

churches or crisis pregnancy centers being firebombed and vandalized by radical progressive activists.

If they believe choice is so important, why don't they respect the people who refuse to choose death and instead choose life?

Democrats use "choice" as a subjective term. They agree with choice as long as you agree with them—choice on their terms.

Madam Speaker, Americans overwhelmingly choose life. We would all do well to remember that.

#### CONOR FRYER HAS BEEN AN INVALUABLE ASSET

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

Ms. BROWN of Ohio. Madam Speaker, I rise to thank my communications director, Conor Fryer, for his commitment to the 11th Congressional District of Ohio and his invaluable contributions to my team and that of my predecessor.

Conor joined the office in 2019 under the leadership of then-Congresswoman and now Secretary Marcia L. Fudge and was pivotal in my transition in 2021. He consistently raised the bar and that of those around him.

When we arrived in Congress, we had a skeleton crew of a staff. Conor always stepped in and stepped up, filling those gaps, from legislation to transportation and everything in between.

His boundless energy, strategic creativity, and Ohio pride has served my constituents well. I wish Conor well as he moves closer to reaching his long-term professional goals. He will be missed.

#### BIDEN MUST ADDRESS OPEN BORDERS FOR TERRORISTS

(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. Madam Speaker, American families are at greater risk of mass murder terrorist attacks than ever before due to the failing border policies of President Biden.

Intentionally opening the southern border, nearly 3 million illegal aliens from over 160 countries have intruded since Biden took office.

American jobs are destroyed. Deadly drugs are smuggled by cartels, leading to over 100,000 deaths last year, devastating American families. Most gruesome is the imminent danger of known terrorists from the Terrorist Screening Database crossing into America.

Last year, in Del Rio, Texas, officials would not reveal to me the number of terrorists crossing. Now, we see the threat is real, with 50 terrorists just this year. These terrorists are skilled, well-financed, fully equipped, and maniacally motivated mass murderers.

Open borders for terrorists must be addressed. Biden should now take every action to protect American families.

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

#### EXPANDING BENEFITS FOR VETERANS EXPOSED TO TOXINS

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

Mr. KAHELE. Madam Speaker, I rise today in strong support of the Honoring our PACT Act.

The PACT Act will finally expand benefits and comprehensive healthcare for millions of veterans who have been exposed to toxic substances while serving their country.

Included in this bill is the Mark Takai Atomic Veterans Healthcare Parity Act, championed by my dear friend, the late Congressman Mark Takai, who served his country admirably as a lieutenant colonel in the Hawaii Army National Guard and as Hawaii's First Congressional District Representative.

The United States conducted 43 nuclear tests on Enewetak Atoll, located in the Marshall Islands. In the 1970s, U.S. servicemembers risked their lives to clean radioactive material from Enewetak Atoll.

Without the PACT Act, veterans who served at Enewetak are not eligible for much-needed benefits.

I am honored to continue Congressman Mark Takai's legacy by proudly casting my vote for the Honoring our PACT Act to ensure that we improve on our sacred obligation to care for our veterans and their families.

#### RECOGNIZING MUSICAL PRODIGY TAYTE CHOUDHURY

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

Mr. NEHLS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize a true musical prodigy with the kind of gift that many of us may only come across once in a lifetime, my constituent Tayte Choudhury.

At only 17 years old, Tayte is internationally recognized for his outstanding ability in piano. He is a first-place winner of the American Protege award and is performing a winning piece at the world-renowned Carnegie Hall in New York City on June 26.

Despite a physical disability that left him 70 percent deaf in both ears, Tayte has achieved great success in both music and scholastics. I was sent a video of Tayte playing this week and was completely blown away to be hearing and seeing such talent that can only be handed down by God himself.

But the thing about talent like that is that it is meaningless without hard work, sacrifice, resilience, and an en-

tire village to get you where you need to go.

From myself and all of Texas 22, we are extremely proud of you, Tayte, and can't wait to see how high you fly.

#### JOSEPH HART'S PASSING LEAVES A VOID

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

Ms. SCANLON. Madam Speaker, local journalism is the lifeblood of our democracy and the backbone of our communities. I rise today to honor the life and legacy of a constituent who dedicated his career to that very American public service. Joseph Hart, an award-winning local journalist who spent his career telling the stories of our community, most recently as executive editor of the Delaware County Daily Times, tragically passed away this week.

He leaves behind a void in the hearts of his colleagues and readers across PA-5 who have relied on his insightful and dependable reporting for decades.

Joe grew up with the Delco Times, starting as an intern 40 years ago and rising to executive editor in 2020. His friends and colleagues describe an incredible friend, mentor, and journalist, calling him kind, witty, principled, enthusiastic, knowledgeable, professional, and passionate.

In the words of retired Delco Times editor Phil Heron, "The institutional knowledge Joe had of the county, you can't replace that. He was the walking encyclopedia of Delco politics."

Our hearts go out to Joe's family, friends, and his team at the Delco Times as they mourn this tremendous loss.

#### COMBATING THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC

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

Mrs. SPARTZ. Madam Speaker, my district in central Indiana represents a cross-section of our Nation, cities, suburbs, and rural farmland, none of which have proven themselves immune to the devastating possibility of opioid addiction.

Americans know that we must use every tool at our disposal to combat the opioid pandemic killing young and old. Unfortunately, the Federal Government ties the hands of doctors, limiting their ability to hold long-acting injectable addiction treatment to just 14 days after receipt from pharmacy.

