

support of H.R. 1065, the Pregnant Workers Fairness Act that just passed this House of Representatives.

Pregnancy discrimination holds working parents back and threatens financial stability, with women of color being disproportionately harmed by the lack of workplace protections.

It is long past time we ensure that every worker is entitled to reasonable accommodations to support a healthy pregnancy.

We just celebrated Mother's Day. What if, in addition to flowers one day a year, we make sure that during pregnancy, workers have fair working conditions and are never in the position of risking their safety to continue providing for themselves and their families?

This bipartisan bill simply requires reasonable accommodations for pregnant workers, like adequate breaks, and protects them from discrimination that can drive them from the workplace. No pregnant worker should have to choose between their and their baby's health or their job.

FOLLOW THE SCIENCE

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

Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, as we all know, the CDC finally altered the mask mandates to reflect the science that we have known for months. People who are vaccinated do not need to wear masks indoors, outdoors in most settings. Follow the science.

As a physician of 30 years, I believe that people should get vaccinated, but at the end of the day it is a personal choice and a decision that should be made between patient and doctor, not person and Speaker.

At this point practically everyone has had the opportunity to get vaccinated if they want it. The infinite majority of the at-risk population in the United States has been vaccinated. I have been vaccinated for months now, but when I get done with this speech, I have to put my mask back on despite what the science says because the Speaker mandates it. That is not the doctor-patient relationship.

Back in North Carolina, my constituents will still be required to wear a mask in grocery stores because Governor Cooper mandates it. Again, not the doctor-patient relationship.

So much for following the science.

THE CLIMATE CRISIS ISN'T JUST ABOUT WEATHER

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

Mr. CASTEN. Madam Speaker, wildfires, flooding, and superstorms are the most tangible signs of a warming planet, but the climate crisis is not just about weather. It is about wealth.

A recent study by Swiss Re found that if we remain on our current tra-

jectory, global GDP will fall by 18 percent by 2050. Investors understand this. They care about climate change because it is in their economic self-interest.

As BlackRock CEO Larry Fink said, "Climate risk is investment risk." Main Street investors have put \$37 trillion, roughly one-third of all assets under management, into climate-focused ESG investments.

Unfortunately, our regulation has not kept up with that demand. There is no consistent definition of how to quantify a firm's contribution to, or protection from, a warming globe. Left to choose from a menu of methodologies, companies often just pick what is most favorable to them.

We don't allow companies to pick their own financial accounting standards. Investors are asking us to provide the same consistency for their climate accounting. That is why I introduced the Climate Risk Disclosure Act, which directs the SEC to create consistent mandatory climate reporting standards for all public companies.

This will allow companies to compete for capital on a level playing field, providing investors with the certainty they need to hedge their financial risk. Yesterday my bill passed committee and will now come to the floor.

The right time to safeguard our financial system against climate change was decades ago, but our last chance is now.

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH CELEBRATES 150 YEARS

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

Mr. FORTENBERRY. Madam Speaker, I wish to congratulate Pastor Mike Moreno and the entire congregation of Christ Lutheran Church in Norfolk, Nebraska, on their 150th anniversary.

With a shared mission to share God's word, share God's love, and as they say, "Do it now," the community of Christ Lutheran Church is a family. As one member of the congregation said, "When one is hurting, all are hurting. When one is joyful, we celebrate together." How beautiful.

The church also oversees Christ Lutheran School, educating 225 students in grades K-8, in an environment that develops a child spiritually, emotionally, physically, socially to know the personal story and potentiality of each student.

Though we have many hardships and challenges in the world today, Madam Speaker, I am quite certain that Christ Lutheran Church and their community will remain a place of solace and hope for those seeking to hear good news.

MOURNING THE LOSS OF MARY BISHOP

(Ms. CLARKE of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. CLARKE of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today with profound sadness to mourn the loss and celebrate the life of Ms. Mary Bishop, director of constituent services for the Ninth District of New York and my dear friend.

Mary has been with our office and me for more than 15 years. She was extraordinary and compassionate, with a heart of gold. She embodied what it meant to be an advocate for the people, and her passing has been felt across our district.

On a personal note, I will dearly miss Mary. We celebrated together, laughed together, and shared a passion for the people of the Ninth District together. Mary Bishop worked hard, played hard, and was a God-fearing Caribbean American woman who loved her family immensely.

On behalf of the people of the Ninth District and the Clarke family, I want to extend my thoughts and prayers to the family, loved ones, friends who were touched by the life and legacy of the incomparable Mary Bishop.

In closing, when I think of Mary, I am reminded of Mahalia Jackson's "If I Can Help Somebody."

If I can help somebody as I travel along,
If I can help someone with a word or a song,
If I can help somebody from doing wrong,
Then my living shall not be in vain.

My dear friend Mary, your living was not in vain. You will be dearly missed.

WE MUST STAND WITH ISRAEL

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

Mr. ALLEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to express my strong support for our vital ally, Israel. The recent rocket attacks launched by Hamas terrorists against innocent Israelis must be unequivocally condemned, and our support for Israel's right to defend herself must be crystal clear.

Between President Biden's weak leadership and anti-Semitic comments made by Members of this very body, terrorist organizations like Hamas feel that they can get away with attacking our ally. They have emboldened them.

The world is watching, and there is no room for silence or appeasement of terrorists. Congress and the Biden administration must immediately reaffirm America's longstanding commitment to Israel and offer any and all support.

Mr. President, wake up. There is only one democracy in the Middle East, and we must stand with Israel.

