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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE
The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). The Chair will remind all persons in the gallery that they are here as guests of the House and that any manifestation of approval or disapproval of proceedings is in violation of the rules of the House.

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Mr. GOSAR changed his vote from "yea" to "nay."

Ms. LEE of California changed her vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the joint resolution was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Keller

Mr. PAYNE. Madam Speaker, due to a medical condition, I was unable to vote on the following Roll Call on February 13, 2020.

Had I been present, I would have voted: "yea" on rollcall No. 70 (Final Passage of H.J. Res. 79)—Removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment (Rep. Speier—Judiciary).

Mrs. KIRKPATRICK. Madam Speaker, I was absent today due to a medical emergency. Had I been present, I would have voted: "yea" on rollcall No. 70.

### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message in writing from the President of the United States was commu-

nicated to the House by Miss Kaitlyn Roberts, one of his secretaries.

#### HOUR OF MEETING ON TOMORROW

Mrs. LAWRENCE. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 11 a.m. tomorrow.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Ms. Schrier). Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from Michigan?

There was no objection.

### HONORING MISS DAISY ELLIOTT

(Mrs. LAWRENCE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)  $\,$ 

Mrs. LAWRENCE. Madam Speaker, today, I stand here proud to say that I was one who cast my vote for the passage of ERA in America.

I also rise today to recognize a woman who was so very instrumental to the State of Michigan and its fight for civil rights, Miss Daisy Elliott.

Miss Elliott was only 1 of 11 women elected to the Michigan Constitutional Convention in 1961. She was key in ensuring that our State's constitution established the Michigan Civil Rights Commission, with the authority to investigate charges of discrimination based on race, religion, color, or national origin.

Daisy served in the Michigan Legislature for nearly 20 years as an effective and influential voice of equality and introduced more than 80 bills that were enacted, including the Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act. Daisy Elliott was a fierce advocate for workers, senior citizens, and people of color.

Today, in honor of Black History Month, I salute and honor Miss Daisy Elliott. Madam Speaker, I honor her legacy.

### OBSERVING NATIONAL CHIL-DREN'S DENTAL HEALTH MONTH

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

Mr. VAN DREW. Madam Speaker, February is National Children's Dental Health Month. This month is a time when healthcare professionals, providers, and educators help promote good oral health practices to children, families, and many others.

Tooth decay is still the number one chronic infectious disease among children in the United States.

Throughout my career as a dentist, I can attest to the benefits of proper oral health and how important it is to focus on children from a very young age. Preventive measures like brushing, flossing, and rinsing correctly are important life lessons that should be learned from a young age.

I would also like to recognize the American Dental Association for their strenuous work in this area. They have implemented the Give Kids A Smile program. It provides hundreds of thousands of underserved kids with free oral health education, screenings, and preventive and/or restorative services throughout the entire year.

It is a very much needed program, and I am personally very proud of the American Dental Association for the work that they do in this area.

## SUPPORT MEDICAID EXPANSION, NOT BLOCK GRANTS

(Ms. KENDRA S. HORN of Oklahoma asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. KENDRA S. HORN of Oklahoma. Madam Speaker, I rise to speak on the issue of healthcare in Oklahoma. I hear from far too many Oklahomans who can't afford the healthcare they need.

Today, Oklahoma has the second highest rate of uninsured people in the Nation. Our State ranks 48th for uninsured children. We cannot continue to let Oklahomans fall through the cracks of our healthcare system.

The answer to solving our State's healthcare crisis is straightforward. We must expand Medicaid. By not expanding Medicaid, Oklahoma has lost up to \$1 billion per year. Seven hospitals across our State have closed, in part because we did not accept the healthcare support our State is entitled to.

Expanding Medicaid in Oklahoma would extend health insurance to up to 200,000 Oklahomans who don't currently have insurance. It is the right choice for our State. Instead, the administration and our Governor are proposing an alternative plan to turn SoonerCare into a block grant program.

The plan to block grant Medicaid would encourage cuts to healthcare services, restrict access to healthcare providers and lifesaving medications, and contribute to hospital closures. Too often, block grants have often been misused for political pet projects and to fill holes in the budget.

While we are still learning the specifics of the block grant plan, here is what we do know: more than 500,000 children rely on SoonerCare, and their insurance would be threatened by the plan to cap and slash Medicaid. Enough is enough.

### CONGRATULATING DALLAS HIGH SCHOOL MOUNTAINEERS

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

Mr. MEUSER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Dallas High School Mountaineers football team for their outstanding championship season.

Dallas football went undefeated during their regular season, going 15–0 with playoff wins and a district championship.

For the first time since 1993, the Dallas Mountaineers made it all the way to a Pennsylvania State championship.

Back in 2016, Dallas football went 2–9, with 12 freshmen on the team. Three years later, these players led their team to a championship season.

Under the leadership of the one and only coach Richie Mannello and his great assistant coaches, Dallas was strong on all sides of the ball, with a great gang-tackling defense, a supersolid offensive line, an electrifying passing game, and a backfield I will never forget.

The Dallas Mountaineer parents, student body, band, and cheerleaders were a huge part of the Friday night victories, and they made the games an awful lot of fun. The entire community, restaurants, fire department, all the residents of the Back Mountain were all part of this great season.

