

its recipients. That is why I have introduced legislation specifically to address this issue.

Yet, Mr. Speaker, at the same time, we see that Mr. Musk has been charged by the President of the United States to cut \$2 trillion from the budget. Mr. Musk has made no bones about the fact that he plans to privatize Social Security and Medicare, amongst others.

Social Security, Medicare, and defense, as a number of people in the audience knows, makes up more than 70 percent of the budget. He has been instructed to find \$2 trillion. Coincidentally, that is just about how much Trump's tax cut for the wealthiest 1 percent is, \$2 trillion.

Where will it come from, Mr. Speaker? Obviously, he has his designs on Social Security, the only one of those entities—defense, Medicare, and Medicaid—that has a trust fund, a trust fund of \$2.7 trillion of hardworking people's money.

It might surprise you, Mr. Speaker, to know that, in your district, you have over 183,000 Social Security recipients, over 13,000 who are disabled, 7,000-plus children, 8,000 widows, and 4,000 spouses.

Here is the critical thing: Republicans should wake up in this time of inflation. Your district and every district on average, by the way, receives more than \$200 million monthly for its Social Security recipients. Your district, Mr. Speaker, receives \$354 million.

That hasn't been changed since 1971. People in America should be outraged by the fact that Congress has not fulfilled its responsibility to act on behalf of its citizens.

Social Security is the number one insurance program in the country, serving over 70 million people. Mr. Speaker, 10,000 baby boomers a day become eligible for Social Security, and Congress continues to ignore them and ignore their needs.

Shamefully, more than 5 million of our fellow Americans get below-poverty-level checks from the wealthiest Nation in the world and the most successful insurance program because of congressional inaction. Most of those 5 million are women, and among those, most of them are women of color.

People have been taxed on their Social Security when they continue to work after retirement, and that is false, as well. I have had a proposal, Mr. Speaker, to correct all of that, to change it, and, by the way, pay for it.

How do we do that, Mr. Speaker? Very simple: We lift the cap on people who pay nothing or very little or are through paying the first day and second day of January. Lifting the cap on over 400,000 people, as President Biden proposed, will provide us the benefits and solvency that Social Security needs.

Why is it that hardworking people in this gallery should pay into a system all their lives and get a benefit, yet billionaires can be excluded and don't

have to pay in the same amount or some totally circumvent the law altogether and pay nothing?

It is long overdue, Mr. Speaker, don't you agree, for a vote to take place. For all the citizens in your district, the more than \$300 million that comes in, imagine what that does to the local economy in your district, how it will help out the local grocery store, the pharmacy, and, most importantly, the individual families in that region.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that Republicans stand up to join us in enhancing Social Security, not cutting it.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair reminds Members that the rules do not allow references to persons in the gallery.

#### CELEBRATING STEPHEN BUCHANAN'S WRESTLING TITLE

(Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS of Iowa was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today after 5 minutes of fiction to bring a little Iowa reality to Washington, D.C.

Mr. Speaker, I rise to celebrate Stephen Buchanan, who secured the 197-pound national wrestling title at the NCAA championships in Philadelphia. His victory was witnessed by President Donald Trump, highlighting the significance of this achievement.

Stephen's journey is one of transformation. Transferring to Iowa for his final season, he found not just a team but a family. Under the guidance of Coaches Tom and Terry Brands, Stephen's passion for wrestling was reignited, propelling him to become a four-time all-American and now a national champion.

Stephen's triumph not only adds to Iowa's storied wrestling legacy but also serves as an inspiration to aspiring athletes nationwide.

Stephen Buchanan exemplifies the power of dedication, resilience, and a community support system.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate Stephen on this well-deserved honor. His achievement made the Hawkeye Nation proud.

#### HONORING 100 GREAT IOWA NURSES

Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor 33 outstanding nurses from Iowa's First Congressional District who have been named among the 2025 100 Great Iowa Nurses.

These dedicated professionals are at the heart and soul of our healthcare system, showing up every day with compassion, strength, and an unwavering commitment to their patients.

As a former nurse, I understand the immense challenges they face and the dedication required to provide exceptional care.

