CELEBRATING THE ARTISTIC TALENT OF EMMA ZACHERL

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

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the exceptional artistic talent of Emma Zacherl, a sophomore at Clarion-Limestone High School and this year's winner of the Congressional Art Competition for Pennsylvania's 15th Congressional District.

Since its inception in 1982, the Congressional Art Competition has offered a platform for young artists across the country to showcase their creativity.

More than 650,000 students have participated nationwide, and I am proud to say that this year's winning entry from our district is a stunning example of that legacy.

Emma's piece, "Waiting," a painting created using water-mixable oils, will soon hang in the U.S. Capitol along with winning entries from across the country.

For an entire year, thousands of visitors, guests, and Members of Congress will have the opportunity to view her artwork.

This marks Emma's second time taking first place in our district's competition, an incredible achievement that speaks volumes about her talent, vision, and dedication to her craft.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to welcome her to Washington, D.C., and look forward to all she will accomplish in the years ahead.

Congratulations to Emma and to all the students who participated in this year's competition.

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RESCISSIONS PACKAGE

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

Mr. LATIMER. Mr. Speaker, as prices rise and our economy stalls, this week, House Republicans are pushing a cruel and a senseless plan to cancel \$9.8 billion in funding that Congress already passed into law. The rescissions package enacts the extreme and out-of-touch agenda that includes DOGE slashing support, reducing support for AIDS prevention, reproductive health, and even public broadcasting.

As a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee, I am particularly disturbed by the \$8.3 billion in cuts to foreign assistance targeting programs that help the most vulnerable people across the world. These cuts include a \$9 million cut to the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief, which has saved over 26 million lives. Additionally, cuts at home include gutting \$1.1 billion from PBS and NPR, silencing trusted voices and educational content like Sesame Street.

These cuts are being celebrated as savings at the same time that the majority is pushing their big, ugly bill that will add at least \$3 trillion to our national debt.

It is clear this isn't about savings. It is about pushing a harmful ideology on the U.S. and the rest of the world. I will not support it.

RECOGNIZING THE CAPITOL HILL CHALLENGE

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

Mr. KENNEDY of Utah. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize and congratulate the outstanding Whitehorse High School team from Montezuma Creek, Utah, for achieving national distinction in the Capitol Hill Challenge.

Out of hundreds of teams from across the country, this remarkable group finished in the top ten. This is a truly impressive accomplishment that speaks to their academic excellence and their strong grasp of financial markets, economics, and civic engagement. These students demonstrated exceptional teamwork, discipline, and a genuine passion for learning throughout the competition.

The team members who I met today, along with their teacher, are Hope, JaSea, Gabrielle, Nateo, and Kalvin, and they excelled under the leadership of their dedicated teacher, Mr. Gosney. Their success is a testament to both their individual talents and the support and guidance that they received.

I am immensely proud to have such bright and committed leaders representing Utah's Third District. Their achievement reflects the strength, resilience, and character of our community.

TRUMP RESCISSIONS REQUEST AND USAID CUTS

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

Mrs. FOUSHEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in opposition to Trump's rescission package, which includes an unfathomable \$8.2 billion cut to USAID funding.

My home State of North Carolina is the fourth largest recipient of USAID funding, which invests roughly \$194 million into our State economy. Gutting this support threatens local jobs, weakens our research institutions, and undermines the economic stability of communities across my State.

In my district alone, the damaging effects of the administration's cuts to USAID are already being felt. Thousands of talented professionals have lost their jobs, and vital partnerships with our local universities have been terminated.

These devastating cuts are not only costing people their livelihoods here at home but are also putting lives at risk around the world.

USAID is a cornerstone of our national security, advancing global health, powering research across the country, and reinforcing America's leadership on the world stage.

Slashing this funding will be disastrous for our allies, destabilize vulnerable regions, and hurt communities. We cannot stand for it.

CELEBRATING PHILIPPINES INDEPENDENCE DAY

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

Mr. MOYLAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with great pride to commemorate the 127th anniversary of Philippine's independence and to honor the remarkable resilience and spirit of the Filipino people.

On June 12, 1898, the Philippines declared independence, breaking free from centuries of colonial rule. Like Guam, the Philippines displayed extraordinary strength and unity during World War II under occupation.

The Filipino community has long been a cornerstone of our island. They are educators, healthcare professionals, businessowners, and servicemembers. More importantly, they are our neighbors, friends, and family.

Mr. Speaker, Philippine independence celebrates not just the past but the people who continue to carry its legacy of freedom, unity, and cultural pride forward.

That is why today I introduced a resolution with Representative Bobby Scott to officially recognize June 12, 2025, as this year's observance of Philippines Independence Day.

Î thank the Filipino community in Guam, across our Nation, and around the world for your countless contributions and lasting impact.

"Hoorah to the Philippines"; "Mabuhay Pilipinas."

Happy Philippines Independence Day.

DO NO HARM

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

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, my father was a physician. One of the main things he was taught in medical school—and I think it is part of the Hippocratic oath—is do no harm.

Our budgets are doing a great deal of harm to our healthcare system.

The Association of Medical Colleges came out with a statement yesterday that our healthcare is in existential crisis because of the cuts to research and the cuts to graduate medical education; that our medical schools will suffer; and the number of doctors that are produced will suffer. That is not even to mention the problems immediately to people from taking away their Medicaid, taking away their ACA, and taking away that healthcare.