We are going to miss these boys wearing Dallas blue under the Friday night lights, but we know the Dallas tradition, long established, will live on.

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RECOGNIZING THE 25TH ANNIVER-SARY OF THE BLUE DOG COALI-TION

(Mrs. MURPHY of Florida asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. MURPHY of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 25th anniversary of the Blue Dog Coalition, a caucus of pragmatic Democrats I have the honor to help lead this Congress.

Since February 1995, the Blue Dog Coalition has been working to bridge partisan divide and deliver bipartisan results. While the makeup and size of our coalition has changed over the years, our focus on fiscal responsibility and a strong national security has never wavered.

Blue Dogs recognize that our constituents expect us to be good stewards of their hard-earned taxpayer dollars and that a skyrocketing national debt is a threat to our national security.

Over the last 25 years, Blue Dogs have helped deliver balanced budgets, end government shutdowns, grow the middle class, and pass commonsense laws, such as pay-as-you-go.

This Congress we are leading the fight on election security, infrastructure, and job creation, and we are pushing Congress to be better by ending partisan gerrymandering and proposing No Budget, No Pay.

Most importantly, Blue Dogs remain focused on our founding principles of fiscal responsibility and a strong national security.

Madam Speaker, please join me in recognizing the Blue Dog Coalition's 25th anniversary this month.

#### CELEBRATING MARY McLEOD BETHUNE

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

Mr. WALTZ. Madam Speaker, today I rise to celebrate one of the most prominent African American women in my community and our Nation's history, Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune.

At an early age, Dr. Bethune took an interest in the power of learning and promoting civil rights. In 1904, Dr. Bethune opened the Daytona Literary and Industrial Training School for Negro Girls in Daytona Beach, which later merged with the Cookman Institute for Men in Jacksonville to form Bethune-Cookman College, now University, where she served as president.

As Dr. Bethune worked to build the school she founded, she also became a national leader on issues related to civil rights, women, and young people, even providing counsel to U.S. Presidents.

In 2018, the Florida legislature passed and the governor signed legislation to place a statue in her honor representing Florida in the National Statuary Hall collection here in the Capitol.

Dr. Bethune knew education is the key to a quality life and a better life, and it is my honor to recognize her contributions on the floor here today.

# DRAWING ATTENTION TO THE TRAGEDY UNFOLDING IN IDLIB, SYRIA

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

Mr. ENGEL. Madam Speaker, as chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, I rise to draw attention to the tragedy unfolding in Idlib, Syria.

The regime backed by Iran and Russia continues to target civilians. They target hospitals and other civilian infrastructure. Just drop bombs. They are levelling whole neighborhoods, which is indicative that the regime does not want people to return to their homes. They are killing innocent men, women, and children for no reason.

Over half a million people have been displaced in the last 2 months. There must be a humanitarian response from the world, and it must start here in the United States. There must be accountability, and we must show the Syrian people that we have not forgotten them. How can we stand idly by and allow this to continue to happen?

I call on the President and all Members of both houses to have a forceful response to the regime in Syria to say that we will not tolerate the targeting of civilians, the wholesale killing of children and women and all civilians. We need to stand on the side of justice, and we must show the Syrian people that we have not forgotten them.

### CELEBRATING OREGON'S 161ST BIRTHDAY

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

Mr. WALDEN. Madam Speaker, on February 14, Oregon celebrates her 161st birthday. As a lifelong Oregonian whose ancestors came there by wagon train in 1845, I may be a little biased, but I can confidently say there is no place like Oregon.

She boasts of so many unparalleled wonders and sights from the mighty, powerful Columbia River and the winds of the Columbia River Gorge to the majestic Painted Hills to the rugged landscape of the Umatilla National Forest, the clear, deep blue waters of Crater Lake, the deepest lake in North America. Then think about the great Cascade Mountains or Steens Mountain or the Wallowas or the Blues, and then all the way down to the depths of Hells Canyon.

The late great Republican Governor Tom McCall said it best. He said, "Oregon is an inspiration. Whether you come to it, or are born to it, you become entranced by our State's beauty, the opportunity she affords, and the independent spirit of her citizens."

Madam Speaker, I wish a happy birthday to Oregon. She truly does fly with her own wings.

REMEMBERING SECOND ANNIVER-SARY OF MARJORY STONEMAN DOUGLAS HIGH SCHOOL SHOOT-ING

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

Mr. DEUTCH. Madam Speaker, it has been 2 years since the shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida.

In those 2 years, the surviving families and students have turned their pain into power. They stood up to gun companies. They testified before Congress. They helped craft and pass legislation. They worked with the Federal Government. They worked with the State government. They won school board seats. They made beautiful, moving art. Students have lifted their voices, written songs. They have walked out and they have marched. That is what the survivors of my community are doing.

But there is so much more that Congress and the President can do to save lives from gun violence. There is so much more we can do to honor the lives that were lost at Stoneman Douglas: Alyssa, Scott, Martin, Nicholas, Aaron, Jaime, Chris, Luke, Cara, Gina, Joaquin, Alaina, Meadow, Helena, Alex, Carmen, and Peter.