

As an assembly member, he authored bills for bilingual services to be offered in communities that needed them and for farmworkers to be allowed to collectively bargain.

He cofounded the Latino Caucus in the California legislature in 1973 and helped expand Latino representation in the legislature. He strengthened historically Black council seats and ensured they stayed that way for decades.

That is the kind of man he was. He got things done. He prioritized everyday, working-class Angelenos, and he will be missed. East L.A. will never forget our luchador.

May Richard Alatorre rest in peace, and may his memory be a blessing to his family and to his community.

COMMEMORATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF "THE POWER BROKER"

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

Mr. NEAL. Madam Speaker, I take this opportunity to commemorate the 50th anniversary of Robert Caro's "The Power Broker."

As one of the great literary accomplishments over the last five decades, the "The Power Broker" is more than a biography of Robert Moses.

It explores how Moses reshaped New York City, and it is a first-class lesson for anyone interested in policy and politics.

Much like Moses and his work in New York City, Caro's work has transcended generations. I use this book as a guest lecturer at Western New England University, and it references the literary masterpiece that we all have come to love.

Caro's book is a reminder of the responsibility that comes with power and the need for accountability with Democratic institutions.

As we reflect on this seminal work, let us remind ourselves of the challenges we face today, reflecting upon those who wield power in our society and how it affects the lives of everyday citizens.

Let's commit ourselves to the principles of fairness, transparency, and equity, principles that underscore democracy by and of the people. What a favor Robert Moses has done to American history.

I congratulate Mr. Caro on the occasion of the semicentennial of "The Power Broker," and ask him to please finish the Lyndon Johnson series.

EXPANDING ACCESS AND COVERAGE FOR IVF

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

Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, while IVF is a major news story, fertility treatments are deeply personal journeys full of loss and hope.

I see it in my own family. For 2 years, my daughter-in-law, Stephanie, and my son, Patrick, have struggled to have a second child to give their precious daughter, Ella, a sibling, a lifelong best friend.

For 2 years, they have had hope extinguished by heartbreak, two failed IUIs, two IVF egg retrievals, a failed embryo transplant, and two miscarriages.

For them, IVF has opened the door to growing the family they have always hoped for after so many doors were shut.

IVF is not a cure-all, and it will never eliminate the trauma of infertility, but Stephanie and Patrick's latest IVF embryo transfer worked. God willing, we will be blessed with another grandchild this spring.

Their story is like so many other young families, yet it is rarely discussed. Infertility affects one in five women in the United States, many of whom suffer in silence.

That is why I am on the floor today and why Stephanie gave me the blessing to tell their story. Let's end the stigma, and as lawmakers, let's protect and expand access and coverage for IVF.

CONGRATULATING THE WEST POINT CLASS OF 2024

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

Mr. JAMES. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the West Point class of 2024 for graduating this past spring and for their continued commitment to service. It is no small feat.

I, myself, a West Point graduate of 2004, am celebrating my 20th reunion this fall, and time has flown.

I ask each of them to lead with the West Point motto in mind. "Duty, Honor, Country" is not just a slogan. It is a way of life as they embark on their lifetime of service.

I also congratulate them on going 3-1 against Navy. They are winners.

On a more serious note, our country will be better off for their leadership.

I am honored to ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the following three grads of the 2024 class from Michigan's 10th Congressional District: Lucas Dickerson from Sterling Heights, Alexzandria Goss from St. Clair Shores, and Chelsy Tene-Kuate of Macomb.

God bless the class of 2024. Their service and their sacrifice will never be forgotten. Godspeed and God bless them all.

IMPACTS OF PROJECT 2025

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

Ms. TOKUDA. Madam Speaker, Project 2025 is Donald Trump and MAGA Republicans' manifesto against everyday Americans.

It is based on an extreme ideology of inequity that envisions a chilling future in which the rich get richer on the backs of working families.

From "child," "keiki" to "elder," "kupuna," Project 2025 would take away our ability to feed and care for our "family," "ohana." In my district, it would raise taxes for working families in Hawaii just to hand out tax cuts to millionaires.

Project 2025 would impose limits on Medicaid benefits that almost 58,000 people in Hawaii depend on for healthcare coverage. It would raise out-of-pocket prescription drug costs for over 82,000 people on Medicare in my State alone. It would eliminate Head Start in Hawaii for almost 3,000 keiki from low-income backgrounds, many who live in rural communities and whose families depend on it for childcare.

For over 1 million Hawaii residents working hard toward a dignified retirement, Project 2025 would raise the retirement age from 67 to 69 and drastically cut the hard-earned Social Security benefits seniors depend on.

We cannot allow Project 2025's terrifying vision to become our future. Our people deserve better, and I won't stop fighting to reject this radical extreme agenda.

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NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR MURDER VICTIMS

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

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Madam Speaker, today is the National Day of Remembrance for Murder Victims, and we honor the family, friends, and loved ones whose lives have been taken far too soon by violence.

I rise in recognition of one of my constituents, Jackie Rowe-Adams, cofounder of Harlem Mothers S.A.V.E., who has dedicated her tireless efforts to ending gun violence and murder in communities across my district.

Gun violence has become far too prevalent in New York City and in communities around the Nation. It is undeniably a national crisis.

Today, we remember those lost to homicide. We honor their memories and uplift their loved ones. Far too many lives in my district have been lost to gun violence and far too many families have been impacted.

Congress must come together now and work toward a future where gun violence no longer plagues America and we can keep our communities safe. I thank Jackie Rowe-Adams for everything she does for us.

CONGRATULATING ROCK RIDGE ELEMENTARY

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

Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Rock Ridge Elementary in Wilson County, North Carolina, as a 2024 National Blue Ribbon School.

