

marks the 1-year anniversary of Frank Tyson's death, which took place while he was in custody in Canton after pleading with detaining officers that he could not breathe.

We cannot ignore these tragedies. We must respond to solutions that promote safety, accountability, and trust. That is exactly what this legislation is designed to do.

We want our citizens and our officers to make it home to their loved ones at the end of the night. That is what this legislation will do. We are already seeing what is possible when departments commit to this type of training.

I recognize the Canton Police Department for stepping up and participating in a 4-week de-escalation program following a recent high-profile incident involving use of force. Their involvement aligns directly with the goals of this legislation. By embracing immersive de-escalation training like the program offered by the Midwest De-Escalation Training Center, CPD has taken meaningful action to build trust with the community and improve safety outcomes for everyone in Canton.

This is exactly what we want to see. We want to see police departments proactively seeking solutions to better serve and protect. It shows that when officers are equipped with the right tools, training, and support, we can prevent tragedies, rebuild relationships, and ensure that both officers and the public go home safely.

The Law Enforcement Scenario-Based Training for Safety and De-Escalation Act is supported by the National Fraternal Order of Police, the FOP, and the Akron NAACP because we all share the same goal of making sure that everyone goes home safely at the end of the night.

When I came to Congress, I promised to put the people of Ohio's 13th Congressional District first. That means supporting our officers, rebuilding trust in public safety, and working across the aisle to get things done. That is exactly what this bill does, and I look forward to seeing my colleagues advance this bill over the finish line.

Again, as it is National Police Week, I thank all the law enforcement officers across Ohio's 13th District and the country for the service that they provide to protect and serve our communities.

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HONORING DEPUTY CAILEE CAMPBELL DURING NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

(Ms. TENNEY of New York was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Ms. TENNEY. Mr. Speaker, in honor of Police Week, I would like to remember two police officers who paid the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty.

I rise today in solemn recognition of Deputy Cailee Campbell of the Oswego County Sheriff's Office.

Deputy Campbell began her career in law enforcement with the Onondaga County Sheriff's Office as a corrections officer before attending the Syracuse Police Academy. In April 2023, she joined the Oswego County Sheriff's Office as a patrol deputy.

Tragically, while en route to a call on the morning of September 25, 2024, Deputy Campbell's life was cut short when her patrol vehicle was T-boned in an intersection. Following the crash, she was transported to Oswego Hospital where she was tragically pronounced deceased. She was just 33 years old.

Deputy Campbell leaves behind a loving father, brother, and extended family, as well as her boyfriend, a close-knit group of friends, colleagues, and two beloved cats.

She will be remembered for her love of hiking, personal fitness, traveling to new places and having new experiences, and spending time at the range. Her memory lives on through all those who knew her and whose lives she impacted.

On behalf of the people of New York's 24th Congressional District, it is my honor to share a little bit about Deputy Campbell's life and legacy, and express my appreciation, and the appreciation of my constituents, for her service to her community, and condolences to all who loved and cared for Deputy Campbell.

HONORING SERGEANT THOMAS A. SANFRATELLO DURING NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

Ms. TENNEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in solemn recognition of Sergeant Thomas A. Sanfratello of the Genesee County Sheriff's Office.

Sergeant Sanfratello faithfully served his beloved community as a police officer for 32 years, was twice recognized as Officer of the Year, and was heavily involved with the New York State Sheriffs' Association, Stop-DWI program, and Shop With a Cop programs. He was also a town board member and former volunteer firefighter.

Tragically, in the early morning hours of March 10, 2024, Sergeant Sanfratello was killed after being attacked while responding to a call.

Sergeant Sanfratello truly embodied what it means to be a public servant, having made the ultimate sacrifice in the name of protecting others. He leaves behind a close-knit family, including a wife and three children, as well as countless friends and colleagues.

Sergeant Sanfratello will be remembered for his love of family and spending quality time with his children, his passion for his community, as well as his love of sports, Motorama, and his collection of LEGOs and Hot Wheels. His memory lives on through all those who knew him and whose lives have been changed for the better because of his sacrifice and his service.

