

and understood to be the foundation for our future.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House the approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1 of rule I, the Journal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Texas (Mr. WILLIAMS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair will entertain up to 15 requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

### HONORING THE LIFE OF DON NICHOLAS

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

Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of my dear friend, Don Nicholas.

Don was a crucial member of the Texas 25th Congressional District team for over 10 years and dedicated his life to selflessly serving his country.

Time and time again, he stepped up to help those in need, day or night. He never missed a call from a veteran and opened his home up to soldiers every holiday.

Don was a 31-year Army veteran, a man of great faith and a loving husband, father, and grandfather, and always believed the North Dakota State Bison were going to win every game.

America lost a patriot, Texas lost a servant leader, and we all lost a friend. He will be dearly missed by those privileged to know him.

I am honored to celebrate the life and impact that Don had on so many. In God we trust.

### EXERCISING FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHTS

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

Mr. BOWMAN. Mr. Speaker, I have had guns pulled on me multiple times by law enforcement simply for being a Black man in America, and now I see guns being drawn on peaceful protesters at Columbia University.

When I was 11 years old, I was the victim of police brutality simply for

being Black in America, and now I see that brutality being inflicted on peaceful protesters at Columbia University. For what? Simply exercising their First Amendment rights to peacefully assemble as they protest the collective punishment and murder of civilians in Gaza; 100,000 killed and injured, mostly women and children. They are protesting our taxpayer dollars going to Benjamin Netanyahu to continue this mass murder. That is their right.

They are supposed to push us to stand for what this flag represents. Are we in a police state or is this a democracy? We must stand with our young people and demand justice and freedom for Palestinians and everyone in this world.

### CELEBRATING SMALL BUSINESSES ACROSS PENNSYLVANIA'S 15TH DISTRICT

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

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate our small businesses across the Pennsylvania 15th Congressional District, the Commonwealth, and the country. This week we recognize the importance of our small businesses and the role that they play in our communities as part of National Small Business Week.

Small businesses are the cornerstone of communities. They are often the first place you go to for local support. From asking for donations for fundraisers to sponsoring your youth sports teams, it is the local small businesses that answer the call.

More than half of Americans either work for or own a small business, and they create nearly two out of every three jobs in the United States every year. Our small businesses play a central role in building a strong country, and we are so grateful for their contributions to our communities.

Now small businesses need our support. There are many ways you can show your support: by writing a review, telling friends and family about your favorite shop, or interacting with the business on social media.

Mr. Speaker, this week I encourage you all to make the effort to shop small and shop local at your favorite small businesses.

### MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS NEED BETTER TRAINING IN NUTRITION

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

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, food is medicine, and our medical professionals need proper training to screen and treat food insecurity and diet-related diseases.

That is why I have joined together with Representative VERN BUCHANAN on a bipartisan letter to the Accredita-

tion Council for Graduate Medical Education, urging them to incorporate nutrition education into the program requirements for graduate medical education. By doing so, graduate medical programs will be required to adequately prepare physicians in nutrition, improving health outcomes, and saving our healthcare system a lot of money.

Mr. Speaker, the idea that our medical professionals should have better training in nutrition isn't a concept we just came up with here in Washington.

When I visit medical students, physicians, nurses, and other medical professionals back home, I hear over and over again how they don't feel adequately prepared to treat food insecurity and diet-related diseases.

I am proud to further a key recommendation in the National Strategy on Hunger, Nutrition, and Health, and ask all my colleagues to support efforts to improve nutrition education for physicians.

### HONORING PETE DOBITZ

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

Mr. ARMSTRONG. Mr. Speaker, a pretty cool thing happened in my hometown of Dickinson, North Dakota, last week: Pete Dobitz won his 500th career game as our high school baseball coach.

Since 2000, Dickinson High School has won five State championships and has been runners-up three times. If that is not enough, Coach Dobitz spends his summers coaching and running the Babe Ruth baseball team. To be honest, he would have gotten here a little earlier, but he refuses to count the 2004 State championship season because he was deployed, honorably serving the State of North Dakota and our country in the National Guard.

I can't think of anybody more worthy of being able to be addressed on the floor of the House today. I have had the privilege of coaching with him. I have had the privilege of running a baseball program where he ran my Babe Ruth program, and I have the privilege and honor of calling him my friend.

He has touched numerous high school students' lives, both in the classroom and in the ballpark. Here is to another 24 years and 500 wins because he is a fixture in the third-base dugout.

### DARK CHAPTER IN FLORIDA HISTORY

(Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. LOIS FRANKEL of Florida. Mr. Speaker, look at this map. Today is a dark day in the State of Florida because we join all of these States that are in dark colors as our draconian 6-week abortion ban goes into effect, gutting access to abortion care in Florida and in the South. It is essentially a

total ban because most women do not know they are pregnant before 6 weeks.

Abortion is a deeply personal medical decision that politicians should not interfere with, and doctors should not have to face criminal prosecution for treating a patient before them.

We don't walk in other people's shoes. There are many reasons for an abortion. It could be birth control failure, rape, incest, or endangering a person's life. Protecting a woman's access to abortion is a freedom that only she should have.

The good news is that in November, Florida voters can defend this fundamental freedom, but until then, a dark cloud hovers over our so-called Sunshine State.