The National Blue Ribbon honor demonstrates the outstanding achievements of the Raiders and their unwavering commitment to excellence.

Rock Ridge, led by Principal Emily Chilton, is to be commended for tirelessly pursuing academic excellence. The journey to this honor has involved collaboration, innovation, and a shared vision among students, teachers, educational support professionals, families, and the community.

As Rock Ridge proudly displays the National Blue Ribbon flag, it is a symbol of a commitment to exemplary teaching and learning.

I congratulate the Raiders.

SANCTIONING TYRANNICAL AND OPPRESSIVE PEOPLE WITHIN THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY ACT

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. MOYLAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H.R. 3334.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. NUNN of Iowa). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Guam?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 1486 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill, H.R. 3334.

The Chair appoints the gentlewoman from North Carolina (Ms. FOXX) to preside over the Committee of the Whole.

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IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 3334) to provide for the imposition of sanctions on members of the National Communist Party Congress of the People's Republic of China, and for other purposes, with Ms. FOXX in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The CHAIR. Pursuant to the rule, the bill is considered read the first time.

General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed 1 hour equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs or their respective designees.

The gentleman from Guam (Mr. MOYLAN) and the gentleman from New York (Mr. MEEKS) each will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Guam.

Mr. MOYLAN. Madam Chairwoman, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Chairwoman, I rise in support of H.R. 3334, the STOP CCP Act, which

was introduced by my colleague from Michigan, Congresswoman McCLAIN, and ordered favorably reported by the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

The Chinese Communist Party is responsible for some of the world's worst human rights violations and threats to international security.

In Xinjiang, CCP-led genocide seeks to erase the history and culture of Uyghur Muslims, who live in constant fear.

While Hong Kong was once known for its vibrant civil society and the rule of law, today it is under the iron fist of Beijing and many brave democracy advocates sit in jail.

Our close friends in Taiwan live under constant military pressure, with incursions into their air defense identification zone. An oppressive PRC Coast Guard keeps pushing closer and closer to Taiwan's shores.

The Tibetan people have and continue to suffer from decades of brutal repression designed to undermine their identity and culture. I am glad that we have the opportunity today to support an amendment to shine a spotlight on the abuse they endure.

All of these egregious abuses and urgent threats are being directed and implemented by leaders of the Chinese Communist Party. The party's Central Committee, which this bill targets, is like the board of directors of the CCP. As key party decisionmakers, the Central Committee directs CCP abuse and aggression, which threatens our friends and partners in the Indo-Pacific. Therefore, it is critical to use targeted sanctions to hold these top party leaders accountable.

Sadly, the weakness of the Biden-Harris administration's foreign policy has invited aggression around the world—in Ukraine and in the Middle East. We hope it will not invite aggression toward Taiwan.

In the face of chaos, I am sorry that the Biden-Harris administration and some of my friends on the other side of the aisle feel that we cannot afford to put action to our words with these modest sanctions.

The administration opposes this bill, claiming that it needs to maintain flexibility to avoid "veering into conflict." Sadly, I fear that our adversaries have grown to depend on the Biden-Harris administration's flexibility. Just last night, the PRC launched an ICBM near my district of Guam, which landed just below Hawaii. Clearly, we need to draw our line in the sand now.

This bill is not an act of war. It includes exceptions for U.N., intelligence, law enforcement, and national security purposes. It even gives the President the ability to waive sanctions if the President deems it necessary.

We are only ensuring that the CCP officials most responsible for the party's crimes, crimes that include genocide, do not routinely get to enjoy the benefits of the U.S. financial system or travel to our great country.

We must stand up for our founding values and security interests. The defense of liberty and human rights is not escalation. Our partners and allies feel safest when America leads rather than hesitating while our adversaries are on the march.

This bill is a strong display of U.S. foreign policy and the values that guide it. I urge Members to support this bill, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. MEEKS. Madam Chair, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Chair, I rise in strong opposition to this legislation.

We all recognize the challenges posed by the People's Republic of China. The Biden-Harris administration and this body are clear-eyed that the PRC is our foremost geopolitical challenge, but how we manage this relationship will have consequences not just for us but for the entire world. This requires sober policies and shrewd diplomacy, not fear or partisan grandstanding.

It is for that reason I oppose H.R. 3334. If signed into law, this bill would sabotage high-level diplomacy with Beijing. Why else would we sanction all of the PRC's top leaders, including the President, the Premier, the senior ministers in one fell swoop, an action that would immediately rupture the U.S.-China relationship? Such a unilateral action would undermine the United States' interests, divide us from our partners and allies, and endanger our national security by making a conflict more likely in the Indo-Pacific.

Over the last few years, the Biden-Harris administration has competed vigorously with China. They have sanctioned Chinese officials and companies for human rights abuses in Xinjiang and Hong Kong. They have provided Taiwan with the weapons that it needs to enhance its self-defense. They have imposed unprecedented export controls against China to ensure our technology isn't bolstering China's military or its human rights abuses. They have done so while revitalizing our alliances and partnerships in the region and stabilizing relations with Beijing so that our competition does not slide into conflict. All of this is endangered by this bill before us.

The State Department has warned that this bill will bluntly curtail the United States' ability to engage with Beijing at senior levels of our civilian and military leadership to advance our national interests.

For example, earlier this month, the head of U.S. forces in the Indo-Pacific spoke to his Chinese counterpart for the first time in years. During the call, Admiral Paparo underscored the importance of sustained lines of communication between the United States military and the PLA, noting that "such discussions between senior leaders serve to clarify intent and reduce the risk of misperception or miscalculation."

If we want to keep the American people safe and lower the chance of an accidental crisis in the Taiwan Strait or