

Cárdenas (Correa)	Johnson (LA) (Fleischmann)	Neal (Kildee)
Carter (GA) (Fleischmann)	Johnson (TX) (Stevens)	Nehls (Taylor)
Cawthorn (Timmons)	Joyce (OH) (Garbarino)	Newman (Beyer)
Chu (Beyer)	Katko (Upton)	Norman (Babin)
Clyburn (Panetta)	Keating (Correa)	Owens (Stewart)
Comer (Guthrie)	Khanna (Garcia) (TX)	Palazzo (Fleischmann)
Conway (LaMalfa)	Kind (Conolly)	Pascarelli (Pallone)
Crawford (Fleischmann)	Kinzinger (Upton)	Perlmutter (Neguse)
Crenshaw (Ellzey)	Kirkpatrick (Pallone)	Quigley (Kelly) (IL)
Cuellar (Garcia) (TX)	LaHood (Kustoff)	Reschenthaler (Keller)
DeFazio (Pallone)	Lamb (Pallone)	Rice (NY) (Wasserman)
DeGette (Blunt)	Langevin (Lynch)	Schultz (Rodgers) (WA)
DeRubeis (Rochester)	Larson (CT) (Stevens)	(Moore) (UT)
DeSaulnier (Beyer)	LaTurner (Garbarino)	Rush (Foster)
DesJarlais (Fleischmann)	Lawrence (Stevens)	Ryan (OH) (Correa)
Dingell (Stevens)	Lawson (FL) (Evans)	Salazar (Dunn)
Doggett (Beyer)	Letlow (Moore) (UT)	Sánchez (Pallone)
Donalds (Timmons)	Levin (MI) (Correa)	Scott, David (Correa)
Doyle, Michael F. (Connolly)	Lofgren (Boyle, Brendan F.)	Sewell (Cicilline)
Duncan (Weber) (TX)	Loudermilk (Fleischmann)	Sires (Pallone)
Fallon (Ellzey)	Mace (Timmons)	Smith (WA) (Beyer)
Frankel, Lois (Brownley)	Malinowski (Kelly) (IL)	Soto (Wasserman) (Schultz)
Garcia (IL) (Garcia) (TX)	McCauley (Pfluger)	Spartz (Banks)
Gibbs (Bucshon)	McClain (Fleischmann)	Speier (Escobar)
Jimenez (Mast)	McEachin (Beyer)	Stansbury (Kelly) (IL)
Gomez (Correa)	Meijer (Upton)	Steel (Oberholte)
Gonzales, Tony (Fleischmann)	Meng (Escobar)	Steube (Franklin, C. Scott)
Granger (Ellzey)	Meuser (Weber) (TX)	Suozzi (Beyer)
Graves (LA) (Moore) (UT)	Miller (WV) (Murphy) (NC)	Swalwell (Correa)
Greene (GA) (Gosar)	Miller-Meeks (Keller)	Thompson (CA) (Matsui)
Herrera Beutler (Moore) (UT)	Moore (WI) (Beyer)	Thompson (PA) (Keller)
Huffman (Brownley)	Moulton (Stevens)	Tiffany (Gosar)
Issa (Garcia) (CA)	Murphy (FL) (Wasserman)	Vargas (Correa)
Jackson (Ellzey)	Schultz (Schultz)	Velázquez (Clarke) (NY)
Jacobs (NY) (Sempolinski)	Napolitano (Correa)	Waltz (Mast)
Johnson (GA) (Pallone)		Welch (Pallone)
		Wenstrup (Latta)
		Wilson (SC) (Dunn)

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

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

Mr. FERGUSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise for the purpose of inquiring of the Democratic Caucus chair the schedule for the week to come. I yield to the gentleman from New York (Mr. JEFFRIES).

Mr. JEFFRIES. Mr. Speaker, I thank my distinguished colleague for yielding.

The schedule next week: On Wednesday, the House will meet at 12 p.m. for morning hour; 2 p.m. for legislative business, with votes postponed until 6:30 p.m.

On Thursday, we will meet at 10 a.m. for morning hour and 12 p.m. for legislative business.

On Friday, the House will meet at 9 a.m. for legislative business.

Next week, we will be considering a continuing resolution, very important, to fund the government. We know the fiscal year concludes on September 30. It is something that we have to get done.

It is also our expectation that we may consider legislation to reform the STOCK Act. And then we will also consider bills under suspension of the rules. A complete list of suspension bills will be announced by the close of business tomorrow.

Of course, additional legislative items are possible.

Mr. FERGUSON. Mr. Speaker, we have seen movement in the Senate. I understand that there is activity over there. Does the gentleman have an update on when we might see that legislation in the House? But more importantly when we might see legislative text?

