

what we are here to do. I urge my colleagues to support H.R. 8.

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#### HONORING THE LIFE OF JOHNNY MURPHY

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

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to remember the life of Mr. Johnny Murphy, who passed away on December 19 at the age of 63.

When Mr. Murphy passed, he was serving as the mayor pro tem of Richmond Hill in Georgia's First Congressional District. However, this is far from the only way that he served his community. Without his effort and dedication to the area, Richmond Hill likely wouldn't be where it is today.

In 1984, Mr. Murphy started a real estate company called the Richmond Hill Land Company, when the town was much smaller and didn't yet have a red light. Since then, he started the Richmond Hill-Bryan County Chamber of Commerce, Richmond Hill Reflections magazine, and served on the city council and as mayor pro tem. Now the city has grown to have multiple neighborhoods and something for everyone to do, including one of the largest festivals in the area, the Richmond Hill Seafood Festival.

I am proud to have had someone in our district who can make an impact like that of Mr. Murphy. His family will be in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

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#### CONGRATULATING LUIGI BATTAGLIOLI

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

Mr. TONKO. Madam Speaker, I rise to congratulate Luigi Battaglioli, a visionary senior at Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake High School, whose app was recently selected as the winner of the 2018 Congressional App Challenge for New York's 20th Congressional District.

Luigi's submission stood out in an impressive field from students across our district. His app, CodeGeek.org, is an online classroom that teaches novice students how to code through video lessons, educational texts, and challenge assignments.

Growing a modern, sustainable, and competitive economy requires exceptional STEM training and education. Luigi's commitment to making coding accessible to anyone on the internet truly embodies the spirit of the Congressional App Challenge. He has earned the pride and praise of our entire capital region community. May his work inspire others to share his passion in the coming year and beyond.

#### SUGAR LAND, TEXAS: BEST OF THE BEST

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

Mr. OLSON. Madam Speaker, the world knows no one takes better care of their friends than Texans. The whole world knows my hometown of Sugar Land is the best of the best. The world saw this in global stories about Hurricane Harvey, but the world misses so many stories.

There was a Fort Bend Star article about an eight-alarm fire that destroyed eight apartments weeks before Christmas. The world needs to know about Nazila, Isabella, Blanca, Ann, and Troy. That fire burned all they owned, except two cellos Ann uses to teach kids music at Austin High School. As the world can see, Ann and her loved ones have a fully furnished apartment, courtesy of BEL Furniture in Sugar Land, Texas.

Sugar Land is the best of the best—the best in America, the best in the world.

And that is just the way it is.

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#### HONORING GEORGIA GOVERNOR NATHAN DEAL

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

Mr. FERGUSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor one of Georgia's most successful public servants, Governor Nathan Deal.

Governor Deal has led our State with grace and tenacity for the last 8 years, and his time in office has been marked by years of success for our State. In fact, since 2014, Georgia has been ranked the best State in the Nation to do business. That distinction is a direct result of Governor Deal's leadership, his focus on economic development, his investment in statewide workforce development initiatives and training programs, and a sheer desire to see our fellow Georgians succeed. His commitment has, in fact, led to more and better jobs for my fellow Georgians and produced a workforce that is second to none in the world.

Governor Deal and his wife, Sandra, are headed to a much-deserved retirement, some rest, and an awful lot of fun. We wish them the best. I know all Georgians offer their gratitude as well.

Governor Deal, thank you for making Georgia a better place.

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#### BORDER SECURITY

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

Mr. GOHMERT. Madam Speaker, in 2007 there was a vote in this body about whether or not we provide a barrier, a wall, a fence, and we had Democratic

leaders who voted for it back then, both here and in the Senate. Seventy-nine Senators voted for it back then.

The problem is not better on our border, and, in fact, the drugs coming across are worse. There was enough fentanyl coming across in the past year to kill every American adult. The problem is worse.

Folks here were for a wall, a barrier. It seems the only difference is now there is a President that some in here absolutely despise.

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#### BORDER SECURITY

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Ms. STEVENS). Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2019, the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. MEUSER) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the minority leader.

Mr. MEUSER. Madam Speaker, it is with a great sense of honor, respect, and patriotism I make my first address on this floor.

This government shutdown needs to be resolved. The people know it is up to this Congress to do it and to do so in short order.

Despite the high level of political morass we must wade through in these first days of the 116th Congress, I continue to believe that this Congress can do things better and actually work together to get things done for the American people.

The need exists to advance and improve our border security, as well as correct aspects of our illegal immigration laws.

The problem-solving, however, starts with securing our borders. Our borders are a serious problem. We all know this. The data is indisputable by anyone who seriously reviews the information.

We have hundreds of thousands entering our country illegally every year, and our Border Patrol agents cannot manage the situation with the resources and tools Congress has appropriated.

There is a cost and a plan to make our borders properly secure. Congress has the responsibility to provide the right level of funding so border security staff can, in fact, do their job and so our country has lawful immigration.

