

Kentucky (Mr. MCGARVEY) for 5 minutes.

Mr. MCGARVEY. Mr. Speaker, 1 year ago today in Louisville, Kentucky, it was a crisp, bright Monday morning. The Easter sun had silently set the night before on blooming dogwoods and azaleas, and a new day had sounded in with only the squeaking of school brakes interrupting the birds chirping to signal the changing of the seasons. The perfect spring awakening to welcome families back to school from spring break, while ushering the rest of us into work with a sense of rebirth and renewal.

Louisville is lucky to be blessed with such scenes of beauty on an annual basis. The sounds, sights, and smells are familiar and wonderful. Instinctively, we know that antihistamines are coming out of our bathroom cabinets and the Derby is right around the corner. Spring is when Kentucky's natural beauty, pageantry, and home-grown hospitality are on display for the world to see. This is why it was so shocking. You never think it is going to happen in your community; that no one could do this, but this is why we truly did not think it was possible—not in Louisville, not now.

But on April 10, 2023, a lone gunman with an assault rifle walked into the Old National Bank on Main Street in Louisville, Kentucky, and opened fire on his colleagues. Spring's ritual beauty was shattered by the unfamiliar booms of an AR-15, the acrid smell of smoke, sirens, and screams.

Five people were killed—Josh Barrick, Deana Eckert, Jim Tutt, Juliana Farmer, and my friend, Tommy Elliott. These five innocent lives were taken from us far too soon.

Josh was a loving husband and young father; Juliana Farmer was expecting another grandchild; Deana Eckert was known for her generosity and her compassion; Jim Tutt was a community leader; and Tommy Elliott, who was a longtime friend of ours, loved life, people, jokes, and stories. All will be missed.

Eight others were wounded in the shooting, including LMPD Officer Nick Wilt, who took an AR-15 round to the head as he selflessly ran toward the gunman and saved lives. Miraculously, he survived.

On the same day, just blocks away at Jefferson Community and Technical College, Chea'von Moore lost his life at 24 years old, and another woman who was caught in the cross fire between classes miraculously survived. Our thoughts are with them, their family, and their loved ones, as well.

It has been 1 year since we lost Tommy, Josh, Juliana, Jim, Deana, and Chea'von. They have been missed at milestones such as birthdays, graduations, and holidays, and every moment in between.

We will never forget them. Their memories live on in all of us who remember and love them.

As we honor those we lost, our community remains so grateful to every

first responder who arrived on the scene that morning and leaped into action. They saved lives.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the Louisville Metro Police Department, the Louisville Fire Department, the FBI, EMS, and the UofL Hospital trauma team. I thank them for their incredible service to our community on April 10, 2023, every day before, and every day since.

I stand here today not just as a Member of Congress, but as a lifelong Louisvillian whose community joined the long list of cities touched by senseless, preventable gun violence.

It is not just mass shootings that rock communities; everyday gun violence in Louisville and across our country has taken far too many lives too soon. Gun violence is now the leading cause of death in children. Children.

There is so much more we can and must do, like combating the root causes of crime and expanding mental health services as well as pushing commonsense gun reforms like universal background checks, extreme risk protection orders, and banning assault weapons.

Last year, days after the Old National Bank shooting, I stood on the steps of the Capitol with other members of the Gun Violence Prevention Task Force and asked the majority to bring gun safety legislation to the floor. I am here today asking again for my colleagues across the aisle to work with us like they have before to make our communities safer.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The time of the gentleman has expired.

Mr. MCGARVEY. Reflecting on what this day means to me and our community, I am reminded of how strong Louisvillians are.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The time of the gentleman has expired.

Mr. MCGARVEY. Friends, neighbors, and loved ones came together to support one another through an unimaginably tough time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The time of the gentleman has expired.

The gentleman is no longer recognized.

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HOW MANY MORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. MALLIOTAKIS) for 5 minutes.

Ms. MALLIOTAKIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to ask the question, how many more Americans must die before President Joe Biden reverses the 60-plus policies he put in place that led to our border being wide open?

We know that under sections 1182 and 1225 of title 8 of immigration law, the President has the authority to secure the border and use his discretion to implement policies. Sadly, the President has used his discretion instead to completely dismantle our southern border, allowing for dangerous gang members,

criminals, smugglers, and illegal immigrants to enter.