Mr. JEFFRIES. The Senate has apparently moved for cloture on Tuesday. So, one, it is our expectation that we are going to have an opportunity to vote to make sure that we fund the government beyond September 30.

In terms of legislative text, the negotiations are ongoing. I think everyone is working in good faith. I am thankful for the leadership on our side of Chairwoman ROSA DELAUNO.

We have a responsibility to make sure that we keep the government open, and we intend to keep that responsibility.

Mr. FERGUSON. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleague if he is aware of any other additional authorizing text that may be attached to the continuing resolution.

Mr. JEFFRIES. Well, there are ongoing negotiations in good faith. There have been several exigencies that have arisen; but I don't have visibility into the actual, precise nature of the negotiations right now.

As I mentioned, on our end, certainly they are being handled by Chairwoman ROSA DELAUNO; but I know those negotiations are progressing. We expect that an agreement is going to be reached, hopefully, in the next few days. Then, of course, the gentleman will have an opportunity, as will all Members, to review the legislative text.

Mr. FERGUSON. One final thing. Leader HOYER made an announcement this summer that we were going to try to close votes in a timely fashion. As we have just seen, it is virtually impossible to do it with proxy voting because these four votes took almost 2 hours to complete.

Given that the business community is getting back to normal, we are seeing workers return to work. We are seeing businesses return to normal operations, and given that the President proclaimed that the pandemic is over, does the gentleman also expect to end proxy voting next week when the current covered period ends?

Mr. JEFFRIES. Well, that is a decision that ultimately will be made by the Speaker, in consultation with other members of leadership, but being guided by the public health professionals. The Capitol Physician has guided the decision up until this point in terms of the public health emer-

gency that we have been under and what the appropriate protocols are to make sure that we are being responsible.

Mr. FERGUSON. Mr. Speaker, I think America expects Congress to lead, and we are seeing, again, across the Nation, people get back to their lives, get back to normal. Certainly, there are many safe precautions that have been taken.

But clearly, showing up to work is something that Americans expect Congress to do, and I just cannot think of a reason why Members of this body—while we get on airplanes and fly back and forth to our districts every week. I see so many of our Members on both sides of the aisle attending events and speaking at various functions and, certainly, they are not campaigning remotely. I can't think of a reason why we wouldn't do away with proxy voting and show up here in the people's House in person.

Mr. Speaker, I would love to see if my colleague from New York has any insight into that.

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Mr. JEFFRIES. Well, I think the gentleman raises a very important observation that the American people expect us to lead. I think during the 117th Congress, that is absolutely what has been done.

We have led by passing the American Rescue Plan; saved the economy from perhaps collapsing into a recession, if not worse; put shots in arms, money in pockets, kids back in school. We have led by passing the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, creating millions of good-paying jobs, fixing our crumbling bridges, roads, and tunnels.

Mr. Speaker, the gentleman asked the question. I am just responding.

Mr. FERGUSON. Mr. Speaker, reclaiming my time.

We are failing miserably in American energy independence, with the rise of home heating costs and fuel. We see what has happened to our neighbors in the European Union. We see the rising costs. Certainly, Americans are worried about that, the rising cost of rent, the out-of-control inflation, the excessive government spending. I mean, we have that.

But more importantly, we have our communities that are less safe because of the crisis at the border. The fentanyl crisis that is hitting every single community.

I don't know that we have been leading.

I want to, Mr. Speaker, go back to the specifics of the question that was asked here in terms of leading by showing up to work. I want to see if there is any kind of rational reason why we shouldn't show up in person to work.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from New York.

Mr. JEFFRIES. Mr. Speaker, I think, one, we have been operating under a public health emergency. But in the constraints of that, again, following

the guidance of the public health professionals, that is how we have been operating.

Mr. FERGUSON. Mr. Speaker, reclaiming my time.

Mr. JEFFRIES. Mr. Speaker, I think he has yielded the time to me, so I can yield it back to him at the appropriate time.

Mr. FERGUSON. Mr. Speaker, reclaiming my time.

The President ended the pandemic, declared that it was over. If that is the case, shouldn't we be going back to normal, Mr. Speaker?

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman.

Mr. JEFFRIES. Mr. Speaker, again, we are going to follow the public health guidance.

Out of courtesy, we are having this colloquy, but we can't have a colloquy if the gentleman is dissatisfied with my answers and such that he is consistently not permitting me to respond. I will be happy to respond to any questions if we are going to have a colloquy.

