

PREVENT PRESIDENT TRUMP FROM INVADING OTHER COUNTRIES

(Mr. MAGAZINER of Rhode Island was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Mr. MAGAZINER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to introduce the No Invading Allies Act, a bill to prevent President Trump from invading Canada, Greenland, or Panama without a vote of Congress.

It is crazy that we even have to have this conversation. These places, these nations, are our allies. They pose no threat to the United States. After thousands of brave American soldiers fought in Iraq and Afghanistan, many losing their lives, their limbs, and their loved ones, the last thing the American people want is to send our troops to any new wars, especially against countries that pose no threat to our own.

Now President Trump will not stop talking about taking over Canada, Greenland, and Panama. He is obsessed.

Listen to me when I tell you that he is not joking. When he says he wants to take over Canada, Greenland, and Panama, he means it. He even said that we will "[expand] our territory" in his inaugural speech. When was the last time you heard a President say something like that?

The American people do not want to take over other countries. Nobody voted in the election to take over Canada or Greenland. The President never talked about that during his campaign.

No one was thinking about taking over Canada when they went to vote last November. No. The American people want lower costs, safe streets, and peace. The last thing Americans want is unnecessary war. We cannot trust Donald Trump to keep us out of one.

That is why I am introducing a new bill, the No Invading Allies Act, to prevent the President from sending the Armed Forces to invade Canada, Panama, or Greenland without a vote of Congress.

Our country's Founders feared the possibility of a President engaging in unnecessary wars. In Article I of the Constitution, the Founders gave Congress, not the President, the power to declare war. Congress later passed the War Powers Resolution of 1973, which allows Presidents to engage in military action for up to 60 days without a vote of Congress, but Donald Trump's reckless threats to take over peaceful nations means that he cannot be trusted with this unchecked power.

Congress must reassert our role under the Constitution by passing this bill. With this bill, we send a message to our allies and adversaries alike that the United States does not support the illegal seizure of sovereign territory. Most importantly, we say to American troops and their families that they will not be sent into more unnecessary wars, not on our watch.

I urge my colleagues, whether you believe the President is serious about

wanting to take over other countries or not, whether you take him at his word or not, whether you think he might involve us in unnecessary wars of conflict or not, let's not leave it up to chance.

The decision of whether to make war is perhaps the most important responsibility Congress has under the Constitution. Let's not surrender our responsibility to a President who speaks so casually about taking over other nations. Our men and women in uniform deserve better than that, and our country deserves better than that.

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 52 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 (Mr. DESJARLAIS) at noon.

PRAYER

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

God of all creation, we lift up our eyes to the hills from whence our help does indeed come. You, O Lord, maker of Heaven and Earth who directs the stars in the sky and orders the change of the seasons, call us to behold with eyes of faith that winter is over.

As flowers appear on the Earth, let us sing for joy in the mastery of Your design, for You make all things new.

Make a way in the desert of despair, through the wilderness of worry. Bring forth streams of living water in the wastelands of unease. Quench the barrenness of our souls with the hope of Your salvation.

Then enable us to set aside the former things that hold us to our past. Open our eyes to perceive the new things You are doing in our lives, even as You cause the beginning of life springing up around us.

It is in Your eternal 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 gentlewoman from North Carolina (Ms.

ROSS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. ROSS 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.

MORE MONEY DOESN'T BRING BETTER RESULTS

(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, for decades, Washington has poured trillions of dollars into the education system of America with actually very little to show for it.

Since the Department of Education was created by Jimmy Carter in 1979, it has spent over \$3 trillion, yet student achievement hasn't actually improved. It has only gone down in that time.

After Federal taxpayers spent another \$200 billion on education during the COVID era, all we have to show for it is math and reading scores that are at the lowest levels in decades. Per-pupil spending has skyrocketed by 245 percent since the 1970s, proving more money doesn't always achieve better results.

The Federal Government has only added red tape, forcing schools to waste time and resources on compliance instead of teaching. I am married to a teacher who, at the time, was frustrated by additional requirements that were coming down on trying to do her job.

The Biden administration alone added nearly \$3.9 billion in regulatory costs and millions of hours of paperwork and funneled over \$1 billion into grants pushing radical ideologies instead of core academics.

President Trump's executive order directing the closure of the Department of Education returns control over education to the States, parents, and local leaders. Instead of Washington bureaucrats trying to dictate how kids learn, we should have those decisions be made locally. This shift will cut waste and eliminate overreach.

EXPRESSING CONCERN REGARDING JOB CUTS

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

Ms. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I am deeply concerned about the Trump administration's act to fire more than 1,000 EPA scientific researchers who have

dedicated their careers to protecting the American people.

I represent part of the Research Triangle Park, home to the largest EPA facility in the Nation, where researchers and scientists are solving some of our most complex environmental problems.

In North Carolina, these committed public servants are working to combat PFAS and address our air quality issues. They were on the front lines of helping our citizens during Hurricane Helene.

The Trump administration is attacking Federal research offices because they expose disastrous policies and hold polluters accountable. Eliminating the Office of Research and Development not only violates the law, it puts our people, public health, and the environment in danger.

