

year to commemorate Everett's beautiful life.

I am here today because, like so many others, Everett impacted my life and the lives of my staff for the better.

In 2018, Everett worked for me, helping my team in enthusiastically engaging with Philadelphia residents about the issues that were most important to them.

His commitment to serving the public was evident from the outset. It was and is something for which I will always be grateful.

As we mark this tragic anniversary, I reiterate the Beauregard family's ask that anyone with information regarding this senseless act of violence please come forward.

Your help can bring the person responsible for this heinous act to justice. Every piece of information, no matter how small, can help bring a sense of closure to Everett's family and many friends. You have the power to come forward and help. I implore you to do so.

Thank you, God, for this wonderful human being you gave us.

#### SHEDDING LIGHT ON SUICIDE PREVENTION

(Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS. Madam Speaker, today, I rise to shed light on a critical issue that affects countless lives: suicide.

National Suicide Prevention Month is not just a time of remembrance. It is a call to action. Mental health struggles are not a sign of weakness and seeking help should not be stigmatized.

We must come together to support individuals in crisis, especially our servicemembers, who have sacrificed so much for our Nation.

Let us remember that each life is precious and that there is always hope, even in the darkest of times.

Reach out to your loved ones, check on your friends, and be the beacon of support that someone might desperately need. Together, we can speak out about mental health and degrade the barriers to treatment.

This National Suicide Prevention Month, let us work hand in hand to ensure that everyone knows they are not alone and that help is always within reach. Together, we can make a difference and save lives.

#### CELEBRATING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

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

Ms. GARCIA of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month. Hispanic Heritage Month is about recognizing the countless contributions of Latinos across the Nation.

We celebrate the Latino entrepreneurs who have built thriving businesses, the doctors and nurses who provide essential healthcare, the teachers who inspire future generations, and the activists who tirelessly advocate for justice and equality.

As we honor Hispanic Heritage Month, let us all commit to fostering an inclusive society where everyone, regardless of their background, can thrive and contribute to the American Dream.

Let's embrace the diversity that makes our Nation stronger and more vibrant and continue celebrating our heritage that enriches us all. Let's put diversity over hate, people over politics.

"Yes, we can. Long live the people"; "Si se puede y que viva la gente."

#### CELEBRATING 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF POLLACK INVESTMENTS

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

Mr. BIGGS. Madam Speaker, today, I recognize the legacy of service and leadership of Michael Pollack, a resident of Arizona's Fifth Congressional District. I join him in celebrating his 50th year as president and founder of Pollack Investments, which specializes in commercial restoration and renovation projects, specifically long-term investments in shopping centers and other multi-tenant locations.

In his industry, many developers will look at a property that has fallen into disrepair and see only a building ripe for destruction. In his own words, Michael sees "each real estate project as an opportunity to enhance the fabric of Arizona's cities one development at a time."

Whether refusing to take advantage of those affected by the housing crash or working with tenants to make it through the COVID era without closing their doors, Michael has always remained focused on protecting the overall economic and social health of our cities and their residents.

Michael's enduring legacy is one of inspiration, renewal, and compassion. He set new standards in his industry and community. He has made an immeasurable impact on the lives of countless Arizonans.

On behalf of Arizona's Fifth Congressional District, I thank Michael for inspiring others with his unwavering commitment to making our communities better than he found them, one development at a time. I pay homage to Michael Pollack and congratulate him.

#### EXPANDING MEDICAID IN NORTH CAROLINA

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

Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, today, my former colleagues in the North Carolina General Assembly reached an agreement to pass a new State budget with the expansion of Medicaid.

More than a decade after the Affordable Care Act became law, 95,000 eastern North Carolinians trapped in the Medicaid coverage gap have been waiting or, in some cases, dying without access to lifesaving healthcare.

Since entering Congress, healthcare has been my top legislative priority, having led, co-led, or cosponsored more than 50 bipartisan pieces of legislation. My very first acts in Congress included introducing a resolution to affirm support for Medicaid expansion and restarting the State Medicaid Expansion Caucus.

To the people of eastern North Carolina, know that I stand ready to fulfill my commitment to Medicaid expansion by working closely with officials to see this through and tackle the unacceptable healthcare disparities in our community.

#### STANDING IN SOLIDARITY WITH UAW

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

Mr. JACKSON of Illinois. Madam Speaker, I rise today to stand in solidarity with our United Auto Workers brothers and sisters.

Only 2 weeks before his assassination, Reverend Martin Luther King was in Memphis and supported the city sanitation workers' strike. To the crowd, he proclaimed that "now is the time."

I echo Reverend Martin Luther King's words from the people's Chamber and say unto UAW auto workers: Now is the time.