#### ANTI-SEMITISM HATRED

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

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, the violent anti-Semitic hatred on American college campuses is revealing of leftwing bigotry.

Last week, The Wall Street Journal editorialized: "Anti-Israel, anti-Semitic protests at Columbia, Yale, and elsewhere are getting uglier, and it isn't clear the progressives in charge of these institutions are up to the job of enforcing order or protecting Jewish students."

Yesterday, New York was sadly revealing with a corrupt Democrat judge gagging the Republican candidate for President as a corrupt Democrat district attorney proceeded to drop charges on violent supporters of terrorism seeking murder of all Jews. Deranged Democrats smear Republicans and appease murderers of Jews.

In conclusion, God bless our troops who successfully protected America for 20 years as the global war on terrorism moves from the Afghanistan safe haven to America. We do not need new border laws; we need to enforce existing laws. Biden shamefully opens the borders to dictators as more 9/11 attacks across America are imminent, as repeatedly warned by the FBI. Thank you Ambassador Motaz Zahran of Egypt for briefing Congress today.

#### REMEMBERING DONALD PAYNE, JR.

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

Ms. ADAMS. Mr. Speaker, Congressman Don Payne was one of a kind: From his impeccable fashion sense to our mutual love of hats; from his infectious sense of humor to his deep commitment to the people of north New Jersey.

When I came to Congress, I went to Don to tell him that while I was born in North Carolina, I spent my formative years in his district in Newark and

graduated from high school there. He never let me forget it.

I always referred to him as my hometown guy, and he referred to me as his home girl. When I traveled to his district for a family member's funeral, he was insistent to show me around the city. When I couldn't make it to my high school reunion, Don went in my place.

When a member of my staff who was born in Newark needed a copy of her birth certificate, Donald Payne made sure she got it. He was the first Member to come to North Carolina to attend my annual Adams Mad Hatters event. That is who Don was. He was a committed public servant, a loyal friend, and always lending a hand.

To Bea and the triplets, my heart breaks for you, and I am lifting you up in my prayers. To my colleagues, as we mourn this devastating loss, may Donald Payne, Jr.'s memory serve as motivation for us to be better public servants and continue the fight for equality just as Donald Payne, Jr., would have wanted.

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#### RECOGNIZING HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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

Ms. LEE of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the outstanding performance of Hillsborough County Public Schools in Florida's 15th Congressional District.

U.S. News and World Report recently released the 2024 Best High Schools list, which ranked 25,000 high schools throughout the United States based on college preparedness, performance, proficiency, and graduation rates. I am proud to say that some of Hillsborough County's high schools were ranked among the best educational institutions not just in Florida but in the Nation, which is a remarkable achievement.

This honor is a testament to the dedicated students, teachers, and administrators in Hillsborough County. It is clear that our schools are full of individuals who are committed to providing high-quality education initiatives and ensuring that our students are well prepared for the next chapter of life.

I am excited to see what the future holds for our students, the faculty, and our community in Florida's 15th Congressional District.

#### MEMBER OF CONGRESS AND BANNING PAC MONEY

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

Mr. KHANNA. Mr. Speaker, I have a message for my colleagues today: Don't come to Congress if you want to make a profit.

Americans are frustrated with Congress because too many Members are personally trading stock, because PAC money is drowning out the voice of voters, and because there are more lobbyists around here than legislators.

That is why, today, I am calling on Speaker JOHNSON to bring for a vote, an up-or-down vote, a bipartisan bill to ban Members of Congress from trading stock.

Representative ABIGAIL SPANBERGER and Representative CHIP ROY have been working on this bill since 2020, listening to voices like Unusual Whales, Quiver Quantitative, and Capitol Trades. They understand that we need a vote. Speaker after Speaker keep saying we will have a vote, but we haven't had a vote.

Bring that bill for an up-or-down vote in 2024. Let's ban Members of Congress from trading stock. Then let's ban PAC money, and let's ban Members of Congress from ever becoming lobbyists.

#### CONGRATULATING PORT NECHES-GROVES FOOTBALL TEAM

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

Mr. WEBER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise with a heart full of pride as we celebrate the remarkable achievement of our very own Port Neches-Groves football team for winning the 2023 5A State championship, the first State football title in 48 years. They have made Texas-14 proud.

I congratulate each of the football players. They displayed unwavering grit and Texas determination throughout the season, overcoming challenges with resilience that led to a State champ title. I congratulate Coach Jeff Joseph and the entire coaching staff for instilling discipline, strategy, and a winning mindset in every player.

I thank the students, faculty, and fans for representing our community with absolute honor and pride. This victory is not just for PN-G but for all of southeast Texas.

I congratulate the Indians. They deserve it. God bless the Port Neches-Groves Indians, and God bless Texas.

#### CELEBRATING NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS WEEK

(Ms. LEE of Nevada asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. LEE of Nevada. Mr. Speaker, I rise to extend my personal congratulations to all the local entrepreneurs, the communities they support, and the Nevada Small Business Administration at their annual awards luncheon celebrating National Small Business Week.

From restaurants to wrestling gyms, these small businesses are the life of our local economy. As our community grows beyond the reputation as the entertainment capital of the world, one