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So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. HARDER of California. Madam Speaker, I was unable to vote today. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall No. 79 and "yea" on rollcall No. 80.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. WEXTON. Madam Speaker, I regret that I was not able to be present to vote today. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall No. 79 and "yea" on rollcall No. 80.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. GALLAGHER. Madam Speaker, I had to remain home in Green Bay, Wisconsin to attend to a family matter and was unable to vote. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall No. 79 and "yea" on rollcall No. 80.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mrs. WAGNER. Madam Speaker, I regret that I was not present for rollcall votes today. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall No. 79 and "yea" on rollcall No. 80.

WASTED FEDERAL OFFICE SPACE

(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. Madam Speaker, as President Biden has allowed Federal workers to stay home, millions of tax dollars have been wasted on office space that is no longer in use.

While Pennsylvania families are struggling under the weight of inflation, President Biden is spending their hard-earned dollars on empty office space.

Included in one GAO report was an example of an agency using just 9 percent of their office space. This waste is unacceptable, and it is time for the American taxpayers to stop footing the bill for D.C. offices that aren't being used.

As our deficit continues to skyrocket past \$34.5 trillion, it is time to rein in runaway spending. It is time to pass the USE IT Act and help put a stop to President Biden's wasteful and reckless use of American taxpayer dollars.

HONORING PASTOR ALI

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

Mr. PAYNE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a man of faith from my district, Pastor Bryan Ali.

Pastor Ali has been my friend for more than 50 years. He was the "pastor in the hood," as we called him, at New Psalmist Worship Center in Newark, New Jersey. His story is one that should inspire us all.

Pastor Ali received his spiritual calling during a time when he fought homelessness and chemical addiction. He improved his life through the power of the Lord. His own personal reformation led to a doctoral degree in holistic theology. He served as president of the Baptist Ministers Conference of Newark and Vicinity.

In addition, he was the spiritual counselor for the Newark Anti-Violence Coalition and served on the board of the Newark Community Health Centers.

I was honored when he accepted the invitation to be the guest chaplain here in Congress.

Pastor Ali was an outstanding clergyman, an incredible leader, and an inspirational figure in our community. He will be missed.

CONGRATULATING STATE REPRESENTATIVE SAM MCKENZIE ON RECEIVING THE 2023 CRYSTAL GAVEL AWARD

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

Mr. BURCHETT. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor State Representative Sam McKenzie who represents House District 15 in Tennessee and Knoxville.

Representative McKenzie has been serving the people of east Tennessee for a long time. He was on the Knoxville Utility board of directors from 2003 to 2008, and he spent time working at Oak Ridge National Laboratory and sat on the Oak Ridge Federal Credit Union board of directors.

He then served on the Knox County Commission while I was the mayor of Knox County, so we worked side by side on a lot of important issues.

We met at FCA camp in high school. We played high school football for different schools. He played for Austin East, and I played for Bearden. We also share a love for the Pizza Palace on Magnolia Avenue.

I know from time to time working alongside him that he is a straight shooter who asks solid, direct questions about what is happening in our government. It is clear he cares about our community and the work he is doing for east Tennessee.

Representative McKenzie was recently awarded the 2023 Crystal Gavel Award of the National Black Caucus of State Legislators at its 47th convention in Nashville. He was given this award because of his leadership of the Tennessee Black Caucus, which has over 700 members.

Sam and I are on opposite sides of the political aisle, and we might have different visions of how things should get done, but we both want what is best for our constituents and the areas we represent.

Congratulations to Representative McKenzie on receiving the 2023 Crystal Gavel Award.

CELEBRATING THE SPRINGBORO PANTHERS WOMEN'S BASKET-BALL TEAM

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

Mr. LANDSMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the Springboro Panthers women's basketball team on making it to the Ohio High School Athletic Association State Tournament.

I congratulate the girls and Coach Mike, who is in his first season with the Panthers. Coach Mike celebrated their grit and effort after the girls clenched the win in the second overtime after overcoming a 35–30 deficit in the fourth quarter.

This season, the Panthers went 23-5. This impressive record is taking them to the University of Dayton for the first State tournament match-up on Friday.

This is the second time in school history that the girl's team has made it to the State tournament, the last time being 1978.

We are wishing them luck on their journey in the State tournament, and hope that their hard work continues to pay off.

POSSIBLE LINK OF MYOCARDITIS TO COVID VACCINES

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

Mr. LAMALFA. Madam Speaker, the CDC, which stands for the Centers for Disease Control, based in Atlanta, Georgia, recently released a 148-page study on myocarditis being possibly linked to the COVID vaccines—whether it is by Pfizer or Moderna or what have you.

In order to have good science, you would want these studies to get information out there so people can understand what the link may or may not be with myocarditis.

What is CDC's approach to that? Of that 148-page report, they edited out, they redacted not just some of the names, but every one of the 148 pages.

What is that as far as having openness, having clarity? That sounds pretty corrupt to me. Certainly, this body is going to be taking a better look at that. The CDC needs to be held accountable to all of us—directly to us in Congress and the American people, because the truth still needs to get out there on how the injections work and what effects they cause to the public.

