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#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. MILLER) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. MILLER of Ohio 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.

#### COMMEMORATING MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

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

Mr. MOYLAN. Mr. Speaker, as we continue to commemorate Mental Health Awareness Month, I recognize an organization in Guam, which started in October of 2021 and has continued to advocate for mental health and suicide prevention.

TU;MA is a woman-owned small business, and I am honored to recognize the founder, Mrs. Jesrae Moylan, who is here with us today in the Halls of Congress.

It was founded through the challenges faced when Jesrae's younger brother, Ray, took his life in 2017. TU;MA was a nickname provided to Ray by Jesrae's son, Apollo.

A name which had no meaning then has a significant presence today with the island community. TU;MA focuses on shifting the stigma surrounding mental health and normalizing such conversations through the sharing of stories and connections assisting in the healing process.

On behalf of a thankful Nation and island, I commend Mrs. Jesrae Moylan and team TU;MA for their selfless efforts in helping others and reminding them to always choose themselves.

#### NATIONAL PRESERVATION MONTH

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

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Madam Speaker, May marks National Preservation Month. This year's theme is "People Saving Places."

This Congress can do that by supporting the Historic Tax Credit Growth and Opportunity Act. This bipartisan bill, which I introduced with Congressmen LAHOOD and BLUMENAUER, builds on the success and lasting benefits of the Federal historic tax program.

Over the last two decades, my western New York community has seen

over \$1.2 billion of investments in more than 250 rehab projects made possible thanks to historic tax credits.

Across the Nation, historic tax credits have driven \$122 billion in private investment and supported millions of jobs.

By restoring and expanding the historic tax credit program through the Historic Tax Credit Growth and Opportunity Act, we give the country an opportunity to rebuild stronger and communities the tools to invest in the revitalization of their neighborhoods.

#### RECOGNIZING MARISA VICERE

(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. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Centre County's own Marisa Vicere who was named the Youth Mental Health First Aid Instructor of the Year, an award that she received for her efforts to support mental health and well-being in her home State of Pennsylvania.

Each May, we observe Mental Health Awareness Month to acknowledge the mental health challenges faced by millions of Americans.

For Marisa, every day is committed to mental health awareness and support. In 2012, Marisa founded the Jana Marie Foundation and has "devoted its energy to opening minds and saving lives through educational programming and community mobilization to empower young people in the Centre County region."

Marisa started the foundation after her sister, Jana Marie Vicere, tragically lost her life in a battle against depression at the young age of 30.

Marisa honors her memory by continuing her sister's commitment to helping others and through creative expression in the arts.

In addition to her national award, she will soon be inducted as one of this year's outstanding State College alumni.

I commend Marisa Vicere for winning the 2023 Youth Mental Health First Aid Instructor of the Year and for her selfless service to the Centre County community through the Jana Marie Foundation.

#### ACCESS TO REPRODUCTIVE CARE

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

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Madam Speaker, our Supreme Court is a symbol of corrupt and cruel judicial politics.

Clarence Thomas is the poster child for the Supreme Court, the only Federal court with no ethical standards at all, let alone, enforce them.

They empower extremists who would deny vital lifesaving care in their zeal to enforce their vision on the limits of women's health.

It is not just about their opposition to abortion. They are forcing women to be pregnant, regardless of the consequences to real people.

The harms are not theoretical as illustrated in today's Washington Post editorial. Real women and their families suffer serious injury being denied care they need.

I am proud I come from one of the few States that has no limitations on families' access to reproductive healthcare, the most personal of decisions.

Change is coming, make no mistake, as more and more recognize the impact of this cruel interference in the most personal of decisions.

Despite hopelessly gerrymandered State legislatures, the people ultimately will win.

#### CELEBRATING THE 110TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FORT WORTH ROTARY CLUB

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

Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Rotary Club of Fort Worth, Texas, on their 110th anniversary.

Since their first meeting in June of 1913, the Rotary Club has supported the community in many ways and has enriched the lives of people in the Fort Worth area.

Rotary was founded as a service club for community members from diverse backgrounds to come together to make positive changes in their communities.

Whether it is scholarships to local schools, supporting nonprofits, or providing education and water to impoverished countries around the world, the Rotary Club of Fort Worth has always put service above self.

As a long-time Rotarian and member of this club in Fort Worth, as my father was—Jack Williams—I am proud to congratulate the Rotary Club of Fort Worth for their significant milestone.

I am confident they will continue their exceptional service to the community for the next hundred years. If the Four-Way Test was observed more today, the world would be a better place.

In God We Trust.

#### WORK REQUIREMENTS

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

Mr. MCGOVERN. Madam Speaker, I keep hearing from my Republican friends about work requirements, work requirements, work requirements.

Speaker MCCARTHY said—get this—people are getting paid to sit at home on the couch. Okay. Let's talk about work requirements.

I have good news for my GOP friends. In 1996, you all demanded the work requirements that are still in place today.

Now, maybe if Speaker McCARTHY weren't so busy auctioning off his used Chapstick for \$100,000, he would know working families in this country are struggling and need help.

Maybe if he weren't so busy giving speeches to Wall Street bankers, he would know most people on food assistance are children, seniors, and people with disabilities.

