

a clear and authoritative ruling that will then determine whether the President's order stands or whether Congress needs to act either by statute or constitutional amendment.

To call this a constitutional crisis is the kind of absurd and juvenile hyperbole that passes for argument these days by the woke left. I look forward to returning to a society someday when we can have civil discussions over high principles as our Founders envisioned.

#### CELEBRATING WINNERS OF 2024 CONGRESSIONAL APP CHALLENGE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BRESNAHAN). The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from New Jersey (Mrs. McIVER) for 5 minutes.

Mrs. McIVER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the New Jersey-10 winners of the 2024 Congressional App Challenge.

Aman, Alexa, Charlie, and Gabriel teamed up to make Tailored Trivia. The app allows users to create customized trivia games that make studying and memorization more interactive. This tool lets students test SAT vocabulary words, learn phrases in new languages, and quiz their classmates.

In creating this app, Aman, Alexa, Charlie, and Gabriel also grew their skills in coding, design, and teamwork.

I am so proud of their hard work, dedication, and contributions to New Jersey, and I am excited to see what they will accomplish next.

#### CELEBRATING SAHLI NEGASSI

Mrs. McIVER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to celebrate Sahli, a New Jersey-10 student at West Orange High School who received a perfect score on the SAT this year.

Less than 1 percent of SAT test takers earn a perfect score each year, and Sahli's accomplishment is nothing short of extraordinary. His SAT preparation was largely self-directed, relying on free resources and using his time and determination to study for the exam.

Beyond academics, he is deeply involved in extracurricular activities at West Orange High School. He has been a dedicated member of the cross-country and track teams since seventh grade and spent two seasons on the color guard.

Sahli is also the president of the math team, chapter president of the National Honor Society, a varsity chess team member, and part of the Royal Strings Ensemble. His involvement in multiple activities and honor societies speaks to his well-rounded excellence.

After graduating high school, Sahli hopes to attend Harvard and study law. Any school would be lucky to have such a bright young mind. What an incredible accomplishment and a shining example of New Jersey's excellence. I congratulate Sahli. He makes New Jersey proud.

#### RECOGNIZING AMIGO POWER EQUIPMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. DE LA CRUZ) for 5 minutes.

Ms. DE LA CRUZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Amigo Power Equipment in Edinburg, Texas, for 50 years of service to our community.

Founded in 1974 by Janice and Kent Johnson, Amigo Power Equipment sold tractors and combines to farmers and ranchers throughout south Texas. As the Rio Grande Valley grew, so did their business.

The Johnsons passed down their business to their youngest son, Jeff, and over the years, it has become the premier tractor and power sports dealership in the valley. When visiting their store, you will find knowledgeable staff with years of experience and exceptional customer service.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate the Johnsons and the entire staff on this incredible milestone, and I thank them for their dedication to the Rio Grande Valley community.

#### POSITIVE IMPACTS OF SOCIAL SECURITY LEGISLATION

Ms. DE LA CRUZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to share the positive impacts that the Social Security Fairness Act has already made for south Texans.

Before this bill, millions of public servants like teachers, police officers, and firefighters were unfairly punished by reduced Social Security benefits. After being signed into law last month, this legislation finally eliminated the provisions that reduced Social Security benefits for public servants.

I have heard back from teachers in south Texas who are incredibly thankful to have the legislation finally signed into law.

I am proud to have cosponsored this bill in the House, advocated for its passage, and played an important role in expanding access to benefits for those who have gone above and beyond to serve our communities.

#### PAYING TRIBUTE TO THE HONORABLE ROSE GUERRA REYNA

Ms. DE LA CRUZ. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to honor State District Judge Rose Guerra Reyna for her service to Hidalgo County.

Earlier this month, Judge Reyna announced that, after 28 years, she will be retiring from her role.

For over two decades, she has upheld the rule of law with fairness and justice in Hidalgo County. She has presided over thousands of cases, worked to improve the judicial process, and mentored many young attorneys throughout her tenure.

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Though she will be missed, her legacy will live on in the courtroom. Her commitment to justice in south Texas is unwavering, and we are so fortunate to have public servants like Judge Reyna in south Texas. We wish her the best as she carries out her term and begins her well-deserved retirement.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate the judge.