I will fight this dangerous plan to fire Federal workers and silence scientists with everything I have.

HONORING MIA LOVE

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

Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of my dear friend and former colleague, Mia Love.

On Sunday, after a courageous battle with glioblastoma, Mia passed away peacefully surrounded by her loved ones. She was a woman of faith, a patriot, an extraordinary leader, and a fighter who inspired many to do great things.

Under the care of the exceptional doctors at Duke University, Mia fought alongside my wife, Patty. I am forever grateful for her enduring friendship and support throughout this journey.

I also extend my deepest thanks to the caregivers, healthcare professionals, researchers, and advocates whose tireless work brings us closer to a future without glioblastoma.

Mia's legacy of strength, resilience, and unwavering dedication to others will never be forgotten and certainly not forgotten by the Williams family. My prayers are with her family as we continue to fight and find a cure for this deadly disease.

In God we trust.

IMPACT OF PROPOSED SNAP CUTS

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

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, last month Republicans passed a budget that enables massive cuts that are going to kick people off of food assistance. Children, seniors, disabled veterans, workers—people who all rely on SNAP, the Supplemental Assistance Nutrition Program, to help purchase food when times get tough, Republicans want to rip it away, take food off the tables of hungry Americans.

This is a program that is there for all of us. If you lose your job, if your hours get cut, if you become disabled or have trouble paying bills, you can turn to SNAP to help make ends meet.

Republicans don't want to talk about how their cuts are going to hurt people. They haven't held one hearing or briefing on the program, so Democrats went around them. We are holding a hearing today at 3 p.m. to talk about their plan to steal people's food assistance so they can give tax breaks to billionaires.

We will continue to expose the corruption as we work to end hunger now.

SOUTH CAROLINA EXPORT ACHIEVEMENTS

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

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I am grateful for the leadership of Governor Henry McMaster, Commerce Secretary Harry Lightsey, and Ports President Barbara Melvin, who recently announced that exports from the Palmetto State have reached \$38 billion, creating jobs.

The trade policies of President Donald Trump are succeeding with the announcement I heard yesterday at the White House during the Greek Independence Day program with Ambassador Ekaterini Nassika that there has been \$3 trillion of investment already, fulfilling the reconciliation priorities.

South Carolina is number one in America for exported vehicles, number one in the manufacture and export of tires with Michelin of France, Bridgestone of Japan, Continental of Germany, and Giti of Singapore. I appreciate serving as the co-chair of the Congressional Tire Caucus.

In conclusion, God bless our troops as the global war on terrorism continues. Open borders for dictators put all Americans at risk of more 9/11 attacks imminent, as warned by the FBI. Trump is reinstituting existing laws to protect American families with peace through strength.

America extends its deepest sympathy and appreciation to courageous Congresswoman Mia Love.

CONGRATULATING ROCHESTER COMMUNITY PLAYERS

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

Mr. MORELLE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Rochester Community Players theater group on their 100th season.

As the second oldest continually operating community theater in the State of New York and a part of the Little Theatre Movement in America, their rich history dates back to 1925, with their opening performance at the Historic German House in Rochester, New York.

Today, the group performs throughout our city, providing opportunities for local professionals to share their talents on the stage and behind the scenes. We are blessed to have a vibrant and ever-growing artistic community in Rochester. The Rochester Community Players have been at the helm for an entire century, a remarkable accomplishment.

I congratulate President Michael Krickmire and Vice President Elaine Sauer on this momentous occasion and look forward to their continued work to uplift our local talent and provide high-quality entertainment for years to come.

REMEMBERING PAUL JACKSON

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

Mr. MCGUIRE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to remember the life of Paul Jackson from Victoria, Virginia.

On March 15, Paul's life was tragically cut short while doing what he loved, flying his helicopter. Last year, Paul was asked to help with Hurricane Helene relief in North Carolina. Over the next 10 days, he flew critical supplies to North Carolina on his own dime.

Paul was President Trump's number one fan. He was a personal friend to me, and he made anyone he met want to be a better person. His daughter, Raven, described him as a true patriot and a man who loved our country.

Paul is survived by his wife, Christy; his son, Christopher; his daughter, Raven; his five grandchildren; his brother, Nelson; and many, many friends.

I hope everyone hearing this will strive to help others, just like Paul.

HONORING RAÚL GRIJALVA

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

Ms. BARRAGÁN. Mr. Speaker, I stand here today to honor the life and legacy of my friend and colleague, Congressman Raúl Grijalva.

Raúl was more than a public servant. He was a force for justice and a relentless champion for working families, the environment, and indigenous communities. He led with passion, conviction, and an unwavering belief that government should serve the people.

As chair of the House Natural Resources Committee, Raúl never backed down from a fight. I had the privilege of serving on the committee under his leadership when I first came to Congress, and I learned so much from his example.

His commitment to environmental justice wasn't just words. It was action. Together, we worked to pass legislation on climate justice grants, urban parks, and ensuring that our