

The Bill Cody Ranch continues as a living legacy of stewardship, hospitality, and dedication to our way of life. Please join me in congratulating the ranch and the many families who have called it home on reaching this marvelous milestone.

Their commitment to preserving Wyoming's heritage is something that we are all proud of. I thank them, and congratulate them once again on this historic milestone.

#### FOLLOW THE MONEY

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

Ms. PLASKETT. Mr. Speaker, I have repeatedly told people, when asked about the rationale for actions of this administration, to follow the money.

Yesterday, in the House Budget Committee, we heard alarming testimony from expert witness Robert Gordon. He reminded us of those motives in the Republicans' reconciliation bill when he explained the lucrative opportunities for powerful private contractors to profit off of the red tape the bill creates in Medicaid.

Republicans' beautiful bill for billionaires requires increased work check-ins for people to retain that Medicaid. For employment data, States are likely to use the work number from Equifax, which costs over \$20 per person per search. Under the bill, more than 18 million people would have to be checked every month. That equates to \$360 million per month, and that is \$4.32 billion per year or roughly \$43 billion over the bill's 10-year budget going to the vendors who are going to be making money to be processing this. Follow the money.

#### RECOGNIZING SUHINA MITRA

(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, today I rise to honor Suhina Mitra, a remarkable high school student from Brevard County, who has shown an incredible commitment to service in our community.

While attending West Shore Junior and Senior High School, she became youth ambassador for the Children's Home Society of Florida. She has volunteered with groups like Who We Play For and HOSA Future Health Professionals.

Through a web-based campaign, Mitra raised over \$20,000 to enhance STEM education activities at Endeavour Elementary School and even served as her senior high class president. For her efforts, she earned the national Peter R. Marsh Silent Servant Scholarship Award.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to recognize Ms. Mitra for her leadership and her service to community.

#### RECOGNIZING LOCAL NAACP LEADERS

(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, the vibrant African-American community in the Bronx and Westchester County have had a tireless advocate on their side for decades, the NAACP, fighting for reform and social progress, the rights of residents who want a fair shot in life and a better today and tomorrow for their children.

We are all familiar with the effective advocacy of the NAACP, including the lifetime achievement of Dr. Hazel Dukes, who recently passed away, but there are local heroes, too, who do exceptional work in our hometown neighborhoods.

Let me recognize some of these key branch leaders:

In Co-Op City, Leslie Peterson and Brenda Brown;

In New Rochelle, Aisha Cook and Jareca Lee;

In Yonkers, Kisha Skipper and Karen Edmonson;

In Williamsbridge, Laura Rhodan and Shirley Fearon;

In Mt. Vernon, Kathie Brewington and A.J. Woodson;

In White Plains-Greenburgh, Janice Griffiths;

In Port Chester-Rye, James Hender-son III.

I also recognize other leaders such as Minister Mark McLean, Reverend Frank Coleman, and Reverend Margaret Fountain-Coleman.

Their hard work and principled advocacy for equal rights, economic justice, and education warrants recognition on the floor of the House of Representatives.

#### MADISON WASMER EARNS EAGLE SCOUT AWARD

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

Mr. TAYLOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Madison Wasmer.

Madison is a junior at Jackson High School and has recently earned the Eagle Scout Award, becoming the first female in Jackson County to earn this distinction. To achieve this, Madison obtained 21 merit badges, showcasing fundamental skills she learned as a Scout and commitment to her community.

Madison is a true leader who has served on her school's student council, engaged in local cleanup initiatives, and assisted special needs students.

A member of Troop 7056, Madison embodied the spirit of the Scouts, which is to make ethical and moral choices that contribute to the well-being of society, ultimately fostering civic engagement and love of community.

Southern Ohio is proud of Madison's accomplishments, and we are happy to

call her one of our own. I look forward to seeing how she continues to create positive change in Ohio's Second Congressional District.

Mr. Speaker, I also recognize Madison's grandmother and her Scoutmaster, Ryan Pelliter, for their role in this process. Without them, this achievement would not have been possible. I congratulate Madison.

#### PRESIDENT TRUMP'S PROPOSAL TO ELIMINATE FEMA

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

Ms. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with grave concerns about Donald Trump's proposal to eliminate FEMA.

In September 2024, western North Carolina was ravaged by Hurricane Helene, the most devastating storm in our State's history. We lost over 100 lives, and countless communities were changed forever.

In the immediate aftermath of Hurricane Helene, FEMA provided indispensable support to save lives, clear debris, and house families who lost everything.

As hurricane season begins, it is a disgrace that Donald Trump and his administration are proposing the elimination of FEMA. This scheme is nothing less than a slap in the face to the western North Carolina communities that he pledged to support.

If Trump really cares about effectively managing disaster response, then he should submit a funding request to Congress to replenish the disaster fund. Eliminating FEMA is not the answer. It will put lives in jeopardy across the United States and severely hamper ongoing disaster efforts.

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#### CONGRATULATING JIM DUNCAN

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

Mr. DOWNING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate my dear friend, Jim Duncan, on his well-earned retirement as president of the Billings Clinic Foundation.

For three decades, Jim served the great folks of the Treasure State, advocating tirelessly for rural healthcare access and the expansion of community wellness programs. Jim grew the foundation's endowments from \$3 million to an astounding \$150 million, funds that will benefit the community for generations to come.

Jim also played a key role in introducing innovation and excellence in Montana health services, helping to bring new cancer, cardiac, pediatric, psychiatric, and trauma care to eastern Montana.

