

caregiving can be one of the most rewarding experiences.

Mr. Speaker, as a caregiver for my mom who is 83 with Alzheimer's, I want every family caregiver to know that they are not alone and they are appreciated.

Each day, there are also more and more caregivers who face the challenge of balancing care for both their children and their parents, while at the same time maintaining a career.

That is why Congress should act to build and support a stronger care economy; a care economy that will help American families thrive and ensure quality care for their loved ones. Caregivers should only need one job, not multiple jobs to live. All caregivers deserve to be paid, and those that are paid, deserve a pay raise.

On average, caregivers spend 26 percent of their income on out-of-pocket care costs that include housing and meals and medical costs.

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This financial strain hits hardest for younger caregivers and Latino and African-American caregivers, as well as those who care for loved ones with dementia. To reduce this financial burden, we should pass legislation to provide a tax credit to eligible families. We can build a strong care economy by passing legislation to have Medicare cover the cost of care for our loved ones.

Let's support our caregivers and the American people by supporting policies that help build a strong care economy. This November and every month, we recognize and support family caregivers.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until noon today.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 15 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. MILLER of Illinois) at noon.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Lord, in Your mercy, attend to our country's deep divide made so painfully evident in these last months, weeks, and days.

Remind us instead that You call us to demolish every argument and every pretension in all aspects of our lives—personal, political, spiritual—that sets itself up against the knowledge of You, O God.

For You alone are wise. Even our best thoughts, desires, and intentions do not come near to Your thoughts, nor capture all that You desire and intend for us as individuals, families, communities, and as a country.

In these days when tempers are short and disappointment is deep, when victory satisfies and boasting comes all too naturally, remind us to take every thought captive and make it obedient to You. Guide our minds and our hearts to Your truth that whatever stand we take today would reflect Your love and Your grace.

In Your sovereign name we pray.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. 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 pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. McGOVERN) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. McGOVERN 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 PRO TEMPORE

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

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF FOSTER SAYERS

(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. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and service of Private First-Class Foster Sayers.

Foster Sayers was a 20-year-old infantryman who joined the Army from Howard, Pennsylvania, in March of 1943.

Private Sayers served during World War II in Thionville, France.

On November 12, 1944, he went above the call of duty when he single-handedly ran toward enemy forces. His heroic actions enabled his company to run across the open field to successfully flank and capture the enemy position.

Private First-Class Foster Sayers valiantly fought to protect our freedoms, and his bravery earned him a Medal of Honor.

Madam Speaker, 80 years later we remember that the freedoms that we

enjoy have come at a tremendous cost paid in sweat, sacrifice, and blood by servicemembers like Foster Sayers.

Yesterday, I had the opportunity to honor Private Sayers by presenting two flags to Foster Sayers, Jr., and Foster Sayers III in memory of their father and grandfather.

Madam Speaker, let us continue to build a country worthy of the sacrifices of our veterans.

May God bless our veterans and our great Nation.

END HUNGER NOW

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

Mr. McGOVERN. Madam Speaker, under the leadership of Boston Mayor Michelle Wu and Food and Nutrition Executive Director Anneliese Tanner, Boston Public Schools are proving to all of us that school meals can be improved by implementing scratch cooking and sourcing local produce.

In September, I joined Mayor Wu and her team and State and local officials at Czajkowski Farm in Hadley, Massachusetts, a wonderful farming community in my Congressional District, to learn more about this incredible partnership that is improving access to local produce for students in the Boston Public Schools.

With the support of Federal funding from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Boston is purchasing delicious butternut squash, zucchinis, tomatoes, sweet potatoes, and more from family farmer, Joe Czajkowski.

This partnership is not only good for the farm but it is also good for families. I am told that the kids loved the scratch-cooked, locally sourced meals that are made from ingredients grown 90 miles down the road.

This partnership should serve as inspiration for all of us to continue our work to improve local food systems and end hunger now.

RECOGNIZING ASHLEY PAXTON

(Mrs. LESKO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. LESKO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize a member of my district staff, Ashley Paxton, for her dedication and service to the constituents of Arizona's Eighth Congressional District.

Ashley Paxton, a U.S. Air Force veteran, serves as a Green and Gold Congressional Fellow in my Surprise, Arizona, district office.