Maybe if he spoke to an able-bodied adult on food assistance, he would know they aren't sitting on the couch. They are out working. They just make so little, they qualify for a measly \$6-a-day benefit they use to buy food.

Republicans are going after food assistance so they can give another tax break to billionaires. It is a disgrace. It is a shame.

Speaker McCARTHY should try living on SNAP for a week before screwing over poor people.

### STRASBURG WRESTLING STATE CHAMPIONS

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

Mr. CLINE. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Strasburg High School wrestling team for their Class 2 State championship victory, the Rams' second State title in a row.

The four individual State champions who led this victory include junior Heath Burks with 126 points and his third State title, senior Ethan Asher with 138 points and his third State title, junior David Burks with 150 points and his second State title, and senior Chuck Fake with 215 points and his second State title.

Additional top Strasburg Rams performers were Conner Miller placing sixth, Jadon Shanholtz placing third, Donovan Burks placing sixth, Braden Stern placing fifth, and Hutson Conrad placing third.

This was a remarkable performance by the whole team, and I wish the best of luck to the seniors on the team in their future endeavors.

Congratulations again to all these talented athletes, parents, coaches, and staff on this well-deserved victory.

### HONORING THE FAMILIES OF UVALDE, TEXAS

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

Mr. CASTRO of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the families of Uvalde, Texas. One year ago this week, 21 souls walked through the doors of their classrooms for the very last time.

They were teachers, artists, athletes, aspiring police officers, and honor roll students. Hours later, they were dead, gunned down by a teenage shooter with weapons designed for the battlefield.

At the morgue, their bodies were so ravaged they had to be identified through DNA testing.

I have three children: 9, 7, and 1. When I drop my older children at school, I think of the families in Uvalde who never had a chance to say goodbye to theirs.

Over the last year, those same families have held back tears in our committee rooms as they begged Congress to end America's gun violence epidemic.

We know how to stop school shootings. We know that assault weapons bans, universal background checks, and a higher age for gun purchases will save American lives.

The teachers and children who died cannot change the law, but we can honor their memories by having the courage to act.

### FAILED TAX AND SPENDING POLICIES

(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, failed tax and spending policies by Biden and liberal Democrats hurt families.

Since Biden took office, the 10-year spending levels have increased by \$10 trillion. Sadly, this includes the \$2 trillion American Rescue Plan, which ignited the highest inflation in 40 years, destroying jobs.

I was grateful to join House Republicans in passing the Limit, Save, Grow Act, which will limit government spending, reduce Federal regulations, and promote pro-growth energy policies.

House Republicans are the only ones who have passed legislation that responsibly addresses the debt ceiling by limiting irresponsible spending, saving taxpayer dollars, and creating jobs.

Democrats own this debt crisis, and they own default if they do not come to the table with a serious proposal.

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

South Carolina appreciates Senator TIM SCOTT and Ambassador Nikki Haley.

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### EDUCATION IS NOT ABOUT CENSORSHIP

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

Ms. LEGER FERNANDEZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to express my deep concern and outrage that extreme Republicans are moving to cut education through McCARTHY's default on America act at the same time that extreme Republicans are banning books in our libraries and classrooms across our country.

Sadly, last semester alone, there were 1,477 instances of book banning. Sadly, these efforts chill speech. They are part of a national education scare, a campaign to foment anxiety and anger with the goal of suppressing free expression in public education.

America is not Communist China or authoritarian Russia that ban books or Nazi Germany that burns books. Indeed, Anne Frank's "The Diary of a Young Girl" is now a banned book.

Over 70 percent of Americans oppose book bans. Americans know education is about learning. It is not about censorship.

A country that does not know its history is bound to repeat it.

### DEMOCRATS RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBT CEILING CRISIS

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

Mrs. BICE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to stress the importance of passing pragmatic legislation to address the debt ceiling.

During this 1-minute speech, the national debt will increase by \$1.5 million or roughly \$25,000 per second. Over the last 12 years, the U.S. Government has more than doubled our national debt, reaching \$31 trillion.

It is clear to everyone that Washington has a spending problem, not a revenue problem.

This is why we passed the Limit, Save, Grow Act. The legislation is a responsible approach which would raise the debt ceiling while saving taxpayers \$4.8 trillion over 10 years.

I am astounded that President Biden and the Senate Democrats are willing to hold our economy hostage. The facts don't lie. House Republicans have done our job, and Speaker McCARTHY has negotiated in good faith. Meanwhile, for over 100 days, this administration and Senate Democrats have done nothing.

Let me be clear, if we default, it is because of their inaction. It is past time for President Biden and Senator SCHUMER to do their jobs.

### CONGRATULATING IAM TONGI ON WINNING "AMERICAN IDOL"

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

Ms. TOKUDA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Iam Tongi, a proud son of Kahuku, on winning season 21 of "American Idol." A fellow child of the Windward side, a "keiki," "child" of Ko'olauloa, Iam is the first Hawaii-born and Pacific Islander contestant to ever win "American Idol."

Throughout his "American Idol" journey, Iam captured the hearts of viewers across the country with his incredible voice and soulful tributes to his late father, Rodney.

While on the show, Iam not only showcased Hawaii's local music and