I am incredibly proud to see so many from our district recognized for their hard work, sacrifice, and service.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the nurses being honored today and all of those across Iowa for their tireless efforts to

make our communities healthier, stronger, and better places for everyone. Their work truly makes a lasting difference.

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF GLEN KEPPY

Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of a great Iowan, Glen Keppy.

A lifelong resident of Eldridge, Glen dedicated his life to family, farming, and his community. His passion for agriculture was unmatched. Whether raising award-winning livestock, advocating for Iowa pork producers, or mentoring the next generation of farmers, Glen's impact stretched far beyond the fields.

Glen served his neighbors through organizations like the North Scott Rotary, Farm Bureau, and 4-H, always leading with integrity and kindness.

I saw this firsthand at his visitation last Thursday when there were more people there than I have ever seen at a visitation in my lifetime.

Glen's leadership in agriculture took him all the way here to Washington, D.C., where he served as a political appointee in the George W. Bush administration, working on behalf of rural America. Yet, no matter how far his work took him, his heart remained in Iowa, where he welcomed thousands of students to his farm to share his story of agriculture.

Glen's legacy is one of hard work, service, and an unwavering love for his family.

Mr. Speaker, may his wife, Jean, and their children and grandchildren find comfort in knowing his spirit lives on in the land he nurtured and in the lives he touched. God bless Glen Kempy.

Mr. Speaker, I wish a happy birthday to my brother Fred. Happy birthday, Fred. I also wish my amazing daughter, Taylor, a very happy birthday. Happy birthday, Taylor.

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#### KEATON BEASLEY TEACHES IMPORTANCE OF FINANCIAL LITERACY

(Mr. HILL of Arkansas was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Mr. HILL of Arkansas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Keaton Beasley of Simmons Bank.

Keaton is a graduate of Henderson State University, a member of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, and a banker in Little Rock.

Keaton exemplifies the ethos of a community banker, frequently working with children, adults, and seniors to teach them the importance of financial literacy. His efforts prove it is never too late or too early to learn how to manage your finances.

As a former community banker, I admire his efforts to uplift his community and help those around him build a stronger foundation in finance.

I look forward to seeing Keaton's continued impact in central Arkansas

and wish him the best of luck in his bright future in banking.

HONORING JOHN EDWARD HAIN, JR., ON HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY

Mr. HILL of Arkansas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor John Edward Hain, Jr., who celebrated his 100th birthday on March 20.

A Little Rock native, John graduated from Catholic High School at age in 1941 and is currently the school's oldest living alumnus.

He is a World War II veteran. John was drafted at 18 and served in England, Belgium, Germany, France, and the Netherlands as an Army corporal in the field artillery attachment of the 5th Army Division, the 9th Army spearhead, the 5th Armored Division, and the 29th Division in Operation Kaput.

John married his wife, Beverly, in 1947. They have 5 daughters, 17 grandchildren, and 19 great-grandchildren.

After his service to our Nation in World War II, he worked at the Krebs Brothers Supply Company as a traveling salesman, and he retired as president of Krebs after working there for 50 years.

I thank John for his long service to our community, and I congratulate him on reaching this amazing milestone.

#### PAWS FOR JUSTICE

Mr. HILL of Arkansas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Susan Bradshaw and Fawn Borden of PAWS for Justice.

PAWS for Justice is an Arkansas charity that provides courthouse facility dogs to assist witnesses and victims as they go through difficult court proceedings. For children who are recounting heartbreaking terrible events, these dogs provide comfort and support to make those difficult moments just a little bit better.

While these dogs can often cost courthouses around \$50,000 each, PAWS for Justice provides them free of charge.

As a proud owner of my great pup, Taft, I have an incredible appreciation for PAWS for Justice's efforts and thank them for their hard work in providing comfort for those who need it the most.

#### RECOGNIZING LANCE RESTUM

Mr. HILL of Arkansas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Lance Restum, director of community relations for the Arkansas Travelers baseball team.

Lance has been with the championship-winning Travelers since 2006 and is the founder of the Arkansas Travelers Youth Foundation.

