

ultimately confessed, stating he carried out the attack “for Gaza” and “for Palestine.”

Sarah was a peace-seeking public servant who dedicated her career to fostering dialogue between Israelis and Palestinians. Yaron was a warm, idealistic young man preparing for a life in diplomacy. The two had planned to become engaged on an upcoming trip to Israel. Their futures were full of promise. Their loss is immeasurable.

This attack is not an isolated act; it reflects a broader trend of increasing antisemitism at home and abroad. According to the Anti-Defamation League, antisemitic incidents have risen by 140 percent in the months following the October 7, 2023, terrorist attacks.

Antisemitism has no place in this country.

May the memories of Sarah and Yaron be a blessing. Let us honor them not only with remembrance, but with resolve to confront hatred wherever it appears.

RECOGNIZING COMMANDER
LEONARD HUYCK

HON. TOM BARRETT

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 29, 2025

Mr. BARRETT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a true legend in the Michigan veteran community. It is with deep respect and heartfelt appreciation that I get to recognize Commander Leonard Huyck for extraordinary service and steadfast leadership of VFW Post 8964.

Since being elected Post Commander in May of 1983, Leonard has dedicated forty-two years of his life to leading his fellow veterans, honoring their service, and strengthening the bonds of community and patriotism that define the VFW. His leadership has not only guided Post 8964 through decades of change, but ensured it remained a place of honor, support, and purpose for all who served.

Forty-two years is more than a milestone, it's a testament to Leonard's character, commitment, and love of country. He has given his time, energy, and heart to this mission, building a legacy that will outlast all of us in the process.

On behalf of a grateful Nation, I thank Commander Huyck for his service. He has made a difference in the lives of many, and our community is a better place because of him.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me and the people of our mid-Michigan community in recognizing Commander Huyck for his decades of service.

RECOGNIZING DOROTHY DRAPER &
COMPANY

HON. CAROL D. MILLER

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 29, 2025

Mrs. MILLER of West Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dorothy Draper & Company on 100 years of business.

Founded in 1925, it is the oldest continually operating interior design firm in America. Its founder and namesake, Dorothy Draper, was a trailblazer, starting her company at a time

when most women did not seek employment. Her vision, love of color, chintz, and tendency towards the dramatic solidified her iconic style dubbed “the Draper Touch”. Her protege, Carleton Varney, championed her work throughout his career, and the company flourished under his leadership, the creative genius and driving force who led the firm for 60 years. Mr. Varney went on to decorate the West Virginia Governor's mansion in the 1980s, further solidifying “the Draper Touch” into the state's culture and history.

The Dorothy Draper Company's work is especially important to my home state of West Virginia, where their most famous design is showcased, The Greenbrier Resort, affectionately called “America's Resort.” Located in White Sulphur Springs, the Greenbrier's legacy took a unique turn when it was converted into a military hospital to meet the demands brought about during WWII. It was then returned to a hotel and transformed into the unique and bold getaway we recognize today.

The Greenbrier has hosted presidents, royalty, celebrities, and countless West Virginians and Americans since 1778. Dorothy's use of color and pattern was so distinctly ‘her’ that her legacy lives on in her company and through those that she inspired.

I am so delighted and proud to recognize co-owner Sebastian Varney and Design Director Rudy Saunders, and their company. I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating them on a century of success and wish them many more to come.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION
OF H.R. 1, ONE BIG BEAUTIFUL
BILL ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 21, 2025

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker, I thank my colleague and good friend, the Ranking Member of the Rules Committee JIM MCGOVERN. He is a tireless fighter for working families and I am proud to be in that fight with him. I am glad to call out the egregious giveaway to billionaires and big corporations being orchestrated in this Republican tax bill.

The \$4.5 trillion—and counting, counting because we do not have the full CBO score as this bill is being jammed through the House—is what we are talking about. That is what Republicans are preparing to shower on the richest companies and their billionaire owners, while giving mere pennies to the middle class, working class, and vulnerable families who are struggling with the cost-of-living crisis.

President Trump campaigned on lowering prices. He pledged to “bring food costs down on day one.” Instead, the opposite has happened. His own USDA recently reported egg prices could rise 41 percent over the next year. Since taking office, he has done nothing to help families.

This is shameful, because the alternative is clear. A few weeks ago, I reintroduced the American Family Act, legislation to reinstate the improved, expanded Child Tax Credit. The American Family Act would create the strongest version of the tax credit ever, indexing the value of the credit to inflation, and it would es-

tablish a baby bonus to help families in that critical first year after birth.