Jim's advocacy will be missed, but I know the foundation will be left in

good hands with Nichole Mehling at the helm.

Jim led with integrity, vision, and compassion. I wish him and his wife, Heidi, a well-deserved, adventure-filled retirement.

#### AMERICA IN DECLINE UNDER REPUBLICAN ECONOMIC POLICIES

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

Mr. LIEU. Mr. Speaker, under the economic policies of Donald Trump and Republicans, America is now in decline. For the first time in 3 years, we have negative GDP growth. That means our economy actually shrank this year.

It takes a special kind of stupid to take 12 consecutive quarters of positive economic growth and make it go negative. We also know inflation has increased, and Trump Republicans want to make it worse. They want to pass the big, ugly bill that is going to cut off healthcare for over 16 million Americans, all in service of massive tax breaks to billionaires.

Tell them to take their heads out of the sand and stop harming the American people. Trump and Republicans should be working for the American people, not for billionaires.

#### REMEMBERING JOHN W. GROTKE

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

Mr. LANGWORTHY. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to pay tribute to the extraordinary life and dedicated service of John W. Grotke, a proud resident of Eden, New York, who recently passed away on June 19, 2025.

John proudly served in the United States Marine Corps, where he dedicated several years of his life to upholding the values of honor, courage, and commitment. During his time in uniform, his service exemplified a deep sense of patriotism and dedication to our country.

After serving in the military, John also served as the commander of the Hamburg American Legion Post 527, where he played a leading role as a voice for the organization and representing his members effectively. He devoted his time advocating for veterans in the community and ensuring their families receive the care they deeply deserve.

John was not only an exemplary marine but a strong leader and wonderful husband, father, and friend. He was the beloved husband of Karen Grotke; loving father of Matthew, Keith, Gregory, and Joshua; and the cherished grandfather of six grandchildren.

John W. Grotke leaves behind a legacy of service and unwavering dedication to his community and his country. His accomplishments and leadership

leave a lasting impact and set a gold standard that will continue to inspire generations to come.

The western New York community was blessed to have such a remarkable resident. May he rest in peace.

#### CLOSURE OF QUARTZ HILL POST OFFICE

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

Mr. WHITESIDES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to sound the alarm on the impending closure of the Quartz Hill Post Office and who knows how many other contract postal units across the country.

On June 1, Stan Boylan, a veteran and the owner of the Quartz Hill Post Office, received a written termination notice informing him that his post office was scheduled to close.

My family loves the Quartz Hill Post Office. My wife was devastated to hear this news. We are not alone. It has been a staple of our community for over 70 years and services tens of thousands of my constituents.

I say we do not know the scale of closures because, even after I submitted an inquiry to the Acting Postmaster General, we have not yet been given a straight answer. What we do know is that the White House has been trying to absorb this historically independent agency and has given DOGE the green light to cut USPS staff and gut services.

Let me be clear. The United States Postal Service does not use taxpayers dollars for operating costs. Reducing post office locations will lead to slower service, longer wait times, and delays in receiving packages, medications, and other necessary deliveries.

I urge the Postmaster General to reverse the decision to terminate the Quartz Hill Post Office contract.

#### NO TAX DOLLARS FOR RIOTS ACT

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

Mr. KILEY of California. Mr. Speaker, this week I am introducing the No Tax Dollars for Riots Act, a bill that will assure that public funding is not used to create the sort of horrifying scenes that we just witnessed in Los Angeles.

In the wake of the L.A. riots, we have learned that a group claiming nonprofit status known as CHIRLA received \$34 million in State funding and some Federal funding, as well. This group played a central role in organizing the riots, providing real-time locations to the rioters of where Federal officers could be found. Several of these Federal officers were subsequently assaulted with bricks and Molotov cocktails.

My bill will assure that an organization like this, whose officers are con-

victed of assaulting, resisting, or impeding Federal officers, or of organizing, promoting, encouraging, participating in, or carrying on a riot under sections 111 or 2101 of title 18 of the U.S. Code loses their nonprofit status and is ineligible for Federal funding going forward.

This is a commonsense step that will prevent the sort of lawlessness that we saw in Los Angeles from reappearing in our State or elsewhere in the country.

#### STUDENT VISA PROCESS

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

Mr. SUBRAMANYAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise to talk about an issue that is hurting our country that we aren't talking about enough, and that is the uncertainty of this administration's student visa process.

We have students doing groundbreaking research that are being forced to leave the country, students that last academic year contributed \$43 billion to the U.S. economy. The administration is trying to prevent institutions from enrolling top international students altogether.

The United States has welcomed international students for decades. Some of them include world leaders, founders of billion-dollar companies here, and over 40 percent of the founders of the American leading AI companies, just as a few examples.

We are shooting ourselves in the foot. Instead, why don't we go back to being a place that welcomes students to dream big and conduct groundbreaking research no matter where they are coming from?

Why don't we become a place that unites people of all backgrounds and welcomes the best and brightest? That is something that makes our country great.

#### TRINE UNIVERSITY 2025 WOMEN'S SOFTBALL CHAMPIONS

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

Mr. STUTZMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Angola, Indiana's, Trine University women's softball team on winning the 2025 NCAA Division III softball championship. Under the leadership of head coach Donnie Danklefsen, the Thunder gave the championship game their all.

This game was a nail-biter, as the team was down by one run throughout most of the game. On top of that, the team's star pitcher, Alexis Michon, pitched the entire game despite an injury early on.

Even with this adversity, the team rallied together and kept their determination to win. Everything turned around for the Thunder in the sixth inning when Emma Lee crushed a three-