Since 2021, the foundation has been introducing kids across the Natural State to America's pastime. They provide baseball clinics, equipment, grants, and scholarships to get kids active and interested in baseball.

Lance and the foundation's work serve as an excellent example for those of us who want to make a difference in our communities.

I wish Lance and the Arkansas Travelers the best of luck in their new sea-

son, and I look forward to my next game at Dickey-Stephens Park.

#### HONORING COACH BUBBA LUCKETT

(Mr. KUSTOFF of Tennessee was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Mr. KUSTOFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a true icon in Tennessee basketball, Coach Bubba Lockett of Christian Brothers High School in Memphis. For over 40 years, Bubba Lockett has been more than a coach. He has been a mentor, a role model, and a steadfast leader both on and off the court. This will be Bubba Lockett's final year coaching high school basketball.

Bubba became the heart and soul of CBHS basketball as a player, shattering records along the way. By the time he graduated in 1979, Bubba Lockett had scored almost 1,700 points, holding the record of all-time leading scorer at CBHS for over 40 years. After high school, Bubba was able to play for an elite college basketball team for 4 years at the University of Memphis under Head Coach Dana Kirk and Assistant Coaches Larry Finch and Lee Fowler.

Bubba Lockett's journey came full circle when his own high school coach, Charlie Leonard, invited him to return to CBHS as an assistant basketball coach in the mid-1980s. Several years later, in 1990, Bubba took over as the head coach.

Over the course of 30-plus years as a varsity high school coach, Bubba Lockett has amassed impressive records and stats. Here are just a few:

Over 700 career victories, 10 regional titles, 5 State championship appearances, and 2 State championship titles.

Indeed, Bubba Lockett has dedicated four decades of his life shaping young men into champions, on the court, in the classroom, and also in life.

Mr. Speaker, Reese McMullen is a former standout player at CBHS who was coached by Bubba Lockett. Reese is a true scholar and a gifted athlete, going on to play basketball at the University of Pennsylvania. More importantly, Reese appreciates the coaching at CBHS that prepared him to play college basketball.

Reese told me that Coach Lockett cared so much about all the players that Bubba Lockett emphasized to his young men: Character, academics, and basketball, in that order. Reese told me, and I wrote this down: "Coach cared about my development beyond basketball. He would also post our grades in the locker room to demonstrate the importance of grades. Coach cared about all aspects of our lives and that it is important to lead by example."

Mr. Speaker, I also talked with Brother David Poos, the president of CBHS. Brother David told me: Integrity is a hallmark of Bubba Lockett. He is a good role model for the players

and students. Bubba is a "Brothers' Boy" through and through.

There is no doubt that Coach Lockett's impact at CBHS extends far beyond wins and losses. He has coached almost 50 young men over the years who would go on to play college basketball. As he steps away from the sidelines, Bubba leaves behind not only a successful program, but a family, a brotherhood, and a tradition that will endure for generations. His lasting impact will be all the young men he nurtured in his program.

Now, while he may no longer be drawing plays or calling timeouts, one thing is certain: Bubba Lockett's legacy will always be part of Christian Brothers High School.

Roberta and I wish Bubba, Amy, and their entire family all the best as they begin this next chapter. I thank him for his years of dedication and for the lives that he has influenced through coaching and teaching.

Go Brothers.

#### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until 2 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 23 minutes p.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 (Mr. MOORE of West Virginia) at 2 p.m.

#### PRAYER

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

Into Your hands, O Lord, our faithful God, we commend to You the life of our colleague and friend, Representative Raul Grijalva. In the embrace of Your everlasting arms, may he find rest from his labors and reward for his good and faithful service to You, his family, and his country.

May his unwavering commitment to justice serve as a measure to our own pursuit of righteousness. May his public service of over 40 years serve as an inspiration to our own desire to contribute to the welfare of our communities.

Grant Congressman Grijalva's wife, Ramona, his three daughters, Adelita, Raquel, Marisa, and their families the comfort of Your spirit in these days of grief.

To all whom he served in Arizona's Seventh District and whom he impacted here in the House, grant the lasting desire to look for opportunities to champion and advocate for a better future and to mentor those who are now entrusted with the Congressman's legacy.