#### 1944 WATER TREATY

Ms. DE LA CRUZ. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to address an issue that is critical to my community in south Texas, Mexico's refusal to fulfill its water obligation. Their refusal to comply with the agreements of the 1944 Water Treaty has caused mass devastation with our farmers and ranchers in south Texas.

Last Congress, we had our one sugar mill in Texas close. That was 500 jobs that were lost and millions of dollars of economic impact in south Texas.

Food security is national security, and we have lost our sugar mill, and we are on the verge of losing our citrus industry. We ask that the Mexican Government repay us the water that they owe us which is now over 1 million acre-feet of water.

It is simply unacceptable that the Mexican Government has not given us the water that they owe us. This not only affects the people of south Texas, but it affects the entire Nation.

Again, food security is national security, and we urge the Mexican Government to pay us our water immediately.

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF U.S. NAVY CORPSMAN JACK GUTMAN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California (Mr. CORREA) for 5 minutes.

Mr. CORREA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of World War II hero and U.S. Navy Corpsman Jack Gutman, who passed away just a few days before his 99th birthday.

Jack answered the call to serve our Nation after the attack on Pearl Harbor. He was barely 18 when he enlisted as a corpsman in the Navy. Jack defended our country in some of the most harrowing battles of the war, including bravely providing care to the wounded on the beaches of Normandy on D-day.

Years after returning home with his invisible wounds, Jack sought help through the VA and received treatment for his PTSD. His recovery inspired him to dedicate his life to help fellow veterans find the courage to seek support for their own PTSD challenges.

Sergeant Gutman's life of service to this country and his fellow veterans continues to be an inspiration for all of us.

Mr. Speaker, I ask all of my colleagues to join me in celebrating the life and legacy of my good friend and American hero, Jack Gutman, part of America's Greatest Generation.

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF U.S. ARMY VETERAN ROYAL "ROY" EDWARD NEELEY

Mr. CORREA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of U.S. Army veteran Royal "Roy" Edward Neeley.

Sergeant Neeley served our Nation proudly as a Green Beret in the elite

1st Special Forces Command, Airborne. Roy's dedication and service to our country continued after he left the military. As a civilian he worked as an operations manager.

Roy married Elaine McDonald in 1972, and together they built a life filled with love and beautiful memories.

Our community lost Sergeant Neeley on October 12, 2024, at the age of 76. His memory lives on through his loving wife, children, grandchildren, and our Orange County community.

Sergeant Neeley, thank you for your service to our country and dedication to our community. We will miss you.

#### MOURNING THE LOSS OF JOHN REGINALD MURPHY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. CARTER) for 5 minutes.

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mourn the loss of John Reginald "Reg" Murphy, who unfortunately passed away last November.

Mr. Murphy was a true Renaissance man who lived an extraordinary life guided by curiosity, integrity, engagement, and helping those in need.

Mr. Murphy was raised in Gainesville and attended Mercer University, where he began his journalism career. Throughout his career, Mr. Murphy experienced success working in a variety of esteemed publications, including The Macon Telegraph and The Atlanta Journal-Constitution. Shortly after, he was chosen as a Nieman fellow at Harvard University in 1959.

Mr. Murphy went on to serve as the editor and publisher of the San Francisco Examiner, and then he became the publisher and CEO of The Baltimore Sun.

Throughout his life and career, Mr. Murphy stayed true to his morals and strong ethical compass.

Mr. Murphy is survived by his wife, Diana; daughters, Karen and Susan; two grandsons; a sister; and three nieces and nephews.

Mr. Murphy will always be remembered as a humble, approachable, gentle, and kind man.

#### RECOGNIZING MARLON LAWRENCE

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Marlon Lawrence, a custodian at Mary Lee Clark Elementary School in Camden County for being named the South Region winner in the Georgia Leadership Institute for School Improvement Hidden Heroes Campaign.

This recognition celebrates unsung leaders in education whose dedication makes a profound impact on their schools and their communities.

Marlon's hard work and commitment to maintaining a clean, welcoming, and inclusive environment have helped create a space where students and staff can thrive.

This achievement reflects the collective teamwork at Mary Lee Clark Ele-

mentary where everyone works together to ensure student success.

Principal Rika Dow has praised Marlon for his unwavering dedication and innovative approach, making him a model for others to follow.

On behalf of the community and as his Congressman, I commend Marlon Lawrence for his exceptional contributions, and I thank him for the example he sets.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate Marlon on this well-deserved recognition.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF MS. ELIZABETH PRYOR

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Ms. Elizabeth Katherine Pryor, a civil rights activist, educator, and pillar in the Savannah community, who passed away last month.

Ms. Pryor was an activist, joining the civil rights movement at a young age where she proudly participated in organized sit-ins, marches, and peaceful protests in the city of Savannah.

After graduating from Savannah State College and Georgia Southern University, Ms. Pryor served as an educator in the Savannah-Chatham County Public School District for more than four decades.

As a lifelong member of the NAACP, Ms. Pryor also was a strong proponent of voting rights. She was also among the activists who were instrumental in the renaming of West Broad Street to Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard.

Ms. Pryor served on the Board of Directors of the Ralph Mark Gilbert Civil Rights Museum and was the former grand marshal for the annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Parade.

Ms. Pryor is survived by her two daughters and many other beloved relatives and friends. Ms. Pryor will always be remembered for her dedication to advocating for justice, change, and equality.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF JOSEPH RYLON WILLS, JR.

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Mr. Joseph Rylon Wills, Jr., a man of faith, service, and dedication.

Born in 1957 in Plant City, Florida, Joe was raised by his loving parents, Rylon and Gail. He was active in church and sports, demonstrating a commitment to faith and teamwork from a young age.

In 1982, he married Stacy, his lifelong partner, and together they built a beautiful life, raising three wonderful sons, Patrick, Timothy, and David.

Joe earned a business degree from Augusta University and had a distinguished career in hospitality and real estate. He worked at Augusta National Golf Club, Sea Island Company, and Brunswick Country Club. Joe later became a top producing realtor, specializing in luxury properties.

A devoted church leader, Joe served as an elder and deacon, supporting organizations like Manna House of Brunswick and contributing to community events. He was known for his generosity, kindness, and willingness to

help others, always offering a listening ear and thoughtful advice.

Joe found joy in family, good friends, music, cycling, and long walks on the beach with his dogs. His legacy of service, faith, and love for his community will continue to inspire all those who knew him.

#### DEPARTMENT OF GOVERNMENT INEFFICIENCY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Pennsylvania (Ms. SCANLON) for 5 minutes.

Ms. SCANLON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to speak about the White House's pet project, the department of government inefficiency, otherwise known as DOGI.

For the past month, our Federal workers and agencies have been assaulted by a dilettante billionaire empowered by President Trump to muck about in Americans' lives and Federal agencies.

Americans are justifiably concerned that these unelected intruders are acting as judge and jury on people's lives and livelihoods as they gleefully and illegally feed tens of thousands of jobs and vital programs into a woodchipper.

This billionaire and his tech bros claim to have found billions in fraud, waste, and inefficiency, but their methods and results are shrouded in secrecy. When they hype their claim on Twitter or the White House press room, independent review has shown that their claims are false or riddled with errors. Buying condoms for Gaza?

It didn't happen. Social Security payments to people who are 150 years old?

Nope. Mr. Speaker, \$800 billion in savings on one contract?

Oops. Maybe \$800 million, they are not really sure.

Absolutely nothing adds up.

These DOGI efforts have introduced fraud, waste, and inefficiency into every agency they have touched with their invasions, freezes, and suspensions.

Federal workers have been fired then rehired as their functions were quickly proven to be indispensable rather than nonessential. Employees have been bombarded with weird emails that threaten them with termination if they don't accept a sketchy buyout or snitch on their colleagues and with demands that they interrupt their real work to do make-work for review by people who have no understanding or interest in public service or government functions.

Elon Musk's DOGI efforts are disrupting critical medical research and treatments, foreign aid, veterans' care, criminal investigations, and health, housing and human services across the Nation and beyond.

It takes a remarkable combination of arrogance and stupidity to think that this is the best use of time for our intelligence officers, VA workers, air