

History will not judge this process and this impeachment favorably. If you don't like who gets elected, work to elect someone else.

Instead, Democrats will ask themselves years from now, "Why did we allow partisanship and hatred of this President to change history and precedent?" when this institution is paralyzed by future partisan impeachments of duly elected Presidents of both parties.

TIT-FOR-TAT IS NOT A POLICY

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

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, the House cannot sit still and allow Trump to become an imperial President, answerable to no one.

Without consultation with House leadership or even leaders in the Republican Senate, Trump ordered the killing of a major military leader, Iranian General Qasem Soleimani.

Like countless officials worldwide, Soleimani was a bad actor whose forces were responsible for the deaths of Americans. However, Soleimani was not killed on the battlefield but was targeted by President Trump in Baghdad. Trump may have been seeking revenge for the storming and damaging of the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad, the largest, most fortified embassy in the world.

Tit-for-tat is not a policy. It is a childish and dangerous response that could lead to all-out hostilities.

The U.S. lacks credibility to start diplomatic efforts. I hope that our allies will intervene as emissaries before it is too late.

CONDEMNING RECENT ANTI-SEMITIC ATTACKS

(Ms. FOXX of North Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. FOXX of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, over the past year, we have seen a troubling rise in anti-Semitic crimes and activity across the United States and the world.

In 2019, 229 anti-Semitic hate crimes were reported in New York City. There was a 46 percent increase in anti-Semitic hate crimes in Chicago. From January to October, there were 58 reported anti-Semitic crimes in Los Angeles.

The facts are indisputable. These heinous acts of violence were not the result of random, isolated incidents. These acts were deliberately orchestrated with a clear intent to target and harm the Jewish community.

Attacks of any kind on communities of faith are unacceptable. Simply broaching the issue of anti-Semitic crime is not enough to protect these communities. Those responsible for committing these senseless acts of violence must be prosecuted to the fullest

extent of the law. We must foster engagement between law enforcement and targeted communities, and we must all work together to confront this issue.

CONGRESS NEEDS TO PASS WAR POWERS RESOLUTION IMMEDIATELY

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

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, the American people and Members of Congress cannot ignore being on the brink of war. Nor can we ignore the fact that the Constitution indicates in Article I that it is the Congress that has the responsibility and duty to declare war.

Nor can we ignore the breaking news of 10 rockets that have just hit a base in Iraq that houses U.S. troops or the 4,000 troops that have been sent in the last 24 hours or the reckless decision made by this administration to kill a very bad man in a manner that has created havoc in the Mideast.

It is interesting to suggest that our allies are supportive when, in the last 24 hours, Israel said they had nothing to do with it. Presidents Obama and Bush, competent and prepared, indicated that this was not the right thing to do.

My concern is that we, as a Nation, are defenders, and we can defend ourselves. We are powerful. That is not the point.

The point is that we can do a tactic, but where is the strategy? It is crucial that we do not send young men and women into battle recklessly.

I believe the Congress needs to pass a war powers resolution, an AUMF, immediately.

PRESIDENT TRUMP'S ORDER WAS CORRECT

(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, yesterday, universally respected Senator Joe Lieberman provided an extraordinary op-ed in *The Wall Street Journal*: "President Trump's order to take out Qasem Soleimani was morally, constitutionally, and strategically correct. . . . No American can dispute that Soleimani created, supported, and directed a network of terrorist organizations that spread havoc in the Middle East." In Syria, "more than 500,000 Syrians have died."

"During the Iraq war, Soleimani oversaw three camps in Iran." These trained fighters have killed more than 600 American troops.

The claim that President Trump "had no authority to order this attack without congressional approval is constitutionally untenable and practically senseless. Authority to act quickly to eliminate a threat to the U.S. is inher-

ent. . . . Democrats should leave partisan politics at 'the water's edge' and . . . stand together against Iran and dangerous leaders like Qasem Soleimani."

Senator Joe Lieberman tells the truth.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September the 11th in the global war on terrorism, with the courage and leadership of President Donald Trump.

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PRESIDENT TRUMP VISITS OHIO

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

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, this week, President Trump will travel to the great and compassionate city of Toledo, Ohio, my lifelong home. Like all people, the President is welcome in Toledo.

Toledo is a city of industry, where the mighty Jeep has rolled off the assembly line every year since 1941. We are also the city that embraces the future and launched America's leading solar energy company, First Solar. Our diverse city and people truly make America great.

I urge the President to bring a message of unity to our city, not one of division.

I also urge President Trump to keep his promises to our people: Make medicine and healthcare more affordable; save our Great Lakes; negotiate enforceable trade agreements that actually stop job outsourcing. Protect, don't gut, Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid. Get MITCH MCCONNELL to pass the Butch Lewis Act to save the pensions of 60,000 Ohioans, and select our 180th Fighter Wing for the F-35 tranche planes that they have so duly earned.

Let us work on a bipartisan basis to improve the lives of all people. And, in furtherance of that, this Thursday, I urge all Toledo area religious leaders to offer prayers for nonviolence and peace, and I urge all of our citizens to light a candle in their home and put on a porch light to shine a ray of hope skyward for a new year of peace and prosperity for all.

May God bless our troops.

CONGRATULATING THE BLUM HIGH SCHOOL BOBCATS ON THEIR FIRST STATE TITLE

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

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate the 2019 Blum High School Bobcats football team on winning their first ever six-man State championship title.

For Texans, high school football is not just a sport; it is a way of life. Each week in the fall, we gather under Friday night lights and cheer our team on to victory.

The young men and coaches on our teams spend countless hours running drills, watching film, and getting ready for their moment in history. During the 2019 season, Blum High School's dedication paid off as they rose from behind and secured a 58–52 win over the McLean Tigers at AT&T Stadium.

On behalf of the 25th District of Texas, I congratulate the Bobcats on their first State championship victory, and I wish them the very best in their bright futures.

In God we trust.
Bless our troops.
Go Bobcats.

PRESIDENT TRUMP UNITES FACTIONS IN IRAN AGAINST THE UNITED STATES

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

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Mr. Speaker, President Trump has demonstrated the limitation of his reality show, go-it-alone, incoherent approach, which helped him eke out an electoral college victory while losing the popular vote by 3 million votes, but is spectacularly ill-equipped to govern, let alone respond to a crisis that he has made worse.

Maybe there was a reason that Bush and Obama didn't kill Soleimani when they could. Evidently, his advisors put General Soleimani's assassination on the list of options because they thought it was so outrageous they didn't think he would choose it.

If you thought abandoning our Kurdish allies who helped us fight ISIS was a heartless disaster, now Trump has managed to unite factions in Iran against us, delaying reform for years, while pushing us to the brink of war and making it more likely that Iran develops nuclear weapons after Iran followed the nuclear agreement that the President broke.

Reportedly, Iranian missiles are launched on Americans in bases that the Iraqi Parliament said we should abandon.

Congress must act to rein in this reckless President.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members are reminded to refrain from engaging in personalities toward the President.

DISTRICT 16 LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP FOR NORTHFIELD, NEW JERSEY

(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. Mr. Speaker, Northfield, New Jersey's Little League baseball team, a little while back, won their second straight District 16 Little League baseball title.

Their pitcher, Pinn Haines, who was selected to compete in the Little

League Derby in Atlanta, pitched their final two innings to clinch the win.

Brady Arena, their leadoff hitter, scored their winning run, ensuring that Northfield beat Ocean City 3–2.

The District 16 baseball teams are made up of 11- and 12-year-olds in Atlantic and Cape May Counties in south Jersey, and winning this title means that Northfield advanced to the Section 4 tournament.

When they won, the Northfield team ran a victory lap around the field holding the District 16 championship banner in pride, along with the United States flag.

So to all players on the team: Congratulations on your win. You have exciting futures ahead of you. I am sure you have many, many more wins to come.

FASTEST GROWING CITY IN AMERICA, SUGAR LAND, TEXAS

(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, my hometown of Sugar Land, Texas, keeps setting records and leaving all the others in the dust. Today, we found out we are the fourth fastest growing city in America, growing 49.3 percent over the last decade.

That growth would not have happened without Philip Savko. Philip ran Sugar Land Regional Airport for nearly 21 years. Under his leadership, his two decades of leadership, our airport went from flying Cessna 152's and crop dusters to being the go-to airport in the Houston region for Fortune 500 corporate jets. One hundred of these jets use our airport on a regular basis.

Philip delivered these birds by arranging to have on-call U.S. Customs service at our airport. Philip brought 692 jobs to Sugar Land, with the impact of \$93 million.

Philip took his last flight from our airport. He flew up to heaven over the holidays. We imagine Philip, on approach, God in the control tower, saying: "Philip, you are on course, on glide slope. You are cleared to land. Welcome home, dear man."

Rest in peace, Philip, with our many, many thanks.

SUPPORT FOR GUN RIGHTS

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

Mr. COMER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to reaffirm my strong support for the Second Amendment and stand up for the constitutional right for all Americans to keep and bear arms.

At a time when efforts are underway across the country to restrict gun ownership, patriotic Americans are rising up in strong defense of the Second Amendment. This is especially true in my home State of Kentucky, where

there is significant grassroots energy on the side of defending a right that our Founding Fathers considered to be of critical importance.

Whether it be red flag laws or other proposals aimed at limiting access to firearms or ammunition, politicians across the country are seeking to roll back the basic rights of law-abiding Americans. As a member of the Congressional Second Amendment Caucus, I pledge to strongly oppose these proposals as well as any effort to infringe on the fundamental freedom of gun ownership.

HONORING VETERAN OF THE MONTH OLIVER GREEN

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

Mr. SPANO. Mr. Speaker, I rise to bring attention to a distinguished veteran from my district.

At the age of 17, Private Oliver Green enlisted in the Army just before the Korean war; and on his 18th birthday, Private Green landed at Wonsan, North Korea, in a tank landing ship.

As a machine gunner assigned to the Third Infantry Division, Seventh Regiment, First Battalion, D Company, Oliver Green was quickly put into the fight, experiencing a number of combat engagements with the enemy. After being seriously wounded, Private Green was awarded the Bronze Star, the Silver Star, and the Purple Heart for his combat heroism.

Oliver Green went on to attend the University of Alabama and Stetson School of Law. He later became a Polk County judge, rising to become chief judge of the tenth judicial circuit in 1979.

Oliver Green is a patriot. His commitment and service to our Nation and our community have been outstanding.

I am grateful for brave individuals like Oliver Green who go, and have gone, above and beyond the call of duty to serve their fellow man and to serve our Nation.

HONORING SCOTT WINTERS FOR HIS WORK SUPPORTING VETERANS

(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. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Scott Winters, the readjustment counselor at the DuBois Veterans Center in Pennsylvania's 15th Congressional District.

Mr. Winters provides a wide range of psychosocial services offered to eligible veterans, servicemembers, and their families. His efforts assist our veterans in making a successful transition from the military to civilian life.

Recently, Mr. Winters was recognized by the Spring Creek Chapter of Trout Unlimited for presenting a listening skills course to their Veterans Service