

Mrs. RAMIREZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise in representation of 12 critical community health centers in Illinois-03.

Community centers provide essential preventative care to nearly 700,000 members of my district, where 50 percent of income is below the poverty line. They support 1,500 jobs and \$250 million in economic output in the region.

The clinics provide training for future healthcare providers, shaping mission-driven physicians, nurses, dentists, and behavioral health providers who often remain after graduating to continue to serve the community. Nonetheless, congressional appropriation delays in funding challenge these critical health services.

As we continue the appropriations process, we must prioritize the well-being of the families we represent. I call on my colleagues to recommit to passing the Labor-HHS budget and to fully funding community health centers and their education programs.

REMEMBERING CATHY CUMMINGS

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

Mrs. BICE. Mr. Speaker, on February 11, Oklahoma City lost a wonderful public servant. Cathy Cummings was one of the most positive and friendly women you would ever meet. Although our political leanings were quite different, she always greeted me with a hug and a smile when we would see each other.

Cathy served as the mayor of The Village as well as a city councilwoman and championed causes she felt could make a difference in her community. She may be best known as the owner of Vito's Ristorante, a popular Italian restaurant that re-created many of the recipes Cathy learned from her upbringing in a very traditional Italian family.

Family was the most important thing to Cathy, and I know her husband, Sean; daughters, RoseMarie, Danielle, and Angelina; and sons, Gabriel and Kyle, are proud of the woman she was and the legacy she leaves behind.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May the souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

HONORING BRYCE CARDEN AND THE LOUISVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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

Mr. MCGARVEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today because on March 1, a four-car crash on the Clark Memorial Bridge left a semitruck dangling dangerously over the Ohio River—with the driver still inside.

Police officers, Coast Guard members, and firefighters immediately rushed into action to save the driver from plummeting some 100 feet into the river below.

No firefighter acts alone. They train as a team. They work as a team. It took all of Rescue Company Two working together to save this semi driver. Ultimately, it was Firefighter Bryce Carden who was the fearless first responder lowered off the bridge from the back of a fire truck to perform the daring rescue that brought the truck's driver back to safety.

Bryce Carden is a Louisvillian through and through. He grew up in Valley Station, went to Butler High School, and still lives in Louisville with his wife, Caitlynn, and their 17-month-old daughter.

That truck driver is alive today because of Bryce's selfless actions.

We thank Bryce and his brothers and sisters in the Louisville Fire Department for their bravery and dedicated service.

TIKTOK IS DANGEROUS TO UNITED STATES

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

Mr. ROSE. Mr. Speaker, TikTok, the Chinese-controlled social media company that gives the Chinese Communist Party access to billions of bits of data about virtually every aspect of American life, has obviously become a clear and present danger to its American users and to the United States itself.

With 170 million users in the U.S., including two out of every three American teenagers, we cannot turn a blind eye to the enormous risk that this app poses.

That is why I rise in support of the Protecting Americans from Foreign Adversary Controlled Applications Act. This bipartisan bill, which passed last week unanimously out of committee, aims to prevent foreign adversaries from targeting, controlling, surveilling, and manipulating the American people online. It would specifically apply to apps controlled by China, Iran, North Korea, or Russia.

Let me be clear: This bill does not ban TikTok. It simply requires TikTok to divest and separate itself from control by the Communist Government of China and, in doing so, prioritizes the safety and security of our Nation.

CELEBRATING 175TH ANNIVERSARY OF MISSOURI'S LEBANON AND LACLEDE COUNTY

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

Mr. ALFORD. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise in support of our resolution celebrating the 175th anniversary of

Laclede County and the city of Lebanon in the Fourth Congressional District of the great State of Missouri.

On February 24, 1849, the foundations of Laclede County and Lebanon were laid, marking the beginning of a journey that would see these communities grow, develop, and contribute significantly to the fabric of Missouri.

With more than 36,000 residents in Laclede County and more than 14,000 in Lebanon, these are vibrant communities that embody the spirit of Missouri and America's heartland.

Named after Pierre Laclede, St. Louis' founder, Laclede County symbolizes Missouri's rich heritage and community spirit. It is also a great place if you ever want to go trout fishing at Bennett Spring State Park.

It is an honor to recognize Laclede County and Lebanon and the people who have shaped these areas into strong, thriving communities, and I urge my colleagues to support this resolution.

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COMMENDING SPEAKER OF THE ARIZONA HOUSE BEN TOMA

(Mrs. LESKO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. LESKO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend an accomplished and dedicated leader who has served Arizona greatly: the speaker of the Arizona House, Ben Toma.

During his tenure in public service, Speaker Toma has achieved many great things for Arizona.

