.

After a short stint of running her own educational consulting firm, Mrs. Jackson returned to public school as the principal at Riverside Elementary in the Western Line School District. Once again, she propelled her school to excellence by becoming one of the few schools in the Mississippi Delta to receive an "A" rating, which the school has maintained to date. She has also served as the Deputy Superintendent, Chief Academic Officer for Western Line for the past four years.

Mrs. Jackson has received numerous accolades over the years from Western Line School District, Washington County, DAAIS, MHSAA, and from the state of Mississippi for her accomplishments as a public school leader.

After a successful career in public education, of more than 40 years, Mrs. Jackson has decided to embrace retirement and any new challenges ahead.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mrs. Gloria Triplett-Jackson for her passion and dedication to serving and educating her community.

CONGRESSIONAL BANGLADESH CAUCUS INAUGURATION

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I join with my colleagues, Congressmen GERRY CONNOLLY, DWIGHT EVANS, and STEVE CHABOT as a Co-Chair of the Congressional Bangladesh Caucus.

We look forward to strengthening the United States-Bangladesh Relationship on the basis of our shared democratic values to address major issues, including climate change, human rights, and humanitarian challenges. The People of Bangladesh are well represented by the Bangladeshi Ambassador M Shahidul Islam.

The Caucus was established, in part, to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of diplomatic relations between the United States and Bangladesh, which began in 1972, soon after Bangladesh secured its independence from Pakistan. The United States has been a long-standing partner in Bangladesh's journey to economic development and democratic institution building since that time.

During the last 50 years, Bangladesh has made significant socio-economic progress, including increased food production, disaster management capacity building, poverty alleviation, improved health and education, and women's empowerment. For more than a decade, Bangladesh has remained one of the fastest-growing economies in the world, and its economic growth is not only benefiting its own people, but is also contributing to the peace, progress, and prosperity of the Indo-Pacific Region.

Significantly, no other country in the world commits more forces to United Nations Peacekeeping.

Bangladesh has a population of over 170 million, with a per capita income higher than

its neighbors in South Asia. The United States is one of Bangladesh's most important trading partners, with approximately 19–20 percent of its exports destined for the United States. Also, bilateral trade between the United States and Bangladesh was over \$10 billion (U.S.) in 2021.

According to the United States Census Bureau, there are over 200,000 people of Bangladeshi Origin living in America. Promoting educational exchanges between Bangladesh and the United States benefits both nations, and with approximately 10,000 students from Bangladesh studying in the United States, the country places eighth in the World in this category.

The Congressional Bangladesh Caucus will promote continued good relations between the United States and Bangladesh. Caucus Members will receive periodic updates on our bilateral relationship, joint efforts to combat terrorism and promote human rights, as well as opportunities for high-level visits between the two countries, including with Ambassador M Shahidul Islam as we work to strengthen our relationship.

INTRODUCTION OF BILL TO PROVIDE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER PROGRAM TO PROVIDE HUMANITARIAN RELIEF FOR MIGRANTS

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, today, I rise to introduce a fiscal year 2022 supplemental appropriations bill to provide \$50 million to the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) for humanitarian assistance for migrants. The funding would remain available until expended.

Since mid-April, the governors of Texas and Arizona have exploited and harmed approximately 4,500 vulnerable people fleeing desperate and dangerous situations in their home countries for political gain by busing them to the District of Columbia and New York.

In fiscal year 2022, Congress provided \$150 million to the EFSP for humanitarian assistance for migrants. As of July 21, 2022, approximately \$85 million of this funding remained available. However, the busing of migrants to D.C. and New York has increased funding requests and the EFSP may exhaust its funding.

Supplemental funding would ensure that the EFSP can continue to provide humanitarian assistance to migrants. I strongly urge my colleagues to support this bill.

HONORING COLONEL MELANIE R. BELL-CARTER

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor an impeccable

and self-motivated leader, Colonel Melanie Bell-Carter. Colonel Bell-Carter currently serves as the Director, Human Resources Directorate, White House Military Office, Washington, DC. She has been a champion and a leader of service and dedication to our great nation.