I think what is clear, if the point is, are we leading, correct, we are leading. As I mentioned, we are leading on the American Rescue Plan. We are leading on infrastructure investment. We are leading on standing up for our veterans, leading on public safety, leading on passing gun safety legislation, leading on—

Mr. FERGUSON. Mr. Speaker, reclaiming my time.

Clearly, we see some of these important issues differently. Just sticking to the main question of proxy voting and why Members of Congress should not show up to do their job. American businesses are. We can campaign in person. Certainly voting in person seems reasonable to me.

Mr. Speaker, I thank my colleague, the caucus chair, for his time today and for setting the schedule, and I yield back the balance of my time.

CONDITION OF THE FREIGHT RAIL INDUSTRY

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

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to highlight the urgent need to address freight rail delays.

Across the Nation, manufacturers and farmers are finding it impossible to get their goods to market via rail. Rail service delays cause disruptions to flour and feed mills, livestock producers, power companies, and many other industries.

To make freight rail a truly competitive and stable industry, we need to make sure that shippers can address these service disruptions without government intervention.

I have introduced the Freight Rail Shipping Fair Market Act to establish a level playing field for freight rail. My subcommittee solicited feedback from

shippers, the freight rail industry, and railway workers.

Mr. Speaker, I am committed to working with Members from both parties, and I encourage all Members to work with us to pass this bipartisan bill that will help freight railroads, their customers, and the American consumers.

COMMEMORATING THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE HISTORIC RESPONSE TO THE SHOOTING IN COLLIERVILLE, TENNESSEE

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

Mr. KUSTOFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mark the 1-year anniversary of a tragedy that stunned our community in Collierville, Tennessee.

On September 23, 2021, a gunman opened fire at the Kroger in Collierville, shooting 15 people and killing one woman, Olivia Kiee.

We will never forget the courage of the law enforcement officers, firefighters, and first responders who sprang into action.

One example: In an extraordinary act, Collierville firefighters wore bulletproof vests and rushed into the grocery store along with police officers to save lives before the active shooter was neutralized.

The quick response of our heroic first responders truly exemplifies the strength and resilience of the town of Collierville.

We will forever be grateful for the men and women who protect and serve our communities each and every day. I am proud to say that today and always we are Collierville strong.

CONGRATULATING THE HONOLULU LITTLE LEAGUE

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

Mr. KAHELE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Honolulu Little League on winning the 2022 Little League World Series.

This is Hawaii's fourth Little League World Series, and it is a true privilege to represent the team, their coaches, families, and fans.

The Honolulu Little League played their first season in 1954 and is one of the oldest Little League teams in the State. This particular team's character and sportsmanship will be remembered long after their victory this year. Their enthusiasm and love for baseball is contagious, and all of Hawaii couldn't stop watching as they hit home runs, struck out batters, and invoked the mercy rule over their opponents.

I extend special commendations to Coach Gerald Oda, the team's manager and coach. I also congratulate the families of the players who have undoubtedly made their own sacrifices to pro-

vide this team with the opportunity to succeed.

This team represents Hawaii's values of unity, teamwork, and resilience. These Little Leaguers have become role models to our larger community, and I am sure the next generation of Little League World Champions in Hawaii watched this team and will be inspired by them. I know I speak for all of Hawaii, Mr. Speaker, when I say how so very proud we are.

RECOGNIZING THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF CORONA

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

Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the First Baptist Church of Corona on its 100th anniversary.

First Baptist is the bedrock of Corona, Queens. It provides a food pantry, tax preparation, summer youth employment, and more. The church's service extends well beyond its congregation to all of Corona, one of the most diverse immigrant communities in the world.

First Baptist is led by Pastor Patrick H. Young. Pastor Young's commitment to service is unfailing. When Corona became the epicenter of the pandemic in early 2020, he and First Baptist community members stepped up the church's food distribution, serving hundreds of families each week. He also hosted multiple mobile testing and vaccination sites. Now, the church seeks to start a medical clinic to help their community recover and thrive.

Mr. Speaker, I ask our colleagues to join me in recognizing the First Baptist Church of Corona. In their century of service, they have modeled the true values of welcoming the stranger and loving thy neighbor. It is my privilege to represent them.

PROTECTING MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS

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

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, as we stand here today, there are women approaching doctors and nurses with a medical condition. Through no fault of their own, they need OB/GYN services.

In the State of Texas, with horrific and antiquated and really vicious legislation, the doctors and nurses and medical professionals are made criminals.

I have introduced H.R. 8838, the SHIELD Act, to protect doctors and nurses and medical personnel from frivolous and dangerous litigation so the medical industry can do their job. They can do a procedure that a woman may need. They can help if a woman is in the midst of aborting because of the issue of health. They can help women who, to save their life, have to have a medical procedure if they are pregnant.