

come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair will entertain up to 15 requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

POSTAL SERVICE REFORM ACT

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

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of the Postal Service Reform Act. This legislation would finally eliminate the requirement for the Postal Service to prefund pension costs 75 years in advance. The mandate is punitive to the post office and to the people it serves. The unreasonable and unsustainable mandate risks the affordability of mail delivery for customers and it threatens the livelihood of hardworking Americans.

The Postal Service employs 630,000 workers nationwide, including 100,000 military veterans, and 6,100 Western New Yorkers. Each and every day these workers deliver for their communities. We have an opportunity today to secure the future of one of the most historic and trusted agencies in the Nation.

Mr. Speaker, I strongly urge my colleagues to support this bill.

TEXAS-25 CHAMPIONS

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

Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I take a moment to recognize the extraordinary accomplishment of Texas-25's high school football teams this past season. Texas-25 was home to two champions, and I was proud to see all the hard work pay off on the field.

After a season of early mornings, long hours on the field, and staying focused in school, these teams showed dedication, strength, and an unwavering commitment to victory. In Stephenville, the Yellow Jackets became the 4A Division I Football State Champions after beating the Austin Jaguars 38-21, marking their sixth Texas State football title.

The Westlake Chaparrals were named the Class 6A Division II State champions with a 40-21 win over Denton Guyer, cementing their third-straight State championship and finishing the season undefeated with a 16-0 record.

As these winners prepare for their next endeavors, I wish them the best of luck for an even brighter and more victorious future. Winning is good. Go Chaps and go Yellow Jackets. In God we trust.

SKYROCKETING PRICE OF LUMBER

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

Mrs. TORRES of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to express concern about the skyrocketing prices of lumber, which is adding to the instability of the housing market. Lumber prices have hit record highs; yet, there is still tariffs on imports of softwood lumber. With high tariffs, our low housing inventory will still not improve.

According to the National Association of Homebuilders, America's housing affordability crisis and price swings in lumber have added more than \$18,000 to the price of a new home; meaning Americans needed an average income of \$144,000 to afford a home last year, more than double the median household income in my district. With almost no stock and rising prices, prospective buyers are faced with terrible bidding wars, wars that can only be won by cash-only investors.

Mr. Speaker, I urge the Biden Administration to make the high price of lumber a priority to improve the affordable housing market.

APPRECIATING EMILY SALEEBY

(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, I am sincerely grateful to recognize Emily Saleeby, deputy chief of staff for the Second Congressional District of South Carolina. Emily has been dedicated and passionate serving the people of South Carolina.

A native of Florence, and a graduate of the University of South Carolina, where she was student body vice president, Emily began working in Congress in 2014. She has achieved being someone who could be relied on for being a dedicated public servant. She is returning to South Carolina for a position with Savannah River Mission Completion, where she will continue to be successful.

I know her parents, Suzanne and John Saleeby, siblings, Lauren and Timothy, her golden retriever, Cato, and her colleagues share my deep appreciation for her continued success. Lebanese Americans are vital in South Carolina.

In conclusion, God bless our troops who successfully protected America for 20 years as the global war on terrorism continues moving from the Afghan safe haven to America.

Go Gamecocks! Go Emily!

HONORING THE LIFE OF MR. JOHN C. LAW

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

Mr. LIEU. Mr. Speaker, I rise to celebrate the life of Mr. John C. Law, who

passed away on January 20, 2022. A resident of the city of Santa Monica, John was a beloved husband, father, and champion of affordable, high-quality healthcare.

John dedicated his life to serving others and was a generous philanthropist through Los Angeles County during his time on the board of directors at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. During his tenure, John championed efforts to bring women and people of color onto the board of directors and to better the health and well-being of the community.

As President of the Los Angeles Free Clinic, John also worked to improve healthcare quality, access, and outcomes for underserved communities in the region. John also contributed to healthcare causes and research not only through his leadership, but through his tremendous generosity. John and his wife, Hope, made their first gift in 1992 and contributed frequently to its prostate cancer research and healthcare leadership funds. An accomplished businessman, John served as president of the LA County Capital Asset Leasing Corporation and as co-managing director of Warland Investments.

John is survived by his loving wife, Hope Warshaw, and their son, Jack Warshaw. He had an amazing spirit that was dedicated to serving his family and especially those most in need.

John will be greatly missed by his friends, family, and all who knew him.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA—112th ANNIVERSARY

(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 recognize the 112th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America. On February 8, 1910, Chicago businessman, William D. Boyce, who grew up in Western Pennsylvania, incorporated the Boy Scouts of America.

Since that time, millions of young men and women have joined the Scouts and learned the values of patriotism, courage, and self-reliance.

The Scouts have helped shaped some of the most memorable figures in U.S. history: Former President George W. Bush, Martin Luther King, Jr., and even retiring Supreme Court Justice, Stephen Breyer.

Mr. Speaker, I have spent more than 50 years in scouting, including serving as Scout Master and achieving the rank of Eagle Scout in 1977. It was these experiences that first sparked my interest in public service. The Boy Scout oath, in part, urges us to perform our duty to our country. I am proud to introduce this resolution designating today as Boy Scouts of America Day to honor the tireless service of Scout volunteers and participants in our communities.

