

Our constituents send us to Washington to work together to solve problems, and this is the most basic and fundamental issue we deal with, literally, matters of life and death.

I am pleased that my good friend, my colleague from Indiana, SUSAN BROOKS, has worked so hard and that the majority has worked hard with the minority this week on it. But at the end of the day, our budgets are also our priorities.

We have to find a way to provide the resources so that these wonderful programs and the good policies that we adopted this week are reflected and put into place to actually save lives.

We cannot claim credit for good policies when we do not provide the resources to the first responders on the streets, to the substance abuse counselors, to the coaches who need to understand the risks for their young athletes, to parents to understand those risks, to our dentists who are doing wisdom tooth extractions. All our work is for naught if it is simply a bill passed that appears in lawbooks.

Our job is not yet done. So I urge my colleagues in the strongest possible way to continue our good work and to put into effect the resources so that these policies adopted in the Senate and the House have the impact we all want and the American people need, which is to help save lives, to prevent our fellow citizens from becoming addicted to prescription drugs or to heroin, and to actually help them remove themselves from that addiction and return to life in its fullest form.

So, again, I urge my colleagues to take these instructions and take this charge to heart in the meeting in the conference committee.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. All time for debate has expired.

Without objection, the previous question is ordered on the motion to instruct.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to instruct.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the noes appeared to have it.

Ms. ESTY. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

ADJOURNMENT FROM FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2016, TO MONDAY, MAY 16, 2016

Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday, May 16, 2016, when it shall convene at noon for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Indiana?

There was no objection.

HONORING THE LIFE OF ANN DAY

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

Ms. MCSALLY. Mr. Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I rise today to honor the life of Ann Day, a dedicated public servant of southern Arizona who was tragically killed last weekend in a car crash.

Ann was the sister of former Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, but that did not keep her from making a mark on Arizona that was uniquely hers. She came from a ranching background and brought a "cowgirl commonsense" approach to problem solving that marked her many years of service.

Ann represented Tucson in the Arizona State Senate for 10 years, followed by 12 years as a Pima County supervisor. Her efforts led to the establishment of local landmarks like the Rillito River Path and Brandi Fenton Park, where a memorial service in her honor will be held on Saturday. She also will be remembered for her love of nature and substantial conservation efforts in Pima County.

Thanks to her, generations of people from across our country will continue to be able to come to southern Arizona and experience the breathtaking landscapes that we call home. She is truly someone whose impact and legacy will live on far beyond her years and someone who will be deeply missed by many in our community.

AUTHORIZED USE OF MILITARY FORCE

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

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to challenge this House to live up to our constitutional duty to debate the ongoing war in the Middle East.

For nearly 2 years, our brave servicemen and -women have been fighting yet another war. As they face snipers and mortar rounds, incredibly, some claim that they are not in combat.

How can we claim this is not combat? And, worse, how can we ask them to go to war when Congress cannot muster the courage to debate it and authorize it or not?

The last four Presidents have bombed the Middle East with little or no congressional oversight. Will we allow a fifth President to continue these wars unchecked?

As the National Defense Authorization Act comes to the floor next week, I submitted an amendment to force a debate on this war and repeal the 2001 blank check for endless war that got us into these perpetual wars.

As you can see, the Congressional Research Service has indicated that this 2001 resolution has been used over 37

times. These are some of the areas in which that has been used. That is just wrong.

The Rules Committee should allow this important debate to come to the House floor.

Mr. Speaker, let us debate this war, its costs, its consequences, and talk about a real strategy to end ISIL's reign of terror.

NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH

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

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the month of May as National Foster Care Month across our Nation. In fact, I was proud to sign on this week to the legislation creating this distinction.

National Foster Care Month was established more than 25 years ago to bring foster care issues to the forefront, highlighting the importance of permanency for every child and recognizing the essential role that foster parents, advocates, and social workers play in the lives of children in foster care across the country.

With nearly 415,000 children in foster care across America, it is safe to say that we all know a child in foster care. Furthermore, I want to recognize the families who have selflessly decided to open their homes to these boys and girls, providing good homes at a very challenging time for these young people.

Madam Speaker, the foster care system has and always will hold a special place in my heart. When I was 11 years old, my family welcomed a foster care child, Bob, into our home. Bob, throughout the years, has taught me so much and will be my brother for life.

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HONORING OUR NATION'S POLICE OFFICERS

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

Mr. LAMALFA. Madam Speaker, last night, my colleague, Congressman REICHERT, had a Special Order honoring our police officers for National Police Week here. And though I had wished to take part in that, I wasn't able to; but I certainly feel the need and desire to honor our police officers across this country for what they do, for being on the line for all of us here, and sometimes being unappreciated for that in a strange media setting that we have these days.

We hearken back to 2014, when 136 officers lost their lives. Fresh on our mind in northern California is the loss of two of our Placer County officers, Michael Davis and Danny Oliver, in a terrible run-and-gun situation that was going on with a released inmate. These

two officers served many years in their role for the people of Placer County and northern California.

Like them, many others around the country have lost their lives in the line of duty to protect us. We need to honor them. We need to be behind them at all times. The thin blue line is between us and a lot of really bad things in this Nation. They go to work each day willing to pay the price, if it is necessary. We honor them.

In the midst of everything going on these days in the news and the media, it is important that we always remember their sacrifice, and stop and thank them, and get to know them as they are trying to get to know the people in the community. We find out they are just human like us and are after the same things, as Americans.

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR CARL WHITMARSH

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

Mr. AL GREEN of Texas. Madam Speaker, I stand today in the well of the House to pay tribute to a great and noble American, a person who gave a lot to his country.