In just a short time, Ashley expertly navigated problems for over 200 constituents who had issues with various Federal agencies. As a result, she saved these constituents over \$350,000. Ashley also excelled at constituent outreach around the district and coordinating both the Congressional Art Competition and the annual military service academy nomination process.

I thank Ashley for her leadership and service to the Eighth Congressional District. Her dedication and determination were critical to the success of our constituent service programs and improved the lives of those living in our district.

I thank Ashley, and I appreciate her.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES WANT TO STAY IN THEIR HOMES

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

Mr. COHEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to support the millions of Americans who live with disabilities and who want to stay in their homes. That seems like a pretty simple idea and something that, unfortunately, millions and millions of people are denied.

In 1999, the Supreme Court issued the Olmstead decision, finding that individuals with disabilities have a right under the Americans with Disabilities Act to receive State-funded supports and services while living independently in their community.

This landmark decision promised to ensure people would have access to home and community-based care as an alternative to institutionalization.

However, 25 years later, people are still being forced into institutions, including nursing homes and psychiatric hospitals.

One person who wanted to live in their home with the benefit of these services, which were court affirmed, was Latonya Reeves.

She lived in my hometown of Memphis but couldn't get the services in her home that she needed, so she moved to Colorado in 1991 where she could live without being institutionalized.

While there, she contributed to the community by working as a transition counselor and community activist.

This session, I introduced the Latonya Reeves Freedom Act, which would codify the Olmstead decision and strengthen the rights of Americans with disabilities to receive long-term services and supports in the settings of their choice.

This bill has been around in several forms for several years. In the last two terms, it has gained the support of a majority of the House of Representatives, and in this Congress it has had as many as 222 cosponsors. I filed a discharge petition to bring the bill to the floor just a few minutes ago.

In the remaining days of the 118th Congress, I hope my colleagues on both sides of the aisle will sign the discharge petition to support the millions of Americans with disabilities.

Let's keep the American Dream alive for people with disabilities to stay in their homes.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will remind all persons in the

gallery that they are here as guests of the House and that any manifestation of approval or disapproval of proceedings is in violation of the rules of the House.

NATIONAL BREAD MONTH

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

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, as a child growing up in Altoona, Pennsylvania, I recall the bread man, Schmidy, who made twice-a-week visits to our home.

During my training at Johns Hopkins Hospital, there were very few people who were awake as I walked to the hospital early in the morning.

One exception was the bread truck.

For generations, American bakers have risen early, rolled up their sleeves, and literally rolled out the dough.

I proudly represent Martin's Potato Rolls in central Pennsylvania in Franklin County carrying on that tradition of bakers.

Today, I am proud to introduce a resolution that would recognize the thousands of bakers across our country who knead and create the foods that so many Americans need to feed their families by making November National Bread Month.

In addition to introducing this legislation, I am proud to be launching the Congressional Baking Caucus, a group of lawmakers who are committed to addressing the critical issues facing our baking industry.

Together, with Congressman DON DAVIS of North Carolina, we will focus on growing the industry's workforce and ensuring that bakers can thrive in the years ahead.

Across our country, these men and women are working tirelessly to support communities, and the Congressional Baking Caucus will work to ensure that families have the food that nourishes them each and every day.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 8932, FAFSA DEADLINE ACT; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 7409, HARNESSING ENERGY AT THERMAL SOURCES ACT; AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 8446, CRITICAL MINERAL CONSISTENCY ACT OF 2024

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call on House Resolution 1568 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 1568

Resolved, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 8932) to establish an earlier application processing cycle for the FAFSA. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. The amendment

in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, are waived. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill, as amended, and on any further amendment thereto to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce or their respective designees; and (2) one motion to recommit.

SEC. 2. Upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 7409) to amend the Geothermal Steam Act of 1970 to waive the requirement for a Federal drilling permit for certain activities, to exempt certain activities from the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, and for other purposes. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. The bill shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill are waived. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and on any amendment thereto to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources or their respective designees; and (2) one motion to recommit.

SEC. 3. Upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 8446) to amend the Energy Act of 2020 to include critical materials in the definition of critical mineral, and for other purposes. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. The amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Natural Resources now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, are waived. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill, as amended, and on any further amendment thereto to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources or their respective designees; and (2) one motion to recommit.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Texas is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MCGOVERN), pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

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Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, last week, the American people spoke forcefully against what we have seen for 4