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“Allah yerhamo”; “God bless his soul.”

CONGRATULATING CATHI HERROD ON RETIREMENT

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

Mr. BIGGS of Arizona. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Cathi Herrod, who recently retired from the Center for Arizona Policy after serving 20 years as president.

Cathi dedicated her life's work to promoting and defending the sanctity of life, traditional marriage and families, and religious freedom.

She joined CAP in 1997, shortly after its founding, as legislative counsel. Upon retirement of CAP's founder, Len Munsil, in 2005, Cathi assumed the role of president and has since been a force for good at the Arizona Capitol.

Since CAP's founding, more than 300 pieces of CAP-supported legislation have been passed by the Arizona Legislature, including many that protect the unborn and pregnant mothers.

Cathi has received numerous awards and distinctions for her work. She was recognized by Arizona newspapers as one of the 10 most influential leaders at the Arizona Capitol. She received the Family Champion award from Focus on the Family and received the William Wilberforce Award from Students for Life of America.

Mr. Speaker, I am grateful for the work of dedicated individuals like Cathi who relentlessly strive to promote policies that protect the dignity of every Arizonan. I wish Cathi well in her much-deserved retirement.

PROTECTING WOMEN'S HEALTH RESEARCH

(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 rise today to join millions of American women in condemning Trump's attempt to gut funding for women's health research.

The Trump administration has rescinded women's research projects at an alarming rate. These projects include lifesaving research on early breast cancer detection and so much more. Trump even shut down the Women's Health Initiative, our Nation's largest and most consequential women's health study.

Millions of women's lives are at stake. That is why I led my Democratic Women's Caucus colleagues in demanding that Trump immediately reverse course. I am relieved to announce that the administration heeded our call and the heartfelt appeals of our constituents and restored this crucial funding.

Mr. Speaker, this fight is far from over. The Trump administration is waging a war on science and women. We must stay vigilant, and we will fight back.

HONORING JOAN QUATERMAN

(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 honor Ms. Joan Quaterman, a remarkable woman who has dedicated 52 years of service to the city of Savannah.

As a longtime employee of the Leisure Services Bureau, she played a vital role in shaping the lives of countless children and families.

For decades, she was a beloved figure at Hull Park, leading summer programs that provided a safe, welcoming space for young people to learn, grow, and have fun. Through games, activities, and free lunches, she ensured that every child felt valued and supported regardless of their background.

Ms. Quaterman was more than just a city employee. She was a mentor, role model, and constant presence in the lives of many. Her kindness, patience, and dedication left a lasting imprint on our community, and her impact will be felt for generations to come. Her work reflects the very best of public service, selflessness, commitment, and unwavering devotion to others.

Today, we congratulate Ms. Quaterman on her well-earned retirement and thank her for more than five decades of service.

HONORING THE LIFE OF GEORGE SABA

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

Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, I want to honor the incredible life and legacy of my dear friend, George Saba, who served metro Detroit's immigrant community for over four decades as a Board of Immigration Appeals accredited representative.

George would walk in a room with a big smile, and everyone would smile back.

George dedicated his life to reuniting thousands of families, first at the International Institute of Metro Detroit, and later at ACCESS, always bringing compassion, warmth, and unwavering commitment.

Born in Ramallah, George was proud of being Palestinian and of his heritage. He was actively involved with the American Federation of Ramallah, working to preserve and pass on his culture to future generations.

George's work transformed lives, and his presence brought comfort and strength to so many.

On behalf of the 12th Congressional District, we extend our deepest sympathies to his beloved wife, Itidal; his children, Paul and Janan; his late dear son, Amjad; and his entire family and his friends.

May his legacy live on and his memory continue to be a blessing and source of strength.

TRUMP SUPPORTS SOVEREIGN UKRAINE

(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, last night, the United States and Ukraine signed the United States-Ukraine Reconstruction Investment Fund.

Underscoring the alliance of our countries, the agreement provides Ukraine a credible deterrence.

David Zimmerman in National Review reported that the agreement gives the U.S. access to Ukraine's rare earth minerals for a promised security guarantee to protect Kyiv from future Russian aggression, signaling President Donald Trump's commitment to ending the war.

Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent elaborated: “This agreement signals clearly to Russia that the Trump administration is committed to a peace process centered on a free, sovereign, and prosperous Ukraine over the long term.”

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 through peace through strength, revealing war criminal Putin lies as he insults President Trump with a fake cease-fire, murdering civilians yesterday in Odesa.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate Warren Stephens on being sworn in as America's Ambassador to the United Kingdom.

CELEBRATING TALENTED ARTISTS OF NORTH CAROLINA'S FIRST DISTRICT

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

Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise to celebrate the talented artists of North Carolina's First Congressional District who participated in the 2025 Congressional Art Competition.

I was honored to host a ceremony recognizing over 30 dynamic and talented high school artists. I especially congratulate our first-place winner, Valerie Jacobson of Martin County, for her piece, “The Unbothered Sister,” inspired by her sister.

I also applaud our second- and third-place winners, Addison Rich of Nash County and Reagan Greene of Greene County.

Special thanks go to every participant for their involvement in an extremely competitive competition.

Their artwork reminded me that the future is bright and colorful in eastern North Carolina. These young artists are a true reflection of the heart and spirit of the east.

HONORING STAFF SERGEANT TROY SMITH KNUTSON-COLLINS

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

Mr. HUIZENGA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life, service, and memory of Staff Sergeant Troy Smith Knutson-Collins.

