

Pappas	Scott (VA)	Tiffany
Patronis	Scott, Austin	Timmons
Pelosi	Scott, David	Titus
Perez	Self	Tlaib
Perry	Sessions	Tokuda
Peters	Sewell	Tonko
Pettersen	Sherman	Torres (CA)
Pfluger	Sherrill	Torres (NY)
Pingree	Shreve	Trahan
Pocan	Simon	Tran
Pou	Simpson	Turner (OH)
Pressley	Smith (MO)	Underwood
Quigley	Smith (NE)	Valadao
Ramirez	Smith (NJ)	Van Drew
Randall	Smith (WA)	Van Duyn
Raskin	Smucker	Van Orden
Reschenthaler	Sorensen	Vargas
Riley (NY)	Soto	Vasquez
Rivas	Spartz	Veasey
Rogers (AL)	Stansbury	Velázquez
Rogers (KY)	Stanton	Vindman
Rose	Stauber	Wagner
Ross	Stefanik	Walberg
Rouzer	Steil	Wasserman
Roy	Steube	Schultz
Ruiz	Stevens	Waters
Rulli	Strickland	Watson Coleman
Rutherford	Strong	Weber (TX)
Ryan	Stutzman	Webster (FL)
Salazar	Subramanyam	Westerman
Salinas	Suozzi	Whitesides
Sánchez	Swalwell	Wied
Scalise	Sykes	Williams (GA)
Scanlon	Takano	Williams (TX)
Schakowsky	Taylor	Wilson (FL)
Schmidt	Tenney	Wilson (SC)
Schneider	Thanedar	Wittman
Scholten	Thompson (CA)	Womack
Schrier	Thompson (MS)	Yakym
Schweikert	Thompson (PA)	Zinke

NOT VOTING—9

Bost	Dunn (FL)	Newhouse
Crane	Fulcher	Norcross
Crenshaw	Nehls	Nunn (IA)

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The SPEAKER pro tempore. So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

VETERANS EDUCATION TRANSPARENCY AND TRAINING ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the question on suspending the rules and passing the bill (H.R. 981) to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the processes to approve programs of education for purposes of the educational assistance programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. BOST) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 1229

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to remove the gentleman from California

(Mr. LICCARDO) as cosponsor of H.R. 1229.

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

There was no objection.

SUPPORTING OUR ARMED FORCES

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

Mrs. BIGGS of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I have seen firsthand the courage, the grit, and the sacrifice that define our Nation's Armed Forces. I have also seen the financial strain that far too many of our military families endure while they answer the call to serve.

While these men and women sacrifice daily for our country, their pay is still fully taxed by the Federal Government. Our servicemembers have defended freedom at home and abroad. They have fought for us, and it is past time that we fight for them.

That is why, this week, I introduced my first bill in Congress, the FIGHTER Act, to provide long-overdue tax relief to America's Active-Duty servicemembers.

This is more than a tax policy. It is a message of gratitude.

Now is not the time for more words but action.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to stand with our warfighters, to support the FIGHTER Act, and to give our heroes the relief they have earned.

RECOGNIZING BLACK MATERNAL HEALTH WEEK

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

Ms. ADAMS. Mr. Speaker, I rise this evening to recognize the eighth anniversary of Black Maternal Health Week, founded by Black Mamas Matter Alliance.

I want to take a moment to honor the life and legacy of my constituent, Fatima Carter.

I share with you a stunning portrait of her painted by Omari Maynard of the ARIAH Foundation.

Through an initiative called "In Her Honor," the ARIAH Foundation and Mothering Justice uplift the lives of women like Fatima, Black mothers who should still be with us today.

A proud member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Fatima worked for Abbott Nutrition and was a devoted stepmother to her teenage daughter, China Carter.

After multiple heartbreaking miscarriages, Fatima and her family were preparing to welcome her daughter, Cameron Carter.

Because Fatima lived with type 1 diabetes, her pregnancy was considered high risk. After a medical appointment with concerns about preeclampsia were

raised, Fatima went to sleep, and she never woke up.

The coroner listed sudden cardiac death as the cause, but we know it was more than that. It was the result of our healthcare system that too often ignores Black women's pain.

We will not allow her story to be forgotten. We will not stop until justice, safety, and dignity in birth are guaranteed for all.

SAFEGUARDING PROPERTY

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

Mr. DOWNING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of my bill, the Safeguarding American Property Act.

In the 119th Congress, House Republicans have sent a clear message to criminal illegal aliens: If you break our laws, you go home.

Earlier this year, we passed the Laken Riley Act. My Safeguarding American Property Act builds on the good work of the Laken Riley Act by expanding the bill to include property crimes like trespassing and arson as deportable offenses.

Mitigating these types of property crimes is a particularly important challenge for border States and rural districts like mine which often have vast distances between homes and businesses and in which law enforcement resources are often spread thin.

This bill sticks up for those communities and upholds the fundamental American value of respecting property rights by providing additional legal requirements that ensure Federal immigration law is properly enforced.

Mr. Speaker, I urge all of my colleagues to support the Safeguarding American Property Act to further strengthen the good policies codified in the Laken Riley Act.

ENOUGH OF TRUMP'S CHAOS

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

Mr. STANTON. Mr. Speaker, after Trump's so-called Liberation Day, the stock market cratered. American businesses halted investments because of the economic uncertainty. Families in Arizona saw their retirement accounts and 401(k)'s nosedive. The biggest financial firms in the country predicted a recession.

Now, of course, President Trump caved today, and that was actually the right thing to do. While this constant whiplash may make for a good episode of "The Apprentice," it is no way to run the most powerful Nation and the largest economy in the world.