The data proves that the expanded Child Tax Credit that we passed in 2021 delivered the greatest middle class tax cut in a generation, reaching nearly 36 million families—61 million children. It was the antidote to child poverty and to inflation. It gave real money back to millions of working families in the form of monthly checks, cutting child hunger by a fourth and bringing child poverty down to the lowest recorded levels in history.

The watered-down imitation of a Child Tax Credit included in this bill will not continue this progress. I want to take this time to address a few misconceptions about the Child Tax Credit that have been present in this debate so far. According to the Columbia Center on Poverty and Social Policy, nearly one out of four children, 17 million children nationwide, are excluded from full credit because their family incomes are too low to qualify. This is not an issue of work requirements. The current version of the CTC functions as an income requirement, hurting families who work hard or are retired grandparents who are now caring for a second generation, but simply do not earn enough to qualify. Families with parents who work hard will be excluded because their wages are too meager. Are you truly saying that billionaires and corporations need tax breaks more than the youngest of your constituents? This bill would make that problem worse, not better.

This bill pays lip service to the Child Tax Credit—I believe the American people need more than that.

Our bill is the real deal. The improved, expanded Child Tax Credit fixes this problem. We need that now more than ever. Across the country, families are living paycheck to paycheck while prices for everyday goods and essential services, from eggs to gasoline to medicine and childcare, continue to rise.

This should not be a partisan issue. Republicans like former Senator MITT ROMNEY, Senator JOSH HAWLEY, and even Vice President J.D. VANCE have supported the Child Tax Credit because the evidence that it helped families is so overwhelming.

But Republican leadership in Congress has been clear: they want to give the corporate lobbyists everything they ask for and then some. They are gutting Medicaid, food stamps, and anything else that stands in the way of more money for billionaires.

This bill is not responding to the cost-of-living crisis. This bill is pouring gasoline on the fire. My promise to American families is that I will fight as hard as I can, with every ally I can find, to stop this corrupt giveaway and focus on bringing down the cost of living through a proven policy, the expanded Child Tax Credit—not the meager substitute in this bill.

SUPPORT FOR THE ORPHAN DRUG
ACT

HON. MARIANNETTE MILLER-MEEKS

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 29, 2025

Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the importance of the Orphan Drug Act in driving rare disease therapy clinical research in my district at the University

of Iowa. As a physician, a legislator, and a member of the Rare Disease Congressional Caucus, I have seen firsthand the life-changing impact that medical innovation can have on patients battling rare diseases. Iowa's first congressional district is home to clinical trials for several rare diseases that lack a Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved therapy, including Becker muscular dystrophy, Gaucher disease type 3, and limb girdle muscular dystrophy. For these patients, and the millions of Americans suffering from rare diseases, scientific advancements represent more than just medical progress—they offer hope where none previously existed.

That hope would not be possible without the Orphan Drug Act, which has served as the foundation for rare disease drug development for over four decades. The Orphan Drug Act's most critical incentive is orphan drug exclusivity, which is a seven-year period of market exclusivity. This incentive ensures that innovators willing to take the extraordinary risk of developing a first-in-class treatment for a complex condition affecting a small patient population are appropriately rewarded.

For many rare diseases, the first FDA-approved treatment is a lifeline. These therapies often require years of research, billions in investment, and considerable perseverance to bring these medicines to patients. Without a strong and reliable exclusivity framework, these treatments simply would not exist. Congress intended orphan exclusivity to serve as "a marketplace-oriented solution that provide incentives for private enterprise to develop orphan drugs." FDA established regulations that aimed to protect this critical economic incentive while also encouraging continued innovation for a rare disease by allowing a follow-on product that is the same drug for the same use to break orphan exclusivity if it demonstrates greater efficacy, greater safety, or a "major contribution to patient care" relative to the original orphan drug. Congress codified these regulations in 2017.

Congress has long recognized that the "major contribution care" prong of the "clinical superiority" standard is meant to be a high bar. We did not intend for minor modifications such as changes in dosing frequency or formulation to erode the exclusivity protections of the first innovator drug unless such modifications result in a significant clinical benefit in treating the underlying conditions. If we allow marginal improvements rather than true clinical advancements to justify breaking orphan exclusivity, we undermine the very incentive that encourages companies to develop first-in-class therapies in the first place. The FDA has a clear precedent for maintaining a high bar for clinical superiority determinations. If we lower the bar for breaking orphan exclusivity, especially for "major contribution to patient care," we will undermine the future of rare disease drug development.

Lowering the bar will deter investment in first-in-class therapies by reducing the certainty that companies will be able to benefit from the exclusivity protections Congress intended. Lowering the bar will create regulatory uncertainty, leading to litigation, market instability, and hesitation from investors who fund rare disease innovation. Lowering the bar will set a dangerous precedent for copycat products with few modifications, encouraging incremental changes rather than bold scientific advancements. Lowering the bar will hurt pa-

tients most of all, delaying or discouraging the development of a first-ever therapy for the nearly 10,000 rare diseases that still lack an FDA-approved treatment.

As a physician, I know that true medical breakthroughs require bold investment, sustained commitment, and regulatory certainty. As a legislator, I am committed to preserving the integrity of the Orphan Drug Act and ensuring that it continues to drive life-changing treatments for patients. FDA must apply the law a Congress intended and not allow minor modifications to erode exclusivity protections that serve as the foundation for rare disease innovation. Today, I am calling on my fellow members of the Rare Disease Congressional Caucus to stand together to protect the value of the incentives established in the Orphan Drug Act.

HONORING DARRELL S.
TREMBLAY

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 29, 2025

Mr. WITTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the retirement of Darrell S. Tremblay.

Darrell S. Tremblay first joined the fire service in February of 1987 as a volunteer fireman in Stafford County, Virginia. From 1991 to 1995, he spent time as a professional fireman in the Naval District Washington Department of Fire and Emergency Services. Darrell graduated from Washington D.C. Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department Recruit Class 315 on August 8, 1995. His first appointment was to Engine 30 before his appointment to Truck 17. On March 30, 2005, Darrell Tremblay was appointed to the Marine Division within Special Operations.

During his time on the Fire Boat, Darrell was promoted to Marine Operator, Assistant Marine Pilot, and then to Marine Pilot, also earning his 200-ton masters license as a Merchant Mariner from the United States Coast Guard. Serving the citizens and visitors of the district from the water was Darrell's passion. His time spent working on the Fire Boat included maintaining the department's fireboat fleet, training with municipalities around the region to hone his skill set, and performing countless rescue operations.

In the 20 years served on the Fire Boat, Darrell has earned commendations to include a Class II Unit Citation for Valor, Armed Forces Expeditionary Ribbon, the Coast Guard Meritorious Team Commendation, and many others. After 30 years in the DCFD, and a commendable service record, Darrell Tremblay is retiring on July 12, 2025.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join me in recognizing Darrell S. Tremblay for his service to the Nation. I am proud to join him in celebrating this remarkable achievement. May the Lord bless him as he embarks on his next challenge, and I look forward to seeing his continued success in the future.

RECOGNIZING PATRICIA ANN MILLER FOR HER SERVICE AS SURVIVING SPOUSE LIAISON

HON. CHRIS PAPPAS

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 29, 2025

Mr. PAPPAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Patricia Ann Miller's outstanding service as a Surviving Spouse Liaison at the Military Officers Association of America. Pat has approached her work as a liaison with immense passion and commitment, exemplifying the virtues of service to her community and Nation.

Pat has continuously shown the highest standard of care to veterans' surviving spouses, advocating for legislation that supports them, helping them access healthcare benefits, and reaching out on a routine basis to encourage them in their daily life. Pat has represented the MOAA on numerous occasions and spearheaded events to honor surviving spouses. In one case, Pat established a memorial fund that donated to family charities identified by each surviving spouse in memory of their loved one.

Pat showcases exceptional personal care for the people she helps, immediately contacting newly surviving spouses to support them in their time of grief and inform them of available resources. Every holiday, Pat contacts each surviving spouse personally with well-wishes and comfort.

On behalf of my constituents in New Hampshire's First Congressional District, I thank Pat for her thoughtfulness and dedication to the surviving spouses she has supported. Granite states are grateful that the spouses of our brave veterans may receive attentive care from professionals like Pat, and I wish her only the best in the years to come.

RECOGNIZING FIRST LADY ELIZABETH MOBLEY OF MT. OLIVE MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

HON. TIMOTHY M. KENNEDY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 29, 2025

Mr. KENNEDY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize First Lady Elizabeth Mobley of Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church. A woman whose spiritual influence can be seen and heard throughout Western New York through children of all ages and parishioners beyond the walls of church on Sunday.

First Lady Mobley studied at SUNY Fredonia, earning a Master's Degree in Speech Pathology. From there, she began her career in the Buffalo Public School system, identifying the proper communication skills of students by working with educators and families to ensure students' success.

First Lady Mobley is committed to prioritizing the needs of her students and parishioners, serving as the leader of the Senior and Youth Ministry at Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church, while remaining an active participant in the choir and Women's Ministry. Bound by love and strengthened by prayer, she credits the work that she does to the unwavering support of her family, Pastor Keith