Colonel Melanie Bell-Carter is a native of Shaw, Mississippi, and she graduated from Shaw High School in 1990. She enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1992 and graduated from recruit training Marine Corps recruit Depot in Parris Island, South Carolina. Upon graduation, she attended the Aviation Ordnance Course at Naval Air Station (NAS), in Millington, TN. In November 1992, she attended the AV-8B Armament Organizational Systems Maintenance Course at Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS), Cherry Point, NC. She was selected to the Meritorious Commissioning Program during this assignment. From October 1998 until December 1998, she attended Officer Candidate School. Colonel Bell-Carter possesses a BS in Human Resource Management, Master's in Organizational Development and Management, Master's in Management, a Master of Military Operational Art and Science Degree, graduated from the Air War College and is pursuing a Ph.D. in Organizational Development.

Colonel Bell-Carter has 2 children—Erik and Kennedy. Her personal awards include Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal, 2 Navy and Marines Corps Commendation Medals, 3 Navy and Marines Corps Achievement Medals, 2 Good Conduct Medals and a host of Meritorious Medals, Certificate of Commendations and Letters of Appreciation.

Colonel Bell-Carter serves as a leader in the Marine Corps; she is an advocate for community service. In both endeavors, she does not seek praise for her actions, but will ensure others are praised for their accomplishments. Colonel Bell-Carter has proven herself throughout her career and earned a reputation of impeccable character, unquestionable integrity, unparalleled professional achievement, and superior leadership. She lives by her motto, "Learning is essential to being a good leader."

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Colonel Melanie Bell-Carter for her leadership, service, and dedication to the United States Marine Corps.

CONGRATULATING CADENCE RAINE NICKEY ON BEING RECOGNIZED AS THE 2022–2023 CHOCTAW INDIAN PRINCESS

HON. MICHAEL GUEST

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, I would like to congratulate Cadence Raine Nickey on being recognized as the 2022–2023 Choctaw Indian Princess. She has earned this distinction through her hard work and dedication to her family, her community, and her tribe. As her Congressman, I was happy to meet Cadence at the Neshoba County Fair recently, and I am proud of that she is representing the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians in this special role.

Cadence is the daughter of Eric Nickey and Georgianna McMillan and is a graduate of Choctaw Central High School. Cadence will attend Mississippi State University in the fall, where she plans to major in forensic science.

I am thankful for the leadership of young people in our state like Cadence and know she will continue to make her tribe and her state proud.

RECOGNIZING MRS. MARIA EUGENIA OSUNA, NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL ILLNESS (NAMI), SAN DIEGO REGION

HON. JUAN VARGAS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. VARGAS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mrs. Maria Eugenia Osuna of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), San Diego Region. Mrs. Osuna served as the Outreach Coordinator for this organization for ten years. She is currently retired and is a resident of the Castle Park community in the City of Chula Vista, CA.

Mrs. Osuna has been recognized for her long years of service with NAMI, during which she founded and organized various support group programs throughout San Diego County to help minority parents who have children with mental illness.

Before for her professional career with NAMI, Mrs. Osuna served as a volunteer for the organization, because her son was diagnosed with paranoid schizophrenia at the age of 17. Both her father and brother were diagnosed with mental illnesses, and both committed suicide. Mrs. Osuna did not want her son to suffer the same fate.

After realizing that resources for minority families with mental illness were limited, Mrs. Osuna took NAMI's 12-week program to learn more about her son's illness, and she began to assist other minority families with similar situations. Through her time and commitment, Mrs. Osuna was formally offered a position with NAMI.

Mrs. Osuna created and organized support groups for Latinx parents who have children with a mental illness. Her support group programs were the first in San Diego County to be held in Spanish. Mrs. Osuna's goal has always been to provide education, support, and advocacy to minority families, as well as to dispel misconceptions and stereotypes on mental illness.

Mrs. Osuna is to be honored as the 51st District Constituent of the Month, particularly during National Minority Mental Health Awareness Month, for her outstanding commitment to supporting minority families with education and advocacy on mental health awareness, as well as all her service and efforts that have helped those in need build a brighter future.

HONORING LONNIE SMITH

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable servant, Mr. Lonnie Smith.

Lonnie is a native of Leland, Mississippi, and graduated from Leland High School in 1996. After high school, he joined the U.S. Marine Corps. He served 10 faithful years in the reserves with a final rank of Sergeant. During his time in the reserves, he matriculated at Delta State University to pursue a degree in Computer Information Systems.

Next, Lonnie joined the Greenville Fire Department in 2003. He rose through the ranks of the Department, and now serves as Chief of Training. He was recently recognized by the Department for an act of bravery by single-handedly rescuing someone from a house fire shortly before reporting for duty.

Lonnie founded Dynamic Technologies, LLC in 2008, and continued to build his knowledge of computers and technology by enrolling in Walden University and also obtaining various certifications. He is a CPR instructor for the American Heart Association and serves as board member for the MS River Marathon, the United Way Housing Initiative, and the YMCA.

