

us, including Putin's. Ukrainians are fighting tirelessly on the front lines, not just for their nation, but for democracy.

Mr. Speaker, in the face of these threats, the time to act is now.

CONGRATULATING MARK BURNS ON RECEIVING LIFETIME AVIATION INDUSTRY LEADER AWARD

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

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Mark Burns, who recently received the Lifetime Aviation Industry Leader Award.

The Living Legends of Aviation Awards was founded in 2003 by the Kiddie Hawk Air Academy to recognize notable individuals who contributed to the aviation industry.

Prior to being named Gulfstream Aerospace Corporation's president in July of 2015, Burns worked in various areas spanning the company, including engineering and customer support. While president, Burns has guided Gulfstream during a time of rapid growth, innovation, and investment.

Additionally, Burns sits on the board of directors for the General Aviation Manufacturers Association, Georgia Power, and the Corporate Angel. He is a board member of the National Air and Space Museum, and he is a member of the National Committee for the Performing Arts, amongst others.

Burns is also a proud alumnus of Georgia Southern University, where he received his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering, and from there, built a career worth applause and appreciation by Georgia residents.

Congratulations, Mark.

ATTACKS ON REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS

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

Ms. MANNING. Mr. Speaker, after the Supreme Court overturned *Roe v. Wade*, we knew extreme MAGA Republicans wouldn't stop with attacking abortion rights. We knew they would come for birth control.

I introduced the Right to Contraception Act to codify the right to use all forms of FDA-approved birth control.

We also knew they would come for IVF. Last week, the Alabama Supreme Court decided frozen embryos are children, forcing clinics in Alabama to stop IVF treatments.

Republicans are now scrambling to claim they support contraception and IVF. Actions speak louder than words.

Mr. Speaker, 195 House Republicans voted against my bill to protect the right to contraception, and over 120 Republicans cosponsored the Life at Conception Act, a bill that uses the same reasoning as the Alabama court, that

includes no protection for IVF or birth control, and would decimate IVF and abortion access nationwide.

Earlier today, Senate Republicans blocked a bill to protect the right to access IVF. They don't care about protecting reproductive rights, they care about controlling women's bodies.

RECOGNIZING COMMAND SERGEANT CORY M. BELL

(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 recognize a Pennsylvania 15th District native, Command Sergeant Cory M. Bell for his service to the United States of America.

Command Sergeant Bell is retiring as a master sergeant after 24 years of serving in the United States Army. He was raised in Eldred, McKean County, Pennsylvania. He enlisted in the Army on August 24, 2000.

After completing his One Station Unit Training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, he became a 12B combat engineer. Over the next 24 years, Command Sergeant Bell's service took him around the United States and the world in a variety of posts and positions. He is currently serving in the 3-393rd Brigade Engineer Battalion at Fort Cavazos, Texas.

Regardless of location, Command Sergeant Bell consistently provided leadership and guidance to his fellow soldiers.

Following his retirement, he will return to Kane, Pennsylvania, with his loving wife, Kristen, and three daughters.

Mr. Speaker, we owe Command Sergeant Bell a sincere debt of gratitude for his sacrifice, dedication, and courage to our country. On behalf of a grateful Nation, we thank him for his service to the United States of America. His dedication to our country is admirable. Enjoy retirement, you deserve it.

CRIMINALIZING REPRODUCTIVE HEALTHCARE

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

Ms. LEGER FERNANDEZ. Mr. Speaker, recently Speaker JOHNSON and most House Republicans cosponsored a bill that could ban IVF nationwide and criminalize reproductive healthcare. The Alabama Supreme Court's anti-IVF ruling is consistent with these extreme attempts to steal women's freedom to decide when, how, and if to have a family.

Trump and the MAGA extremists want a Federal abortion ban. Packing the Supreme Court to overturn *Roe v. Wade* wasn't enough for them. Every State law and constitutional amend-

ment protecting women's reproductive freedoms from New Mexico to Kansas to Ohio could be overturned if Donald Trump and Republicans win in 2024.

Criminalizing pregnancies, outlawing IVF and birth control, and forcing pregnancies on children who have been raped—that is the nightmare we face unless women and those that love them act now to defeat this extremism. Women need healthcare, not handcuffs.

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UNLEASHING FULL POTENTIAL OF DOMESTIC NUCLEAR ENERGY

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

Mr. FULCHER. Mr. Speaker, nuclear energy development has made tremendous strides to become one of the most carbon-free, safe, and reliable sources of energy.

Beyond powering cities, the nuclear industry provides jobs to Americans and fuels the economy. For example, the Idaho National Laboratory, in my home State of Idaho, is a major economic driver, bringing an economic impact of nearly \$4 billion just last year.

The Atomic Energy Advancement Act provides a clear pathway for industry leaders such as INL to continue the production of affordable and sustainable energy by removing barriers that hinder the development of nuclear power, unleashing the full potential of our domestic nuclear energy, and taking away the need to rely on foreign adversaries.

This legislation will streamline the licensing process, accelerate the development of nuclear power, and expedite the regulatory process for advanced reactors while building the nuclear workforce at the NRC.

For this and many other reasons, I voted in support of H.R. 6544 to bolster our energy security and drive innovation through the atomic energy industry.

HONORING TOM SKILLING

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

Mr. SORENSEN. Mr. Speaker, as the only meteorologist in Congress, I rise today to honor one of the best in the history of local television: Tom Skilling of Chicago's Very Own WGN-TV. He retires tonight after 45 years in Chicago, tracking storms, blizzards, and tornadoes.

It wasn't just being a trusted resource on television. He mentored hundreds of interns, setting the bar high for generations of local meteorologists now serving all over the country.

