

John joined WDAY in 1985 as the station's first on-air meteorologist. Since then, he has weathered it all, guiding North Dakotans through blizzards, floods, and drought, always with steady insight, clear instructions, and a partly sunny optimism, even on the coldest North Dakota days.

Let's be honest: Being a weatherman in North Dakota, in my State, is no easy task. While our weather is reliably unpredictable, John was always a high-pressure system of calm and confidence, helping farmers, families, and everyone in between plan for a smooth day ahead.

As John enters retirement, the forecast looks great. I see clear skies ahead, wind at his back, and hopefully an extended period of sunshine.

I thank John for helping us weather so many storms, and I wish him the very best in this new season of life.

RECOGNIZING DR. CARLA HAYDEN

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

Ms. STEVENS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to call attention to the brazen firing of our respected Librarian of Congress, Dr. Carla Hayden.

Last week, she was ruthlessly fired by President Donald J. Trump. Dr. Hayden is a model public servant who led the Library with dignity and professionalism for 8 years.

Dr. Hayden was the first professional librarian to oversee our Nation's largest Library, and, yes, I still have too many overdue Library books.

I worked with Dr. Hayden during the dark days of COVID-19 to help Michigan, to preserve the history, and to assist veterans. Her premature dismissal, Mr. Speaker, is a true loss to the institution and the millions of people it serves, including my colleagues, who rely on the Library's nonpartisan resources to research and to draft legislation.

Politicizing this institution is not right, and we must give Dr. Hayden the recognition she deserves, a true leader for this country.

ANNIVERSARY OF SANTA FE SHOOTING

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

Mr. WEBER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, this Sunday, May 18, marks 7 years since the heartbreaking and evil tragedy struck the town of Santa Fe, Texas.

Mr. Speaker, it has been 7 years since 10 innocent lives were stolen in a senseless act of violence that shook our community to its very core. Lives were cut short. Families changed forever.

I will never forget getting that phone call. I remember walking the school halls a week after the shooting and see-

ing the pain etched on the faces of the parents, the students, and the first responders.

I attended the funerals. I wept with the families. Those were our kids. These were our teachers. These were our neighbors.

Yet, Mr. Speaker, in the face of that darkness, something else stood out: the unshakeable spirit of Santa Fe, Texas. That Texas town showed the world what it means to be strong, what it means to come together, and what it means to rise above any occasion.

Santa Fe is resilient, Mr. Speaker. Santa Fe is faithful, and Santa Fe is still standing. May we never forget the lives we lost, and may we always honor them by standing for life, for truth, and for the communities that we are blessed to represent.

God bless Santa Fe. God bless Texas, and may God continue to bless these United States of America.

RECOGNIZING HUNTINGTON'S DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH

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

Ms. SCHOLTEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Huntington's Disease Awareness Month and to honor the courage and strength of families across the Nation who face lifelong hardships due to Huntington's disease, including one of my own constituents, Rachel Reising, and her family.

Rachel has reached out to me and asked that I join her in raising awareness for this disease. Huntington's disease is a rare genetic disorder that slowly damages the brain over time. There is currently no cure. However, there is hope, thanks to Medicaid research advancements and investments.

Rachel recently reached out to me and shared her brave story as she grieves the loss of her father, whom she tragically lost to Huntington's. She has made it her life's mission to advocate for proper care of those affected and to eventually find a cure.

In honor of Rachel's family and the tens of thousands of others who face Huntington's disease, I urge my colleagues to protect research and funding to help those living with this rare disease.

IN RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL POLICE WEEK AND MONICA MARTINEZ DURING ALS AWARENESS MONTH

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

Mr. ROY. Mr. Speaker, as we celebrate National Police Week this week and ALS Awareness Month in May, I take time to recognize Monica Martinez.

I know that her niece, Annie Martinez, is here in the Chamber, and

Annie is a staffer here on Capitol Hill. Annie is from New Braunfels.

Monica served faithfully with the Comal County Sheriff's Office for nearly a quarter of a century. I have become very close with the great public servants of Comal County in the sheriff's office and the police department. They are great people.

Tragically, in 2023, Monica's career was cut short after she was diagnosed with Bulbar Onset ALS.

She is a cornerstone of her community and a beacon of inspiration for the entire family.

We are indebted to her service to Comal County, and we honor her as she faces this next challenge against this terrible disease.

As a cancer survivor, I wish her well, and we will be praying for her constantly.

I thank Monica for her steadfast commitment to Texas. She is in the thoughts and prayers of me, the people of Comal County, and her family.

May God bless Monica.

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CUTTING AMERICORPS DEPRIVES AMERICANS

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

Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, one of the latest targets of President Trump's vicious cuts is AmeriCorps, a program that engages 200,000 Americans every year in community service.

In Pennsylvania, AmeriCorps supports 1,000 service sites, more than 10,000 teachers in the Philadelphia region, and various food pantries in the Lehigh Valley. However, with no justification, Musk and DOGE laid off 85 percent of AmeriCorps' staff and unconstitutionally froze more than \$400 million.

Millions of Americans are losing access to services they rely upon: veterans receiving mental health treatment, children enrolled in public schools, homebound seniors in need of assistance and companionship.

AmeriCorps was born under President Bush and codified under President Clinton. Its mission: to improve lives and strengthen communities through the service of dedicated volunteers.

It has long enjoyed bipartisan support, and for good reason, because it is one of the best ways our government can do good things for real people right here at home.

To cut AmeriCorps is to deprive Americans. The Trump administration does not care. Their goal is to serve the rich while forsaking the poor.

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND KIDNEY WALK

(Mr. HARIDOPOLOS asked and was given permission to address the House

for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HARIDOPOLOS. Mr. Speaker, on May 10, 2025, the Fourteenth Annual Footsteps in the Sand Kidney Walk took place in Cocoa Beach.