Lonnie's servant heart, entrepreneurial spirit, and easy-going nature inspire all who come into contact with him.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Lonnie Smith for his passion and dedication to serving his community and this country.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DR. JOHN SHIRLEY

HON. JERRY McNERNEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. McNERNEY. Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Dr. John Shirley, who dedicated his life to serving his country and his community. John passed away on December 22, 2021, leaving a legacy of service to and love of country and community.

Dr. John Shirley was born in Santa Ana, California on December 8, 1924. At 19 years old, after being drafted and rising quickly to the rank of Staff Sergeant, John was part of the Anzio breakout with the 3rd Infantry Division. After taking part in the invasion of Southern France, he was wounded by fragments of a shell from a German tank and taken prisoner. As he and other prisoners were being marched to the rear, a young German soldier bringing up the rear of the column got too close, and John turned around and slugged him, rendering him unconscious and allowing John to escape to Allied lines. John was awarded a battlefield commission to Second Lieutenant when he rejoined his unit after three months in the hospital recovering from his wounds.

Aside from his commission, John was awarded a Purple Heart, Silver Star, and two Bronze Stars with Oak Leaf Cluster and V for Valor device. He earned the European Theater of Operation Medal with six campaign stars and a bronze arrowhead for the invasion of Southern France, as well as the French Fouragère de Guerre.

After the war, John attended the University of California at Davis Veterinary College, graduating in its first class. He set up the first veterinary clinic in Livermore, California and was known as "Doc Shirley" to the ranchers in

the area. John was considered one of the best veterinarians in the region, with the toughest cases referred to him by his peers.

John became active in the Livermore community, winning a seat on the Livermore City Council, where he served from 1958 until 1966. He served as Livermore's Mayor from 1963 until 1966.

He was a member of the Rotary Club and Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW). He led and was instrumental in many projects to improve the quality of life for Livermore residents and served on the VFW Honor Guard, firing gun salutes into his late seventies. John served as president of the Livermore Valley Opera, and as a member of the Livermore Symphony Association.

As a member of the 3rd Infantry Division Veterans organization, he raised money for high school Junior ROTC programs in San Francisco and Oakland. He was also instrumental in creating the Veterans First program at Las Positas Community College to provide services to veterans returning to school.

John loved sports, and was an avid skier, hiker, tennis player, and golfer. He was also a skilled instrument-rated pilot, which led him to further public service on the Livermore Airport Commission. John said, "You can be a bad golfer, skier, or tennis player, but you have to be a good pilot."

On July 13, 2019, Livermore City Council honored John by naming the new council chamber after him: The John Shirley City Council Chamber. John's list of contributions and accomplishments are too long to list. He was the very embodiment of service to his community and to our great Nation. I invite my colleagues to join me in honoring the memory of this great American.

AUGUST DECEIT

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, somehow in August the travesties of deceit by the Biden Administration are especially shocking, dangerous, and insulting to common sense.

The abandonment of Afghanistan last year was the most horrific national security and foreign policy debacle in American history. Thirteen American servicemembers were murdered and numerous others were left behind, as a familiar safe haven for terrorists was re-established as the one we gruesomely experienced on September 11, 2001.

Dangerous criminals on the Terrorist Watch List are now invading the open Southern border, as cartels are enriched with human trafficking and fentanyl smuggling at the cost of American lives.

The raid on the Trump Home on Monday is an inconceivable political assault on democracy, repeating the hoax of Russian Collusion. FBI agents are abused as pawns by deranged, political zealots.

And on Wednesday, the absurd declaration by Biden of "zero inflation" is a disconnect from reality. Inflation is 8.5 percent, the highest in forty years. American families know gasoline is up 44 percent, electricity up 15.2 percent, food up 13.1 percent, and transportation up 9.2 percent.

Despite the universal definition of a recession in two quarters of GDP decline, Biden denies the truth and persists with his failing agenda of raising taxes, borrowing, and foolish massive spending, sparking inflation and destroying jobs.

Sadly, the failures of Biden have created inconceivable threats at home and abroad and he should change policies immediately to protect American families.

HONORING ORLANDO W. PADEN

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a tenacious and self-motivated leader, Representative Orlando Paden. Rep. Paden has been a champion of service, education, and dedication to the great state of Mississippi and his community.