The Framers of the Constitution wisely gave Congress, not the President, power over trade and international commerce. My colleagues and I introduced a resolution to this body

yesterday reasserting that critical authority.

Even a few brave Republicans are willing to stand up to President Trump and their own party on this critical issue. Sadly, Speaker JOHNSON decided to go a different direction. He tucked language into a procedural vote that bans these Republican and Democratic resolutions from coming to the floor for a vote—not even a vote. He is trying to avoid Republicans going on record against supporting Trump's chaos because he knows the American people are sick and tired of this.

Enough is enough, Mr. Speaker.

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HONORING CAREER AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF DEB DELUCA

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

Mr. STAUBER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and thank Deb DeLuca for her dedicated service as executive director of the Duluth Seaway Port Authority. Deb is currently the eighth director in Port Authority history and is the first woman to hold this title.

Since 2018, Deb has seamlessly overseen the largest freshwater port in the world. This has been no small feat, as the Port of Duluth-Superior welcomes 900 vessels each year and on average handles 35 million tons of cargo.

With Deb at the helm, the Port Authority has achieved many successes. Under her leadership, more than \$35 million in port-related projects have been initiated, and freight transport efficiency and capacity has increased.

I have worked closely with Deb since my arrival in Congress in 2019. I have always enjoyed working with her, and I appreciate her partnership and guidance over the years. The Port of Duluth-Superior and the surrounding communities are better off because of her leadership and expertise.

I wish Deb a happy and restful retirement.

PROTECT HEAD START

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

Mr. AMO. Mr. Speaker, across the country, Head Start lives up to its name. It provides quality early childhood education so that working-class families can get ahead. However, right now, Head Start is under attack from Donald Trump and Republicans in this Chamber. They froze program funds, closed regional offices, and forced mass layoffs of those who administer Head Start. Worse still, Republican budget proposals open the door to hundreds of billions of dollars in cuts to Head Start.

Recently, I visited a Head Start provider in Woonsocket, Rhode Island, to hear from those who rely on the great

program. I met with Savanna, who told me that Head Start is how she provided her children with safety, stability, and education after years of struggling. Head Start helps families like Savanna's break the cycle of trauma, fostering resilience and creating lasting change.

Mr. Speaker, let's choose a better path for our vulnerable neighbors. Let's protect Head Start.

CONGRATULATING CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS HIGH SCHOOL EXPLORERS

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

Mr. GIMENEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate my high school alma mater, the Christopher Columbus Explorers, for winning the national basketball championship.

After securing their fourth consecutive State championship in Florida's Class 7A, the Explorers made school history by capturing their first national title and county history as the only Miami-Dade County high school to ever win a national basketball title.

These young men have demonstrated relentless dedication and perseverance throughout the season. I am proud to see that their hard work and commitment was rewarded. I extend my congratulations to Coach Andrew Moran, his staff, and the entire team on this remarkable accomplishment.

Through unity, tradition, and excellence they have cemented their place in Columbus and Miami-Dade County history. "Forward"; "Adelante."

HONORING FRANCIE PEPPER

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

Mr. LANDSMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable human being, a dear friend, Francie Pepper. Francie, at her core, was a mom and a grandmother but also an advocate, a philanthropist, and a champion for women and children.

Francie led enormous change for survivors of domestic violence. It is just one of many examples of the impact she had, but a critical one. She never stopped fighting for what she knew was right.

Her home in Cincinnati was a place for community and community change. She built coalitions and inspired generations of public servants, including me.

Francie wasn't just a leader. She was a force. I am who I am in part because of her. That is true for so many of us. We are the beneficiaries of her grit and her toughness and her love.

HONORING REMARKABLE HEROISM OF 1ST MARINE DIVISION

(Mr. BURCHETT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1

minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BURCHETT. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the remarkable heroism of the 1st Marine Division of the United States Marine Corps and their actions during the Battle of Okinawa. One of those heroes was my father, who was a corporal, who is pictured here beside me.

April 1st marks the 80th anniversary of the start of the brutal Battle of Okinawa which began on Easter Sunday in the Pacific. The battle was the final and critical push to free Asia from the grip of evil.

The 1st Marine Division was tasked with clearing the northern half of Okinawa, accomplishing this mission swiftly. When reassigned to take the other half of the island, they faced fierce resistance from the Japanese, fighting in key locations like Sugarloaf Hill and Shuri Castle. At the base of Shuri Castle right there is where my dad is pictured.

While my father was fortunate enough to survive and return home to a grateful nation, his division endured unimaginable losses with 1,655 men killed in action. Their sacrifice is a solemn reminder of the bravery, sacrifice, and unbreakable spirit not only of the Marine Corps but of the Greatest Generation. We just don't know the sacrifices they made, Mr. Speaker.

MOURNING DEVASTATING TRAGEDY IN SANTO DOMINGO

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

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I rise on the floor today as people across the Dominican diaspora are united in solidarity to mourn the devastating tragedy in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

Following the collapse of a roof at a nightclub, 124 individuals lost their lives and 150 are injured, and many are still missing. I express my deepest condolences to the families of each of the victims and embrace them during this time of hurt. We stand in solidarity with all of those who have been affected by this heartbreaking event. Their pain is our pain, and their grief is felt by all who hear them. In this moment of profound sorrow, our thoughts and prayers are with the victims and their families.

"May peace be with the lost souls of this tragedy, and may their loved ones forever cherish the memories they have of each of them." "Estamos con ustedes, nuestras oraciones estan en nuestros corazones con ustedes. Dios les bendiga."

ELON MUSK'S LACK OF EMPATHY

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