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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. JACKSON LEE).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,

July 19, 2022. I hereby appoint the Honorable SHELIA JACKSON LEE to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Loving God, You have called those who believe in You to live in community, to love and support those in need, and to encourage each other in the faith. God, at times these seem like such easy tasks. All we need do is look around us, and we see fellow human beings in great want for so many things. And yet, we are reluctant to act, not knowing where to start, whom to help first, or what the right help is for us to give.

Open our eyes to those who are hungry, who need clothes, who thirst for the water that will satisfy their deepest needs. May we be the hands that lead even the stranger to find shelter in Your care.

Likewise, call us to ask how we can be of encouragement to one another. How do we serve one another that together we would be stepping stones and not stumbling blocks to the peace You would have us enjoy?

Despite our differences, despite our disagreements, cause us to look into the eyes of the other and see Your image, so then may we be at peace. God of love and peace, be with us this day. In Your holy name we pray. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 11(a) of House Resolution 188, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. WALBERG) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. WALBERG 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 PRO TEMPORE

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

FUNDAMENTAL REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS

(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, it has been more than 3 weeks since the Supreme Court ignored the constitutional right to privacy that guaranteed women could make their own reproductive health decisions. Now, States are encouraged to restrict or ban abortion and birth control.

We are now witnessing the horrifying consequences of an extreme agenda to criminalize women's reproductive health decisions, including the arrest of doctors. Americans overwhelmingly support protecting women's reproductive rights, and I stand here today to affirm their voices and carry out their will.

Last week, House Democrats passed two strong bills to defend women's right to decide. This week, we will once again ensure progress, not regression, when we pass the Right to Contraception Act.

Far-right extremists continue to wage an all-out war to control women's reproductive rights, but we will continue to put people over politics and ensure birth control access for all.

CONGRATULATING MIKE MCARAN

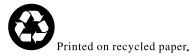
(Mr. WALBERG asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. WALBERG. Madam Speaker, I rise today to offer my heartfelt congratulations to Superintendent Mike McAran as he celebrates his retirement and to recognize his many years of service. His contributions to the community are worthy of commendation.

Throughout his career, Mr. McAran served many roles within the education system, including as a history and English teacher in the Fraser school district, assistant principal and athletic director at Tecumseh High School, and principal of Sand Creek Community Schools, as well as a middle school in Tecumseh. He would eventually become the superintendent of Tecumseh schools and later the Morenci Area School District. In total, Mike McAran dedicated 56 years of his career to education.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating the retirement of Mike McAran. I am proud to honor his work, accomplishments, and significant community impact. We thank him for his outstanding service and wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

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RECOGNIZING LYNN VALBUENA

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

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, today, I join the American Lung Association in recognizing an outstanding American and Californian, Lynn Valbuena, chairwoman of the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians.

On August 25, Chairwoman Valbuena will be honored by the American Lung Association for her contributions to healthcare both to her Tribal nation and to other Tribal nations across the United States.

Lynn has devoted her entire life to serving her Tribal nation and her community. In April, she was sworn in as chairwoman for the fifth nonconsecutive term.

I extend my congratulations to Chairwoman Lynn Valbuena for this well-deserved recognition and thank her for keeping up the good work.

ENOUGH OF THE JANUARY 6 WITCH HUNT

(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, Speaker PELOSI and her sham partisan committee are desperately trying to distract the American people from all the crises their party philosophy has caused.

The American people are not fooled. No amount of scripted, teleprompted, overproduced political soap opera can distract the American people from the pain they are feeling at the gas station, the grocery store, and the electric outlets, or the tightening of their purse strings, thanks to the Democrats' wage-killing price hikes.

It has been 18 months since Washington fell into Democrat one-party rule. Since then, inflation has skyrocketed; gas prices are at an all-time high; and we are headed into a recession.

Why is Speaker PELOSI and her sham January 6th Committee still obsessing over the former President?

While President Trump lives rentfree in Democrats' heads, Republicans are working on real solutions to help the American people. We are trying to rein in reckless spending to bring down inflation and restart American energy dominance.