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WE MUST SHOW OUR HUMANITY

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

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Madam Speaker, in the bitter cold, one might wonder what the conditions of the soldiers in Ukraine are, young soldiers who are fighting for democracy.

You would also wonder why this body of Members has not been able to resolve the crisis at the border in a way that is humane and is dealing with the southern border with the right kind of personnel and the right kind of funding. All of this was offered.

There are hostages still being held, but what is most of a crisis are the children in Gaza who are dying and the fact that we are leaving this week without providing the funding that is necessary, the humanitarian funding, helping Doctors Without Borders, trying to make sure that ships are delivering the amount of resources that are necessary. People are dying, but most of all, our babies are dying.

It is urgent that the Speaker of the House provides funding legislation, some of which was already presented by the President of the United States, to move forward on saving lives, helping the soldiers fighting for democracy, children trying to live, and families trying to live.

Enough is enough. We must show our humanity.

HONORING THE HELLO GIRLS OF WORLD WAR I

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

Ms. KAPTUR. Madam Speaker, in honor of Women's History Month, I rise to honor the trailblazing women of the Signal Corps Female Telephone Operators Unit.

During World War I, General Pershing found the Army's communications network in disarray. He urged the War Department to employ Americans experienced in switchboard operation. There were 233 women who enthusiastically honored the call to service and deployed to war-torn France.

This included Elizabeth M. Shovar, born and raised in Toledo, Ohio. She spoke fluent French. These Hello Girls worked tirelessly to direct calls coordinating troop movements and artillery fire.

As the first women to actively support combat operations on a regular basis, these soldiers paved the way for female servicemembers. They also helped win women the right to vote.

Despite their honorable service, it took six decades before they were formally recognized as veterans and given their hard-earned benefits.

Today, I am proud to honor their legacy by cosponsoring H. Res. 1572 to

award a Congressional Gold Medal in commemoration of these patriotic, brave women, the Signal Corps Female Telephone Operators Unit. God bless them

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

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate Mayor Judy Cook of Pembroke, Georgia. Judy has served as mayor of Pembroke for five terms, and she has retired after years of dedicated service.

Before becoming mayor, Judy served as the city clerk, personnel administrator, planning and zoning administrator, and municipal court clerk.

Judy pioneered the Pride in Pembroke initiative to encourage community involvement in the city's future. Judy partnered with fellow cities, communities, and State agencies to incentivize growth, progress, and community spirit.

Her love for her city and community has impacted all of Bryan County. The city of Richmond Hill named Judy an honorary citizen for her contributions and exemplary service.

I thank Judy for her tireless service to the First District and the city of Pembroke

CELEBRATING COMMUNITY FUNDING PROJECTS

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

Ms. OMAR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the community projects we funded last week. We showed the country we can work together in a bipartisan way to fund projects that have an impact in our communities.

In my district, we secured \$12 million for 15 community-centered projects across our district. In total, our office has now delivered over \$50 million to projects in every corner of the Fifth District. This funding will address the affordable housing crisis, climate resilience, food access, workforce development, and healthcare investment.

I am grateful to the countless community members throughout Minnesota's Fifth who brought their hopes and dreams to our office with these project proposals. Since President Biden signed the package, we are one step closer to making those dreams a reality.

I will always fight to ensure our communities have a seat at the table where funding decisions are made.

IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE PUERTO RICAN PEOPLE

(Ms. BUSH asked and was given permission to address the House for 1

minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. BUSH. Madam Speaker, St. Louis and I rise today in solidarity with the Puerto Rican people.

Puerto Rico has long been harmed by its status as a U.S. territory. One example of this is what is known as Act 22. This policy allows people who move to Puerto Rico to not pay local taxes on their dividends, capital gains, and certain investments. Unsurprisingly, the wealthy have benefited from this policy while the Puerto Rican people are left to deal with the harms.

Because of Act 22, Puerto Rico stands to lose an estimated \$4.5 billion in tax revenues between 2020 and 2026, and we are already seeing skyrocketing rents and increased displacement. This must end.

Congress must close the Act 22 tax loophole, end the injustice of colonialism, and enact self-determination legislation for the Puerto Rican people.

I stand with the Puerto Rican community in St. Louis, in Puerto Rico, and around the country.

RECOGNIZING THE HONORABLE EVA CLAYTON

(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, in eastern North Carolina, the spirit of strong, resilient women flows through the fabric of our communities.

From Vance County to Pasquotank County, Northampton County to Greene County, and everywhere in between, women have played essential roles in shaping our history.

However, we cannot talk about women and history in eastern North Carolina without recognizing the Honorable Eva Clayton. Ms. Clayton was the first African-American Congresswoman from North Carolina.

During Women's History Month, we celebrate all the women of eastern North Carolina and beyond. Let us honor their many contributions, recognize their strength, and support their endeavors.

Together, we can ensure that their voices are heard, their rights are protected, and their legacy continues to inspire generations to come.

RISING NATIONAL DEBT

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

Mr. SCHWEIKERT. Madam Speaker, we are going to do something really daring tonight, and we will see if it actually works. We are going to use some boards, some math, that I haven't even seen the final numbers on. We were