

The SPEAKER pro tempore. If the gentleman would like, he can include the remarks in the RECORD under general leave.

Mr. SCHNEIDER. Mr. Speaker, what I would like to do, on behalf of our colleague from Maryland, Mr. STENY HOYER, is submit for the RECORD his statement talking about American hostage Itay Chen, who was deemed to have been murdered on October 7. His family is waiting to bring his body home before they honor him with a funeral and sit the Jewish tradition of shiva, 7 days of mourning. They will not have that opportunity to sit shiva until Itay's body is returned.

We all join with the Chen family, with all of Israel, waiting for the return of every hostage, not just those living but those who are deemed deceased.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair would remind Members that the rules do not allow references to persons in the gallery.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker. I rise today, as I have at several special order hours these past six months, on behalf of Itay Chen and his family.

This is the first time I've done so since we learned the devastating news that Hamas terrorists killed Itay on October 7.

An American Israeli serving bravely in the IDF, he died defending innocent Israeli civilians from Hamas' brutal, cowardly surprise attack.

He was only nineteen years old.

Not satisfied with killing this courageous defender, the terrorists took Itay's body into Gaza, where it remains. Doing so was an act of supreme moral depravity and dishonor.

When I first met Itay's father Ruby shortly after October 7, he gave me this dogtag which says: "Bring Them Home Now."

Mr. Speaker, I rise today because our commitment to bring his son home has not changed.

Itay deserves to be laid to rest with the honor that befits a hero and with the dignity that befits every human life.

His family deserves to sit Shiva and to process this terrible loss properly.

They cannot get that closure, however, until we secure Itay's remains.

They have my word, Mr. Speaker, that our Government will not yield until they are reunited with their son.

Nor will we stop until all the remaining hostages—those living and those not—are returned to their families.

Until then, we will keep supporting the Chens and the other families waiting to put their loved ones to rest.

We will stand with the families who still hold out hope for their loved ones' safe return—a hope that we all share.

And we will keep fighting for the release of those hostages who remain in Gaza.

May Itay's memory be a blessing, and may his spirit continue to give us the strength necessary to bring these hostages home.

Mr. WILLIAMS of New York. Mr. Speaker, six brutal months have passed, and over half of the Israeli hostages taken by Hamas on October 7th

have still not been released. This is nothing short of an unthinkable crime against humanity. It is inhuman.

Each of the remaining hostages, these are human beings. Human beings with individual hopes and dreams, just like you and me. Each one has a family and loved ones back home in Israel, devastated by their kidnapping and desperately begging for their release. Many are children, or elderly, with no involvement in any combat whatsoever.

Last week, I saw the Nir Oz Kibbutz and the site of the Tribe of Nova Music Festival, where so many Israelis were kidnapped on October 7th, and many more were killed. I heard firsthand accounts from survivors on the ground, you can still hear the pain in their voices. Even then, that pain is incomparable to the ongoing trauma of those who were taken hostage by these terrorists, their specific whereabouts and conditions still unknown.

The attacks of October 7th were and continue to be crimes against humanity. Americans looked on in horror as videos emerged of the bloodshed and the destruction. Mothers and fathers across our country, including myself, were overcome with intense emotion. Think about your child, if they were torn away from you, or worse, as so many were.

America is unified in standing with the Israeli hostages and their families. On Sunday, thousands gathered in New York City and called for the immediate, unconditional release of the Israeli hostages. We raised our voices as one, and our message will be heard.

Tonight, I echo that one, simple demand of these devastated families. Not one more day should go by without the safe return of all Israeli hostages from Gaza.

To the families here tonight, whose loved ones were taken on October 7th, I want to express my most sincere and heartfelt sympathy for the suffering that you have bravely endured over these long six months. For those whose loved ones have not yet been returned, we all pray for their safe release.

May God bless all of you. America stands with you and for the safe return of all Israeli hostages.

