

### HONORING THE LIFE AND SACRIFICE OF RICHARD LOPEZ

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

Mr. O'HALLERAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and sacrifice of Yavapai County Sheriff Deputy Richard Lopez, who was killed in the line of duty last month.

I was incredibly humbled to attend Officer Lopez's service, and to see and feel the outpouring of love and support. I saw right away that Officer Lopez left an indelible mark on Yavapai County.

Beloved by his community, respected by those he served, and mourned deeply by his family and his colleagues, I saw right away that he was a wonderful person.

As a former police officer and homicide investigator, I know that police work is an incredibly dangerous profession. Any arrest can turn dangerous in an instant, putting officers and all involved in jeopardy in a single moment.

We must always keep our brave law enforcement officers and their families in our thoughts and in our prayers.

Today, I extend my sincerest condolences to Lushana Lopez and their two children, and to the men and women of the Yavapai County Sheriff's Department.

### STATE OF OUR ECONOMY

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

Mr. SMUCKER. Madam Speaker, well, here we are. Reports this morning show that we have been in a recession here in this country. Unfortunately, since coming into office, the Biden administration has been in denial about the state of our economy.

And I think our Minority Leader, Mr. MCCARTHY, just outlined, showed on the floor a little bit ago how the administration has been talking about the threat of inflation.

They initially promised that it would be transitory. Then chief of staff insisted that inflation was only a high-class problem. And then President Biden, blaming everyone except himself for causing the record-high inflation that we see today.

With inflation at 9.1 percent; the Fed raising interest rates again; and now, two consecutive quarters of declining GDP, Americans are rightly concerned that our economy is now in a recession.

It will be interesting to see the White House's response because, up until now, instead of trying to solve the problem, the White House has, instead, in the previous few days, been trying to alter the definition of a recession.

George Orwell warned that the government will one day tell you to reject the evidence of your eyes and ears. It is important that we identify the problem before we can solve it.

### REESE'S LAW

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

Ms. KELLY of Illinois. Madam Speaker, I rise today to talk about Reese Hamsmith, an 18-month-old child who died due to complications 2 months after ingesting a button battery. This story has become more and more common with nearly 3,500 children ingesting button and coin batteries each year.

Just under a year ago is when I first met with Reese's mom, Trista. Trista's story is heartbreaking, but she has turned her and her family's grief into action. She approached my office with an idea for a bill so that other families are spared this experience.

Reese's Law requires the Consumer Product Safety Commission to create safety standards for products that contain a button or coin batteries to prevent accidental ingestion by children under 6 years old.

I thank Trista for her fierce advocacy for continuing to share Reese's story, and for helping make this bill become a reality.

I am proud that this bipartisan bill passed the House yesterday and my colleagues voted to protect children and help save countless lives.

### STATE OF THE ECONOMY

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

Mr. MOOLENAAR. Madam Speaker, this morning, the Commerce Department announced that the economy shrank for the second quarter in a row. This means that under President Biden, we are now in a recession. And yet, the House is not acting responsibly to help the American people.

The Biden administration's policies have led our country into one crisis after another: Inflation, high gas prices, soaring grocery prices, supply chain problems, recession, children left behind in school, a record number of deaths from overdoses, vaccine mandates, and people quitting the workforce, and an overrun southern border with 500,000 people known to have gotten away in the past 10 months.

Meanwhile, House Democrats have focused on extreme policies, allowing abortion up to the moment of birth, forcing taxpayers to pay for abortions, and attacking the due process and Second Amendment rights of the American people.

None of these policies will help hurting Michigan families and seniors who are paying an extra \$729 a month because of Biden's record inflation.

When Republicans led the House, we had low inflation, affordable energy, and a strong economy.

### BUILDING TECHNOLOGICAL SUPREMACY

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

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Madam Speaker, Taiwan, a country of less than 24 million people in East Asia, manufactures 92 percent of the world's advanced computer chips. You can't buy technological supremacy, but you can build it.

Today, the House will vote to approve the CHIPS Act, which will make a \$280 billion investment in the design and actual making of advanced computer chips right here in America; \$50 billion for research and development and for the construction of chip manufacturing facilities in America.

The bill also includes \$10 billion to establish 20 regional hubs, regional centers of innovation. Buffalo, New York, is well-positioned to be one of those.

I urge this House to approve the CHIPS Act, and the Commerce Department to select Buffalo as one of the regional hubs.

### HONORING THE SERVICE OF DR. O'DELL OWENS

(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 honor and congratulate my good friend and mentor, Dr. O'Dell Owens, on his retirement. As an obstetrician, Dr. Owens brought countless young Americans into the world.

Dr. Owens served as chairman of the board at the University of Cincinnati. He was president of Cincinnati State University. He was the medical director of the Cincinnati Health Department, and he served as Hamilton County Coroner; all before spending 5 years as president and CEO of Interact for Health in Cincinnati.

Through his everyday example, he has lived his motto to "help people help themselves."

Dr. Owens' life is one devoted to a career of helping people who need it most. He often reflects on his dad's advice that "tomorrow is not promised;" therefore, it is necessary to make a difference today.

Dr. Owens, you have made a difference in so many lives, mine included. Dr. Owens, again, congratulations on your well-deserved retirement. Yet, I look forward to seeing what you may do next.

### DEMOCRATIC AGENDA

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

Mr. LIEU. Madam Speaker, in the first 15 months of the Joe Biden Presidency, over 8.3 million jobs were created, the most in U.S. history.

For the last 6 weeks, because of the relentless efforts of the White House and of Joe Biden to reduce gas prices, those gas prices have fallen every day for 6 weeks. That is because Democrats are focused on putting people over politics, and we want to lower costs, have better paying jobs, and safer communities.

What are Republicans focused on?

They want to end Social Security; they are attacking our democracy; and they want to criminalize women's healthcare decisions.

In fact, just last week, House Republicans voted "no" on providing access to birth control pills. Let me just repeat that again. We are in the 21st century, and House Republicans want government to ban birth control pills.

**PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE AMENDMENT TO SENATE AMENDMENT TO H.R. 4346, LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2022; AND PROVIDING FOR PROCEEDINGS DURING THE PERIOD FROM AUGUST 1, 2022, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 12, 2022**

Mr. MORELLE, Madam Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 1289 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

**H. RES. 1289**

*Resolved*, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to take from the Speaker's table the bill (H.R. 4346) making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2022, and for other purposes, with the Senate amendment to the House amendment to the Senate amendment thereto, and to consider in the House, without intervention of any point of order, a motion offered by the chair of the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology or her designee that the House concur in the Senate amendment to the House amendment to the Senate amendment. The Senate amendment and the motion shall be considered as read. The motion shall be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology or their respective designees. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the motion to its adoption without intervening motion.

SEC. 2. On any legislative day during the period from August 1, 2022, through September 12, 2022, the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved.

SEC. 3. The Speaker may appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for the duration of the period addressed by section 2 of this resolution as though under clause 8(a) of rule I.

SEC. 4. Each day during the period addressed by section 2 of this resolution shall not constitute a calendar day for purposes of section 7 of the War Powers Resolution (50 U.S.C. 1546).

SEC. 5. Each day during the period addressed by section 2 of this resolution shall not constitute a legislative day for purposes of clause 7 of rule XIII.

SEC. 6. Each day during the period addressed by section 2 of this resolution shall

not constitute a calendar or legislative day for purposes of clause 7(c)(1) of rule XXII.

SEC. 7. Each day during the period addressed by section 2 of this resolution shall not constitute a legislative day for purposes of clause 7 of rule XV.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from New York is recognized for 1 hour.

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Mr. MORELLE. Madam Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the distinguished gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. RESCHENTHALER), pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only.

**GENERAL LEAVE**

Mr. MORELLE. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

There was no objection.

Mr. MORELLE. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, yesterday, the Rules Committee met and reported a rule, House Resolution 1289, providing for a motion by the chair of the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology to concur in the Senate amendment to the House amendment to the Senate amendment to H.R. 4346. It provides 1 hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

Finally, the rule provides standard floor recess instructions for the August district work period from August 1 to September 12.

Madam Speaker, this rule provides for consideration of a historic package of long-overdue legislative actions that will strengthen our economy and reignite our competitiveness on the global stage.

Throughout our work in Congress, we have focused on fighting for and uplifting families, on creating opportunity and setting our community on a path toward a brighter future. This historic investment will deliver on the promise of a better tomorrow.

It means jobs, real jobs, that will keep families together and ensure our children can access the American Dream.

It means lower costs for essential, everyday items that will lessen the burden on families.

It means America will strengthen its competitiveness against countries like China and reestablish its place as the global leader in innovation.

It will reaffirm our leadership around the world by strengthening diplomacy, promoting human rights, and bolstering economic engagement.

I am proud that this bill is a result of comprehensive bicameral and bipar-

tisan negotiations, which I had the privilege of participating in as a member of the Conference Committee.

America has always been known as the land of opportunity, creativity, and entrepreneurship. We are the Nation that took to the stars and landed a man on the Moon, the birthplace of transformational inventions like the internet, and home to some of the world's greatest scientists. Technological advancement is in our DNA, and we need to continue fostering its long-term growth. That is why I am particularly pleased this legislation includes steps to enhance regional innovation, which has long been one of my top priorities and opens the doors for limitless potential.

Federal investment in regional innovation hubs will uplift communities across the country that are already leading the way in high-tech advancements, communities like my home of Rochester, which is already doing groundbreaking work in this field.

No longer will Silicon Valley be the only area synonymous with innovation. With this legislation, we are making investments in collaboration across public, private, education, and civic sectors that will be game changers for communities across the country, transforming underutilized cities into crucibles of America's global competitiveness.

Furthermore, this legislation addresses our deep concern that America is losing its competitive edge in semiconductor manufacturing, a clear economic and national security concern. Over the past few years, China has invested more than \$150 billion to build their domestic chip manufacturing capacity, while we have invested nothing. We have fallen behind. But not anymore.

The CHIPS and Science Act will bolster our domestic supply of semiconductors, putting us back on pace to match China while reducing our reliance on foreign supply chains and lowering costs for everyday families.

This legislation harnesses the spirit of ingenuity that has always guided America and turns the page on a new chapter in our history, one that creates economic opportunity for communities across the country and ensures our Nation is back on track as the global leader we have always been.

I extend a heartfelt thank-you to all of my colleagues who have helped make this legislation a reality. It has been an honor to collaborate with so many leaders, particularly the Honorable Chairwoman JOHNSON of the Science, Space, and Technology Committee on regional innovation provisions.

As a member of the USICA-COMPETES conference process, I encountered a strong commitment from fellow conferees and staff to ensure this final package reflects the needs of the entire country and provides a meaningful path forward for innovation and growth.