

in adoption, there is pain in abortion, there is pain and suffering giving birth and parenting a child prematurely. The best solution is to prevent the pregnancy. Young people who believe that they have a real future to risk have real incentives to delay parenting. This is why when we demand responsible behavior, we have a reciprocal obligation to offer a real future beyond early parenting and poverty.

Reducing teen childbearing is likely to require more than eliminating or manipulating welfare programs. Experience tells us that threats and punishment are not the best way to get teens to behave in a way that is good for them and their future.

The most successful approach to reducing teen childbearing is to design policies and procedures that are targeted to encourage positive developmental behavior through beneficial adult role models and job connections.

We must implement pregnancy prevention programs that educate and support school age youths between the ages of 10 and 21 in high risk situations and their family members through comprehensive social and health services, with an emphasis on pregnancy prevention. Devoting more resources to preventing teen pregnancy will not only save us money in the long run but will improve the lives, health, education, economic opportunities, and the well-being of these young people and their families. Moreover, they will give hope for this Nation and they will have an opportunity to make a positive contribution.

Mr. Speaker, we must be engaged in this effort.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from New Jersey [Mr. CHRISTENSEN] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. CHRISTENSEN addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from the District of Columbia [Ms. NORTON] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Ms. NORTON addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

SUICIDE BOMBING IN TEL AVIV

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from New Jersey [Mr. SAXTON] is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. SAXTON. Mr. Speaker, recall with me for just a moment where you were and where all of our friends were on the day the World Trade Center was bombed and think back for a minute about how that made us feel. It is within that kind of a context that I viewed an occurrence earlier today when I

heard that a bomb had been exploded in Tel Aviv by a suicide bomber. I immediately picked up the telephone and called a friend that lives in Tel Aviv with her husband, an elderly, older couple, and she described to me over the telephone what a friend of hers, an eyewitness to this bombing, saw.

It seems that it was lunchtime and the waiter, who was the one who described this, saw a man who looked like he did not belong there enter the street-side cafe with two bags. As the waiter approached the individual to find out why he was there, he simply sat a bag on the chair, which caused the bag to explode. Forty-seven people were wounded and 3 were killed by this fanatic who caused this to happen.

The Associated Press writes an account of what it was like. The Associated Press writes:

The blast scattered chairs, tables and umbrellas on a tree-lined boulevard just yards away from City Hall. Smoke rose from the charred wood and cloth umbrellas, and napkins and half-eaten plates of food were strewn about.

Among the injured was a 6-month-old girl in a red and blue clown costume. Her head was matted with blood as she was carried away screaming.

There was a powerful boom, glass flying everywhere, and there was a lot of blood, said the cafe's shift manager who gave his name as Roi. He sobbed hysterically, sitting back on the sidewalk holding his head.

This happened today. This happened in a cafe that I have visited. This happened within 2 blocks of my friends' home, and it causes us as Americans to wonder why.

Well, one does not have to look far to find out why, because, as the Speaker knows, during Desert Shield and Desert Storm the West proved to those countries that would sponsor these kinds of acts that in order for them to carry out their desired, or to attain their desired goals, they are going to have to find some way to do it other than through conventional military means, and terror is one of the tools they use. What I described is terror. What is in this AP article is something that we as Americans find hard to believe and can only imagine. And yet in that part of the world, this is an all too often occurrence.

As we look to see why the same AP article quotes some individuals who may have had something to do with this. If I can quote an Hamas leader, Ibrahim Maqadmeh, "Jerusalem will not be restored by negotiations, but only with holy war, whatever the sacrifices," he said today, he told a crowd of 50,000 cheering people in Khan Unis in the Gaza Strip.

In the West Bank town of Nablus, a different Hamas leader told the crowd of 10,000 supporters this afternoon, today, "I have good news for you," he said. "There is a suicide operation in Tel Aviv" today.

The crowd clapped and cheered. God is great. This is the only language that the occupiers, meaning the Israelis, the occupiers, this is the only language the

occupiers understand, the language of martyrdom, said the Hamas leader Hamed Bitawi.

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These are difficult situations to talk about and, for me, quite impossible to understand, and I hope, Mr. Speaker, that the American people and particularly the administration will take note of this event.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. FORBES (at the request of Mr. ARMEY), for today, on account of family illness.

Mr. OXLEY (at the request of Mr. ARMEY), for today, on account of a death in the family.

Mr. UNDERWOOD (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT), for today, on account of official business.

Mr. PASCARELL (at the request of Mr. GEPHARDT), for today, on account of personal business.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. FILNER) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. FILNER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. ENGEL, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. CLAYTON, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. CHAMBLISS) and to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. GINGRICH, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. CANNON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. HANSEN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. CHRISTENSEN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. CHAMBLISS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SAXTON, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at his own request) to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. BROWN of Ohio.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that committee had examined and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 514. An act to permit the waiver of District of Columbia residency requirements for certain employees of the Office of the Inspector General of the District of Columbia.