Number one, now is the time for a cost-of-living adjustment. In real terms, worker wages are more than 10 percent less than they were in 2019, despite rising costs.

Now is the time for an end to tiered employment in the automotive industry. Workers are making different wages doing equal work. This is simply unacceptable. The only difference between them is which labor contract was in force on the day that they started.

Now is the time for job security. As we transition away from combustion engines, these jobs need to stay in America and remain good-paying union jobs.

Now is the time for a cost-of-living adjustment. Now is the time to end tiered employment pay. Now is the time for job security.

I stand in solidarity with the UAW.

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#### EXTRAORDINARY CONTRIBUTIONS OF CESAR MILLAN

(Mr. CÁRDENAS asked and was given permission to address the House

for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CÁRDENAS. Madam Speaker, as we celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, I wish to recognize the extraordinary contributions of Cesar Millan. Cesar has transformed the lives of countless people and dogs and has also touched the hearts of people all over the world.

From humble beginnings in Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico, working on his grandfather Teodoro Millan Angulo's farm, Cesar came to the United States undocumented and unable to speak English. He lives his dream right here in America doing the job that he has always wanted to do, to be the best dog and human trainer in the world.

Through his television series, "The Dog Whisperer with Cesar Millan," Cesar taught us how to understand our four-legged friends and to better understand ourselves. He launched the Cesar Millan Foundation, a nonprofit organization designed to support the rescue, rehabilitation, and placement of abused and abandoned animals.

Cesar Millan has inspired us to become more compassionate, more understanding, and more forgiving. As Cesar would say, better human, better dog, better together.

Cesar is both a proud immigrant and a proud United States citizen.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will remind all persons in the gallery that they are here as guests of the House and that any manifestation of approval or disapproval of proceedings or other audible conversation is a violation of the rules of the House.

#### PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 4365, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2024; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 1130, UNLOCKING OUR DOMESTIC LNG POTENTIAL ACT OF 2023; AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.RES. 684, CONDEMNING THE ACTIONS OF GOVERNOR OF NEW MEXICO, MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM, FOR SUBVERTING THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION AND DEPRIVING THE CITIZENS OF NEW MEXICO OF THEIR RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS

Mr. COLE. Madam Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 712 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 712

*Resolved*, That at any time after adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4365) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30,

2024, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their respective designees. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. The bill shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill are waived.

SEC. 2. (a) No amendment to the bill shall be in order except those printed in part A of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution, amendments en bloc described in section 3 of this resolution, and pro forma amendments described in section 4 of this resolution.

(b) Each amendment printed in part A of the report of the Committee on Rules shall be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment except as provided by section 4 of this resolution, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole.

(c) All points of order against amendments printed in part A of the report of the Committee on Rules or against amendments en bloc described in section 3 of this resolution are waived.

SEC. 3. It shall be in order at any time for the chair of the Committee on Appropriations or her designee to offer amendments en bloc consisting of amendments printed in part A of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution not earlier disposed of. Amendments en bloc offered pursuant to this section shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their respective designees, shall not be subject to amendment except as provided by section 4 of this resolution, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole.

SEC. 4. During consideration of the bill for amendment, the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their respective designees may offer up to 10 pro forma amendments each at any point for the purpose of debate.

SEC. 5. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit.

SEC. 6. At any time after adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1130) to repeal restrictions on the export and import of natural gas. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce or their respective designees. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. The amendment in the nature of a sub-

stitute recommended by the Committee on Energy and Commerce now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as the original bill for the purpose of further amendment under the five-minute rule and shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, are waived. No further amendment to the bill, as amended, shall be in order except those printed in part B of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution. Each such further amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against such further amendments are waived. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill, as amended, to the House with such further amendments as may have been adopted. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill, as amended, and on any further amendment thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit.

SEC. 7. Upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order without intervention of any point of order to consider in the House the resolution (H. Res. 684) condemning the actions of Governor of New Mexico, Michelle Lujan Grisham, for subverting the Second Amendment to the Constitution and depriving the citizens of New Mexico of their right to bear arms. The resolution shall be considered as read. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the resolution and preamble to adoption without intervening motion or demand for division of the question except one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary or their respective designees.

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

Mr. COLE. Madam Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MCGOVERN), the ranking member of the Rules Committee, 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. COLE. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks on House Resolution 712.

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

There was no objection.

Mr. COLE. Madam Speaker, last night the Rules Committee met and reported out a rule, House Resolution 712, providing for consideration of H.R. 4365, the Department of Defense Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2024, under a structured rule.

It provides 1 hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the