

### BUZZ FROM BREAK ROOMS TO BACKYARDS

(Mr. BEAN of Florida was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Mr. BEAN of Florida. Mr. Speaker, the One Big Beautiful Bill Act, some say it is the bee's knees. What is the buzz?

Basically, it brings better jobs, bigger paychecks, and booming communities. The One Big Beautiful Bill Act is about boosting wages, backing small businesses, bolstering border security, and it brings tax relief.

Mr. Speaker, I recently sat down with manufacturers from my district in northeast Florida who reviewed the One Big Beautiful Bill Act, and they said bravo.

The Trump tax cuts have bolstered growth, boosted job creation, and benefited American production. However, barring action, burdensome tax hikes will be bothersome. In northeast Florida alone, the One Big Beautiful Bill Act protects 15,000 jobs and over \$2.6 billion in base economic output.

The House has done its part, but I am banking on the Senate to bring it on and show the American people they are serious about ensuring manufacturing remains the bedrock of our blossoming economy.

The One Big Beautiful Bill Act is not just about good policy. It is the reason there is a buzz from break rooms to backyards. It brings bold benefits to builders, businessowners, and breadwinners. It is the best for workers, families, and our big, beautiful future. Let's get it done, and let's boogie.

### CELEBRATING UNITED NATIONS CHARTER

(Ms. PELOSI of California was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 80th anniversary of the signing of the United Nations Charter and the establishment of one of the world's greatest organizations for peace and the advancement of humanity.

As the Representative from San Francisco, this anniversary holds particular pride for the people of my city and for me. It was in San Francisco that we played host to the grand conference of delegates that wrote the U.N. Charter.

It was in the San Francisco War Memorial and Performing Arts Center on June 26, 1947, that the charter was signed. On that day, President Harry S. Truman came to the plenary session to offer his congratulations and his hopes for the future of a new United Nations.

He said: "You have created a great instrument for peace and security and human progress in the world." President Truman said that, and he said: "The world must use it now."

The world must use it now. It was true then. It is true now.

Eight decades later, 193 member states have ratified the charter. It was

50 that day. Then Poland joined, which made it 51. Mr. Speaker, 193 members have ratified the charter.

The world's greatest leaders and thinkers have been among the United Nations' representatives. In 1946, United Nations General Assembly delegate and former First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt helped draft the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which builds on Franklin Roosevelt's commitment to freedom of speech, freedom of religion, freedom from fear, and freedom from want for all people.

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It has sought to advance human rights, human dignity, and opportunities for women and girls.

It has focused the world's attention on the plight of refugees and the urgency of the climate crisis with its sustainable development goals. It has been a bulwark for global peace and peacekeeping. In striving to fulfill the ideas and promises of its charter, the United Nations, its related agencies, programs, and staff have been awarded the Nobel Peace Prize 11 times.

In 1950, Ralph Bunche, an American, became the first person affiliated with the new organization to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. In his acceptance speech, he remarked: "I am but one of many cogs in the United Nations, the greatest peace organization ever dedicated to the salvation of mankind's future on Earth."

Under the leadership of Secretary-General Antonio Guterres, the United Nations remains a strong, resolute, and unwavering voice for peace in a world burdened by war. Today, the United Nations is convening a plenary meeting of the General Assembly in New York at the United Nations headquarters to "revive the spirit of San Francisco and once again embrace the ideals that united humanity during its darkest hour, reaffirming our commitment to those values into the future."

May we recapture the spirit of solidarity that existed in San Francisco 80 years ago as the United Nations continues to stand as a beacon of peace for the next 80 years and beyond.

Since I have a little more time, I want to tell a personal story.

When I was in high school, this would be about a dozen years after the founding of the United Nations, President, then-Senator, Kennedy came to Baltimore for a great event. It was the United Nations Association of Maryland dinner honoring someone named Jacob Blaustein, a civic leader in our community. My father was the mayor of Baltimore. My mother, knowing how much I admired the Kennedy family because we were taught by Irish-Catholic nuns from Boston, even in Baltimore, she said: I don't think I feel well going to the dinner tonight. Why don't you take my place?

Taking her place meant sitting next to Senator Kennedy for this dinner where he was giving the keynote address. There is a picture of that occasion.

The reason why I tell the story is because I was a member of the United Nations Youth in high school. I was a junior in high school at the time. There was a table of United Nations Youth, and they came over to me and said: Since you are a member of the United Nations Youth, we invite you to sit with us at our table.

Oh, my gosh, John F. Kennedy or United Nations Youth?

As conflicted as I was, how could I leave a vacant seat next to Senator Kennedy of Massachusetts who was soon to become President of the United States?

In any event, as I said at the beginning, this holds a special particular pride for me personally, as well as officially.

### DEFUNDING "SESAME STREET"

(Mr. LARSON of Connecticut was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Mr. LARSON of Connecticut. Mr. Speaker, again, I want to commend NANCY PELOSI, Speaker Emerita, for always making judgments, and sitting next to President Kennedy certainly was one of them, as well. What a great story.

We are here today because oftentimes, Mr. Speaker, as you might know, there isn't enough bipartisanship.

Today I rise, since the Speaker Emerita mentioned President Kennedy, to talk about profiles in courage. I commend the Republicans and my colleagues on the other side of the aisle for the courage they demonstrated when they decided to get rid of "Sesame Street."