Orlando W. Paden is a native of Clarksdale, MS, and the son of Cornelius and Lisa Paden. He has two sisters, Marquita Paden and Yusomie Caldwell. Mr. Paden is a proud 2002 graduate of Coahoma Agricultural High School. Graduating with honors from Coahoma Community College in 2004; he went on to graduate Magna Cum Laude with a political science pre-law major from Alcorn State University in 2006. He also did graduate studies at Delta State University and Belhaven College.

In 2015, he was elected to the Mississippi House of Representatives, District 26—serving Coahoma and Bolivar counties. Rep. Paden serves on eight committees: Agriculture, Public Health and Human Services, Transportation, Tourism, and Universities and Colleges. During his term, he has been a staunch supporter of public education, university and college funding, and health for all Mississippians. In 2018, Rep. Paden was selected as a Mississippi Legislator delegate to study government abroad in Taiwan. In 2019, Rep. Paden was reelected to serve a second term. He lives by his motto, embodied through the words of Mahalia Jackson, "If I can help somebody, as I pass along; if I can cheer somebody, with a word or song; if I can show somebody, how they're travelling wrong, then my living shall not be in vain."

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Representative Orlando Paden for his support of public education, university and college funding, and health for all Mississippians.

RECOGNIZING ALI BALEED

HON. RASHIDA TLAIB

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Ms. TLAIB. Madam Speaker, today I want to recognize the outstanding contributions of Ali Baleed, a well-known community member of Wayne County, Michigan.

Ali Baleed is the founder of many community-based organizations since his arrival to the United States in the 1960s. He is one of the founding members and executive director

of the Yemeni American Benevolent Association (YABA), an organization that provides educational and social services, including scholarship programs for our youth. He helped found the largest human services organizations in the country, ACCESS, where he served as vice president for years. He has served with numerous service organizations, including the Arab American Council and Congress of Arab American Organizations (CAAO). In addition, Mr. Baleed is a key organizer of the Arab and Chaldean Festival, Michigan's largest cultural event celebrating Arab and Chaldean culture. During the 1970s, Ali was nominated to represent Arab Americans at the UAW convention and was also selected to attend the Second General Conference of Yemeni Immigrants in Yemen. Ali worked alongside Arab American Institute (AAI), headed by Dr. James Zogby, to help people register and vote.

Mr. Baleed has remained active in several grassroots organizations and has been a strong voice for southeastern Michigan's Yemeni community. Beyond his commitment to civic service, Mr. Baleed is an accomplished poet.

Ali Baleed has made a remarkable impact on the communities of Wayne County, whether it's helping connect residents to vital human services or encouraging students to achieve

their goals in pursuit of higher education. Please join me in recognizing his numerous accomplishments and wish him well.

HONORING SHAMEKA WOODS

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a tenacious and self-motivated leader, Shameka Woods. Ms. Shameka has shown what can be done through hard work, dedication, and a desire to achieve success.

Shameka Woods is a 2003 graduate of Natchez High School. She received her bachelor's degree from Jackson State University, a master's degree from Alcorn State University, and a Specialist from Belhaven University. She is currently working on her Ed.D at Belhaven University.

Shameka joined the Jefferson County School District in 2010 as a third-grade teacher. She has also served as SSIP Literacy Coach, Assistant Principal at Jefferson County High School, and now Principal at Jefferson County Elementary School. Shameka is a

member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated. She has a six-year-old daughter, Brooklyn, who attends Jefferson County Elementary School.

Ms. Woods explained what drives her passion for educating children. She stated, "I do this work because our children need passionate educators in their lives. Our students have the potential to do anything they desire with the right motivation and support. My biggest reason (my why) is to see our students succeed. I am so blessed to have a team of educators who understand the vision (JCES Dream Team). I am also thankful to have support from the district administrators, who assist us with everything we do. With continuous teamwork and dedication, we will accomplish all our goals."

"Ms. Woods is a visionary leader who sees the potential in every child," said Adrian Hammitte, Superintendent of Jefferson County School District. Moreover, she has created a school culture centered around student success. I am proud of her accomplishments and their impact on our school district and community."

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Ms. Shameka Woods for her passion and dedication to education in the Jefferson County School District.

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate met at 8 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 8:00:33 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. on Friday, August 19, 2022.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 12 public bills, H.R. 8716–8727; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 1323–1324, were introduced. **Page H7712**

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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. **Page H7711**

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 1:03 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 2022

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

2:30 p.m., Friday, August 19

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

11 a.m., Friday, August 19

Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: Senate will meet in pro forma session.

House Chamber

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

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