

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, this week the men and women through their Representatives in Congress will welcome an ally and a friend. When Ukraine's new President, Petro Poroshenko, addresses a joint session of Congress on Thursday, he will do so at a pivotal moment in his country's history.

Ukraine is facing an existential threat from Russian aggression. President Putin's incitement of violence in eastern Ukraine and arming of separatist rebels there must stop.

The United States has responded with tough sanctions. I will push for even tougher sanctions if President Putin continues to disregard Ukrainian sovereignty.

The people of Ukraine are fighting for democracy. The United States stands behind them in their efforts.

Let this week's address only strengthen the longstanding alliance and friendship between the United States and our friend Ukraine.

ANTI-SEMITISM AROUND THE WORLD

(Mr. WOLF asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WOLF. Mr. Speaker, I rise to submit for the RECORD a statement on my concerns about the troubling increase in anti-Semitism in the Middle East, Europe, and, I regret to say, here in the United States, particularly on college campuses in recent years.

Some have likened the freedom and safety of the Jewish people to "the canary in the coal mine" of a nation's religious freedom and tolerance, meaning, if the Jewish population is threatened, so too will others in time.

For the religious freedom and safety of all people, we must speak out against these disturbing trends and anti-Semitic acts around the world.

I am also calling for the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights to update the 2006 report on anti-Semitism on college campuses to review recent trends and look at what recommendations, if any, have been implemented.

CONDEMNING NFL ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

(Ms. HAHN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. HAHN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to express my concern and disgust at the NFL's belated and inadequate response to violence against women and children by its players.

If the league were serious, it could use its significant resources to have a positive impact and help change how society views the issue, just as teams have raised money and awareness to fight breast cancer.

But I am not convinced that the NFL commissioner, owners, coaches, and players want to change. Are they sin-

cere or just doing damage control before continuing business—by the way, highly profitable, but tax-exempt business—as usual?

I believe the buck, not just the big bucks, stop with the commissioner. Because he has failed, I think Goodell must go—either resign or be ousted by the owners. My colleagues and I will be watching to see whether the NFL truly reforms, and we will be revisiting congressional oversight and legislation related to the NFL.

KRAUTHAMMER CORRECT AGAIN

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, in last week's Washington Post, columnist Charles Krauthammer analyzed the President's plan to defeat ISIL:

"Beyond the strategy's halfhearted substance is the author's halfhearted tone. Obama's reluctance and ambivalence are obvious. This is a man driven to give this speech by public opinion. It shifted radically with the televised beheading of two Americans. Every poll shows that Americans overwhelmingly want something to be done—and someone to lead the doing."

ISIL's conquest in Iraq and Syria is a consequence of the administration's failed policies that do not achieve peace through strength. The President ignored evidence of increasing terrorist safe havens across North Africa, the Middle East, and Central Asia, as the southern border is now porous.

The United States must effectively defeat ISIL to stop attacks on American families. I hope the President shows real leadership and takes effective action to achieve victory over those who vow mass murder of American families.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and the President should take action remembering September 11th in the global war on terrorism.

MILITARIZATION

(Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to urge this House to stop the free flow of excess Defense Department military weapons and equipment to local law enforcement.

Our neighborhoods need to be protected, but Americans oppose blurring the line between the police and military. When law enforcement uses military MRAPs on Main Street, that changes the relationship with the public.

Our country is not a war zone, and it should not feel like one. That is why Representative Raul Labrador and myself are introducing the Stop Militarizing Law Enforcement Act. This is a

commonsense and bipartisan bill to reform the Department of Defense 1033 program to stop the free flow of this equipment from foreign battlefields directly to the streets of America.

I urge all of my colleagues to support this bill.

INTRODUCTION OF THE CLEAN AIR STRONG ECONOMIES ACT

(Mr. OLSON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, EPA will soon propose a new lower ozone standard. We have made important gains in air quality, but this new proposal is so low that most of America, including all but five national parks, will be out of compliance.

This new rule will mean lost jobs and lost opportunities. It means no new permits for Mom and Pop and their American Dream. They will struggle to grow. That is why tomorrow BOB LATTA of Ohio and I are introducing the Clean Air Strong Economies Act. This commonsense bill requires EPA to protect health and consider whether a new rule can be met.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to help us balance clean air with a strong economy and American jobs.

REPUBLICAN OBSTRUCTION

(Mr. VEASEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. VEASEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to call on House Republican leadership to stop playing games and start governing.

We are scheduled to debate 36 bills this week, but many are just repeated failed attempts that went nowhere beyond this House because they will do nothing to create jobs or strengthen the economy.

Instead of working to pass comprehensive immigration reform or raising the minimum wage or decreasing income disparity between men and women, we are instead repackaging and repassing partisan talking points and special interest handouts.

This Congress is on track to be the least—the least—productive in U.S. history.

We have seen valuable time and tax dollars wasted in trying to sue the President, over 50 failed attempts to repeal the Affordable Care Act—including the 2-week Republican government shutdown over the same issue—and attempts to legitimize flimsy conspiracy theories.

House Democrats stand ready to work with House Republican leadership when they decide to stop playing games and get back to work. We are ready to jump-start our economy, make it in America, reunite families, and bring back jobs from overseas.

