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The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

### PRAYER

Reverend Dr. Charles B. Jackson, Sr., Brookland Baptist Church, West Columbia, South Carolina, offered the following prayer:

Eternal God, our Heavenly Father, we acknowledge You as the Lord of all life, the fountain of all goodness, and the source of all truth. Thankful, we are, for our great Nation and the responsibility entrusted to those who serve within these walls. We ask, dear God, that You would impart Your wisdom to guide the deliberations of those who serve in this body.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ that each Representative is granted clarity of mind, integrity of heart, and courage of conviction to serve not for personal gain but for the well-being of all people. May their service, dear God, reflect who You are as the God of love, justice, mercy, compassion, and the common good. Help our Nation, dear Lord, by showing us the way to unity and diversity and hope in adversity. May all who serve our country do so with humility and a deep sense of duty to their fellow citizens.

Our prayer is to the end that Your will is done.

In the Savior name of Jesus, our Christ.

Amen, and thank God.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. 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. Will the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. GARCIA) come

forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ms. GARCIA of Texas 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.

### WELCOMING REVEREND DR. CHARLES B. JACKSON, SR.

The SPEAKER. Without objection, Mr. CLYBURN of South Carolina is recognized for 1 minute.

There was no objection.

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to rise today to welcome to these Chambers and to this well a good friend and a personal, I will say, savior to a multitude of South Carolinians.

Reverend Charles B. Jackson has been serving as pastor of Brookland Baptist Church now for 54 years, having been installed at the age of 18.

I first met him about 2 or 3 years into his pastorate when he was still a student at Benedict College in Columbia. He graduated from the Morehouse School of Religion in Atlanta and has served not only as a pastor of their church, but as a great leader in South Carolina.

He serves to make true the words of James when he wrote in his epistle: "Faith without works is dead."

His work is a living monument to the people of South Carolina and these United States of America, and I am pleased to welcome him here today.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. SCHMIDT). The Chair will entertain up to five further requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

### HONORING REBEKAH HOSHIKO

(Mr. WESTERMAN of Arkansas asked and was given permission to ad-

dress the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WESTERMAN. Mr. Speaker, this Sunday across America families will gather to honor our mothers. I rise today to honor a mother and a dedicated member of my staff as she closes out her time on Capitol Hill.

Rebekah Hoshiko joined my staff in 2019 and has been a vital member of my team serving in various capacities and currently serves as communications director at the Committee on Natural Resources. We are grateful for her exemplary service, and she will be missed.

Rebekah is departing Capitol Hill to embrace the noble job of full-time mom to her two young boys, Judah and James. Wishing her and her family all the best, I hope to encourage Rebekah and all mothers with the lyrics of a Fourth District Arkansan, Glen Campbell's song:

There ought to be a hall of fame for mamas  
Creation's most unique and precious pearls  
And Heaven help us always to remember  
The hand that rocks the cradle rules the world.

### BEING A MOM IN TRUMP'S AMERICA

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

Ms. GARCIA of Texas. Mr. Speaker, as we celebrate Mother's Day this weekend, I am reminded of a visit that Donald Trump had with Howard Stern. They were talking about marriage and having children, and Howard Stern said something like: Why do you need the headache?

He said: "Oh, I won't do anything to take care of them. I will supply funds, and she'll take care of the kids."

That is what he thinks of motherhood. That explains why he is offering a one-time \$5,000 bonus check to encourage women to have babies. Yet,

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what good is that when he is cutting maternal healthcare; trashing Medicaid, which pays for 4 in 10 births in our country; and letting childcare costs force moms out of work?

Let me be clear. Women want to be moms but don't want to go broke having to raise this child, risk their life with a pregnancy, or lose their child to gun violence.

If we are serious about celebrating Mother's Day, let's cut it with the bonus check and bring back the full tax credit and work to expand opportunities and protections for all mothers, not just this Sunday but every day.

Happy Mother's Day to all mothers.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF BRAYLON MULLINS

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

Mr. SHREVE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Hoosier basketball star Braylon Mullins of Greenfield, Indiana.

Braylon has distinguished himself not only as the best high school basketball player in my home State but as one of the best players in the Nation.

This past season, he led his high school, Greenfield Central, to its best season in school history, finishing 23-4. On the court, Braylon averaged an incredible 33 points per game, 7 rebounds, 4 assists, and 4 steals. He shattered school records, setting the highest point total for the season with 887 points and setting a single-game scoring record of 52 points.

