

Harbor Freight Tools for Schools Prize For Teaching Excellence.

Mr. Crate is one of 25 public high school skilled trade teachers across the country to receive this award. He has been a welding instructor at Venango Technology Center for more than 25 years.

This prize was created to recognize high school skilled trade teachers for their work to inspire the next generation.

Mr. Crate's welding program is dynamic and collaborative, incorporating industry-based skills to prepare students for life beyond high school. As students progress through Crate's program, they have the opportunity to mentor first-year students, providing one-on-one instruction that reinforces their learning and helps beginner students grasp welding more easily.

Mr. Speaker, as co-chair of the bipartisan Career and Technical Education Caucus, I applaud the work of Mr. Crate and other CTE teachers who continue to help students find their passions.

Congratulations, Mr. Crate, on this remarkable recognition.

#### CELEBRATING GRAND OPENING OF COVENANT COMMUNITY CARE

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

Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, the 12th Congressional District is celebrating. We are celebrating the grand opening of Covenant Community Care, an essential health clinic on Joy Road in Detroit.

For 8 years, Covenant Community Care operated a small healthcare clinic, limiting very much their ability to provide and serve the most vulnerable. However, my team and I worked incredibly hard and successfully obtained community project funding of \$500,000 to expand to a 10,000 square foot health center, tripling healthcare services for our community.

The facility will serve 10,000 patients and offer primary care like medical, dental, and behavioral health services. I saw it myself. It is incredible. This increases healthcare access to people living in that part of Detroit that is right now designated by the Health Resources and Services Administration as a "health professional shortage area" and a medically underserved area.

Again, I am incredibly proud and congratulate the CEO there, Joslyn Pettway, and the Covenant Community Care staff for their ongoing partnership to serve and care for our communities and residents.

#### COMMENDING VIRGINIA BEACH LIFEGUARDS

(Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. KIGGANS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend the

Virginia Beach lifeguards on a successful summer season and to thank them for keeping our beaches in Hampton Roads safe.

Lifeguards are an essential part of any community, but back home in Virginia's Second District, the Virginia Beach Lifesaving Service has protected our oceanfront since 1930. Their mission of promoting beach safety protects not only the citizens of Virginia Beach but the millions of visitors we have each year.

Lifeguarding is one of the top choices for people searching for summer jobs, including my two sons. While it is a rewarding job, it is also a challenging one that demands personal responsibility.

Beaches and oceans are dynamic natural environments. Crowd conditions, currents, waves, sharks, and other weather conditions can rapidly change, putting swimmers in grave danger.

The average number of people saved each summer is between 400 to 600, but during this year's summer season, which extended from May 13 to September 17, the Virginia Beach Lifesaving Service performed more than 800 rescues on the beaches they patrol.

On behalf of a grateful community, I thank our lifeguards for the level of skill they bring to this job and what they do for Virginia Beach and Hampton Roads. Congratulations to the Virginia Beach Lifesaving Service on a successful summer season.

#### CONGRATULATING THE WORLD SERIES CHAMPION TEXAS RANGERS

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

Ms. CROCKETT. Mr. Speaker, they say that everything is bigger in Texas, and that includes our pride for our very first World Series win. Yes, I also rise to celebrate the World Series champions, the Texas Rangers.

On Wednesday, the Rangers clinched their first World Series win against the Arizona Diamondbacks. I don't mean to rub it in the face of my colleagues from the Grand Canyon State, but we warned you we could—and we would—come and take it.

This week our Rangers went and took it.

I was lucky enough to represent north Texas as the first Black Democratic woman to play in the Congressional Baseball Game this year. While I may not have the arm of Josh Sborz or the speed of two-time MVP Corey Seager, you best believe our Rangers have inspired me to score some runs next year.

While this may be our first World Series win, mark my words, it will not be our last.

#### SOUTHERN BORDER GOT-AWAYS

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

Mr. GROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, we have had an active 2 weeks in which we have been passing appropriations bills, and the Speaker should be commended on that. Unfortunately, all the activity with regard to the new Speaker and appropriations bills has caused the press to have an excuse not to pay attention to what is going on at the border.

In recently released figures with regard to September, one more time we see record numbers of people coming across our southern border. Compared to a year ago, the number of what we call got-aways, which I think is the most dangerous of the immigrant groups, has shot up from 58 percent to 69 percent, almost a 20 percent increase over last year's already high figure. Last year they shot up to 49 percent.

I think, as well, not only do we have a huge problem with people coming across the border that shouldn't be coming across, but we should also be paying attention to the viewpoint of the people coming across.

