

leaders through career development and leadership opportunities. Their annual leadership conference brings together over 11,000 students from more than 2,000 schools nationwide to compete in career and leadership building events.

While in Anaheim, California, Aybrah placed sixth in public speaking and Elena placed seventh in career exploration.

West Shamokin's FBLA chapter, founded in the fall of 2023, has quickly made a name for itself and has proven that a small, rural school can leave a big mark on the national stage.

Mr. Speaker, I applaud both Aybrah and Elena and the entire West Shamokin FBLA team for their leadership, hard work, and bright futures. They make their school, their community, the Commonwealth, and this Congressman very proud.

RECOGNIZING PASQUOTANK COUNTY EMS NATIONAL AWARD

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

Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Pasquotank County Emergency Medical Services for earning their prestigious 2025 Best in Category Award for Health from the National Association of Counties.

Out of 157 entries, Pasquotank County EMS was recognized as one of the best health programs in the country and the only winner from North Carolina.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Pasquotank County EMS, like many counties, faced a serious shortage of paramedics and emergency safety workers.

In response, they developed an innovative tiered response system allowing ambulances to quickly respond to emergencies while paramedics provided essential support when needed, improving their service, making it faster and more efficient.

Pasquotank County EMS is a shining example of hard work, innovation, and dedication.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate each and every one on this remarkable honor.

□ 0910

LOVE THY CITY INITIATIVE

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

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Love Thy City event held in Tyler, Texas, a community-wide initiative that reminds us that service to our neighbors does not start in Washington, D.C. It starts in the heart and in the home, and it extends to every corner of this Earth.

Organized by local citizen leaders, churches, nonprofits, and volunteers of

all ages, Love Thy City is a day of service to others, rooted in the great command to love our neighbors. That is a principle that transcends politics and parties, race and gender, and every other perceived difference between us.

It is our shared responsibility to care for everyone around us just as the Good Samaritan did, not because government would tell us to, but because the love of Christ propels us to.

Whether it is cleaning up a park, helping a neighbor in need, or simply showing kindness to a stranger, Love Thy City challenges us to use our active faith to lead by example and invest in our communities, not just with words, but with action.

This is what makes east Texas strong: faith, service, and a deep love for God and for others. I am proud to honor this effort today and to recognize all those who give their time to love their neighbor.

PROVIDING BEST EDUCATION FUNDING FOR ALL FAMILIES

(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, our children are under attack.

Mr. Speaker, \$6.8 billion in education funding, dollars appropriated by Democrats and Republicans, is frozen. These are funds that should have been available on July 1.

In Pennsylvania, that is \$230 million. Resources, including summer programs and teacher training, hang in limbo.

Abington School District, my alma mater, is missing more than \$250,000. Some schools may be able to function while the President's latest whims play out in court, but as is the case with most of his orders, Trump has stolen the most from those who have the least.

The Norristown Area School District, just 15 miles from my district of Abington, is owed three times as much, more than \$750,000 in Federal funds.

This is not about government efficiency. It is about greed, incompetence, and cruelty.

When Secretary McMahon testified before the Appropriations Committee, I asked her: "Why are you in this job?" Her response: "I want the best for my family," not all families, her family.

When Republicans tell us who they are, Mr. Speaker, we should believe them.

GETTING ANIMAL HEALTH RESEARCH RIGHT IN FARM BILL

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

Mr. MANN. Mr. Speaker, in honor of the Nation's 249th birthday, House Republicans delivered the largest tax cut in our Nation's history for middle- and working-class families, strengthened

the farm safety net, and voted to get our country back on track.

The One Big Beautiful Bill Act gave a lifeline to the agricultural community by updating reference prices, expanding crop insurance, and saving millions of family farms from the death tax. The relief was long overdue. We are grateful, but the work doesn't stop there.