Right now, the President can end catch and release. He can reinstate remain in Mexico. He can make changes to asylum and parole. He can expedite removal of individuals. He can shut down the border altogether. He can cut off funding to nonprofit organizations, nongovernmental partners, that are basically allowing people to travel all around our country.

Again, sadly, President Biden used these authorities instead, to dismantle the policies of President Trump.

As a result, we have seen so many Americans being killed. Illegal immigrants have come over our border.

I will read some of the headlines. This is just from this year alone.

“Illegal immigrant from El Salvador charged with murder in shootout that killed 2-year-old boy, injured teen mom.”

“Venezuelan illegal immigrant charged with sexual assault against 14-year-old in Virginia.”

“ICE confirms Georgia student murder suspect entered U.S. illegally, was previously arrested in NYC.”

“Five-time deported illegal alien accused of killing 10-year-old boy walking home from school.”

“Honduran illegal migrant arrested for rape of girl, 14, stabbing man during knife-point robbery.”

“Illegal migrant charged in Michigan woman's killing was deported under Trump but snuck back in: ICE.”

“Illegal migrant deported 8 times with 11 arrests now charged with murder in Ohio.”

These are just some of the victims of President Biden's open border policy.

If we go into last year, we can talk more about an illegal immigrant who had an outstanding warrant for attempted strangulation. He approached a car and shot a woman seven times because she wouldn't hang up the phone when he asked her to.

An illegal immigrant was charged with sadistically murdering a 16-year-old Texas high schooler, stabbing her to death and dumping her body in the bathtub. Her body was discovered by her mother.

An illegal alien released by the Biden administration was arrested for raping an 11-year-old girl, strangling her to death after knocking on the door of her home.

An illegal who entered our country under the Biden administration was charged with driving a minivan into a schoolbus full of children, flipping the bus and killing an 11-year-old boy.

An illegal alien repeatedly stabbed and mutilated individuals and then dumped them in a field in Daytona Beach, Florida.

An illegal immigrant was arrested for murdering a 57-year-old, a mother of three and a grandmother of four, in Texas.

This is a 5-minute speech, and I am only allowed 5 minutes, or else I could go on and on.

Again, I will ask, how many more murders of Americans, whether it be by stabbing, drunk driving, shooting, or fantanyl, will it take before the President reverses his dangerous policies at our southern border or the Senate takes up our legislation, H.R. 2, the Border Security Act, which would require him to take action at the border?

Giving the President a little more discretion, as the Senate has suggested, is not going to resolve the issue because the President is not using the discretion he currently has. We need to require him to take these actions to reinstate the commonsense policies of the previous administration that were working and stop this President from giving parole to individuals who are dangerous gang members wreaking havoc in cities like mine in New York.

DOOMSDAY CLOCK IS TICKING

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California (Mr. KHANNA) for 5 minutes.

Mr. KHANNA. Mr. Speaker, the Doomsday Clock is set at 90 seconds to midnight, the closest it has ever been. We should heed its warning.

We are inching dangerously close to nuclear war and must do everything we can to reduce the risk of nuclear catastrophe. Russia has threatened to use tactical nuclear weapons in Ukraine. Iran is closer to developing the nuclear bomb. North Korea is increasing its nuclear arsenal. The risks of miscalculation and rapid escalation are exacerbating these threats.

The nuclear arms race needs to stop. We can and must turn back the Doomsday Clock. We need to work with Russia and China to collectively reduce our stockpiles, increase transparency, reduce the risk of miscalculation, and avoid a dangerous arms race. Nuclear negotiation has always been part of the United States' history, and we must do that again.

First, let's revive a version of the Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty that Richard Nixon negotiated to cap the arms race by limiting homeland missile defenses. This will reduce pressure on the United States, China, and Russia to build more nuclear weapons. Unfortunately, President George W. Bush withdrew from the treaty in 2002. We need to negotiate to reenter.

Second, we must reenter the Treaty on Open Skies that was first proposed under Dwight Eisenhower and signed by President George H.W. Bush. Open Skies authorizes treaty parties, including the United States, to conduct unarmed flights that provide opportunities to monitor others' nuclear capabilities. Donald Trump withdrew from this treaty in 2020 that Republican Presidents had negotiated. We need to get back in.

Third, we should restore the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty and expand it to include China. This was Ronald Reagan and Mikhail Gorbachev's achievement, yet Donald

Trump withdrew from this treaty in 2019. We need to get back in.

