

blue line in honor of our first responders. She has also turned part of her tasting room into a brew-tique, which gives clothes and goods to those in need.

Madam Speaker, I thank Karen for all she does for the south Jersey community and for our first responders,

God bless Karen, God bless America, and God bless our first responders.

#### RECOGNIZING DR. PHIL ROE

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

Mr. WENSTRUP. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the impressive career of my good friend, Dr. PHIL ROE, who is retiring at the end of this Congress.

A veteran himself, Dr. ROE served honorably as chairman and ranking member on the Veterans' Affairs Committee, where he worked on preventing veteran suicide, increasing patient access to care, and providing agency accountability.

Dr. ROE has been a strong leader of our GOP Doctors Caucus, providing strong insight, a steady hand, and a lot of patience as we have debated critical legislation affecting patients and providers.

Over the years, I have been blessed enough to call Dr. ROE a dear friend. He showed me what life in rural Tennessee was like; he has regaled us with his guitar skills; he has made us laugh; and he has been a source of wisdom for all of us.

It has also been a pleasure to get to know his beloved wife, Clarinda, who I know is looking forward to having him around more often.

I know that I can speak on behalf of all of my colleagues when I say thank you for your service, PHIL. Good luck in retirement, and God bless you.

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#### IN RECOGNITION OF SENATOR LAMAR ALEXANDER

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

Mr. BURCHETT. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Senator LAMAR ALEXANDER, who is retiring from the United States Senate after 18 years in office. My friend, Senator ALEXANDER, has led a strong career representing Tennesseans at the State and Federal levels.

Senator ALEXANDER was Governor of Tennessee from 1979 to 1987. As Governor, he revamped the economy by cutting regulations to attract new businesses and jobs and reformed our public education curriculum.

Following two terms as Governor, Senator ALEXANDER was president of the University of Tennessee and served as Secretary of Education in President

George Herbert Walker Bush's administration. He returned to elected office in 2002, winning Tennessee's open U.S. Senate seat.

In Congress, Senator ALEXANDER demonstrated strong leadership and legislated in the best interests of all Tennesseans. Among his many achievements are the SUPPORT Act, comprehensive legislation to fight the opioid epidemic, and, as of late, the Great American Outdoors Act, which will preserve the Smokies and other national parks for years to come.

Senator ALEXANDER and I are fond of the same quote from our friend Alex Haley: "Find the good and praise it."

There is a lot of good in LAMAR ALEXANDER, and I thank him for his many years of service.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. MCBATH). Members are reminded to put on their masks.

#### AMERICA'S CONFIDENCE IN OUR ELECTORAL SYSTEM

(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, America's confidence in our electoral system has suffered an egregious blow this cycle. Of the many credible concerns surrounding this year's process, Dominion voting machines have neared the top of the list. From crashing during a recount in Georgia to several errors in Antrim County, Michigan, it is clear that Dominion's authority on vote counting is in question. There needs to be a fully independent audit of Dominion's voting machines.

No, this is not an attempt to overturn an election; this is about making sure, moving forward, all Americans have faith in our elections, whether it is the constitutional actions setting election process in place or transparency in the tabulation of the vote.

Madam Speaker, my Republican colleagues and I have stressed that every legal vote must be counted, but we must also ensure those who count our votes, whether a person or a machine, are also fully complying with the law.

#### CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO SERIOUS HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSE AND CORRUPTION—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 116-173)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed:

*To the Congress of the United States:*

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within 90 days before the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13818 of December 20, 2017, is to continue in effect beyond December 20, 2020.

The prevalence and severity of human rights abuse and corruption that have their source, in whole or in substantial part, outside the United States, continue to threaten the stability of international political and economic systems. Human rights abuse and corruption undermine the values that form an essential foundation of stable, secure, and functioning societies; have devastating impacts on individuals; weaken democratic institutions; degrade the rule of law; perpetuate violent conflicts; facilitate the activities of dangerous persons; undermine economic markets; and continue to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States. Therefore, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13818 with respect to serious human rights abuse and corruption.

DONALD J. TRUMP.

THE WHITE HOUSE, December 16, 2020.

#### NEW HOLLAND AGRICULTURE 125TH ANNIVERSARY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2019, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. SMUCKER) for 30 minutes.

Mr. SMUCKER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a local business in my congressional district and congratulate them as they celebrate their 125th anniversary this year.

To my constituents in the 11th District, when they hear the words "New Holland," they often think of a great borough with about 6,000 residents located in Eastern Lancaster County. But when others across the globe hear the words "New Holland," it often means to them high quality, agricultural machinery.

New Holland Agriculture, which is a brand of CNH Industrial, was founded 125 years ago in New Holland, Pennsylvania, by a gentleman named Abe Zimmerman. What Mr. Zimmerman began as a small machine shop in 1895 would eventually grow to become a global leader in agricultural equipment, from tractors to harvesting.

The company became known for technological innovations, particularly

the development of the first automatic hay baler nearly 80 years ago. The company's hay tools plant still operates in New Holland, Pennsylvania, where they produce approximately 30 models of balers, which are exported to 45 countries around the world. New Holland Agriculture has 800 dealerships in North America and nearly 5,000 more across the globe.