Mr. Speaker, I have witnessed firsthand the important principles, values,

and lessons that are imparted upon young people and last a lifetime. The Boy Scouts of America has played a pivotal role in shaping the leaders of tomorrow and I look forward to seeing their continued contributions to our country.

Mr. Speaker, after the Bible, probably this manual, the Boy Scout Handbook, has done more to shape my life and made me the person that I am today.

VERMONT POSTAL SERVICE

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

Mr. WELCH. Mr. Speaker, the Postal Service is a mess. Today, we are about to take up a reform proposal that is long overdue.

Mail delivery in rural Vermont is critical for all our rural communities. For our seniors who rely on getting their checks and getting their prescriptions, and for Vermont businesses, from local papers that provide news in our country stores, it is crucial.

Mismanagement, underfunding, labor shortages have really created a crisis. Last January, my office received eight complaints. This January, it was 69 complaints. And some Vermonters are going over a week without getting any mail delivery. Our folks are going paycheck to paycheck and not getting their paycheck.

Mr. Speaker, this bill will finally get the United States Postal Service on track for our rural communities and all Americans. It is overdue, and that is why I hope all of us will support passage today.

RISEING DRUG PRICES

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

Mr. LATURNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to discuss an important issue that is deeply concerning to Kansans: Rising drug prices.

So far this year, the price of hundreds of lifesaving pharmaceutical medications have already increased. Hardworking Kansas families are facing skyrocketing inflation and many simply do not have the funds to keep up with the never-ending rise in healthcare costs.

For the past three decades, the bipartisan 340B program has helped low-income families afford essential medications by requiring pharmaceutical companies to give safety-net and rural healthcare providers discounts on prescription drugs. In my home State of Kansas, we have over 80 hospitals that use 340B savings. Not only do 340B hospitals provide heavily discounted prescription medications, they also make additional healthcare services, such as trauma care and substance abuse treatment available to most of our vulnerable patients.

As the 340B program celebrates its 30th anniversary, it is vital that we re-

affirm our commitment to protecting this program and ensuring all Kansans have access to quality and affordable healthcare.

WILD HORSE AND BURRO PROTECTION ACT

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

Ms. TITUS. Mr. Speaker, in efforts to control equine populations, the BLM is directed to humanely capture wild, free-roaming horses and burros and put them up for adoption.

BLM, however, uses helicopter companies to round up these animals, leading to frightening and sometimes deadly situations. At \$500 a head, since 2011, the top three helicopter contractors have raked in some \$37 million in taxpayer funding.

Last month, during a gathering at the Pancake Complex in central Nevada, a young colt was chased for miles by a helicopter, despite having a broken leg, and had to be put down when captured.

My Wild Horse and Burro Protection Act would outlaw the use of helicopters in wild horse roundups, employ more traditional wranglers for gathering efforts, and require the GAO to employ and explore humane alternatives to protect these icons of the wild west.

Mr. Speaker, put simply, save a horse, hire a cowboy.

BIDEN'S VOW TO END NORD STREAM 2

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

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, energy security for the free world is an imperative. I rise today to strongly endorse President Biden's vow yesterday that if Russia further invades Ukraine, there will, "no longer be a Nord Stream 2 pipeline across Europe. We will put an end to it."

During the Trump administration, this Russian energy pipeline was allowed to creep ever closer into the heart of Europe to make our closest NATO allies dependent on Russian gas. What a strategic failure.

Reliance on a tyrannical regime is dangerous. To our dear allies in Europe, if Putin were to succeed in clawing Ukraine back under Russia's command, he would not stop there.

The free world must place stronger sanctions on Nord Stream 2. It must ratchet up diplomat engagement to this strongest test of the rule of law since World War II. As Russian troops amass at Ukraine's border, the free world must deploy the defensive shield to protect her liberty and assure her territorial sovereignty through a coalition of the willing.

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PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3076, POSTAL SERVICE REFORM ACT OF 2021; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 6617, FURTHER ADDITIONAL CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2022; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Mr. RASKIN. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 912 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 912

Resolved, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 3076) to provide stability to and enhance the services of the United States Postal Service, and for other purposes. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. In lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Oversight and Reform now printed in the bill, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 117-32 shall be considered as adopted. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, are waived. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill, as amended, and on any amendment thereto, to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Oversight and Reform or their respective designees; (2) the further amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution, if offered by the Member designated in the report, which shall be in order without intervention of any point of order, shall be considered as read, shall be separately debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question; and (3) one motion to recommit.

SEC. 2. Upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 6617) making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2022, and for other purposes. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. The bill shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill are waived. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and on any amendment thereto to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided among and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their respective designees; and (2) one motion to recommit.

SEC. 3. (a) House Concurrent Resolution 69 is hereby adopted.

(b) For purposes of the joint session to receive the President of the United States on March 1, 2022, former Members, Delegates, and Resident Commissioners shall not be admitted to the Hall of the House or rooms leading thereto.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. MRVAN). The gentleman from Maryland is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. RASKIN. Mr. Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. RESCHENTHALER), pending which I yield