Fourth, we need to resume implementation of the New START Treaty negotiated under President Barack Obama to limit the number of deployed strategic nuclear warheads. Putin suspended New START in 2023, ripping up the last remaining nuclear treaty with the United States. He did this because of our support of Ukraine. We need to pass funding for Ukraine to defend its sovereignty, end the war justly, and renegotiate New START with Russia and China.

Lastly, we must negotiate with Russia to agree that both of our countries will adopt a no-first-use policy. We would be joining China and India, which already have this posture, unlike Russia and the United States. Adopting a no-first-use policy only if Russia agrees as well would clarify that our nuclear weapons are for deterrence and avoid unintentionally escalating a crisis.

Maintaining the nuclear triad as a deterrent should not bankrupt us. We must cut the costs of modernization that are excessive and going to defense contractor lobbyists. The Air Force's new Sentinel ICBM program is already 37 percent over budget, costing taxpayers \$132 billion. That is money that could be going to feed our kids in school, to help pay for college or vocational education, or to pay for childcare.

I call on my colleagues in Washington to help avoid a global catastrophe and a nuclear arms race, to look to previous Presidents like Eisenhower, Reagan, Bush, Obama, and Clinton and negotiator-statesmen to reduce the risk of nuclear war.

We must stop this arms race. We must take our weapons off hair-trigger alert. We must spend our tax dollars here at home, where Americans most need it. We must ensure diplomacy prevails, not nuclear war.

As Presidents Reagan and Gorbachev said: "A nuclear war cannot be won and must never be fought."

COMMENDING COLONEL TREVOR HOUGH

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from South Carolina (Mr. NORMAN) for 5 minutes.

Mr. NORMAN. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to recognize and commend the exemplary bravery and selfless intervention of Colonel Trevor Hough.

On Thursday, June 1, 2023, in Black Mountain, North Carolina, a pursuit unfolded involving a suspect for a series of bank robberies. The situation then escalated, as the suspect crashed on Interstate 240 after driving on the wrong side of the road, ending a high-speed pursuit. The immediate and fearless actions of Colonel Hough began after the crash when the suspect attempted to hijack an elderly woman's vehicle on the interstate as she was stopped by the traffic.

Colonel Hough, a dedicated United States Army veteran with an impressive nearly 30-year service record, stepped in. Without hesitation, Colonel Hough ran toward the unfolding danger to intervene and protect the innocent victim of the carjacking.

As the suspect attempted to steal the car, Colonel Hough managed to pull the suspect from the vehicle while two other veterans put the victim's car in park and tended to the victim herself.

With incredible bravery, Colonel Hough overpowered and immobilized the suspect on the ground. Together with the two other veterans, they restrained the suspect until law enforcement arrived.

Colonel Hough's military training proved invaluable in this critical moment. His quick thinking and decisive actions not only prevented a potential tragedy but also ensured the safety of others while on the interstate.

Colonel Hough's heroism did not end there. He remained vigilant, assessed the situation, and displayed remarkable composure in the face of potential danger to himself.

In recounting the incident, Colonel Hough shared that he noticed the suspect reaching behind his back, suggesting he may have had a weapon. Understanding the gravity of the situation, Colonel Hough acted with unwavering resolve, maintaining control until law enforcement could take over.

It is with great admiration and gratitude that we acknowledge the exemplary bravery of Colonel Trevor Hough. His selfless actions exemplify the highest ideals of duty, honor, and service to others.

This Nation is indebted to individuals like Colonel Hough, whose commitment to the well-being of his fellow citizens reflects the strength and character that make America great.

I extend my sincere appreciation to Colonel Hough and all those who stand ready to act in the face of danger, embodying the spirit of service that defines the American people.

May this congressional recognition serve as a testament to the courage and the selflessness exhibited by Colonel Trevor Hough. We thank him for his service. We pray that his continued health and commitment to this country will endure, as it definitely will.

CONGRATULATING REVEREND DR. DONALD RIBEIRO

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. DAVIS) for 5 minutes.

Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate Reverend Dr. Donald Ribeiro from Ormondsville, North Carolina, on his well-earned retirement.

Reverend Ribeiro, with his wife, Karen, has fiercely led as pastor of Ormondsville Original Free Will Baptist Church. For more than 40 years, Dr. Ribeiro has kept his promise to