

PERMISSION FOR COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES TO FILE SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT ON H.R. 2500, NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020

Mrs. DAVIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to file a supplemental report on the bill, H.R. 2500.

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

There was no objection.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 2205

Mr. MCKINLEY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to have Representative BRIAN FITZPATRICK's name removed from H.R. 2205 as a cosponsor. His name was added inadvertently.

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

There was no objection.

REQUEST TO CONSIDER H.R. 962, BORN-ALIVE ABORTION SURVIVORS PROTECTION ACT

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 962, the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under guidelines consistently issued by successive Speakers, as recorded in section 956 of the House Rules and Manual, the Chair is constrained not to entertain the request unless it has been cleared by the bipartisan floor and committee leaderships.

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, I urge the Speaker to immediately schedule this important bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman has not been recognized for debate.

HOURLY MEETING ON TOMORROW

Mr. PAYNE. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 3:30 p.m. tomorrow.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. LURIA). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

HONORING 2018-2019 CHAMPIONS: HILLSIDE BASKETBALL ALL-STARS

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

Mr. PAYNE. Madam Speaker, it is my pleasure to commend the Hillside Recreational Basketball All-Star

teams for their incredible successes this past season.

These young athletes and their coaches traveled all over the great State of New Jersey to compete in the New Jersey Basketball Association League.

The sixth and seventh grade athletes trained hard with their dedicated coaches which resulted in both teams winning 14 games. The teams then went on to win an additional four games during their championships. The seventh grade team maintained their 2-year champion streak.

These successes were accomplished thanks to each member's commitment to teamwork that allowed them to reach the height of their potential.

Madam Speaker, I am proud to say congratulations to the Hillside Basketball All-Stars.

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RECOGNIZING RENA TURNER

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

Mr. BUDD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Representative Rena Turner for her years of service to North Carolina and in honor of her retirement from the North Carolina General Assembly.

Since 2013, Representative TURNER has been a tireless and effective advocate for Iredell County in the State legislature.

Rena has been effective as vice chair of the Appropriations Committee and also served on the Agriculture, Education, and Judiciary Committees.

In my view, she has been a champion for many economic sectors of our State but, in particular, agriculture, which she cared so much about.

Her constituents and I hate to see her go, but we take comfort in knowing that her family will get to spend some more time with her.

Madam Speaker, I thank Representative Rena Turner for her many years of service to Iredell County and to our State, and I wish her nothing but the best in her retirement.

WE MUST AID THE HONDURAN PEOPLE

(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. Madam Speaker, I rise today in remembrance of a U.S.-backed coup that, even now, hangs as a cudgel over the people of Honduras.

Ten years later, Hondurans still face an erosion of human rights amid unimagined violence, an unaccountable government, lack of opportunity, and increasingly militarized internal security forces.

Just last week, in response to civilian protests, President Hernandez de-

ployed the armed forces to quell his critics, a response that not only is recent, but reoccurring.

When you hear horrific accounts of violence and lawlessness in Honduras, it is no wonder so many seek a better life in America.

Ten years after the coup, we must own up to our role in the upheaval in Honduras and come to the aid of the people of Honduras.

HONORING NEBRASKA STATE TROOPER JERRY SMITH

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

Mr. SMITH of Nebraska. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Nebraska State Trooper Jerry Smith. Jerry was killed last week in a tragic accident while on duty.

Jerry dedicated his life to serving. First, he served our Nation in the Army, where he won a Bronze Star. After his retirement from the Army, he served our great State with the Nebraska State Patrol.

He was highly respected in our community of Scottsbluff and Gering, Nebraska, and we grieve with his family.

His memorial service today was a testament to how many lives he touched and a tribute to his service. People from all around the State, and even law enforcement from out of State, joined together to pay their respects to Jerry.

He is survived by his wife, Karen, their children, and their grandchildren. Our hearts go out to them during this time, and they can be assured the entire State of Nebraska is with them.

We thank Jerry for his service to our State and remember him for his service as well.

GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

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

Mr. EVANS. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Gun Violence Awareness Month and to honor the hundreds of thousands of survivors and victims of gun violence.

In 2018, in my city of Philadelphia, there were 351 homicides, and most of these were committed with a gun. What is happening in Philly is consistent with what is happening every day in violence-plagued Black and Brown communities across this country. It is sickening. So is the Senate's lack of action on commonsense gun reform bills that the House has passed.

While we still need commonsense gun reform, Senator CASEY and I have also introduced a bill that Members from both parties should be able to agree on, H.R. 2585, the Resources for Victims of Gun Violence Act.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join the 50 cosponsors and

the many organizations that are putting their concern for gun violence into action by supporting this bill, and I urge the Senate to act on the bills the House has already passed.

BUILD A WALL

(Mr. JOHN W. ROSE of Tennessee asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. JOHN W. ROSE of Tennessee. Madam Speaker, today the House joined the Senate in approving almost \$4.6 billion in taxpayer money to address the growing security and humanitarian crisis at our southern border.