NOT A TYPICAL TOURIST DAY

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

Mr. COHEN. I remind the House that we were under attack on January 6.

Earlier this week a freshman Republican said that January 6 could have

been seen as just a typical tourist day in the Capitol.

Well, let me tell that gentleman that on typical tourist days in the Capitol, 100 policemen aren't beaten by people who try to enter the Capitol when it is closed to public attendance because of the coronavirus.

On typical tourist days, people don't put excrement on the walls of the Capitol of the United States.

On typical tourist days, people don't urinate on the floors of the Capitol of the United States.

On typical days, people don't batter down the windows on the outside to breach the Capitol.

On typical days, people don't batter down the doors and the glass entering the Speaker's lobby, resulting in one person's death. And if that person wasn't dead, they would have breached the floor of the House and God knows what they would have done if they could have found a person in the House.

They were hollering, "Hang Mike Pence," "NANCY PELOSI, where are you? We are here." That was an insurrection. That was an attack on our Constitution. It should never be forgotten by anybody who was serving in the Congress, by any American because our liberty, our Constitution, our country, our values were on the line.

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HONORING LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

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

Ms. VAN DUYNE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize our men and women in uniform who dedicate their lives to keeping communities across our Nation safe.

This past year was the deadliest year for police officers in decades; 264 law enforcement officers died in the line of duty.

As mayor or Irving, I was a proud advocate of our local police department. And as the Representative of the 24th District in Texas, I will continue to stand with our law enforcement.

Rather than defunding and devaluing those in uniform, I know from experience that community policing works and community policing only exists with the support of our officers, higher retention, and improved recruitment.

I thank our police officers, first responders, and their families. Getting up every morning and putting on the badge is a level of courage few will ever understand.

We join you in respecting, honoring, and remembering your fallen brothers and sisters in blue.

HONORING OFFICERS WHO MADE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE

(Ms. STEVENS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1

minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, this week honors law enforcement officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their communities, and it also recognizes the incredible contributions, hard work, dedication, and loyalty of our law enforcement officers.

I rise to recognize the nine law enforcement officers who lost their lives last year while serving Michigan: Stephen Splan, of Bloomfield Hills, Michigan; Jonathan Parnell, of Wayne County; Waldis Johnson, of Wayne County; William Darnell, of DeWitt Township; Caleb Starr, of the Michigan State Police; our beloved Benny Napoleon, of Wayne County; Bryant Searcy, of Wayne County; Dean Savard, of Wayne County; and Donafay Collins, of Wayne County.

We also remember our beloved Collin Rose, who lost his life in 2016 to gun violence while serving at Wayne State. Our community rose up to support his family. We honor his contributions.

My friend, Eddie Osmond, the owner of a Marathon gas station, used pennies on the dollar as people were pumping their gas to raise \$10,000 for this man's family.

That is part of what we are here to recognize, the contributions of our law enforcement officers.

RECOGNIZING NATIONAL PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY

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

Mr. NEHLS. Madam Speaker, tomorrow, May 15, is National Peace Officers Memorial Day, a day to honor and remember the more than 22,000 brave law enforcement officers who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty.

Having served in law enforcement for 30 years, I am proud to see so many of my colleagues recognizing the sacrifice of these brave officers this week. They certainly deserve it.

But truly honoring their sacrifice means doing so every day, not just on May 15 and not just this week. That means giving law enforcement the tools necessary to keep our communities safe, pushing back against any and all attempts to demonize and diminish their service, and doing everything we can to reduce the attacks against law enforcement.

Now more than ever, law enforcement across our country needs true Americans to boldly stand with them. That is what I am proud to do here today. And I ask every one of my colleagues and the American people to do so, as well.

RECEIVING CHILD TAX CREDIT PAYMENTS

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

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, this week was designated as the Child Tax Credit Week of Action. The outpouring of stories and news articles coming from across the country describing just how transformational this assistance will be for families is heartwarming.

I am so proud that in the American Rescue Plan we fought for and won the expansion and improvement of the child tax credit. Its inclusion was historic but just a first step. We must make this expansion permanent.

The child tax credit is a lifeline to the middle class, cuts child poverty by 55 percent this year, and provides children and their families with additional payments throughout the year that help them with the costs of food, childcare, diapers, healthcare, clothing, and taxes. Poor, working, and middle-class families—90 percent of our children—will receive the same monthly benefits.

We must spread the word about the benefits of the child tax credit, how families can start to receive that monthly check starting in July. If people have filed a tax return, they are all set. If they have not filed their tax return, and their family is eligible for the tax credit, they must file by May 17. Even if they typically do not file, this ensures that they will receive a monthly benefit.

Let's get the word out. Let's get people signed up.

ESCALATING ATTACKS ON ISRAEL

(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, I rise today with deep concern over the escalating attacks on the Israeli people by Palestinian terror groups like Hamas.

After a period of relative stability in the region, these attacks threaten to create an all-out war that will endanger millions. This is an avoidable outcome born of inattention and incompetence.

It is no coincidence that this violence has erupted as the Biden administration has pivoted away from the Middle East. The leadership vacuum created by this absence can only allow radical elements who would harm us and our allies. It is maddening to see the progress made under the Trump administration toward stabilizing the Middle East undone.

It was less than a year ago that the Abraham Accords, perhaps the most significant move toward peace in the region in over a decade or longer, were signed. We cannot let these gains be wasted.

The American people stand firmly behind the people of Israel. They have every right to defend themselves. Their existence depends on it.

The Biden administration must abandon its retreat and reengage on the previous successful peace process in the