ISIS BENEDICT ARNOLDS

(Mr. POE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, evil ISIS has arrogantly beheaded yet another Westerner. This time, a British aide worker, David Haines, was executed. His assassin was an ISIS masked outlaw with a British accent.

ISIS has been heavily recruiting turncoat citizens in the United Kingdom, Canada, and the United States. These American passport holders are particularly dangerous since they can easily slip back into our country undetected and bring ISIS' reign of terror to our homeland.

That is why I have introduced the FTO Passport Revocation Act. This legislation would authorize the revocation or denial of passports and passport cards to individuals who fight with foreign terrorist organizations.

The Benedict Arnold traitors who have turned against America and joined the ranks of the terrorist army ISIS should lose their right to reenter the United States. This bill will help law enforcement locate these individuals overseas by preventing them from traveling internationally so that they can be captured and brought to justice.

Once Americans cross over to the dark side and go to war against us, they are not welcome back—unless they are in handcuffs.

And that is just the way it is.

VOTING RIGHTS IN OHIO

(Ms. FUDGE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. FUDGE. Mr. Speaker, 2 weeks from today, Golden Week will begin in the State of Ohio. This is a one-stop voting opportunity that will allow Ohio residents to register and cast in-person absentee ballots at the same time. But for the U.S. district court ruling against the GOP-led general assembly, Ohio voters would not have this opportunity.

According to a Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights report, African American voters made up 78 percent of all early voting ballots in the country. There are people working in every State to make it more difficult for citizens, and particularly people of color, to exercise their right to vote. That is why it is critical for each of us to do all we can to protect it.

I support the Voting Rights Amendment Act of 2014, and I encourage my colleagues to do the same.

11TH ANNUAL NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

(Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mark the 11th annual

National Preparedness Month and to urge all Americans to be disaster aware and take action to prepare.

According to FEMA, less than 40 percent of all Americans have an emergency plan. This startling fact is a reminder that our Nation must continue to prepare for all types of disasters.

As congressional cochair of National Preparedness Month, I hope all Members will join me in promoting the importance of preparedness. The first 72 hours after a natural disaster or terrorist attack are critical.

This September, urge your constituents and families to take action by creating an emergency kit that includes things like water, nonperishable food, phone chargers. Families should have communication plans and designate a meet-up point in case they get separated. And lastly, we should follow our first responders and Red Cross on social media. Taking these kinds of steps can save lives when disaster strikes.

Mr. Speaker, this month and every month, let's pledge to be disaster aware and take action to prepare.

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CHILDREN'S CARDIOMYOPATHY MONTH

(Mrs. CAPPS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize September as Children's Cardiomyopathy Awareness Month.

Cardiomyopathy is a chronic disease of the heart muscle and it increases the risk of sudden cardiac arrest. Sudden cardiac arrest claims almost 300,000 lives in the United States every year. It is the leading cause of death for schoolchildren.

That is why I introduced the Teaching Children to Save Lives Act, which would help teach our students across the country the lifesaving skills of CPR and how to use an AED.

Additionally, I recently introduced the SAFE PLAY Act to help ensure the health and safety of students who are athletes. Some of them have cardiomyopathy as well.

This is an issue facing youth and families all across the United States. That is why I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing September as Children's Cardiomyopathy Awareness Month, participate in the first annual AED Hunt on the Hill tomorrow, and to cosponsor the SAFE PLAY Act and Teaching Children to Save Lives Act, because together we can make a difference.

PROHIBITING TSA FROM ACCEPTING NOTICE TO APPEAR FORMS

(Mr. MARCHANT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. MARCHANT. Mr. Speaker, I have introduced legislation to prohibit TSA

from accepting Notice to Appear forms as valid ID for clearing airport security.

Notice to Appear forms summon illegal immigrants to present themselves for removal hearings. They contain no real security features and can be easily forged.

After first denying it to the press, the TSA admitted to me that they were giving illegal immigrants special leeway by accepting Notice to Appear forms. This defies commonsense.

Those who violate our laws should never be held to a lower security standard than law-abiding citizens. It is a serious security risk. It is unfair to honest Americans. It must stop now.

I call on all of my colleagues to support this legislation. TSA must stop giving illegal immigrants special treatment.

CONSTITUTION WEEK

(Mr. COHEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, this is Constitution Week, the week that we honor our Constitution, drafted in 1787 on September 15 and signed on the 17th.

I spoke to a class about it in Memphis. I looked at the class, which is almost entirely African American, and I thought about the Constitution having in it slavery and not having in it a woman's right to vote.

Then I have been watching Ken Burns' "The Roosevelts" and seeing how Teddy Roosevelt would have thought about where we are today. Teddy Roosevelt and Franklin Roosevelt knew we needed a central government to work for the people. Teddy Roosevelt said the Constitution was for the people, not the people for the Constitution. He put right first and he fought the trusts and he looked after labor and he looked after the average American worker. He would have been repelled at the idea of not having a Voting Rights Act, as he had Booker T. Washington, the first African American in the White House.

He would have been concerned about what this Congress is doing today and the prospect of war and our power to declare war and not acting and not exercising our constitutional prerogatives.

The Ken Burns series is a tribute to two great men and a great family, Teddy and Franklin Roosevelt, who made America better. I wish this Congress would do the same.

FEDERAL RESERVE TRANSPARENCY ACT

(Mr. SMITH of Missouri asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I am proud today to stand up in support of legislation that I cosponsored that the House will consider later