

Children are our future, and we owe it to every American to protect all kids' safety and well-being.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF RANDY CAMMACK

Ms. PORTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to celebrate labor champion and proud Californian, Randy Cammack. This month, Randy will retire from his post as president of Teamsters Joint Council 42, where he fought alongside some 200,000 working members and retirees for 14 years.

Randy's time in organized labor began in 1967, when he started as a delivery driver in Los Angeles, California. From there, he went on to spend 42 years as a business agent, becoming a member of the Governor's freight advisory committee and serving as a vice president of the State labor federation.

Randy is also a proud U.S. Air Force veteran, and I join millions in thanking him for his service to our country.

I am honored to celebrate Randy on the House floor today and extend my deepest gratitude to him for his many years advocating for California's workers.

INNOVATION IN ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Ms. PORTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commend the innovation happening in Orange County and across California.

Last year, I was proud to celebrate NASA's successful Artemis I mission. Nearly a dozen businesses in my district played a direct role in supplying the necessary components to make Artemis I possible. With dozens of contributing businesses across Orange County, and over 500 companies employing 16,000 people statewide, California had more people working on Artemis than any other State.

Orange County has a storied history in the aerospace industry. It has been home to several of NASA's most critical partners for over 60 years, dating back to the Apollo missions.

I am proud that Orange County and California continue to advance science, strengthen our economy, and push the limits of what is possible.

OFFICE OF IMMIGRANT AND REFUGEE AFFAIRS

Ms. PORTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend Orange County leaders for their recent decision to establish an Office of Immigrant and Refugee Affairs. At our Board of Supervisors' April 25 meeting, they unanimously approved the establishment of this new office, which will provide resettlement resources in the form of housing assistance, language programs, legal support, and other vital services.

As Orange County welcomes immigrants and refugee families, we need to empower these new members of our community with what they need to thrive. The Office of Immigrant and Refugee Affairs will fulfill this mission by strengthening outreach and building on successful partnerships with community organizations.

Honoring our diversity is a California value and an Orange County value. I look forward to the development of the

Office of Immigrant and Refugee Affairs and to new families calling our community home.

CARIBBEAN AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from California (Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE) for 5 minutes.

Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to highlight June as Caribbean American Heritage Month. This month allows us to celebrate the diversity and influence of the Caribbean diaspora.

As a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee and Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, we must ensure the prosperity of the Caribbean.

Just recently, I co-led a bipartisan resolution with Representatives LAWLER, CHERFILUS-McCORMICK, and SALAZAR to redouble our diplomatic efforts with Haiti. This resolution also expresses support in achieving Haitian-centered solutions that restore the island's political infrastructure and address the basic needs of its people. We cannot ignore the plight of our neighbors who are just mere miles from our shore.

Caribbean Americans have helped define the American story. Many of them serve here with me in Congress, and many more have had important roles throughout our country's history.

As a Representative of Los Angeles, I am fortunate to live in a culturally vibrant city where Caribbean Angelinos influence the food, music, and art of the city.

This month is about celebration of culture and community and reminds us to look beyond the European patriarchal lens that dominates our society. The U.S. is a country of immigrants, something the Governor of Florida could stand to remember.

GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION MONTH

Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE. Mr. Speaker, June is Gun Violence Prevention Month. June is Gun Violence Prevention Month. June is Gun Violence Prevention Month. So why, in this full body, are we not talking about the gun violence epidemic that has taken hold of this country?

Why is the Republican Party punting on this issue and continuing to blame gun violence solely on mental health and ignorantly say that the answer to gun violence is more guns?

The parents of the children killed by mass shootings, the survivors of these mass shootings don't want or deserve to continue to hear that. They deserve acknowledgment, honesty and, most of all, they deserve action.

They deserve a Republican Party that cares as much about this issue as they do stove tops which, when you think about it, is incredibly painful and disrespectful.

Republicans seem to want to talk about everything except gun violence, everything except gun violence, every-

thing except gun violence, and that silence, that silence on this issue is tantamount to blaming the victims. That failure to act is equivalent to disregarding these victims' lives and dismissing their deaths.

Mr. Speaker, June is Gun Violence Prevention Month. June is Gun Violence Prevention Month, so let's act like it.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until noon today.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 58 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker at noon.

PRAYER

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

Eternal God, when the Earth was without form and void, You spoke. Speak now into our world, a world bereft of peace and security in almost every corner of the globe. Speak now into the senseless conflict in Ukraine. Speak now into the meaningless disputes within communities here at home. Speak now into the confusion of tempers and tensions that transpire even among colleagues.

Darkness has invaded the homes of the destitute who take cover in war-torn cities, enduring days without electricity. Ukrainians and all those who live in the deep of war's night long for Your words: "Let there be light." Innocents who hide in the shadows of homelessness or abuse yearn to hear You to command the light to be separated from the darkness.

Water's unleashed violence threatens whole regions of Ukraine after the destruction of dams and critical infrastructure. The shortage of water jeopardizes American homesteads and harvests. Send Your divine spirit to move over the face of these hostile and deficient waters and bring order into the chaos.