On April 1, a month ago today, Staff Sergeant Knutson-Collins tragically lost his life during a tactical training exercise in Lithuania that also killed three other members of the 3rd Infantry Division.

Troy was born and raised in Battle Creek, Michigan, graduating from Harper Creek High School in 2015. Troy had many hobbies, including woodworking, football, and gaming. After graduating high school, he actually played semi-pro football before he enlisted in the Army at age 20, where he served as an artillery mechanic.

Staff Sergeant Troy Smith Knutson-Collins was deployed to Korea twice and was serving in Lithuania when tragedy struck. In honor of his service, he will be returning back home to Battle Creek and will be buried at the Fort Custer National Cemetery tomorrow, on Friday.

Troy is survived by his wife and five children, along with his parents, Robert and Tosha Collins, and six siblings.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that we may all rise and honor the memory of Staff Sergeant Troy Smith Knutson-Collins with a moment of silence.

Rest well, soldier. Rest well.

RECOGNIZING VALOR AWARD WINNERS AND HONOREES FROM FAUQUIER COUNTY

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

Mr. SUBRAMANYAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the recent Valor Award winners and honorees from Fauquier County, individuals who embody courage and service.

Sponsored by the Fauquier Chamber of Commerce, the Valor Awards highlight the critical work local law enforcement and first responders do every day to keep our communities safe.

Among this year's Lifetime Achievement Awards was Warrenton Police Chief Tim Carter. A native of Fauquier County, Chief Carter has served his hometown as a police officer, corporal, detective sergeant, lieutenant, and deputy chief before becoming police chief in 2023.

Also recognized with a Lifetime Achievement Award was retired fire chief Dale Koglin. Chief Koglin served

the Warrenton Volunteer Fire Company for 62 years, first joining when he was only 14 years old.

Another award went to Sergeant John Larson, who donated a portion of his liver to a child after screenings said he was a good match.

George Scheulen was honored for his courageous service as a platoon leader in the Army.

To the Valor Award winners and honorees, and to those who work to keep our communities safe every day, I thank them for their service.

FIRST 100 DAYS ARE JUST THE BEGINNING

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

Mr. STUTZMAN. Mr. Speaker, President Trump, Indiana Governor Braun, and House Republicans in our first 100 days have worked in unison to make our communities safer, citizens healthier, and country wealthier.

It has started at the border. The Trump administration's swift and strong actions have caused illegal aliens to simply give up on crossing our borders illegally, proven by the 94 percent drop in apprehensions since March 2024.

These efforts have only been strengthened by Governor Braun sending the Indiana National Guard to the border and the House passage of the SAVE Act.

Governor Braun has made Indiana healthier by signing nine health-related executive orders, one of which addresses the same harmful food dyes and artificial ingredients that President Trump and the administration banned just this past week. This was accomplished while the House literally saved lives by securing medical protection for babies who survived attempted abortions.

Finally, the three have worked in unison in making our country wealthier by both executives implementing their own DOGE initiatives and the House working overtime to codify those cuts.

There is so much more I could mention, but the best of all of this is that it is just beginning.

RECOGNIZING NKH AWARENESS DAY

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

Mr. VINDMAN. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to recognize May 2 as Nonketotic Hyperglycinemia Awareness Day.

NKH is a rare genetic disorder, and there are only 500 kids in the world living with it, four of them calling the Commonwealth of Virginia home.

Today, I am proud to be joined by one of these incredible kids, my constituent Luka, and his family.

Jackie and her dad, Eddy, are also important advocates in Virginia dealing with this disease.

At one of my townhalls, Luka's mom, Shannon, shared their story with me. It was a story where Medicaid was at the center.

Without reliable Medicaid, Luka would not receive his 18 daily medications, at-home care, and other resources he needs. His mom and dad, Shannon and Chris, work full-time jobs, and Medicaid is backup insurance.

By establishing May 2 as NKH Awareness Day, we raise awareness for this devastating disease and recommit to fighting for a reliable Medicaid. That is because every family should be focused on spending time with their loved ones and not worrying about healthcare.

STAND FOR JUSTICE: BRING DETAINEES HOME

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

Ms. DEXTER. Mr. Speaker, the emergency isn't coming. It is here.

Donald Trump is abducting American children. He is detaining judges. He is disappearing people into foreign prisons. This is authoritarianism in full view.

I didn't come to Congress to sit back while democracy is dismantled. To the contrary, I will use every tool at my disposal to protect our democracy.

When the people of Gresham, Hood River, and Portland demanded action, I went to El Salvador because we have to stand up for due process. As a critical care physician, I am trained to act. I am trained to do everything in my power to address the crisis in front of me.

When we sat down with the U.S. Embassy, one thing was chillingly clear: Donald Trump has done nothing, not one thing, to bring Kilmar Abrego Garcia or any of the detainees home. Their families haven't heard a word—no calls, no updates, and no proof of life, just silence.

Here is what gives me hope: Yesterday, Mohsen Mahdawi, a detained Columbia student, was released on bail. He said something we all need to hold close: We must "believe in the inevitability of justice."

I will stand for justice. I encourage my colleagues to stand for justice, and I look forward to the fight ahead.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. RULLI). Members are reminded to refrain from engaging in personalities toward the President.

CHAMPION OF THE WEEK: ADELYNN FERGUSON

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

Mrs. SYKES. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to recognize Addelynn Ferguson as