For more than 20 years, I have known Tom to be a man of intense character with no limitation to his focus on perfecting the craft of analyzing, forecasting, and communicating.

I would not be standing here today without him sharing the belief that we are all just neighbors to one another, experiencing the same crazy weather together.

As the kids say, he is the GOAT. I am so proud to stand here and wish my friend the best in his retirement. He is the greatest.

RECOGNIZING JOHN MURPHY

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

Mr. LAWLER. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to recognize an individual who has been a beacon of service and steadfast advocate for those in need, John Murphy.

John's service began in the Marine Corps before he ran for county legislature and served there for over 40 years.

John has also committed himself to helping veterans and the developmentally disabled community, serving on the board of Camp Venture in support of the Venture Foundation for over 40 years, as well.

His work in this space led to many services being provided for the IDD community in the Hudson Valley, and his efforts remind us that the true measure of a society is found in how it treats its most vulnerable members.

In late 2023, John's other venture, Homes for Heroes, unveiled its new Phase II residences at Camp Shanks. This organization, headed by John, houses homeless veterans, something all of us in this body must continue to focus on.

I applaud John Murphy, a true hero for heroes, for his decades of service and his undying commitment to improving lives.

His legacy is built on the lives he has changed and the futures he has secured. I thank him for his service.

BORDER FUNDING TIED TO UKRAINE FUNDING

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

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, in Ukraine, the real battle for liberty grinds on. Vladimir Putin dines on caviar while Speaker JOHNSON and his majority House Conference paralyze our Nation. They refuse to bring up the Senate aid bill to provide Ukraine ammunition.

The Speaker pretends Congress won't fix our southern border so we shouldn't arm Ukraine's freedom fighters. Fixing our southern border requires Congress to vote for the funds to secure it, yet the Speaker refuses to bring up border funding while Ukraine's soldiers face the third largest military in the world.

Courageous freedom champion Alexei Navalny was tortured and imprisoned by Putin because he wanted a free nation. He was killed in a bitter, frigid, arctic prison colony.

What an awesome, heroic son of liberty for the future of his countrymen and -women. He died for liberty.

Meanwhile, this House is paralyzed. For shame. History will render harsh judgments against those elected officials who do not stand up for liberty at its time of severe testing on a continent where 500,000 American soldiers died in the last century so that our generation could be free.

The Speaker should bring up the Senate bill. Stand tall for liberty. Don't shrink from it.

HONORING JACK BODNER

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

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in memory of an extraordinary serviceman from my district, my hometown, Jack "Pop-Eye" Bodner, who passed away at the age of 102 years old.

Mr. Speaker, Jack was a well-accomplished member of the United States Navy, having earned the European Theater Medal with four stars, the Good Conduct Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal.

Three years ago, our office had the honor to present Jack with his Combat Action Ribbon for his courageous service during World War II.

Jack enlisted with the U.S. Navy shortly after the attack on Pearl Harbor. He served our Nation across the globe. He was involved in several military operations, such as the Battle of Gela, the landing in Salerno, Italy, and the landing at Omaha Beach on D-Day in a U.S. amphibious landing craft.

Mr. Speaker, his service abroad garnered him the status of knight within the Legion of Honour, the highest decoration given by the Honorary Consul of France, in recognition of his contribution to the liberation of France.

May Jack Bodner's memory inspire all of us to strive toward courage and remind us of the heroes living amongst us. May God bless him and his family.

HONORING CALE YARBOROUGH

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

Mr. FRY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Timmonsville, South Carolina, native and American legend Cale Yarborough.

The NASCAR Hall of Famer started racing in Darlington at the soapbox derby. From there, he went on to win 83 cup races and became the sport's first driver to win three consecutive championships.

Cale's legacy is reflected not only in his record-breaking career but also his role in popularizing NASCAR. When Cale Yarborough was racing, America was watching.

Following his decorated career, Cale bought and operated a racing team of

his own. He also served the Pee Dee community in South Carolina on the Florence County Council.

We mourn the loss of a true legend, but we remember and celebrate a life that was well lived.

SERIOUS DEBATE ON IMMIGRATION

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

Mr. GROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, sometime in the next month, there is going to finally be a serious debate on the number of people streaming across our border. It may be over an appropriations bill. It may be over an aid bill to Ukraine. There are going to be a lot of people who say there are other issues more important than this and to just wait a little longer to solve the problem at the border.

We have waited for 3 years to do something at the border as the Biden administration has watched the number of people who crossed the border every month go from 10,000 to 20,000 to 370,000 people. That is unacceptable.

We had testimony in my subcommittee last week that the people who are coming across the border are 3½ to 4 times as likely to commit a crime as the native-born, and we saw tragedy in Atlanta just on that topic.

We know very well, if you talk to people, that all of these people streaming across here have to live somewhere and are partly responsible for the increase in rental costs that we have across our country.

We don't want to shut down the government, and we don't want to say no more aid to Ukraine, but we have no choice. If it is not now, when? We have waited 3 years.

DIRECT VICTIMS OF BIDEN BORDER POLICY

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

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, indeed, a very somber thought is that we have three young ladies who are direct victims of the wide-open Biden border policy. They are not getting much notoriety for that. They are not getting talked about a whole lot.

Kayla Hamilton, 1½ years ago, was taken by an illegal immigrant in this country. Lizbeth Medina, just this last December, was taken by somebody who had overstayed their visa and was here illegally. Now, most recently, Laken Riley, who we are starting to hear about a little bit, was taken by an illegal immigrant just a few days ago.

All of this is at the hands of the Biden border policy, which is endangering our citizens and causing them to lose their lives. What are we going to do about this? What are people doing? Are there protests out there? Are there