BILL PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Oversight, reported that that

committee did on the following date present to the President, for his approval, a bill of the House of the following title:

On March 19, 1997:

H.R. 924. An act to amend title 18, United States Code, to give further assurance to the right of victims of crime to attend and observe the trials of those accused of the crime.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. SAXTON. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution 14, 105th Congress, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HAYWORTH). Pursuant to the provisions of Senate Concurrent Resolution 14, 105th Congress, the House stands adjourned until 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 8, 1997, for morning hour debates.

Thereupon (at 2 o'clock and 1 minute p.m.), pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution 14, the House adjourned until Tuesday, April 8, 1997, at 12:30 p.m. for morning hour debates.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

2466. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Popcorn Promotion, Research, and Consumer Information Order; Referendum Procedures [FV-96-709FR] received March 21, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2467. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and plant Health Inspection Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Viruses, Serums, Toxins, and Analogous Products; Biologics Establishment Licenses and Biological Product Licenses and Permits [Docket No. 96-055-2] received March 21, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

2468. A letter from the Acting Administrator, Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Health Services Research, Evaluation, Demonstration, and Dissemination Projects; Peer Review of Grants and Contracts (RIN: 0919-AA00) received March 18, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2469. A letter from the Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a report on Superfund financial activities at the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences for fiscal year 1995; pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 7501 note; to the Committee on Commerce.

2470. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; Correction of Designation of Nonclassified Ozone Nonattainment Areas; States of Maine and New Hampshire [ME048-1-6997a; FRL-5802-3] received March 21, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2471. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory

Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Agreement Between the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the Discontinuance of Certain Commission Regulatory Authority and Responsibility Within the Commonwealth Pursuant to Section 274 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as Amended—received March 21, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2472. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Policy and Procedure for Enforcement Actions; Policy Statement [NUREG-1600] received March 21, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

2473. A letter from the Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting a copy of the annual report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act during the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(j); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2474. A letter from the Acting General Counsel, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule—Financial Assistance Letter (Guidance on Implementing Section 18 of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995) [Letter No. 97-02] received March 21, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2475. A letter from the Acting General Counsel, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule—Unfunded Mandates Reform Act; Intergovernmental Consultation—received March 21, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2476. A letter from the Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2477. A letter from the Director, Institute of Museum Services, transmitting the fiscal year 1996 annual report under the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act [FMFIA] of 1982, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3512(c)(3); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2478. A letter from the Chairman, Merit Systems Protection Board, transmitting the 18th annual report on the activities of the board during fiscal year 1996, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 1206; to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2479. A letter from the Chairman, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting a report of activities under the Freedom of Information Act for the calendar year 1996; pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight.

2480. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, transmitting the Office's final rule—Ohio Abandoned Mine Land Reclamation Plan (OH-236-FOR) received March 20, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

2481. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, transmitting the Office's final rule—Maryland Regulatory Program [MD-040-FOR] received March 20, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

2482. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, transmitting the Office's final rule—Texas Regulatory Program [SPATS No. TX-017-FOR] received March 20, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

2483. A letter from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting the grant-in-aid for fisheries 1995-96 program report, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 757(a)-757(f) and 16 U.S.C. 4107 et seq.; to the Committee on Resources.

2484. A letter from the Director, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule—Transfer of Inmates to State Agents for Production on State Writs (Bureau of Prisons) [BOP-1058-F] (RIN: 1120-AA53) received March 21, 1997, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

2485. A letter from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1998 and 1999 for the U.S. Coast Guard, and for other purposes, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1110; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

2486. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's report entitled "Child Support Enforcement Incentive Funding," pursuant to Public Law 104-193, section 341(a) (110 Stat. 2231); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2487. A letter from the Acting Commissioner of Social Security, Social Security Administration, transmitting a report on the implementation of the childhood disability provisions in the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, pursuant to Public Law 104-193, section 211(d)(3) (110 Stat. 2191); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

2488. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General of the United States, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to include American Samoa in the act of October 5, 1984 (90 Stat. 1732, 48 U.S.C. 1662a), dealing with territories of the United States, and for other purposes; jointly, to the Committees on Resources and the Judiciary.

2489. A letter from the Secretaries of Education and the Treasury, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation entitled the "Hope and Opportunity for Postsecondary Education Act of 1997"; jointly, to the Committees on Ways and Means and Education and the Workforce.

2490. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting the annual report for the National Security Education Program, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1906; jointly, to the Committees on Intelligence (Permanent Select) and Education and the Workforce.

2491. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to authorize appropriations for the Department of State to carry out its authorities and responsibilities in the conduct of foreign affairs during the fiscal years 1998 and 1999, and for other purposes, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1110; jointly, to the Committees on International Relations, the Judiciary, and Government Reform and Oversight.

2492. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General for Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting a study of the long-term alternatives for the District of Columbia Department of Corrections [D.C. DOC] correctional complex in Lorton, VA, pursuant to Public Law 104-134, section 151(b)(3) (110 Stat. 1321-102); jointly, to the Committees on the Judiciary, Government Reform and Oversight, and Appropriations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows: