

that meant that we didn't have to worry about losing our house or what other bills that we could pay so that Olivia could survive and thrive. It meant that she could get multiple wheelchairs and use equipment like inflatable vests that kept her from getting pneumonia more than five times a year. She was able to go to public school and live for 19 years with our family.

For me, I learned that government could be a safety net for families like mine. So for the last 6 years in the Washington State legislature I worked hard to expand healthcare access for folks all across the State and all across my big rural district where hospitals are already struggling because Medicaid reimbursement rates are low, where small clinics and independent providers are shuttering their doors because they cannot afford to stay open.

So, Mr. Speaker, if you have a family with a disabled kid like my sister and you live in Neah Bay in the farthest northwest corner of the lower 48 States, then you have to drive hours and sometimes wait for a ferry that could be 2 hours delayed in order to get to a specialist in Seattle to get your kid lifesaving care.

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What will happen if this budget resolution becomes reality and if \$1 trillion is cut from Medicare programs is that we will see potentially per-capita caps. What that means is that we will decide how much the lives of children like my sister are worth. How much will we be willing to pay for the equipment and the specialists and the surgery to keep medically fragile kids alive?

It will mean that folks without disabilities, seniors and low-income children, and folks with private insurance will struggle to afford healthcare in communities like mine and communities across the country.

We are facing a real crisis in our healthcare sector already. We should not be adding to it by cutting \$1 trillion from poor people and people with disabilities, from children, and from seniors who are often dual eligible for Medicare and Medicaid who are able to live in dignity until the end of their days because of this important program. It will keep long-term care programs open if we are able to maintain Medicaid funding.

I am scared. I am scared for my constituents. I am scared for my neighbors. I am scared for the healthcare providers who are just trying to do their jobs. I am also scared for the impact that we will see for years into the future if this budget resolution becomes law, if we deliver trillions of dollars of cuts for families who depend on Medicaid.

Mr. CARBAJAL. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentlewoman from Washington (Ms. RANDALL) for her words.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from New York (Mr. ESPAILLAT), chair of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus and my good friend.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, we stood here tonight to warn the American people of these massive cuts in vital programs like the Medicaid program, SNAP, and the Food Stamp program, which provides nutritional assistance to our families, as the Republican majority perpetrates a scam to provide the very wealthiest of Americans a \$4.5 trillion tax cut at the expense of the health of the American people by cutting Medicaid.

Medicaid is a vital program for Americans all over the United States. It is not just urban areas, but rural areas and suburban areas from the North, the South, the East, and the West of the country.

Americans will be dramatically impacted by these cuts. This is not a Republican cut or a Democratic cut. It will impact people across the aisle. Republican Members have many constituents who are on Medicaid and Medicare and who receive SNAP benefits. Yet, the savings will go to the fat-cat executives and shareholders, the wealthiest in America.

Mr. Speaker, we are asking for the American people to be alert of the Republican budget betrayal, that it is a life-or-death matter and puts their lives in danger by denying them the basic healthcare benefits that they are entitled to.

Mr. Speaker, we stand here as one, members of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus, to say “no” to this plan and to tell the American people that they are not alone and that we are with them in good times and in bad times.

Mr. CARBAJAL. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 7 o'clock and 19 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, February 27, 2025, 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-479. A letter from the Acting Secretary, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's biennial report on compliance of group health plans and group health insurance coverage offering in connection with such plans with the requirements of the Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008, pursuant to 26 U.S.C. 9812(a)(8)(B)(iv); Public Law 116-260, Sec. 203(a)(3); (134 Stat. 2916) and 29 U.S.C. 1185a(a)(8)(B)(iv); Added by Public Law 104-204, Sec. 702 (as amended by Public Law 116-260, Sec. 203(a)(2)); (134 Stat. 2909); to the Committee on Education and Workforce.

EC-480. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — *Bacillus Thuringiensis* Strain EX 297512 in Pesticide Formulations;

Exemption From the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2019-0572; FRL-12526-01-OCSP] received February 20, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-481. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — *Bacillus Thuringiensis* Cry1B.34 Protein; Exemption From the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2022-0988; FRL-12514-01-OCSP] received February 20, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-482. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's withdrawal of direct final rule — Utah: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revisions and Incorporation by Reference; Withdrawal of Direct Final Rule [EPA-R08-RCRA-2024-0408; FRL-12226-03-R8] received February 20, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-483. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — West Virginia Underground Injection Control (UIC) Program; Class VI Primacy [EPA-HQ-OW-2024-0357; FRL 12000-02-OW] received February 20, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-484. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's notice of decision — California State Motor Vehicle and Engine and Nonroad Engine Pollution Control Standards; The “Omnibus” Low NOX Regulation; Waiver of Preemption; Notice of Decision [EPA-HQ-OAR-2022-0332; FRL-9902-02-OAR] received February 19, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-485. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's notice of decision — California State Motor Vehicle and Engine Pollution Control Standards; Advanced Clean Cars II; Waiver of Preemption; Notice of Decision [EPA-HQ-OAR-2023-0292; FRL-11010-02-OAR] received February 19, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-486. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's notice of decision — California State Motor Vehicle and Engine Pollution Control Standards; Heavy-Duty Vehicle and Engine Emission Warranty and Maintenance Provisions; Advanced Clean Trucks; Zero Emission Airport Shuttle; Zero-Emission Power Train Certification; Waiver of Preemption; Notice of Decision [EPA-HQ-OAR-2022-0330; EPA-HQ-OAR-2022-0331; FRL-9900-02-OAR] received February 19, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-487. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's issuance of regulatory guide — Acceptable ASME Section XI Inservice Inspection Code Cases for 10 CFR Part 72 (Regulatory Guide 3.78, Revision 0) received February 21, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law