For his incredible achievements, Braylon earned the title of Indiana's Gatorade Player of the Year; McDonald's All American; and, most importantly, Indiana's Mr. Basketball.

Although he is leaving the Hoosier State to begin his collegiate career at UConn, we will never forget the great accomplishments of Braylon and that which he has brought to our State. Braylon is one of our own. He has made us proud, and we wish him the very best as he takes this next step in his athletic career.

#### IMPACT OF VOLATILITY AND POLICY REVERSALS

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

Mr. MAGAZINER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today for the seventh time to call on the Trump administration to restore funding for lifesaving food aid for malnourished children.

Rhode Island's Edesia Nutrition has helped save 25 million lives with this ready-to-use therapeutic food manufactured in North Kingstown, Rhode Island, supported by USAID. Yet, that work is now in jeopardy. Trump is now 3 months into his administration, and funding is still cut off, throwing Edesia's operations into chaos.

Mr. Speaker, I have already spoken on this floor about the gut-wrenching impact to children around the world who are suffering from starvation, but I will talk today about the impact on American lives that this funding freeze is wreaking.

Edesia has had to lay off staff at the factory and is unable to make long-term decisions. American farmers, factory workers, and transportation workers who produce this product have had their lives thrown into disarray. Every day of uncertainty puts more children's lives at risk and costs American workers their livelihoods.

Mr. Speaker, I will speak on this floor every single day until funding for ready-to-use therapeutic food is restored.

#### GULF OF AMERICA ACT

Mr. WESTERMAN. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 377, I call up the bill (H.R. 276) to rename the Gulf of Mexico as the "Gulf of America", and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 377, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources, printed in the bill, is adopted and the bill, as amended, is considered read.

The text of the bill, as amended, is as follows:

#### H.R. 276

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

*This Act may be cited as the "Gulf of America Act".*

#### SEC. 2. RENAMING OF GULF OF MEXICO AS "GULF OF AMERICA".

(a) *RENAMING.*—*The Gulf of Mexico shall be known as the "Gulf of America".*

(b) *REFERENCES.*—*Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the Gulf of Mexico shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Gulf of America".*

(c) *IMPLEMENTATION.*—

(1) *IN GENERAL.*—*The Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Chairman of the Board on Geographic Names, shall oversee the implementation of the renaming described in subsection (a) with respect to each Federal document and map.*

(2) *REQUIREMENT.*—*Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this section, the head of each Federal agency shall update each document and map of the Federal agency in accordance with the renaming described in subsection (a).*

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The bill, as amended, shall be debatable for 1 hour, equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources or their respective designees.

The gentleman from Arkansas (Mr. WESTERMAN) and the gentleman from California (Mr. HUFFMAN) each will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Arkansas.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. WESTERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H.R. 276.

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

There was no objection.

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Mr. WESTERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 276, sponsored by Congresswoman GREENE of Georgia.

Throughout the history of the United States, the executive branch has renamed our public lands and waters. This legislation codifies a portion of President Trump's Executive Order No. 14172, which directed the Board on Geographic Names to rename the Gulf of Mexico as the Gulf of America. President Trump signed this executive order on his first day in office.

Enacting this legislation will help make President Trump's historic action permanent and ensure consistency in references to laws, maps, regulations, and records of the United States.

The Gulf of America is critical to the United States because of its energy resources and ecological significance. This renaming symbolizes Republicans' commitment to putting America first, and honors the Gulf of America's important role in unleashing American energy and our Nation's return to greatness.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, when I call this a deeply unserious bill, I think I am probably being charitable. It is unserious, and it comes from a Republican majority that is either unable or unwilling to do the real work of Congress.

In the first disastrous 100 days of President Trump's second term in office, we have seen him sow chaos and distraction in every direction.

This deeply corrupt and unhinged leader has put his biggest campaign donor and the wealthiest man in the world in charge of slashing programs that millions of Americans depend on, from food assistance to nuclear safety to disaster response, all in the name of "efficiency." They have indiscriminately fired thousands of Federal workers, like this is some dystopian reboot of "The Apprentice," except in this episode, they are filling the government with unqualified sycophants, who are running around firing meteorologists, health experts, and emergency responders, people who keep our government running.

Today, in the face of all of that, all of this chaos that our Republican colleagues don't want to talk about, at least we are hearing them engage in some debate over this unserious bill