To remedy this problem, last November, I introduced the IMPACT Act with Congresswoman DEAN, which passed the House as part of H.R. 7666. I am grateful to my colleagues for their support of this legislation, and I urge the Senate and administration to do the same.

### BRING HOME ILLEGAL DETAINEES IN RUSSIA

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

Mr. STANTON. Madam Speaker, for 126 days now, Brittney Griner has been wrongfully detained by Russia.

Every single day that goes by is a lifetime for her wife, Cherelle, her family, friends, and teammates on the Phoenix Mercury.

As mayor of Phoenix, I was so lucky to watch her develop and grow as a professional athlete and also as a respected leader in the Phoenix community. One of the best basketball players of our generation, she has won gold medals representing the United States twice at the Olympic Games. Like many WNBA players, she needed to supplement her income by playing professional basketball in Russia, and she was proud to do so.

But, now, Brittney finds herself a prisoner of the Russian Government. Her legal hearings continue to be delayed without good reason. It is unacceptable.

It is time for the House to speak with one unified voice and call for Brittney's safe return and to show support for every American wrongfully detained in Russia.

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### BIDEN'S BABY FORMULA CRISIS

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

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, in the past 18 months, President Biden has shown the American people that he and his administration are not prepared to lead.

According to a new whistleblower report, problems at the Michigan baby formula plant were actually reported to the U.S. Department of Labor in February of 2021. Instead of addressing this crisis head-on, the Biden administration squandered precious time. As a result, American families were unable to buy the formula that their infant children so desperately need.

As a father, I think back on shopping for children's formula for my own children, and I am saddened by the thought of parents arriving today at the grocery store and seeing empty shelf after empty shelf.

The longer President Biden remains in office, one thing continues to become clear: Americans cannot afford the failed leadership that has allowed this crisis and so many crises to continue.

### SUPPORTING THE SECOND AMENDMENT

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

Mrs. MILLER of Illinois. Madam Speaker, today is a historic day as the

Supreme Court upheld the Second Amendment right to keep and bear arms.

I thank President Trump for appointing Justices who defended the constitutional rights of gun owners.

It is unfortunate that at the same time the Supreme Court is upholding our Second Amendment rights, Congress is working behind closed doors to push unconstitutional red flag gun confiscation.

I strongly oppose efforts by the House and Senate to infringe upon the Second Amendment rights of my constituents, and I urge this body to reject the gun control legislation.

### HONORING THE LEGACY OF THE MCGOVERN-DOLE FOOD FOR EDU- CATION AND CHILDHOOD NUTRI- TION PROGRAM

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

Mr. MANN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the legacy of the McGovern-Dole Food for Education and Childhood Nutrition Program, named in part after a Kansas legend, the late Senator Bob Dole.

The McGovern-Dole program has provided 5.5 billion school meals benefiting 31 million school-age children in 48 countries over the last two decades, improving the food security, nutrition, literacy, and primary education of these children and their families. When schools closed due to COVID, the program distributed 23,000 metric tons of commodities to more than 1.7 million children and their families. This program is a success story of public-private partnership.

Representative MCGOVERN and I have a resolution before the House expressing this body's commitment to building on the success of the McGovern-Dole program and supporting the American farmers, ranchers, and agricultural producers who provide the commodities required for it to function.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to cosponsor this resolution, submit appropriation requests for funding, and ensure that this program can continue to support nutrition and education for children around the world.

### A GAS TAX HOLIDAY IS AN ELECTION-YEAR GIMMICK

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

Mr. ROSE. Madam Speaker, Tennesseans are fed up with prices at the pump. They are paying double what they were a year-and-a-half ago because of the attacks on American energy that began on day one of the Biden administration. Now, the President has asked Congress to consider a gas tax holiday. How curious.

This is what Washington does when there is a big problem. Politicians pretend they are looking out for you, but they are just looking out for their own poll numbers.

Those aren't my words, Madam Speaker. That is a quote from President Biden's former boss, Barack Obama, on the campaign trail in 2008. He said a gas tax holiday would threaten Federal highways and possibly cost jobs while only saving families pennies a day. He called the idea an election-year gimmick, not a real solution. I agree.

A real solution would be supporting policies that return our Nation to energy independence.

### REMEMBERING DONALD WAYNE PORTER

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

Mr. ARRINGTON. Madam Speaker, God's Word says, To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord.

On June 21, 2022, after 76 years, Donald Wayne Porter went home to be with his Lord.

Despite a battle with Parkinson's that may have overcome his body, it never conquered his spirit.

Wayne Porter represents the very best of America, the epitome of west Texas, and a true cowboy spirit.

He was a third generation cattle rancher, grocery store owner, deacon in the First Baptist Church, and a decorated combat veteran of the Vietnam war.

But his greatest legacy, Madam Speaker, was his fierce love and commitment to his God and his family. Wayne had just celebrated 50 years with his beloved wife, Edith, and is survived by his 6 children and 11 grandchildren.

His only son, John Porter, served as my chief of staff.

While I didn't know Wayne Porter, they say the apple doesn't fall too far from the tree, so I felt like I knew the man. It was clear to me that Wayne Porter was a man of immense character, quiet strength, with a Texas-sized heart for God and people, the proudest of family men, and a patriot to his core.

God has blessed America with men like Donald Wayne Porter, and may God continue to bless John, Madison, Duke, and the entire Porter family in their great loss but in heaven's gain.

Go west Texas.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The House will resume proceedings on postponed questions at a later time.