Bring them home, now.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o'clock and 31 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, April 10, 2024, at 10 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

EC-3715. A letter from the Special Counsel, U.S. Office of Special Counsel, transmitting

the Office's FY 2023 No FEAR Act Report, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 2301 note; Public Law 107-174, Sec. 203(a) (as amended by Public Law 109-435, Sec. 604(f)); (120 Stat. 3242); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-3716. A letter from the Senior Congressional Liaison, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting the Bureau's 2023 Annual Report of the Office of Minority and Women Inclusion, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 5452(e); Public Law 111-203, Sec. 342(e); (124 Stat. 1543); to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-3717. A letter from the Deputy Secretary, Division of Investment Management, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Exemption for Certain Investment Advisers Operating Through the Internet [Release No.: IA-6578; File No.: S7-13-23] (RIN: 3235-AN31) received April 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-3718. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for OSHA, Directorate of Construction, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule — Worker Walkaround Representative Designation Process [Docket No.: OSHA-2023-0008] (RIN: 1218-AD45) received April 1, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

EC-3719. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's request for applications — Clean Ports Program: Zero-Emission Technology Deployment Competition [EPA-R-OAR-CPP-24-04] received March 28, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3720. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's request for applications — Clean Ports Program: Climate and Air Quality Planning Competition [EPA-R-OAR-CPP-24-05] received March 28, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3721. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's request for applications — Hydrofluorocarbon Reclaim and Innovative Destruction Grants [EPA-R-OAR-HFC-24-01] received March 28, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3722. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — FY 2022 and FY 2023 Pollution Prevention Grant Program [EPA-I-OCSP-OPPT-FY2022-001] received February 5, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3723. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — FY 2023–FY 2024 Pollution Prevention Grants: Environmental Justice in Communities [EPA-I-OCSP-OPPT-FY2023-001] received February 5, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3724. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — FY 2023–FY 2024 Pollution

Prevention Grants: Environmental Justice Through Safer and More Sustainable Products [EPA-I-OCSPP-OPPT-FY2023-002] received February 5, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3725. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — FY23 Brownfield's Job Training (JT) Grants [EPA-I-OLEM-OBLR-22-02] received February 5, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3726. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — 2023 Clean School Bus (CSB) Grant Program [EPA-OAR-OTAQ-23-06] received February 5, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3727. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's issuance of Regulatory Guide — Evaluating Deviations and Reporting Defects and Non-compliance under 10 CFR Part 21 [Regulatory Guide 1.234, Revision 1] received March 28, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3728. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's issuance of Regulatory Guide — Guidance for a Technology-Inclusive Content-of-Application Methodology to Inform the Licensing Basis and Content of Applications for Licenses, Certifications, and Approvals for Non-Light-Water Reactors [Regulatory Guide 1.253, Revision 0] received March 28, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3729. A letter from the Senior Advisor, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Financial Resources, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting two (2) notifications of discontinuation of service in acting role and designation of acting officer, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, Sec. 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-3730. A letter from the Senior Advisor, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting a notification of discontinuation of service in acting role, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3349(a); Public Law 105-277, Sec. 151(b); (112 Stat. 2681-614); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-3731. A letter from the Chairman, National Credit Union Administration, transmitting the Administration's FY 2023 No FEAR Act Report, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 2301 note; Public Law 107-174, Sec. 203(a) (as amended by Public Law 109-435, Sec. 604(f)); (120 Stat. 3242); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-3732. A letter from the Acting Vice President, Office of External Affairs, U.S. International Development Finance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's FY 2023 No FEAR Act Report, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 2301 note; Public Law 107-174, Sec. 203(a) (as amended by Public Law 109-435, Sec. 604(f)); (120 Stat. 3242); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-3733. A letter from the Director, U.S. National Science Foundation, transmitting the Foundation's FY 2023 No FEAR Act Re-

port, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 2301 note; Public Law 107-174, Sec. 203(a) (as amended by Public Law 109-435, Sec. 604(f)); (120 Stat. 3242); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-3734. A letter from the Director, U.S. Trade and Development Agency, transmitting the Agency's FY 2023 No FEAR Act Report, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 2301 note; Public Law 107-174, Sec. 203(a) (as amended by Public Law 109-435, Sec. 604(f)); (120 Stat. 3242); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-3735. A letter from the Executive Director, United States Access Board, transmitting the Board's FY 2023 No FEAR Act Report, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 2301 note; Public Law 107-174, Sec. 203(a) (as amended by Public Law 109-435, Sec. 604(f)); (120 Stat. 3242); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-3736. A letter from the Executive Director, Equal Employment Opportunity Office, United States Postal Service, transmitting the Service's FY 2023 No FEAR Act Report, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 2301 note; Public Law 107-174, Sec. 203(a) (as amended by Public Law 109-435, Sec. 604(f)); (120 Stat. 3242); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-3737. A letter from the Chief, Branch of Delisting and Foreign Species, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Removal of *Chrysopsis floridana* (Florida Golden Aster) From the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Plants [Docket No.: FWS-R4-ES-2019-0071; FF09E22000 FXES1113090FEDR 2223] (RIN: 1018-BE00) received April 1, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-3738. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Standards Branch, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Oil and Gas and Sulfur Operations on the Outer Continental Shelf — Civil Penalty Inflation Adjustment [Docket ID: BSEE-2024-0001; EEEE500000245E1700D2 ETISF0000.EAQ000] (RIN: 1014-AA61) received March 27, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3739. A letter from the Associate Administrator, Congressional and Legislative Affairs, Small Business Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Civil Monetary Penalties Inflation Adjustments (RIN: 3245-AI01) received April 5, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3740. A letter from the Chair, National Science Board, transmitting a report titled "The State of U.S. Science and Engineering Indicators 2024", pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1863(j)(1); May 10, 1950, ch. 171, Sec. 4(j)(1) (as amended by Public Law 110-69, Sec. 7016); (121 Stat. 684); to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

EC-3741. A letter from the Associate Administrator, Congressional and Legislative Affairs, Office of Contracting Assistance, Small Business Administration, transmitting the Administration's Interim final rule — Providing Discretion To Extend Women-Owned Small Business Program Recertification Where Appropriate (RIN: 3245-AI11) received April 5, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Small Business.

EC-3742. A letter from the Associate Administrator, Congressional and Legislative

Affairs, Office of Investment and Innovation, Small Business Administration, transmitting the Administration's Direct final rule — Small Business Investment Company Investment Diversification and Growth; Technical Amendments and Clarifications (RIN: 3245-AH90) received April 5, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Small Business.

EC-3743. A letter from the Associate Administrator, Congressional and Legislative Affairs, Office of Size Standards, Small Business Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Small Business Size Standards: Adjustment of Alternative Size Standard for SBA's 7(a) and CDC/504 Loan Programs for Inflation; and Surety Bond Limits: Adjustments for Inflation (RIN: 3245-AG16) received April 5, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Small Business.

EC-3744. A letter from the Associate Administrator, Congressional and Legislative Affairs, Office of Size Standards, Small Business Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Small Business Size Standards: Adjustment of Monetary-Based Size Standards, Disadvantage Thresholds, and 8(a) Eligibility Thresholds for Inflation (RIN: 3245-AH93) received April 5, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Small Business.

EC-3745. A letter from the Associate Administrator, Congressional and Legislative Affairs, Small Business Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Small Business Development Centers [Docket No.: SBA-2015-0005] (RIN: 3245-AE05) received April 5, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Small Business.

EC-3746. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Section, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's IRB only rule — Qualified Student Loan and Qualified Mortgage Bonds (Notice 2024-32) received April 5, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-3747. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Final Guidance to Registrants on Activities to Improve the Efficiency of Endangered Species Act Considerations for New Active Ingredient Registrations and Registration Review received February 5, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Agriculture and Energy and Commerce.

EC-3748. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Final Guidance to Registrants on Activities to Improve the Efficiency of ESA Considerations for New Outdoor Use Registrations of Conventional Pesticides and Biopesticides received February 5, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Agriculture and Energy and Commerce.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows: