

He then decided to go back to Cornell Law School. He got a J.D./MBA, which is a dual degree in law and an MBA, so he has a total of three degrees from Cornell University, Mr. Speaker.

While he was an undergrad, Troy Jr. founded IvyUntold.com, a social media platform where Ivy League students can tell their stories since many of them have overcome a lot of challenges to get where they are. Troy Jr. was no different.

The Whitesides have been dear friends of my family for years. Troy Jr.'s parents, Troy and Jackie, took care of me and my dad when my mama died. They have been wonderful friends. They are a great family.

Troy and Jackie have been successful entrepreneurs. Troy Jr.'s brother, Donovan, on the far end, D-Man, he used to work with us up here in my first year in Congress.

I can't tell you how proud I am of this family. Donovan is now a daddy. Troy Jr., in his latest achievements on top of many others, is going on to greater things, Mr. Speaker. I look forward to seeing the bright future he has ahead of him, and I appreciate Troy, Jackie, Troy Jr., and Donovan.

RECOGNIZING CHILDREN'S WEEK

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

Mr. LANDSMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Children's Week celebrated by First Focus on Children, a bipartisan group dedicated to serving children here in the United States and abroad.

Every decision that we make on the floor of the House has an impact on our children, from education to healthcare to the economy.

When we pass legislation to expand the child tax credit, we drastically reduce child poverty.

When we pass our bill to cap the cost of insulin for children, we keep hundreds of thousands of children healthy without their families going broke.

When we continue our work on bills to make childcare, housing, and food more affordable, we are making life just a little bit easier for our children and families.

Giving our children a voice in legislation means taking responsibility for their success. What could be more important?

We must do more. Every week should be Children's Week.

REMEMBERING NATALIE AND DAVY LLOYD

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

Mr. BURLISON. Mr. Speaker, today, my heart and the hearts of my colleagues here are broken, especially the hearts of the citizens in southwest Mis-

souri and Oklahoma, as we ache and mourn the devastating loss of Natalie and Davy Lloyd.

Last month, their lives were tragically cut short by gang violence in Haiti while they were serving as missionaries at an orphanage. Natalie and Davy were too good for this Earth. They were steadfast disciples of Christ, walking in his footsteps and spreading his love to all that they encountered.

Their faith was a guiding force that shaped every aspect of their lives. As we struggle with the pain of their loss, let's draw strength from the knowledge that they are now reunited with their Heavenly Father for all eternity.

Rest in peace, Natalie and Davy. Your faith-filled lives will continue to inspire us forever. You will be dearly missed.

CELEBRATING HOMEOWNERSHIP

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

Ms. PLASKETT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge and celebrate June as National Homeownership Month.

We know the vital role that homeownership plays in building strong, sustainable, inclusive communities. It is critical that our shared goal is making quality, affordable homes available in every corner of the American experience.

In 2017, my home of the Virgin Islands was devastated by two Category 5 hurricanes, Irma and Maria. Seven years later, the housing stock of the Virgin Islands is only just recovering to pre-storm levels. Homeownership remains difficult to achieve as demand dramatically outstrips supply, distorting the market.

I am heartened by the Department of Housing and Urban Development's efforts to expand access to homeownership nationwide, reversing the effects of decades of redlining and other forms of discrimination or keeping individuals out.

We know that homeownership is the greatest means for families to build wealth. I stand in celebration of former Secretary of HUD MARCIA FUDGE and the continued work of Acting HUD Secretary Adrienne Todman, a fellow Virgin Islander. I urge continued congressional support for home-building programs in any corner of the American experience.

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MEDINA STUDENTS TAKE THE OATH OF ENLISTMENT

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

Mr. MILLER of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, recently 21 students from schools across Medina County, in the heart of

my district in Ohio, raised their right hands at Brunswick High School and solemnly swore to defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies foreign and domestic.

They took the oath of enlistment in the military. It is the same oath I proudly took over 11 years ago in the United States Marine Corps.

Few people ever serve in the military. These days even fewer do. The American culture used to revere those who joined to put their lives on the line for this country. While that sentiment may have dwindled in recent years, students from my district promised to serve.

These young men and women will gain leadership experience at 18 years old that most people will never have. They will gain the confidence to move through this world and the discipline to know the difference between right and wrong, and that will last a lifetime.

They are brave. They are noble. They are the future leaders of our country. It is honorable what they did, and I am honored that they are my constituents. I thank them for their future service.

RECOGNIZING INVEST NEBRASKA

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

Mr. FLOOD. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Invest Nebraska and their work fostering a new generation of entrepreneurs.