The experts at Homeland Security say this cost is \$5.7 billion. There are many in this Congress who will not vote for this, but less than 7 years ago, these same Members voted for border security funding which did, in fact, include a physical barrier.

Politics has no place in this serious matter. The border agents, including Chris Cabrera of the National Border Patrol Council, emphasizes that a wall, or a barrier, is an essential tool. We here in Congress must provide the means so Border Patrol can do their job.

I, myself, do believe in a policy of high fences and wide legal gates, but before we can talk about legal gates and deal with the issues such as DACA

and extended work visas for agricultural workers, we must secure the border.

The people want us to work together for our country, not for ourselves or our political parties. Let's not continue to let the people down. Let's show that this Congress can do things better.

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

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. DEFAZIO (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today and January 9 until 6 p.m. on account of medical procedure.

Mr. MAST (at the request of Mr. McCARTHY) for today through January 17 on account of the birth of his child.

#### PUBLICATION OF BUDGETARY MATERIAL

Mr. YARMUTH. Madam Speaker, pursuant to section 103(c) of the H. Res. 6, adopted rules of the House of Representatives for the One-Hundred Sixteenth Congress, I hereby submit for printing in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD the lists of discretionary accounts identified for advance appropriations in Fiscal Year 2019 appropriation bills.

##### ACCOUNTS IDENTIFIED FOR ADVANCE APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020

Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education:

Employment and Training Administration, Education for the Disadvantaged.

School Improvement Programs.

Career, Technical, and Adult Education, Special Education.

Transportation, Housing and Urban Development:

Tenant-based Rental Assistance.

Project-based Rental Assistance.

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Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education:

Corporation for Public Broadcasting

##### VETERANS ACCOUNTS IDENTIFIED FOR ADVANCE APPROPRIATIONS

Military Construction, Veterans Affairs: Veterans Medical Services.

Veterans Medical Support and Compliance, Veterans Medical Facilities.

Veterans Medical Community Care.

#### ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 7 o'clock and 50 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, January 9, 2019, at 10 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

12. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Nuclear Classification and Declassification [AU60-2016-1045] (RIN: 1992-AA49) received January 3, 2019, 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.

13. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's interim staff guidance — Digital Instrumentation and Controls Licensing Process [DI&C-ISG-06, Revision 2] received January 7, 2019, 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.

14. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a notification of a deployment of United States Armed Forces personnel to Libreville, Gabon, to be in position to support the security of United States citizens, personnel, and diplomatic facilities in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of the Congo, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1543(a); Public Law 93-148, Sec. 4(a); (87 Stat. 555) (H. Doc. No. 116—5); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

15. A letter from the Chief Administrative Officer, transmitting the quarterly report of receipts and expenditures of appropriations and other funds for the period October 1, 2018, to December 31, 2018, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 104a (H. Doc. No. 116—6); to the Committee on House Administration and ordered to be printed.

16. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Office of the General Counsel, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's final rule — Inflation Adjustment of Civil Monetary Penalties received January 3, 2019, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### 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:

Mr. McGOVERN: Committee on Rules. H. Res. 28. A resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 264) making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 265) making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 266) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 267) making appropriations for the Department of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes; and waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules. (Rept. 116-1). Referred to the House Calendar.

#### PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following

titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. THOMPSON of California (for himself, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. NADLER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Ms. JACKSON LEE, Mr. MAST, Ms. KELLY of Illinois, Mr. UPTON, Mrs. MCBAUGH, and Mr. SMITH of New Jersey):

H.R. 8. A bill to require a background check for every firearm sale; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. QUIGLEY:

H.R. 264. A bill making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. BISHOP of Georgia:

H.R. 265. A bill making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Ms. MCCOLLUM:

H.R. 266. A bill making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mr. PRICE of North Carolina:

H.R. 267. A bill making appropriations for the Department of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

By Mrs. LOWEY:

H.R. 268. A bill making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. ESHOO (for herself, Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. LATTA, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. GUTHRIE, Mr. PALLONE, and Mr. WALDEN):

H.R. 269. A bill to reauthorize certain programs under the Public Health Service Act and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to public health security and all-hazards preparedness and response, to clarify the regulatory framework with respect to certain nonprescription drugs that are marketed without an approved drug application, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Homeland Security, Veterans' Affairs, and the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned. considered and passed.

By Mr. O'HALLERAN (for himself, Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas, Ms. SPANBERGER, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. COOPER, Mrs. MURPHY, Mr. BEYER, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mrs. DINGELL, Mr. CUELLAR, Mr. VEASEY, Mr. CASTEN of Illinois, Mr. DELGADO, Mr. SEAN PATRICK MALONEY of New York, Mr. LIPINSKI, and Mr. ALLRED):

H.R. 270. A bill to direct the Congressional Budget Office to submit daily reports during the period in which a Government shutdown is in effect on the effects of the shutdown on the economy and the costs of the shutdown to taxpayers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

By Mr. BROOKS of Alabama (for himself and Mr. POSEY):