This event this year raised \$22,000 for kidney patients in need.

Today, I rise to honor the memory of those individuals whose lives were tragically cut short and to recognize the courage of their family members who gave the gift of life on their behalf: Chase Agudelo, Seth Anthony Beyrooti, Michael Robert Brown, Shawn Carpenter, Jose Collins, Linda Marie Couch, Giovanni Cruz, Brooke Dawkins, Andrew Dorsey, Blake Eden, "CJ" Jordan-Michael Grey, Melissa Houser, Kory Humphrey, Jacob Monroe, Tribhawan Anand Persaud, Dylan Rowe, Decobe Esters, Deja Thompson, Donald Walker, Nathan Walker, and Geoffrey Wasden.

Mr. Speaker, I thank them for their sacrifice.

HONORING LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS IN CALIFORNIA'S 25th DISTRICT

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

Mr. RUIZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today during National Police Week to honor the bravery, sacrifice, and service of law enforcement officers across California's 25th District and our Nation.

I thank every officer in my district, from city departments to county and Federal agencies, for putting their lives on the line to keep our communities safe.

On May 2, the 17th Annual Imperial Valley Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony brought our community together in El Centro to remember the 49 officers who made the ultimate sacrifice in their service to the Imperial Valley.

This week, the Riverside County Sheriff's Office held its own memorial, recommitting to their mission to protect and serve. This is a sad reminder that each day police and first responders make the ultimate sacrifice for their communities.

That is why Congress needs to do more to support officers and their surviving families. We must pass my legislation, the Heroes Lesley Zerebny and Gilbert Vega First Responders Survivors Support Act, which increases and improves access to financial and educational benefits for the families of the fallen or disabled officers.

Let's honor our officers not just with words but with meaningful actions that support their well-being and their family's well-being and safety.

CONGRESSIONAL STOCK TRADING BAN

(Mr. NUNN of Iowa asked and was given permission to address the House

for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. NUNN of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, in 2023, dozens of Members of Congress beat the S&P 500, while only 40 percent of Wall Street pros were able to pull that off. I think that has got Americans asking: What does Congress have, a secret strategy?

The sad part is, they did. It is called insider trading.

Members of this body are so good at investing that apps like the Pelosi Tracker exist as a stock tip machine. It has given investors a 45 percent return in the last year alone simply by copying the former Speaker's stock trades.

Now, this isn't a partisan issue. Republicans and Democrats together have made over \$200 million in the market last year, while Americans got hammered by inflation and rising interest rates.

Mr. Speaker, I am a farm kid from Iowa. When I came to Washington, I didn't have many stocks to sell, but I sold them all because it is the right thing to do. It is ridiculous that anyone would commit insider trading while being here.

President Trump agrees and Speaker Johnson agrees that now is the time to pass my bill, the No Corruption in Government Act to finally ban Members of Congress from stock trading, stop government pay raises, and extend the lobbying ban.

Mr. Speaker, let's pass this bill and get it to the President's desk. Let's give the American people back their faith in democracy.

EDESIA NUTRITION

(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 for the 10th time to call on the Trump administration to restore funding for lifesaving food aid for malnourished children across the globe.

Mr. Speaker, \$50 is all it takes to save the life of a child. Edesia Nutrition in Rhode Island makes a lifesaving paste called Plumpy'Nut that for just 30 cents a packet over 8 weeks can save the life of a child suffering from malnutrition. That is \$50, 30 cents a packet, one packet a day. \$50 over 8 weeks and you can save a life.

This product was shipped to millions of children around the world before the Trump administration cut off funding.

Now, Secretary Rubio and Elon Musk have both said that this funding will be restored, but they have yet to actually do it.

Once again, I am calling, along with many of my colleagues, for this funding to be restored. The administration needs to live up to its word. The lives of children depend on it.

ELIMINATING FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE IN MEDICAID

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

Mr. HARRIS of Maryland. Mr. Speaker, this week, the Energy and Commerce Committee finally attacked fraud, waste, and abuse in the Medicaid system.

I think every American knows that when government runs a program, there is fraud, waste, and abuse, and that is exactly what the Committee dealt with.

For instance, 1 million people have committed fraud against the Medicaid system by being enrolled in two States. My colleagues across the aisle think it is a bad idea to eliminate that fraud, waste, and abuse because they all voted against it.

This chart shows what actually happens when you eliminate fraud, waste, and abuse, and the Republicans increase spending in Medicaid by 25 percent over the next 10 years for the people who really need it: the pregnant women, the children, the disabled, the blind, the elderly, and we did it eliminating fraud, waste, and abuse.

HONORING LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS IN NORTHWEST OHIO

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

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today during National Police Week to honor the courage, sacrifice, and unwavering service of our law enforcement officers.

In communities I represent across northwest Ohio, I have stood beside the families of heroes like Officer Anthony Dia and Officer Brandon Stalker who gave their lives protecting Toledo's citizenry.

I have witnessed the strength of mothers like Lorraine Dressel, who lost her son, Detective Keith Dressel, in the line of duty. Now, I have seen that same strength in his son, Noah, who wears the badge in his father's honor.

Mr. Speaker, it is time to honor these heroes not just in words but in deed. I have recently introduced a bipartisan Law Enforcement Training for Mental Health Crisis Response Act. It will give our officers the tools they need to safely respond to behavioral health crises. Our officers are not just enforcers of the law, they are often the first to meet people in their most broken state.

They deserve training that protects both the public and themselves. Our responsibility is to ensure that no officer's sacrifice is forgotten. Let us stand together always for those who serve and for those who, in blue, gave the ultimate sacrifice to protect our northwest Ohio communities. Salute