Since the early 2000s, Invest Nebraska has supported startups by backing high-potential businesses across the Cornhusker State.

In the decades since their founding, they provided millions of dollars in capital to startups in industries ranging from software to agriculture to healthcare.

Over the years, Invest Nebraska has assisted 155 companies and supported the creation of more than 1,200 jobs across the State. Under the leadership of Invest Nebraska CEO Dan Hoffman, our State went from dead last in the Nation in venture capital investment to 29th.

Thanks in part to their vision and success, Invest Nebraska has earned the moniker "Silicon Prairie" with tech startups popping up across the Cornhusker State.

Invest Nebraska does outstanding work growing businesses that provide great jobs in Nebraska.

Mr. Speaker, I thank them for their good work.

BIDENOMICS HARMS FAMILIES

(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, according to a recent Labor Department report, since Biden, prices

have risen nearly 20 percent. This costs families \$12,800 more annually to buy the basics compared to under President Donald Trump.

Gasoline is up 56 percent; eggs are up 44 percent; baby food and formula are up 30 percent; electricity is up 29 percent.

Corrupt Judge Merchan's unintended reelection of Donald Trump was confirmed today as I had breakfast with President Trump. Members of Congress from virtually every State and territory were enthusiastically united as we saw the judge earning my invitation to be attending the Trump inauguration.

President Trump explained today that the judge is indicting him to the White House.

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 don't need new border laws; we need to enforce existing laws. Biden shamefully opens the borders for dictators as more 9/11 attacks across America are imminent as repeatedly warned by the FBI.

RISING IN SUPPORT OF THE 2025 NDAA

(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, I rise in support of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025.

This legislation equips our military with the tools and resources needed to protect our Nation from the growing threats abroad now and in the future.

It also prioritizes the military's number one resource: our servicemembers. It would provide junior enlisted servicemembers with a 19.5 percent pay raise.

This would help offset the crippling inflation of the last 3½ years and improve military recruitment. It would provide employment support for their spouses, and this bill calls for more funding for their housing, childcare, and healthcare.

Importantly, the NDAA will work to deter further aggression from the Chinese Communist Party by strengthening and modernizing our defenses. This NDAA also supports greater oversight, cutting waste, fraud, and abuse, and ultimately saving taxpayers billions of dollars.

CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO NORTH KOREA—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 118-146)

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BURLISON) 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 North Korea that was declared in Executive Order 13466 of June 26, 2008, expanded in scope in Executive Order 13551 of August 30, 2010, addressed further in Executive Order 13570 of April 18, 2011, further expanded in scope in Executive Order 13687 of January 2, 2015, and under which additional steps were taken in Executive Order 13722 of March 15, 2016, and Executive Order 13810 of September 20, 2017, is to continue in effect beyond June 26, 2024.

The existence and risk of the proliferation of weapons-usable fissile material on the Korean Peninsula; the actions and policies of the Government of North Korea that destabilize the Korean Peninsula and imperil United States Armed Forces, allies, and trading partners in the region, including its pursuit of nuclear and missile programs; and other provocative, destabilizing, and repressive actions and policies of the Government of North Korea, continue to constitute an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States.

For this reason, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13466 with respect to North Korea.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN, Jr.
THE WHITE HOUSE, June 13, 2024.

CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO WESTERN BALKANS—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 118-147)

The SPEAKER pro tempore 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 the Western Balkans that was declared in Executive Order 13219 of June 26, 2001, under which additional steps were taken in Executive Order 13304 of May 28, 2003, and which was expanded in scope in Executive Order 14033 of June 8, 2021, is to continue in effect beyond June 26, 2024.

The acts of extremist violence and obstructionist activity, and the situation in the Western Balkans, which stymies progress toward effective and democratic governance and full integration into transatlantic institutions, outlined in these Executive Orders, continue to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. Therefore, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13219 with respect to the Western Balkans.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN, Jr.
THE WHITE HOUSE, June 13, 2024.

CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO BELARUS—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 118-148)

The SPEAKER pro tempore 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 Belarus that was declared in Executive Order 13405 of June 16, 2006, which was expanded in scope in Executive Order 14038 of August 9, 2021, is to continue in effect beyond June 16, 2024.

The actions and policies of certain members of the Government of Belarus and other persons, and the Belarusian regime's harmful activities and longstanding abuses, continue to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States. Therefore, I have determined that it is necessary to continue the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13405 with respect to Belarus.

JOSEPH R. BIDEN, Jr.
THE WHITE HOUSE, June 13, 2024.