I don't know how many people know this, but a lot of people think that "Sesame Street" is about the education of children, especially in rural areas, and teaching the basics, like reading, writing, and arithmetic. However, our colleagues on the other side have pointed out that: No, this is about wokeism, and it has a direct impact on reconciliation, reconsideration, and inquiries of resolution. Those are three Rs that I didn't know about.

I had to explain to my daughter when she said: Do you mean your granddaughter won't see these programs?

I said: Well, I went to JIM HIMES on the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, and I asked him if he had heard anything about wokeism or what does woke mean?

Jim looked around the room. He was a little cautious, and he said: Well, woke means we are okay with Elmo.

I didn't realize that the Republicans had actually broken the code, and that anyone who is okay with Elmo has to be suspect of wokeism.

He further said to me: We have discovered that this is a real issue.

I said: What is the threat that exists here? Has there been a classified briefing on this? Are we aware of this?

He said: No, there has been no classified briefing yet, but there is grave

concern about the Cookie Monster. Anytime you have “monster” in your name, the American people ought to be made aware of it, and you ought to be vitally concerned about what kind of habit this monster could create.

I couldn't believe it. Imagine, Mr. Speaker, for more than 50 years, they have been providing this kind of education, teaching kids how to read, write, and to inquire, but it was all code. This was part of leftwing wokeism. Regarding the Cookie Monster, that should have been obvious.

He said that a lot of people are wondering why the supreme Commander in Chief had been talking about Greenland, other invasions, and everything like this.

There is grave concern, and I asked ROSA DELAURO if she had heard about this. She is a known friend of Big Bird, and because of that relationship, she, obviously, along with others, is locked into this wokeism that has been plaguing the country.

I didn't even get into the relationship that JOE COURTNEY had with Bert and Ernie on the Armed Services Committee. However, Mr. Speaker, you can only imagine the job and the skill that our colleagues used on the other side to say that we have to end the public funding of this because of the great threat that this poses to our democracy.

How could we possibly let the Cookie Monster run rampant like this? Where was everybody? How did it take so long?

However, the supreme commander was able to figure it out, and his willing partners joined with him in making sure that “Sesame Street” was banned. I congratulate him. We are nominating him for Profiles in Courage.

#### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. STUTZMAN). Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until noon today.

Accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 24 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess.

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#### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. ROGERS of Alabama) at noon.

#### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

God of grace and peace, in Your mercy speak into our hearts this day with words of both challenge and encouragement, that we would be neither paralyzed by our pride nor stymied by our despair.

For You have commanded us to live in harmony with one another. This is a

hard directive to follow. In our hubris, we are inclined to do what is wise in our own sight, failing to appreciate the value of the opposing voice.

But in our hopelessness, we look for ways to undermine our adversaries, repaying their evil with our own.

Only with Your intervention can we choose to do what honors all people. Only by yielding to Your judgment can we give up our desire for vengeance.

Break into our inclinations for discord and teach us how to live in harmony. Teach us patience and humility that even here we could find ways toward a shared purpose, a purpose established in the peace to be found only in You.

In the unity of Your name, we pray. Amen.

#### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. 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 pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. JOYCE) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania 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.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to 15 requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

#### HONORING JONATHAN NABAVI

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

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, today, I proudly rise to honor former Penn State football player and Academic All-Big Ten honoree, Jonathan Nabavi, as he takes his next steps in his professional career.

As the son of Rosemary Nabavi and Dr. Abbey Nabavi, Jonathan spent his childhood growing up in beautiful State College, Pennsylvania, watching Penn State football games and learning the game. He didn't have to travel too far as he went on to play for the Nittany Lions at Beaver Stadium and graduated from Penn State in 2004. He then attended the George Washington University Law School, where he earned his degree and later developed a career here on Capitol Hill.

Jonathan's passion for one of America's most popular sports carried into

his professional life, supporting our largest sport, football in the NFL.

As Jonathan takes the next steps in his career, I wish him; his wife, Catherine; their two beautiful daughters, Layla and Eloise, the best of luck in the next chapter of his incredible career. We are Penn State.

#### CHILDREN IN TEXAS ARE GOING HUNGRY

(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, I rise today because there are children in Texas going hungry, and Governor Greg Abbott just made it worse.

This week, he vetoed \$60 million in State spending for a summer food program that would have helped feed children while school was out. With that one decision, he turned his back on our most vulnerable kids and walked away from \$450 million in Federal funding that could have helped struggling families across Texas.

Texas has the second-highest rate of food insecurity in the Nation. One in four children in our State face hunger. That is 25 percent of our children.

Let's be clear: How can you claim to be pro-life and then just let children starve?

To paraphrase Matthew: For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink.

Our job is simple: Take care of our kids, feed the hungry, and lift up the families who need us most. I will never stop fighting for them, and I will always put people over politics.

#### BIG, BEAUTIFUL BILL IMPACT ON BORDER SECURITY

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

Mr. ROSE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on behalf of the Tennesseans I represent who overwhelmingly support President Trump's One Big Beautiful Bill Act. The bill delivers for the American people in many ways, not the least of which is border security.

Under the last administration, 1,504 Iranians were caught crossing the border illegally. Nearly half of them were released into the country. We still don't know how many of them were on the terrorist watch list. Let's think about that.

Last month, zero illegal immigrants were released into the U.S., compared to 62,000 a year ago in May.

Indeed, President Trump secured the border in record time, a master class in leadership, without a blank check from Congress.

Now, it is on the Senate to pass the One Big Beautiful Bill Act and give the President the resources he needs to keep the border secure. The bill will