In the newness of this day, God speak Your word into the void. Send Your spirit over the turmoil. Let there be light. Lord, in Your mercy, let it be so.

In Your merciful name we pray.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House the approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1 of rule I, the Journal stands approved.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania 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.

## ENACTING A RADICAL AGENDA THROUGH RULEMAKING

(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. Mr. Speaker, when President Obama said that he would govern with a telephone and a pen, he was setting an example for his then-Vice President. Now, the Biden administration has attempted to enact a radical agenda through agency rulemaking.

During his first year in office, President Biden finalized regulations that cost taxpayers more than \$200 billion. This wasteful spending cannot be allowed to continue unchecked.

It is essential that we pass the REINS Act and ensure that President Biden is forced to account for every wasteful dollar. This legislation would, once again, assert that Congress and not the far-left Biden administration has the power to create law.

It is time to put a stop to the runaway spending. It is time to end the backroom rulemaking that has been a trademark of the Biden administration.

## HONORING RUDY LOZANO

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

Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a great organizer and community activist, a leader who fought the Chicago machine and built multiracial and intergenerational coalitions, my friend, political mentor, and compadre, Rudy Lozano.

Tomorrow, June 8, marks 40 years since Rudy's life was cut short. A labor organizer, he fought for workers' rights. As a community activist, he fought for justice for immigrant families.

Rudy brought together diverse communities to elect Harold Washington as Chicago's first Black mayor in 1983. Rudy knew political empowerment was vital to improving community conditions.

My presence in Congress and the growing number of progressive Black,

Latino, and Asian-American elected officials in Chicagoland represent the enduring impact of his legacy.

Let's continue his legacy by working in coalition to ensure a more inclusive politics for all.

Que viva Rudy Lozano.

## CONGRATULATING THE CITIZENS OF BULGARIA

(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. Mr. Speaker, congratulations to the citizens of Bulgaria for formally approving their new government yesterday.

After negotiations following five elections in 2 years, the National Assembly agreed to form a government where the Prime Minister will change hands halfway through.

Lawmakers elected Nikolay Denkov, a chemistry professor and former Education Minister, as Prime Minister. In separate votes, legislators agreed that Mariya Gabriel, a former European Commissioner, will serve as deputy head of government and Foreign Minister. After 9 months, Denkov and Gabriel will switch positions for the rest of the term.

Bulgaria is a valued American ally and is appreciated for, 80 years ago, saving the Jewish population from Nazi extermination.

Yesterday, Ambassador Georgi Panayotov was the special guest of the Bulgarian Caucus.

The new coalition government has pledged to keep Bulgaria, an important NATO and EU member, on a firm pro-Western track and supports Ukraine against the Putin war crimes.

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

## TIANANMEN SQUARE MEMORIAL BOULEVARD RENAMING

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

Mr. OGLES. Last week marked 34 years since the Tiananmen Square massacre. Up to 10,000 people were killed by their own government. They were run over by tanks and shot in the streets—all for demanding freedom.

The grotesque actions of the Chinese military have been remembered throughout history. Today, China continues to target, abuse, detain, and remove opposition.

It is important for the United States to make a statement condemning the evil regime, the CCP. That is why I am introducing legislation that would rename the road outside the Chinese Embassy to the Tiananmen Square memorial boulevard.

America needs to take a strong stand against the human rights violations of the Chinese Communist Party.

Let us not forget the Americans who have died because of the CCP virus, the Americans and children who have died because of fentanyl flooding our streets because of the CCP, the incursion of the balloon in our airspace, and the recent advances toward a naval destroyer and our military.

Mr. Speaker, it is time we stand and say no to the CCP.

## RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF REVEREND WILLARD D. SMITH

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

Mr. GOOD of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the service of 99-year-old Reverend Willard Smith of Pittsylvania County, Virginia.

My office came to know Reverend Smith when he and his wife requested assistance with a Federal agency. We were more than happy to successfully resolve his case.

Mr. Smith was drafted into the U.S. Army at age 18 during World War II, where, as a member of the 553rd Quartermaster Service Battalion, he brought supplies to the front lines and prisoners back to camp.

During the war, Reverend Smith came to know the Lord and relied on his Christian faith and the truth of the Bible for his strength to persevere through such challenging times.

Upon returning home to Virginia after the war, Reverend Smith began serving the North New Hope Baptist Church congregation in Danville, Virginia, where he has faithfully pastored for over 60 years. Now that he is 99, Reverend Smith continues to serve his congregation and give back to the Danville and Southside communities.

I am honored to represent wonderful constituents of Virginia's Fifth District such as Reverend Smith, who is an example for all Americans to follow.

## HONORING THE LIFE OF DWIGHT KESSEL

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

Mr. BURCHETT. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life of former Knox County Executive Dwight Kessel, who passed away on June 3 at the age of 96.

Dwight was born to Wayne and Edith Kessel and grew up in Beckley, West Virginia. After serving in the United States Navy during World War II, he came back to Knoxville and graduated from the University of Tennessee with a degree in industrial engineering.

Dwight started his political career in 1963 by serving on the Knoxville City Council, then as Knox County clerk, and eventually became the Knox County executive in 1980, which is the position we now call the Knox County mayor.