On behalf of the people of New York's 24th Congressional District, it is my honor to have shared a little bit about Sergeant Sanfratello's life and his legacy and express my deep appreciation

and the appreciation of my constituents for his services to his community. I send my condolences to his friends and family.

REPUBLICANS' ASSAULT ON AMERICAN ARTS, CULTURE, AND PUBLIC KNOWLEDGE

(Ms. JOHNSON of Texas was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Ms. JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, today we are seeing a full scale assault on the arts, culture, and public knowledge in America by Trump and Republicans in this Congress.

The administration has made it clear: They are not just trying to defund NPR, PBS, or make changes to the Library of Congress, they are trying to dismantle every institution that informs, educates, and inspires the American people.

From Sesame Street to the Smithsonian, from symphony halls to small-town libraries, Republicans are waging a culture war on anything they cannot control.

Their goal is simple: Erase facts, silence independent voices, replace them with partisan noise, and use them as propaganda machines to spread disinformation and continue to divide our Nation.

The latest example is President Trump's removal of Dr. Carla Hayden as Librarian of Congress, a respected public servant with decades of experience, and his illegal installation of personal attorney, Todd Blanche, in her place. He is not a librarian or a scholar but only a Trump loyalist.

It doesn't stop there. Republicans have repeatedly pushed to zero out funding for NPR, a lifeline for rural news and local journalism. They have attacked PBS, which brings educational programming to children who don't have access to cable or broadband.

For decades, American children have learned from Big Bird and Elmo. These aren't just TV characters. They have become part of the joys of growing up in this country, and Republicans want to deny our kids the joy and the opportunity to learn for generations in the future.

These cornerstones of our civic life belong to the public. Arts and culture should not be partisan. They are how we tell our stories. They are how we learn. They are how we connect across communities, across cultures, and across language. They are worth defending.

Congress must protect these institutions. We must safeguard NPR, PBS, and the Library of Congress from being turned into propaganda tools. We must make clear that knowledge, truth, and creativity are not the enemies of democracy, but instead, they are its very foundation.

Mr. Speaker, Republicans in this House are proposing a budget that includes devastating cuts to Medicaid.

These are cuts they know will negatively impact their constituents, just like they would mine in north Texas.

This isn't about balancing a budget, responsibly cutting spending, or making government more efficient. This is about trying to balance the books on the backs of working families, children, seniors, and people with disabilities.

In Texas, these healthcare cuts will be catastrophic. We already have the highest uninsured rate in the country, with nearly 5 million people in Texas lacking health coverage. Mr. Speaker, one in four Texas children rely on Medicaid or CHIP, and more than one-half of Texas births are covered by Medicaid.

These cuts would gut funding for rural hospitals, eliminate access to care for thousands of Texans with disabilities, and put even more pressure on emergency rooms that are already stretched very thin, causing hospitals to close and making it even harder to find care.

It is cruel. It is reckless. It is part of a broader agenda that prioritizes tax breaks for Trump and his friends over healthcare for the people who need it the very most.

Instead of expanding Medicaid like we should have done over a decade ago, Republicans are trying to dismantle this basic-needs program altogether.

I won't stand by while they try to take healthcare away from Texans who need it most. I will fight tooth and nail to protect Medicaid, to protect our hospitals, and to make sure no Texan is left behind simply because they are sick, struggling, or don't make enough money to exceed the meager income limits for Medicaid.

Republicans should be working with us to build a stronger, more equitable health system instead of destroying the one lifeline millions of Texans rely on.

Mr. Speaker, Medicaid is the foundation of our healthcare system. It is good for business. It is good for our economy, and it is good for the American people.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues on the other side of the aisle to join Democrats in defense of this vital program.

DIGNITY OF THE AMERICAN DREAM

(Mr. MANN of Kansas was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Mr. MANN. Mr. Speaker, yesterday the House Agriculture Committee marked up our portion of the one big, beautiful bill to deliver on the mandate the country gave us on November 5, 2024. In total, we saved American taxpayers more than \$295 billion and made long overdue investments to support the farmers, ranchers, and agricultural producers of the Big First and all of rural America. I am very proud of all that we were able to accomplish.