John Adams warned that our Constitution was fit for a moral, religious people and totally unfit for any other kind. As the United States has to take sides around the world in conflicts, we should be paying particular attention to how our new wave of immigrants think.

#### HONORING THE SERVICE OF EARL BLUMENAUER

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

Ms. SALINAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize my friend, colleague, and fellow Oregonian, Congressman EARL BLUMENAUER. Throughout his 50 years of public service, EARL has always been a consistent and vocal advocate for Oregon values.

He helped pioneer the fight against climate change long before others were doing the same, and his commitment to building healthy communities and a healthy planet through public transit and cycling was unmatched. In fact, he wore it proudly every day in the form of that iconic bicycle pin on his lapel.

I know I speak for the entire Oregon delegation when we say that EARL will be sorely missed in Congress. He leaves behind a legacy of service and dedication to making life better for working families not only in our State but across our great country.

I wish him and his family all the best in his new chapter.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Ms. SALINAS. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 37 minutes a.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday next, November 6, 2023, at noon for morning-hour debate.

## EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized for Official Foreign Travel during the third quarter of 2023, pursuant to Public Law 95–384, are as follows:

## REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JULY 1 AND SEPT. 30, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Kat Cammack .....	8/24	8/27	Ireland .....		3,217.05		1,655.20		190.00		5,062.25
Hon. Shontel Brown .....	8/24	8/30	Tanzania .....		2,250.99		6,235.29		1,922.35		10,408.63
Committee total .....					5,468.04		7,890.49		2,112.35		15,470.88

<sup>1</sup> Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.

<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

HON. GLENN THOMPSON, Oct. 27, 2023.

## REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JULY 1 AND SEPT. 30, 2023

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
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Hon. David Joyce .....	6/26	6/27	Netherlands .....		725.08		6,241.65		849.15		7,815.88
	6/27	6/29	Estonia .....		292.34				813.10		1,105.44
Hon. Robert Aderholt .....	6/26	6/27	Greenland .....		276.00				1,091.98		1,367.98
	6/29	6/30	Canada .....		788.18				1,091.98		3,202.47
Hon. Andy Harris .....	6/26	6/27	Greenland .....		276.00		1,322.31		1,091.98		1,367.98
	6/29	7/4	Canada .....		3,784.90				1,091.98		4,876.88
Hon. John Carter .....	6/26	6/28	Belgium .....		931.72		6,842.35		1,034.67		8,808.74
	6/28	7/1	Netherlands .....		1,105.05				1,464.87		2,569.92
Hon. Debbie Wasserman Schultz .....	6/26	6/29	Belgium .....		402.00		11,514.45		1,034.67		12,951.12
	6/29	7/1	Netherlands .....		813.37				1,464.87		2,278.24
Hon. Henry Cuellar .....	6/26	6/28	Belgium .....		931.72		13,241.55		1,034.67		15,207.94
	6/28	7/1	Netherlands .....		1,105.05				1,464.87		2,569.92
Betsy Bina .....	6/26	6/28	Belgium .....		931.72		4,439.35		1,034.67		6,405.74
	6/28	7/1	Netherlands .....		1,105.05				1,464.87		2,569.92
Jennifer Neuscheler .....	6/26	6/28	Belgium .....		931.72		1,996.95		1,034.67		3,963.34
	6/28	7/1	Netherlands .....		1,105.05				1,464.87		2,569.92
Tyler Coe .....	6/26	6/28	Belgium .....		931.72		1,987.12		1,034.67		3,953.51
	6/28	7/1	Netherlands .....		1,105.05				1,464.87		2,569.92
Hon. Robert Aderholt .....	7/2	7/4	Portugal .....		2,736.00				971.77		3,707.77
	7/4	7/4	Tunisia .....								
	7/4	7/6	Greece .....		557.00				2,100.77		2,657.77
	7/6	7/6	Romania .....						36.32		36.32
	7/6	7/8	Italy .....		1,783.74				2,557.13		4,340.87
	7/8	7/9	Germany .....		322.00				1,596.25		1,918.25
Hon. Ken Calvert .....	7/29	7/30	Gibraltar (UK) .....		600.42				222.42		822.84
	7/30	8/1	Germany .....		892.12		570.21		32.10		1,494.43
Hon. Tom Cole .....	7/29	7/30	Gibraltar (UK) .....		600.42				222.42		822.84
	7/30	8/1	Germany .....		892.12		570.21		32.10		1,494.43
Hon. Steve Womack .....	7/29	7/30	Gibraltar (UK) .....		600.42				222.42		822.84
	7/30	8/1	Germany .....		892.12		570.21		32.10		1,494.43
Hon. David Joyce .....	7/29	7/30	Gibraltar (UK) .....		600.42				222.42		822.84
	7/30	8/1	Germany .....		892.12		570.21		32.10		1,494.43
Hon. Chris Stewart .....	7/29	7/30	Gibraltar (UK) .....		477.42						477.42
Hon. Betty McCollum .....	7/29	7/30	Gibraltar (UK) .....		477.42						477.42
Hon. Henry Cuellar .....	7/29	7/30	Gibraltar (UK) .....		600.42				222.42		822.84
	7/30	8/1	Germany .....		892.12		570.21		32.10		1,494.43
Hon. Mike Quigley .....	7/29	7/30	Gibraltar (UK) .....		600.42				222.42		822.84
	7/30	8/1	Germany .....		892.12		570.21		32.10		1,494.43
Nicholas Vance .....	7/29	7/30	Gibraltar (UK) .....		600.42				222.42		822.84
	7/30	8/1	Germany .....		892.12		570.21		32.10		1,494.43
Nathan Diller .....	7/29	7/30	Gibraltar (UK) .....		600.42				222.42		822.84
	7/30	8/1	Germany .....		892.12		570.21		32.10		1,494.43
Kyle McFarland .....	7/29	7/30	Gibraltar (UK) .....		600.42				222.42		822.84
	7/30	8/1	Germany .....		892.12		570.21		32.10		1,494.43
Max Morgan .....	7/29	7/30	Gibraltar (UK) .....		600.42				222.42		822.84
	7/30	8/1	Germany .....		892.12		570.21		32.10		1,494.43
Jennifer Chartrand .....	7/29	7/30	Gibraltar (UK) .....		600.42				222.42		822.84
	7/30	8/1	Germany .....		892.12		570.21		32.10		1,494.43
Hon. David Joyce .....	8/23	8/24	England .....		493.60				282.60		776.20
	8/24	8/27	Ireland .....		1,592.11				2,196.60		3,788.71
Hon. Harold Rogers .....	8/20	8/23	France .....		1,391.00				2,717.36		4,108.36
	8/23	8/29	Italy .....		4,086.39				3,382.79		7,469.18
Hon. Tom Cole .....	8/20	8/23	France .....		1,391.00				2,717.36		4,108.36
	8/23	8/29	Italy .....		4,086.39				3,382.79		7,469.18
Hon. Chuck Fleischmann .....	8/20	8/23	France .....		1,391.00				2,717.36		4,108.36
	8/23	8/29	Italy .....		4,086.39				3,382.79		7,469.18
Hon. Tony Gonzales .....	8/20	8/23	France .....		1,391.00				2,717.36		4,108.36
	8/23	8/29	Italy .....		4,086.39				3,382.79		7,469.18
Hon. Henry Cuellar .....	8/20	8/23	France .....		1,391.00				2,717.36		4,108.36
	8/23	8/29	Italy .....		4,086.39				3,382.79		7,469.18
Hon. Ed Case .....	8/20	8/23	France .....		965.00						965.00
Christopher Esparza .....	8/20	8/23	France .....		1,391.00				2,717.36		4,108.36
	8/23	8/29	Italy .....		4,086.39				3,382.79		7,469.18
Alley Adcock .....	8/20	8/23	France .....		1,391.00				2,717.36		4,108.36
	8/23	8/29	Italy .....		4,086.39				3,382.79		7,469.18
Stephanie Gadbois .....	8/20	8/23	France .....		1,391.00				2,717.36		4,108.36
	8/23	8/29	Italy .....		4,086.39				3,382.79		7,469.18
Faye Cobb .....	8/20	8/23	France .....		1,391.00				2,717.36		4,108.36
	8/23	8/27	Italy .....		2,460.09				3,382.79		5,842.88
Christopher Esparza .....	7/29	8/2	England .....		1,865.03		2,238.75				4,103.78
	8/2	8/5	France .....		1,102.00						1,102.00
	8/5	8/9	The Netherlands .....		1,297.94						1,297.94
Robert Bonner .....	7/29	8/2	England .....		1,865.03		2,478.40				4,343.43
	8/2	8/5	France .....		1,102.00						1,102.00
	8/5	8/9	The Netherlands .....		1,297.94						1,297.94
Hon. Robert Aderholt .....	8/5	8/6	Japan .....		296.00				85.88		381.88
	8/6	8/7	Vietnam .....		354.00				337.00		691.00
	8/7	8/8	Singapore .....		616.00				254.11		870.11
	8/8	8/12	Australia .....		1,259.00				1,125.38		2,384.38
David Bortnick .....	8/9	8/11	Tajikistan .....		482.54		10,365.29		501.04		11,348.87