He advanced universal school choice, a ballot measure to require voter ID, a border security ballot measure to require E-Verify, and he instituted the largest tax cut in Arizona history.

He also signed on to an amicus brief to support the State of Texas as they fight in court for their right to defend their State from invasion.

Speaker Toma's career is a testament to his dedication to Arizona. His legacy of leadership will last for years to come.

CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO IRAN—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 118-118)

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FALLON) laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed:

To the Congress of the United States:

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, within 90 days prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to

the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent to the *Federal Register* for publication the enclosed notice stating that the national emergency with respect to Iran that was declared on March 15, 1995, is to continue in effect beyond March 15, 2024.

The actions and policies of the Government of Iran continue to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States. Therefore, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared in Executive Order 12957 with respect to Iran and to maintain in force comprehensive sanctions against Iran to respond to this threat.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN, Jr.

THE WHITE HOUSE, March 12, 2024.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 6276, UTILIZING SPACE EFFICIENTLY AND IMPROVING TECHNOLOGIES ACT OF 2023, AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H. RES. 1065, DENOUNCING THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION'S IMMIGRATION POLICIES

Mr. MASSIE. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 1071 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 1071

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. 6276) to direct the Administrator of General Services and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to identify the utilization rate of certain public buildings and federally-leased space, 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 Transportation and Infrastructure 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 substitute recommended by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure 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 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 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. 2. 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. 1065) denouncing the Biden administration's immigration policies. 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 Kentucky is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. MASSIE. Mr. Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MCGOVERN), 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. MASSIE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks.

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

There was no objection.

Mr. MASSIE. Mr. Speaker, the committee granted by a recorded vote of 9-3 a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 6276, the Utilizing Space Efficiently and Improving Technologies Act of 2023, and H. Res. 1065, Denouncing the Biden Administration's Immigration Policies.

The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 6276, the Utilizing Space Efficiently and Improving Technologies Act of 2023, under a structured rule.

The rule further provides for consideration of H. Res. 1065, Denouncing the Biden Administration's Immigration Policies, under a closed rule.

The rule provides that upon adoption of the resolution, it shall be in order, without intervention of any point of order, to consider H. Res. 1065.

Finally, the rule provides 1 hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary or their respective designees.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Kentucky for yielding me the customary half hour, and I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, another week, another round of trivial messaging bills. That is all this Republican majority can do.

It has been one pointless messaging bill after another that will never, ever become law. In fact, we haven't passed a single bill out of the Rules Committee that has become law in 9 months—9 months.

First, let's talk about H.R. 6276, a bill that is supposed to help measure and evaluate Federal building utilization. This bill seems to do with the Republican belief that working from home is always bad no matter what.

Don't get me wrong. I hate Teams meetings, and I hate Zoom calls as much as everyone else, but can Republicans please acknowledge that it is 2024, and people can work from home?

Basically, this bill says that if a Federal employee works from home 1 day a week, they are no longer counted as being in the office. Ignore the 4 days a week that they are in the office. If they work from home once, then they are not in the office. Oh, and by the way, we are going to get rid of their desks because they worked from home once. Come on. It is just a silly solution.

This bill fails to capture even the fundamental nature of some of our most vital jobs in the Federal workforce. For example, Mr. Speaker, if you are a food inspector who spends 4 days a week ensuring that our food supply is safe and secure, this bill would not count them for occupancy, which could eventually lead to eliminating their office space. Or if you are a Federal firefighter protecting the lives and property of countless Americans week after week after week but not sitting at a desk for 40 hours, then this bill would say: No, you won't be counted, and you won't need to have a desk.

Now, if we want our Federal workforce to be the best in the world, then we need to compete. We need to give people the flexibility to work from home, just like other employers do in the private sector, which is something that this bill discourages. For those reasons, I believe it is a bad bill, and I will be voting "no."

Mr. Speaker, next we have H. Res. 1065. The actual resolution calls on the President to detain and remove specific individuals from the United States.

I have news for you, Mr. Speaker. Republicans are in charge of this body. They are barely in charge, but they are in charge, nonetheless. They don't have to call on the President to do anything. This isn't a debate club for God's sake. Pass a bill and change the damn policy if you don't like it, Mr. Speaker.

Oh, wait. Republicans don't want to do anything about immigration or the border. They just want to complain and talk about their feelings.

Let me talk to my friends as if I am talking to one of the sixth-grade classes from my district that comes down and tours Washington every year:

If you want a bill to become a law, then you have to pass a bill. There is a difference between a bill, which starts with the abbreviation H.R., and a resolution, which starts with the abbreviation H. Res. I will spell it out for you. That is H, period; R-E-S, period.