

A highly skilled workforce is a business' number one asset and provides a competitive edge. This month, I encourage individuals of all ages to take advantage of career development and put themselves in the driver's seat of their futures.

Career practitioners and educators are a vital resource for the livelihood of our Nation's workforce and economic health and well-being of U.S. workers. We look forward to advancing career development for all Americans.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in support of this resolution.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF DARLENE KEHAULANI BUTTS

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

Ms. TOKUDA. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to honor the life and legacy of Darlene Kehaulani Butts, known by many as Auntie Kehau.

Born and raised in Wahiawa, Oahu, and a proud graduate of Leilehua High School, Auntie Kehau dedicated her life to serving her community, advocating for Native Hawaiians, and perpetuating the traditions and values of Hawaii in the D.C.-Maryland-Virginia area.

In 1998, Auntie Kehau started a catering company in Stafford, Virginia, to share iconic Hawaiian foods with local residents and Hawaii expats, myself included. In 2004, she helped found and became the inaugural president of Ke Alii Makaainana Hawaiian Civic Club.

For decades, she also served as chair of the annual King Kamehameha Day Lei Draping Ceremony, working closely with the Hawaiian congressional delegation, local leaders, Native Hawaiian organizations, and other stakeholders to honor Hawaii's greatest king and Saint Damien with lei, Hawaiian music, and hula here in the United States Capitol.

In all that she did, Auntie Kehau was never short of aloha. She helped former Hawaiian residents find homes in the DMV area and welcomed so many others to take part in preserving Hawaiian culture.

Auntie Kehau's tireless efforts will be remembered and celebrated for generations to come.

Mahalo.

REMEMBERING U.S. ARMY SERGEANT CADE WOLFE

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

Mr. FINSTAD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remember U.S. Army Sergeant Cade Wolfe of Mankato, Minnesota, who was tragically lost in a helicopter crash in the eastern Mediterranean Sea during a routine air refueling mission last Friday.

Cade knew early on that he wanted to serve his country. He was raised in a

proud, patriotic family with a mom and dad who served in the Army and a brother who would also go on to serve. For Cade, serving in uniform wasn't just a calling. It was a family tradition.

After he graduated from Mankato East High School, Cade enlisted in the Army as a helicopter repairman before going on to serve in Army Special Operations Forces, providing helicopter support.

Cade died doing what he loved, serving the country that he loved with fellow soldiers that he loved. He was truly one of southern Minnesota's bravest heroes.

Last Friday's accident is a sobering reminder to all of us that our servicemen and -women put their lives on the line every day to keep us safe.

While Cade's remains have yet to be recovered, I am continuing to pray for his wife, Danielle, his parents, his brother, and all those across Minnesota's First District who knew and loved Sergeant Wolfe.

Mr. Speaker, his sacrifice will never be forgotten.

BIPARTISAN ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN THE HOUSE

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

Mr. JACKSON of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I have been a Member of Congress for about 11 months, and I want to give my constituents a quick update on some of the bipartisan work that we have done.

Our office has been able to bring about \$90 million back into the district. A big portion of that has gone to the Charlotte airport, which is one of the main economic drivers not just for the district but for the whole State.

A portion of that has gone to law enforcement to help them get more body cameras and also to help them process the backlog of rape test kits that we have in North Carolina. Another portion has gone to help fight the fentanyl epidemic, which is claiming lives every single day in our State.

I have also worked on legislation to close the weather radar gap that we have in Charlotte that has been a problem for several decades. We had an amendment pass last week about that.

We had another amendment pass today about quantum technology and the security concerns that that is going to pose for all of us.

I am also working on a bipartisan bill to cut down on the junk fees that attach to all the things that we buy as consumers.

Last week, I worked very hard to make sure we finally ban Members of Congress from trading stocks. It is wrong. It has been obvious for a long time that this should be against the law, and I am working on a bipartisan effort.

SECURE THE BORDER BEFORE IMMIGRATION REFORM

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

Mr. FULCHER. Mr. Speaker, under the leadership of President Biden, the world is in chaos.

Failures in Afghanistan, the escalation in Russia, embrace of Iran, and kowtowing to the Chinese are all examples of his foreign policy legacy on this world.

When President Biden's leadership leads to disaster, demands for U.S. aid and support dramatically increase.

I stand firm in support of Israel as they fight the onslaught of terrorism on their borders.

Speaking of borders, Mr. Speaker, why is it that we throw billions of dollars at other foreign borders when we won't protect our own? Last month, we broke the all-time record for illegal entries into our country, a record this administration should be ashamed of.

With domestic terror threats at an all-time high, we must reorient our focus to our southern border to stop potential terror attacks caused by bad policy.

We must secure the border first. Then, we can discuss immigration reform. We can't have reform without border security.

PROTECTING THE RIGHT TO ANONYMOUS SPEECH

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

Mr. GROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, in the last few days, a new threat to American freedom has arisen.

We all know today that most people, or many people, get out their views on social media. There are positives and negatives to that, but there is no question it is true.

Particularly with today's intolerance, in which people can be fired for their views, I think it is very important that people be able to voice their views anonymously.

Unfortunately, Mr. Speaker, it has become apparent that some people want to bar you from expressing your views anonymously, which I think in many jobs and many occupations today could mean you are going to get fired. There is no other way to express your views other than anonymously.

As I understand it, our forefathers sometimes had to put out their words or their ideas of a future government anonymously to escape detection from the British. Voicing things anonymously is a long-held American tradition.

Mr. Speaker, I hope the American people are aware that, like so many other of our liberties, it is an attack by some politicians who want to make sure that your employers and your college professors have the ability to

know the way you think so they can take revenge on you.

The American people must keep the right to post their views anonymously.