Madam Speaker, I am particularly thankful for and proud of the hard work by the company's nearly 1,000 full-time employees in New Holland, Pennsylvania. Many of them I know personally and are some of my closest friends.

I particularly want to mention my father-in-law, Jim Greiner, who spent his entire career at New Holland. He retired after 45 years as a project engineer and had a great career there.

I am thankful for how New Holland has given back to the community, particularly working to support STEM education in my congressional district. The organization recently hosted an externship program for local educators to provide a hands-on learning experience for teachers to see how New Holland's employees use STEM every day at the workplace.

Madam Speaker, I offer my congratulations to New Holland North America on their 125th anniversary. I am certain that Mr. Abe Zimmerman, who founded the company so long ago, could not have envisioned how the business would grow to support agriculture across the globe but would be very, very proud of what his company has accomplished. I wish them continued success as they navigate the next 125 years in business and thank them for having a positive impact on the community that I represent.

#### IN HONOR OF FRONTLINE WORKERS AND SERVICEMEMBERS

Mr. SMUCKER. Madam Speaker, I also rise today to honor the brave men and women in my district and across America who have been working hard to combat COVID-19.

Since the beginning of the pandemic, doctors, nurses, and medical professionals in hospitals, long-term care facilities, and community health centers have committed long hours away from their families to put the needs of others before their own. They have worked without pause to keep our community healthy and to care for those in need.

Throughout this pandemic, farmers, producers, truck drivers, and manufacturers have also worked without pause to provide for us all. The farmers and agriculture producers in my district adjusted to changes in supply chain operations to keep our Nation fed. Truck drivers and logistics professionals ensured deliveries of essential goods and personal protective equipment were delivered, and delivered on time.

Educators have also faced significant challenges this year, but they have continued to provide students with the best education possible in these circumstances. Adapting to the chal-

lenges of remote instruction, educators in school districts had to adjust quickly to make sure students are still receiving that quality education. America's teachers always rise to the occasion, and they have done so once again.

Madam Speaker, we also honor the brave servicemembers in the United States Armed Forces who are away from their families for this upcoming holiday season, and we pray for their continued safety. We must also hold their families in our hearts as they, too, serve our Nation with bravery while their loved ones are abroad.

Madam Speaker, lastly, I thank everyone here in the Capitol working hard to put safety measures in place so we can be here in Washington to serve and work for the American people. I know that brighter days lie ahead for our neighbors and nations. Therapeutics and vaccines are going to help us turn the corner on this virus.

Please keep your loved ones and neighbors in mind. Wear a mask, wash your hands, and practice social distancing this holiday season.

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

#### ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 967, the House stands adjourned until noon tomorrow for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

Thereupon (at 5 o'clock and 54 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, December 17, 2020, at noon for morning-hour debate.

#### 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. DEFAZIO: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. H.R. 5047. A bill to require the Administrator of General Services to conduct an annual audit of properties leased to private parties, and for other purposes (Rept. 116-655). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Ms. WATERS: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 5013. A bill to apply the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act to small businesses to the same extent as such Act applies to consumers, to require the Director of the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection to define "small business" for purposes of such Act, and for other purposes; with amendments (Rept. 116-656). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. TAKANO: Committee on Veterans' Affairs. Hijacking our Heroes: Exploiting Veterans Through Disinformation on Social Media (Rept. 116-657). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Ms. WATERS: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 3948. A bill to amend the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act to extend the provisions of that Act to cover a debt collector who is collecting debt owed to a State

or local government, to index award amounts under such Act for inflation, to provide for civil injunctive relief for violations of such Act, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 116-658). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GRIJALVA: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 3068. A bill to establish an offshore wind career training grant program, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 116-659, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

#### DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committee on Education and Labor discharged from further consideration. H.R. 3068 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

#### 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. AGUILAR:

H.R. 8974. A bill to increase the principal obligation limits for mortgage insurance under the National Housing Act for residences in eligible metropolitan cities and urban counties; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER:

H.R. 8975. A bill to prohibit the usage of exploitative and deceptive practices by large online operators and to promote consumer welfare in the use of behavioral research by such providers; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois:

H.R. 8976. A bill to clarify access to courts of the United States for persons seeking redress for a violation of a constitutional right by the United States or any agent, person, or entity acting in the name of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. DINGELL (for herself and Mr. DESAULNIER):

H.R. 8977. A bill to require employers to provide training to employees whose jobs are in danger of being changed or replaced due to technology, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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 Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois (for himself, Mr. ESPAILLAT, and Ms. VELÁZQUEZ):

H.R. 8978. A bill to establish the Office for the Equitable, Transparent, and Accountable Puerto Rico Reconstruction, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, 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 Mr. HALL:

H.R. 8979. A bill to amend the Revised Statutes of the United States to eliminate qualified immunity, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HALL:

H.R. 8980. A bill to provide for the resentencing and expungement of nonviolent offenses for individuals adversely impacted by the War on Drugs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.