Democrats should take notes. The polls show the American people want these solutions.

Enough of this nonsense January 6 witch hunt.

RECOGNIZING THE LEGACY OF CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT JAMES M. MCCOY

(Mr. FLOOD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.) Mr. FLOOD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the legacy of Chief Master Sergeant James M. McCoy of Omaha. Recognizing his life of service, both public and private, the United States lost an outstanding leader and, certainly, Nebraska lost a friend.

Born in Creston, Iowa, he entered the Air Force at 18 years old in 1951. In 1979, he was named the sixth chief master sergeant of the United States Air Force. Whether as an instructor or part of a major command, he was an exceptional person, eventually being named one of the 12 Outstanding Airmen during his assignment with the Pacific Air Forces.

My district is home to Offutt Air Force Base, a pillar in our U.S. strategic defense. In 2007, its Airman Leadership School was named for McCoy, and in 2016, he was inducted into the Strategic Air Command Hall of Fame. Just recently, in 2021, the Air Force Association awarded McCoy its Lifetime Achievement Award in the school now bearing his name.

On behalf of the First District of Nebraska, I thank him and his family for his great service to his community and his Nation.

A WIN FOR U.S. FARMERS

(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 celebrate a win for American farmers, ranchers, and agricultural producers.

Fertilizer prices have been skyrocketing for over a year now, with the cost of urea ammonium nitrate, in particular, rising to record highs. Since March, I have been urging the U.S. International Trade Commission to suspend duties on UAN imports from Trinidad and Tobago, and this week, they did just that.

On July 18, the U.S. International Trade Commission rejected imposing final duties on urea ammonium nitrate, UAN, in its determination that antidumping activity surrounding UAN fertilizers in Trinidad and Tobago did not harm the U.S. fertilizer industry. With this determination, the ITC has finally responded to my three letters dating back to March, the legislation I introduced in that same month, and my testimony before them in June, all urging reconsideration of the initial duties.

I am proud to lead the charge on this effort. I will continue to monitor the situation, and I look forward to seeing the immediate removal of duties on UAN imports from Trinidad and Tobago, which is the most immediate opportunity for a near-term, partial remedy to the high cost of fertilizer facing U.S. farmers.

JUSTICE FOR CYPRUS

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

Ms. MALLIOTAKIS. Madam Speaker, 48 years this week, on July 20, 1974, the Turkish military invaded the Republic of Cyprus in direct violation of the Charter of the United Nations and international law.

To this day, there has been no accountability for the deaths, displacements, and destruction caused by this illegal invasion and occupation.

I urge the President, Secretary Blinken, and this body to join calls for the immediate removal of Turkish troops, the return of property to rightful owners, and the reunification of Cyprus.

Today Cyprus, Greece, and other nations in the eastern Mediterranean face more aggression and continued threats from Turkey under President Erdogan, who has threatened exclusive economic zones, ordered repeated military flyovers over the Greek islands, and undermined NATO sanctions on Russia and U.S. operations in Syria.

Despite Turkey's aggression, President Biden plans to sell U.S. fighter jets to Turkey. I thank my colleagues on both sides of the aisle for supporting our amendment last week to prevent this sale and our efforts to deliver justice for Cyprus once and for all.

SEC'S PROPOSED CLIMATE CHANGE RULE

(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, today, I rise today to bring attention to President Biden's Securities and Exchange Commission's proposed climate change rule.

As Tennesseans suffer from the impacts of record-breaking inflation that has driven the cost of almost everything through the roof, President Biden and his SEC are trying to implement a regulation that will make it harder and more expensive to produce the food and fiber that feeds the world.

We saw just last week that inflation is showing no signs of slowing down. The climate change rule proposed by Biden's SEC will only make it worse, as the farmers and ranchers who work so hard to feed us will spend copious amounts of time, effort, and money to comply with this rule, if it is even possible.

Biden's SEC has clearly overstepped its bounds, as Congress has never given them the authority to regulate carbon emissions. If President Biden were serious about lower prices, he would immediately hit the brakes on this proposed rule.

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FIGHTING FOR WOMEN'S REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS

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