OUR REPUBLIC IS IN TROUBLE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 9, 2023, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. ROY) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the majority leader.

Mr. ROY. Mr. Speaker, I thank my friend from Wisconsin for making those really important points.

I think the commentary by one of the Republican candidates for President, the former Governor of South Carolina, was a mistake.

As another candidate, the Governor of Florida, pointed out, anonymous individuals were key to the founding of the United States. The authors of the Federalist Papers and many of our key founding members wrote anonymously to put out ideas into the public domain.

To have the government think that they should step in to censor free speech because they think it might be something that is expedient to achieve other aims, aims which I share, about trying to ensure that we don't have vitriol being shared in the domain in social media and making sure that we do not pollute the minds of our young, we can achieve focusing on protecting our young and protecting the world against the scourge of these electronic devices and social media without trampling the very free speech that helped found this country.

It is a mistake to do that. It is a mistake to empower governments over the mind of man, as Founder Thomas Jefferson pointed out in saying that he would swear eternal hostility against every form of tyranny over the mind of man.

The fact of the matter is the Republic is in trouble. This country is in trouble, and the time for excuses is over. No more excuses. No more excuses from my colleagues on the other side of the aisle, but, most importantly of all, no more excuses from my colleagues on this side of the aisle.

We have had a tumultuous year of sorts, but in the eyes of the American people who have been watching from afar, they have been wondering when this body, the people's House, will stand up in defense of the people who sent them here.

When are we going to do what we said we would do?

When are we going to stand athwart and stop the reckless spending that is bankrupting a country that can no longer issue debt without having Moody's downgrade our rating and without having a Treasury auction that is a borderline failure just last week because the people around the world no longer believe in American debt?

That is because we are now spending so much money and have so much debt.

We have more debt than we have ever had in the history of mankind. We have more debt than we had at the end of World War II after we exercised wars in two theaters to free this world of tyranny.

If we have to exercise our defense against foreign enemies today and ratchet up more spending to defend not just our country but to defend the very freedoms under which we operate, we don't have the resources to do it.

We don't have the supply chains to do it because we are sitting around here twiddling and talking about setting up offices of equity. That is what we are doing.

My colleagues on this side of the aisle utterly refuse to actually do what they say they are going to do. They are going to campaign against critical race theory and diversity, equity, and inclusion and campaign against Mayorkas and campaign against open borders.

What do they do? They come into this Chamber and vote down amendment after amendment to cut spending and stop funding the very bureaucrats who are undermining the freedom of this country.

We have an administration that is at war with the people of the United States, nothing less. The current administration is undermining the prosperity of the American people, and they are doing it on a daily basis.

The current administration, the Biden administration, is undermining our ability to defend ourselves under the Second Amendment. They are undermining our ability to carry out our free speech rights and First Amendment rights. They are undermining our ability to live free from crime and free from dangerous cartels and dangerous gangs flooding across the southern border of the United States.

Every single day, another Texan dies from fentanyl poisoning. Every single day, another Texan dies. Last week, two Hispanic Texans died tragically in a car accident when we had an illegal immigrant moving people across our border into Texas. We had somebody who was human smuggling and who was speeding kill these two American citizens.

When is this going to stop? When are my Republican colleagues going to put up or shut up?

We have bills impeaching Alejandro Mayorkas. They go down. We have bills trying to cut spending, and we have games being played by appropriators. Right here, sitting in the Rules Committee the night before last, I had appropriators looking at me and talking about the side deals that were cut to keep spending money to set up funds in slush funds. That is the way this town operates—slush funds, backroom deals, and continuing to spend money we don't have.

I am sick and tired of it. I didn't come here for second place. I didn't come here for more excuses. I didn't come here to have the Speaker of the House assume the position and, in 17

days, pass a continuing resolution off the floor of this House through suspension of the rules with \$400 billion, including an extension of the farm bill that doesn't do anything about the Chinese Communist Party's ownership of our lands. It doesn't do anything to protect small ag and protect small ranchers from Big Ag and all the big corporate ventures getting rich based on the policies from this body.

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When is it going to be enough?

Is \$34 trillion of debt not enough? Is \$2 trillion in deficits not enough?

When is another American dying from fentanyl or from cartels or terrorists coming across our southern border not enough?

Are babies being put in ovens in Israel not enough?

We had the Senate yesterday who chose expansion of the Internal Revenue Service over standing with Israel, and what are my Republican colleagues doing? They are all too happy to have this vote go down today and get on their airplanes and go home for turkey at Thanksgiving.

Why aren't we putting another bill on the floor of the House right now and sending it over to the Senate to shove it down their throats, and say we, as Republicans, stand for cutting spending; we, as Republicans, stand with Israel; we, as Republicans, stand for securing the border of the United States?

No. Let's just go back and raise some money. We can do more fundraisers, so we can then try to get elected so we can come back here and offer more excuses for why we don't get the job done.

Do you know what the excuse will be next year? Oh, we won the House and we won the Senate, if we can even do that, but we don't have 60 in the Senate ship. We can't do what we want to do because we don't have 60 votes in the Senate.

I have heard nothing but excuses for the 20 years that I have either been a staffer in this town, back in Texas watching it closely, or now back as a Member. I have heard nothing but excuses. I have heard nothing but empty promises.

The time for those excuses is over. Today, we took down a rule, yes, because it was a closed rule. We had a closed rule which means you can't amend it. The Rules Committee put forward a bill for Iran to go "freeze" the \$6 billion sitting in Qatar through a closed rule. We were not allowed to amend it. Such is the way things operate in the people's House if we don't police it every single day.

We changed things in January. We have been opening the place up, but that was a reversion right back to the mean. You can't amend it, little boy. You are just a backbencher.

You know what? Yes, we will. We will force amendments because we had a better approach than a simple freezing of the \$6 billion.