He was a loyal Democrat. He was a Democrat's Democrat, but he was more than that. He was a person who was a voice for the voiceless.

He was one of those persons who had a publication that was widely circulated in Houston, Texas, and this publication was the means by which those of us who could read the front page, but not understand the rest of the story, we could acquire that intelligence by simply reading his words.

He made things not only clear, but perspicuously clear. He was a person that went out of his way to get truth to those who would be confused, if not but for what he would do.

So I am honored to say that Carl Whitmarsh was a great and noble American. But I am also honored to say that he was a person who made it very much possible for the Democratic Party to thrive in Houston, Texas.

Lane Lewis, who is the current chair, benefited from his presence. He and Lane worked closely together. In fact, it is very difficult to think of him and not think of Lane Lewis. Carl Whitmarsh, Lane Lewis.

Carl, may you rest in peace.

I will now ask for a moment of silence in his honor.

UNLEASHING AMERICA'S ECONOMIC POTENTIAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. MIMI WALTERS of California). Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 6, 2015, the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. WOODALL) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the majority leader.

Mr. WOODALL. Madam Speaker, I want to begin by yielding to the gen-

tleman from Montana (Mr. ZINKE), one of the great freshmen here leading our institution.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF REAR ADMIRAL BRIAN LOSEY

Mr. ZINKE. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of Rear Admiral Brian Losey, the current commander of Naval Special Warfare Command, our Nation's top U.S. SEAL. He is entrusted with the honor of commanding all SEALs, all special boat units, and all support staff across this great country and across many theatres.

I have had the privilege of serving with Brian Losey, SEAL Team 6, Red Team, and I can tell you that Brian is an outstanding officer.

It is an obligation of every officer to take action when he sees wrong, and Brian Losey did just that. He saw a problem and took action. He took decisive action because he knew the actions of others around him were wrong.

Yet, once again, an entrusted, entrenched bureaucracy was allowed to hide behind threats, hide behind whistleblowers, hide behind rules that were intended to protect command and not to erode it. And yet, those accusations discredited a great officer and the head of the United States Navy SEALs.

I understand these protections are important, and they are necessary, but we cannot allow such protections to go against accountability and against the sanctity of command.

In this case, the Navy reviewed the investigation on Admiral Brian Losey. They found him to be innocent and wrongfully accused. I have seen the evidence and went through it line by line. I fully support the Navy's conclusion and believe that they properly reviewed this case.

The DOD had different conclusions, and I believe those DOD conclusions from the IG are flawed and are cherry-picked.

Admiral Losey is highly regarded by his subordinates, all of the Naval Special Warfare community, and all SEALs who have served with him and under his command. This includes the Navy SEAL standing before you. I have known this man and his family for 30 years.

Let me just give you a snapshot of Admiral Losey's leadership under his command of Naval Special Warfare. The SEALs, and those under his command, have executed 654 total missions, have killed 461 high-value targets—every one of those targets, if given a chance, would do grievous harm to our Nation—have captured 60, wounded 32, rescued an American hostage, deployed an average of 250 days of the year.

In 2015 alone, in Iraq, Naval Special Warfare Command and its components were responsible for the killing or capture of over 3,000 enemy combatants.

Admiral Losey personally deployed to Operation Inherent Resolve, Operation Enduring Freedom in the Trans-Sahara. He has deployed to 30 countries. Naval Special Warfare forces

under his command are deployed to 70 countries across this great globe. They advanced partner forces' security capabilities, training over 6,000 of our allies.

Madam Speaker, America, our men, women, and children, both at home and abroad, are able to sleep at night due to the leadership of Admiral Losey and those forces that he commands.

Admiral Brian Losey, I thank you for your dedicated service to this country. As a former teammate and United States Navy SEAL, I am proud of all that you have done for our community, for the United States Navy, and our grateful Nation.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of Rear Admiral Brian Losey, the current Commander of Naval Special Warfare Command, our Nation's top U.S. Navy SEAL, entrusted with the honor of Commanding all Navy SEALs. I had the privilege of serving with Brian in the SEALs and am proud to call him a team mate.

It is the obligation of every officer to take action when they see wrong, Admiral Losey did just that. He saw a problem and took action. Yet once again, our entrenched bureaucracy has allowed senior civilian individuals to hide behind anonymous accusations and whistle blower protections, in an attempt to discredit a great man and cover-up their transgressions.

While these protections are important and necessary, they cannot be allowed to be abused or shield them from being held accountable.

In this case, after the Navy reviewed the investigation of Admiral Losey, they found him to be innocent and wrongfully accused. I have seen the evidence. I fully support the U.S. Navy's conclusion and believe they properly reviewed the case and fairly adjudicated this matter.

Admiral Losey is highly regarded by his subordinates and all of the special warfare community as a true selfless and humble leader. This includes the Navy SEAL standing before you that has had the honor to serve with him and know him for the last 30 years. He has sacrificially served our nation with distinction and honor.

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NSW strives to maintain a 1:3 deploy-to-dwell ratio.

In 2015 Iraq alone, NSW was responsible for the coordinated capture/kill of over 3,000 enemy combatants.

Participated in Operation Inherent Resolve, Operation Enduring Freedom (AFG/PI/H0A/TransSahara).

Deployed to 30 countries as Crisis Response Forces.

Deployed to 70 countries to support 550 training events for allied and partner nations, advancing partner forces' security capabilities, ultimately training approximately 6,000 foreign partner and allied military personnel per year.

American men, women, and children, both at home and abroad, are able to sleep soundly in their beds due to the leadership of Admiral Losey and the actions of the men and women he leads.