We all share sympathy for the children and individuals who find themselves in suffering conditions at our southern border, but we should not confuse that the action that the House took today addresses the real crux of the problem at our southern border. Indeed, less than 5 percent of the funds that we approved will have a realistic impact on reducing the plague of illegal immigration that faces our country.

I call upon my colleagues and I call upon the Speaker, upon our return after the Independence Day recess, to take up this issue and send a clear message around the world that this country intends to enforce its borders and enforce its immigration laws.

Madam Speaker, I support and call upon the Speaker to allow us to provide the funding to build a wall at our southern border and support the President's efforts to control illegal immigration.

THE FIGHT FOR THE CHILDREN WILL CONTINUE

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

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Madam Speaker, this was a tough week for those of us who, as mothers, have a deep pain for the conditions of our children.

It was a difficult week because Mr. Ramirez and his toddler died trying to seek an opportunity in the United States.

It was a difficult week because this administration rejected Mr. Ramirez from the Matamoros bridge and forced him to cross the Rio Grande.

Today, I voted "no" for the \$4.5 billion, moneys that I know are needed and that passed and were provided for those in need. If my vote was needed to pass the bill, I would have done so.

But I am saddened by the fact that we passed a bill that does not have the strengthened protocols for treating the difficulties of children and their health needs.

It does not have the provisions dealing with the quality of the treatment of the children, the sanitation and safety;

It does not have the idea that children can only remain in a place for 90 days;

It does not have the ability to have a program that talks about or puts in place how these children are treated as relates to their healthcare and other matters.

So, I will continue to fight because these children's lives are important at the border and around the Nation, and we will get to a point where we can pass legislation that will treat these children who are suffering and fleeing in the right way.

WE MUST DO BETTER

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

Mr. CÁRDENAS. Madam Speaker, once again, I say I am blessed to be an American citizen and honored to be a Member of the United States Congress.

Today is a bittersweet day for me as, today, I was able to bring my two grandchildren on the floor of this House, a courtesy that we afford each other as Members of this luscious body: my 1-year-old granddaughter, Jimena Luna De La Rosa, and my grandson, Joaquin Cruz De La Rosa.

But, at the same time, we voted for less than what we should have for the lives of so many men, women, and children who seek to come to the greatest land on Earth, the United States of America.

We must do better. We must do more. And it is time that we push back on a President who considers the gold standard to be the gold on a toilet instead of the gold standard that we have come to be known for around the world when it comes to having open arms of welcoming good human beings to this great country, to be part of this great land.

CONGRATULATING THE HECTOR GODINEZ FUNDAMENTAL HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SOFTBALL TEAM

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

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, today I rise to congratulate the Hector Godinez Fundamental High School women's softball team on their first ever CIF Southern Section championship victory. The team clinched their first ever title for the school and for Santa Ana Unified School District.

Their head coach, Ed Medina, has been the coach since the school opened in 2007 and was named the 2019 Orange County Softball Coach of the Year.

His assistant coaches—Clarissa Castellanos, Kevin Pola, and Selene Pola—are also to be commended.

Again, I congratulate the team, the coaches, and, of course, Principal Jesse Church on a job well done.

Congratulations, Grizzlies.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO MEXICO-UNITED STATES INTER-PARLIAMENTARY GROUP

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276h, clause 10 of rule I, and the order of the House of January 3, 2019, of the following Members on the part of the House to the Mexico-United States Interparliamentary Group:

Mr. McCAUL, Texas
Mr. DUFFY, Wisconsin
Mr. HURD, Texas
Mr. CLOUD, Texas
Mr. SPANO, Florida

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO BOARD OF VISITORS TO THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD ACADEMY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to 14 U.S.C. 1903(b), and the order of the House of January 3, 2019, of the following Member on the part of the House to the Board of Visitors to the United States Coast Guard Academy:

Mr. RUTHERFORD, Florida

ISSUES OF THE DAY

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

Mr. GOHMERT. Madam Speaker, so we just took up the humanitarian crisis that is going on at our border and passed the Senate bill, so there will be a tremendous amount of money that will be going to provide more beds, shelter, food, transportation, whatever is needed. The one thing that the Senate bill is especially void of is money to secure our border.

It is something to say that, with all of the problems in the Senate bill, the things that were not addressed in the Senate bill, the fact that it was so much better than the House bill says an awful lot about the House bill and its shortcomings.

We have, still, and will after this bill is signed into law and money is put into use, a crisis on our southern border.

As was pointed out to me after some of us visited Normandy with the Speaker on the 75th anniversary of D-Day, on D-Day, we had 150,000 or so Allied troops that invaded Normandy, over 150,000, a tremendous number, landing craft, parachuting. Yet just in the month of May, that is about how many invaded our southern border—that we caught. We don't know how many didn't get caught.

Some think that for every one we actually catch and in-process, there is one that gets away. We don't know.

We know that there are a great number of people who are not caught because they are picked up on cameras