However, Mr. Speaker, I have been gravely disappointed in how some of

my Democrat colleagues have continued to blatantly lie about our legislation throughout this process. Rather than work together to get our fiscal house back in order and ensure programs like Medicaid and SNAP are on a sustainable path, they have chosen to misrepresent and oppose everything we are working toward.

As the fifth generation to grow up and work on my family farm, I understand the weight and pride our Nation's farmers have in feeding, clothing, and fueling the world. Not a single Member in this body wants to see people go hungry, and I am personally offended by these lies.

We want families to be able to put food on their tables. The difference is, Mr. Speaker, we want these programs to actually serve the most vulnerable communities for generations to come: the single mom taking care of kids too young to be in school, the disabled, and the elderly, not the person who wants the government to foot their bill while they sit at home.

Why would we willingly jeopardize the benefits of vulnerable Americans for someone who is perfectly capable of making an honest income but isn't willing to join the workforce?

These programs were meant to be a bridge to a better life. They were intended to help Americans who fell on hard times and needed a helping hand, but today my Democrat colleagues are defending them as a final destination. That is not right, Mr. Speaker, and it is anti-American.

Even former President Biden once said: The culture of welfare must be replaced with the culture of work. The culture of dependence must be replaced with the culture of self-sufficiency and personal responsibility. The culture of permanence must no longer be a way of life.

This used to be a bipartisan agreement we could all rally around.

I sincerely ask my Democrat colleagues: What has changed?

We live in the greatest country in the world, where anyone from anywhere can come here legally, make an honest living, and pursue the American Dream. That is what House Republicans are fighting for.

It is unfortunate that the other side would rather see programs that were meant to help the neediest Americans continue to be riddled with fraud and abuse, intentionally mismanaged, and undermined all for the sake of scoring political points.

House Republicans are committed to ensuring our programs help the most vulnerable Americans, slashing wasteful, fraudulent, and abusive spending, and preventing American families from seeing a \$2,200 tax increase next January. That is what this is all about, and that is what 77 million Americans endorsed last November.

I am disappointed that not a single Democrat has been willing to work with us, but I feel confident that this majority, along with the Senate and

President Trump, will deliver for the country.

NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

Mr. MANN. Mr. Speaker, this week, the Nation has come together to celebrate National Police Week. It is a time to honor the brave men and women who wear the badge and put their lives on the line every single day to protect our families and our communities.

In the Big First and across the country, law enforcement officers run towards danger when many would run away. They wake up every day with a calling to uphold the rule of law, serve their neighbors, and keep their communities safe. Yet, too often, they are met with hostility and policies from Washington that make their job harder and put their safety at risk.

Let me be clear. I unapologetically stand with the men and women in blue. I will always oppose any effort to defund, demoralize, or dismantle the law enforcement agencies that keep our streets safe. These men and women put their lives on the line every day to make our communities stronger, safer, and more secure, and we should all be grateful.

I express my deepest gratitude to the police officers, Customs and Border Patrol agents, detectives, State troopers, sheriffs, investigators, correction officers, drug enforcement agents, and U.S. marshals who have dedicated their careers to serving their communities. Today and every day we recognize their sacrifice and honor in all that they do to serve our great Nation.

America is grateful for all that they do, and I am grateful for them.

NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

(Mr. VASQUEZ of New Mexico was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Mr. VASQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today during National Police Week to honor the courageous law enforcement officers from New Mexico who have made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our communities.

Every day across our country and in my home State, law enforcement officers wake up, put on the badge, and commit themselves to protecting our neighbors. It is a calling that demands bravery, sacrifice, and unwavering dedication.

This week, we remember those who answered the call and never returned home.

This year, three officers from New Mexico are being added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial wall here in Washington: Corrections Officer Roberto Rodriguez of Dona Ana County, Patrol Officer Jonah Hernandez of the Las Cruces Police Department, and Patrolman Justin C. Hare of the New Mexico State Police.

I also want to honor those who recently did not have the opportunity to come home: Las Cruces Police Officer