It is past time for Congress to pass a fiscally conservative 5-year farm bill, including support for agricultural research and development. We have seen the devastating impact disease outbreaks can have with the HPAI virus, and now we must continue to take steps to prevent the New World screwworm from reaching our borders.

The Big First District is home to crown jewels of the animal health corridor, where world-renowned research happens, positioning the United States to focus on disease prevention rather than outbreak control after the fact.

By investing in agricultural research, we strengthen our food supply chain and, in turn, our national security, all while providing the best and most effective return on taxpayer dollars.

We cannot afford to put our food security at risk by not prioritizing adequate investments in animal health research when we pass the next iteration of the farm bill. I urge this body to get this right.

STARVATION IN GAZA

(Ms. TLAIB asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, the Israeli Government has deliberately blocked food, medicine, and fuel from entering Gaza. The entire population of Gaza is experiencing famine, and half a million Palestinians are facing catastrophic levels of starvation.

At least 66 Palestinian children have already been starved to death. Maybe if my colleagues would close their eyes, or pretend that they are not Palestinians, they would care, that they would care that Palestinians have been forced to eat grass and animal feed—they are human beings—while thousands of trucks carrying food sit blocked at the border.

The Israeli Government is using starvation as a weapon of war. Now, the Israeli forces are deliberately shooting and killing starving Palestinians lined up for food, and the responses by the Israeli Government do not add up. Mr. Speaker, 875 have been murdered in 6 weeks alone.

The so-called Gaza Humanitarian Foundation, backed by the Israeli Government and the Trump administration, is a deadly sham. The United Nations calls it a death trap.

The Israeli soldiers have even admitted it themselves. They were ordered to deliberately shoot unarmed Palestinians, many of them children, calling it a killing field.

This is not a game, Mr. Speaker. These are human beings.

If colleagues need to close their eyes again and pretend they are not Palestinians to care, then maybe they should. We would stop this madness and stop supporting the genocide in Gaza.

FIX BROKEN PERMITTING AND REGULATORY LAWS

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

Mr. WESTERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to shed light on the broken permitting process that creates roadblocks to unleashing American innovation and development while costing more taxpayer dollars with basically nothing to show for the expenses.

The Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2023 attempted to change course and imposed a 2-year deadline and a 150-page cap on environmental impact statements. However, the Council on Environmental Quality reports that 61 percent of environmental impact statements still take over 2 years to complete.

The other two branches of government are taking actions to inject some regulatory common sense into the process. President Trump's "Unleashing American Energy" executive order directs Federal agencies to confine NEPA analysis to applicable law, and in May, the Supreme Court ruled unanimously on narrowing the scope of NEPA.

It is time for Congress to take bipartisan, bicameral action to fix the broken permitting and regulatory laws so that America can thrive.

□ 0920

HAPPY 105TH BIRTHDAY TO ROY DRINKARD

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

Mr. ADERHOLT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today here on the House floor of the United States House of Representatives to recognize an extraordinary American and a dear personal friend, Mr. Roy Drinkard of Cullman, Alabama, who just celebrated his 105th birthday this past weekend, on July 12.

Born in 1920, Mr. Drinkard is a proud veteran of the Second World War, who served his country with courage and continues to inspire all those who know him. He is the oldest living marine in the United States of America.

After the war, he returned to Alabama and built a legacy as a successful businessman, civic leader, and helped shape the growth and character of Cullman, Alabama, as well as the State.

At the age of 105, Mr. Drinkard remains active in his business. He still serves on the board of trustees at Troy University, demonstrating that age is

no barrier to leadership, commitment, or purpose.

Mr. Speaker, Roy Drinkard is a living example of American grit and grace. My wife, Caroline, and I are proud to call him our friend. I ask my colleagues to join me in wishing Mr. Drinkard a very happy 105th birthday and in thanking him for a lifetime of service to his community and to his Nation.

May God bless Roy Drinkard and his family, and may God bless the United States of America.

HONORING LUNA AND OUR DIFFERENCES

(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, I rise today to honor Luna Higbie, the daughter of my friend, Brian, back in Westchester County, New York.