Do no harm. This bill is a big, deadly bill. People will die because of it because we are not putting money in the NIH that does the research to protect us from the diseases that kill us such as cancer, Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, heart disease, and diabetes. The NIH is our Department of Defense. Francis Collins did a great job. He left it in good hands. Let's keep ourselves safe. Do no harm.

RECOGNIZING RACHEL KINSAUL

(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 Rachel Kinsaul who was recognized by the Georgia Department of Education as the Georgia Teacher of the Year for 2026.

She led an exceptional career in the Morgan County school system as a teacher of agricultural science, extending her involvement beyond the academic setting. Rachel serves as the chapter adviser to the Future Farmers of America organization and the president of the Morgan County Farm Bureau.

She continues to help inspire students to create their own philanthropic projects, developing future community leaders. Her efforts focus on fostering leadership, collaboration, and a sense of community in the young minds she educates.

As an alumna of the University of Georgia—Go Dogs—she has received several accolades, including the Outstanding Alumnus Award from the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences and recognition as the 2025 Milken Educator of the Year.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate Rachel on her well-deserved recognition as Georgia Teacher of the Year.

RECOGNIZING CONSTITUENTS OF OREGON'S THIRD DISTRICT

(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, this week, my office received our 100,000th message from the people of Oregon's Third District.

This is incredible. On an average day, I receive more than 650 messages, and that is just since being sworn in. We have got a lot to go.

Here is what I am hearing:

People in Portland are fearful. They fear for their children and their neighbors.

People in Rhododendron want to see courageous leadership that understands the needs of working families.

People in Gresham are working hard and are barely making ends meet. They want to know their families will be able to thrive

People throughout Oregon's Third District want immigrant neighbors to feel safe, housing to be affordable, the climate to be protected, schools to be funded, and to have universal healthcare that they can access.

These messages aren't just correspondence. They are marching orders.

I thank every Oregonian who has written. Keep the emails coming.

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CELEBRATING HMONG AMERICANS

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

Mr. GROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, over the last couple of weekends, I have attended two events of the Hmong Americans who populate Wisconsin. Wisconsin has the third highest Hmong population in the country.

I always love to talk about the Hmong because they came here not knowing a word of English, or many of them did not know a word of English. Nevertheless, they have largely succeeded.

I like to have conversations with somebody maybe in their sixties or seventies, and I ask them how many children they have. Then, I ask them how many grandchildren they have, how many brothers and sisters they have, and how many nieces and nephews they have.

The Hmong came here with big families, like recent immigrants frequently do, so they might be here with 40 or 50 children or grandchildren plus nieces and nephews. Then, I ask them how they are doing.

How many of all of these children did not graduate from high school? None.

How many of these 40 grandchildren or nieces or nephews had any problems with the law? None.

How many of the young gals got pregnant out of wedlock? None.

They all seem to be succeeding, despite the fact that they came here with all of these supposed disadvantages.

I would like to, one more time, salute the Hmong, who prove that anybody who comes here and works hard can succeed.

HONORING CHARLES RANGEL

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

Ms. POU. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of one of this body's greatest Members, the late Congressman Charlie Rangel of New York.

There are few men anywhere who have made as large a mark on their community and their government as Charlie Rangel.

Charlie Rangel led an extraordinary life. He was a decorated Korean war veteran, one of the founders of the Congressional Black Caucus, and the first Black American chairman of the storied Committee on Ways and Means.

In his beloved community of Harlem, Charlie was a revered, legendary figure. He was loved by his constituents. He carved paths that others followed for decades. He was also an incredible dresser.

In the long history of the U.S. House of Representatives, over 11,000 men and women have served in this Chamber. Of them, just nine served longer than Charlie Rangel.

Mr. Speaker, Charlie Rangel's death has hit our community particularly hard, as his son-in-law Howard is the longtime leader of Eva's Village, which is a vital resource for our neighbors in the city of Paterson in my district.

Last year, I had the pleasure of sitting with Congressman Rangel at a reception. Even at 94, he was full of energy, anecdotes, and stories, and he remained a sharp dresser.

I send my condolences to Howard; his wife, Alicia Rangel Haughton; Steven Rangel; and Charlie Rangel's family.

CALLING FOR PERMANENT SCHED-ULING FOR FENTANYL ANA-LOGUES

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

Mr. PAPPAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to urge my colleagues to support the HALT Fentanyl Act when it comes to the floor tomorrow.

For the past 5 years, I have engaged with law enforcement, public health experts, and colleagues across the aisle to ensure the scheduling of fentanyl analogues doesn't lapse and is finally made permanent.

Permanent scheduling will ensure that law enforcement retains important tools they need to tackle the opioid crisis and hold traffickers accountable. These are tools that have helped drive down drug-related deaths in New Hampshire to the lowest levels in 10 years.

This is thanks to New Hampshire's all-hands-on-deck approach, pairing enforcement with treatment to bring down both the supply of opioids reaching our communities as well as the demand for them.

There is still work to be done, including getting this bill across the finish line and restoring vital funding that was cut by the current administration for treatment and recovery.

I will continue fighting to ensure that our communities have the support that they need to save lives and confront addiction head-on.

CELEBRATING CONSTITUENT OF THE WEEK JANET GULLICKSON

(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 would like to congratulate my constituent of the week, Dr. Janet Gullickson, as she retires from her post as president of Germanna Community College.