Luna is a delightful 6-year-old girl, but she has already endured bullying simply for looking different. Luna wears an eye patch and glasses to treat her amblyopia. Mistreatment by a few peers has made Luna want to reject her treatment.

Disney's Pixar has recently released the movie, "Elio," about a boy who is wrestling with his insecurity and a longing to belong. Representation matters. Research shows that seeing someone in the media who mirrors your experiences boosts self-esteem, supports identity formation, and reduces stigma. Imagine how it might feel for Luna to see a character who wears an eye patch—someone like her. It makes it more likely to help keep her patch on, to feel proud and seen.

As someone who grew up with strabismus and experienced teasing firsthand, I know how much it can hurt. We must teach our children that differences are not deficits, but paths to empathy and connection.

Mr. Speaker, I invite my colleagues to join me in sending Luna a message of inclusion: You belong. You are valued, and you matter to America.

DIGITAL ASSET MARKET CLARITY ACT OF 2025

Mr. HILL of Arkansas. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 580, I call up the bill (H.R. 3633) to provide for a system of regulation of the offer and sale of digital commodities by the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, and for other purposes, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. SMITH of Nebraska). Pursuant to House Resolution 580, in lieu of the amendments in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committees on Agriculture and Financial Services printed in the bill, an amendment in the na-

ture of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 119-6, modified by the amendment printed in part B of House Report 119-199, is adopted and the bill, as amended, is considered read.

The text of the bill, as amended, is as follows:

H.R. 3633

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) *SHORT TITLE.*—This Act may be cited as the "Digital Asset Market Clarity Act of 2025" or the "CLARITY Act of 2025".

(b) *TABLE OF CONTENTS.*—The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. *Short title; table of contents.*

TITLE I—DEFINITIONS; RULEMAKING; EXPEDITED REGISTRATION

Sec. 101. *Definitions under the Securities Act of 1933.*

Sec. 102. *Definitions under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.*

Sec. 103. *Definitions under the Commodity Exchange Act.*

Sec. 104. *Definitions under this Act.*

Sec. 105. *Rulemakings.*

Sec. 106. *Expedited registration for digital commodity exchanges, brokers, and dealers; provisional status.*

Sec. 107. *Commodity Exchange Act and securities laws savings provisions.*

Sec. 108. *Administrative requirements.*

Sec. 109. *Treatment of certain non-controlling blockchain developers.*

Sec. 110. *Application of the Bank Secrecy Act.*

Sec. 111. *Rule of construction.*

Sec. 112. *Implementation.*

TITLE II—OFFERS AND SALES OF DIGITAL COMMODITIES

Sec. 201. *Treatment of investment contract assets.*

Sec. 202. *Exempted primary transactions in digital commodities.*

Sec. 203. *Treatment of secondary transactions in digital commodities that originally involved investment contracts.*

Sec. 204. *Requirements for offers and sales of digital commodities by digital commodity related persons and digital commodity affiliated persons.*

Sec. 205. *Mature blockchain system requirements.*

Sec. 206. *Effective date.*

TITLE III—REGISTRATION FOR INTERMEDIARIES AT THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Sec. 301. *Treatment of digital commodities and permitted payment stablecoins.*

Sec. 302. *Anti-fraud authority over permitted payment stablecoins and certain digital commodity transactions.*

Sec. 303. *Eligibility of alternative trading systems.*

Sec. 304. *Rulemaking for dual-registered entities.*

Sec. 305. *Modernization of recordkeeping requirements.*

Sec. 306. *Exemptive authority.*

Sec. 307. *Additional registrations with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.*

Sec. 308. *Exempting digital commodities from State securities laws.*

Sec. 309. *Exclusion for decentralized finance activities.*

Sec. 310. *Treatment of custody activities by banking institutions.*

Sec. 311. *Broker and dealer disclosures regarding the treatment of assets.*