

the chamber remains the same as when it was founded: "To be the partner of choice to enable economic and business development by partnering with businesses, schools, communities, and individuals in Central Pennsylvania."

As a proud member of the chamber, I recognize its vital role in driving regional economic growth, fostering job creation, and supporting businesses of all sizes as they innovate and invest in America's future.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the board members, staff, membership, and partners who have worked together to promote and improve our region. They have fostered a commitment to free enterprise that enables our local communities to unlock their true economic potential.

I congratulate the chamber on this milestone occasion.

RECOGNIZING GENERAL ATOMICS

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

Mr. PETERS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize General Atomics, a world-leading technology company headquartered in the district I represent, and their historic achievement of completing the ITER Central Solenoid. This giant custom-designed magnet, 60 feet tall, 14 feet wide, and weighing over 1,000 tons, is the largest pulsed superconducting electromagnet ever built, and it is a major step in the long journey toward commercial fusion energy.

General Atomics was one of the early trailblazers of both nuclear fission and fusion. Under the leadership of their chairman and CEO, Neal Blue, General Atomics has pioneered many new innovations, from groundbreaking advances in nuclear technology to remotely operated aircraft, and electromagnetic systems.

Fusion energy will provide a source of virtually limitless baseload power and a clean and safe pathway for true energy security. It is no wonder countries across the globe are racing to achieve fusion first, and San Diego is leading the way with the leadership of companies like General Atomics and others.

I look forward to celebrating many more accomplishments with my friends at General Atomics.

RECOGNIZING KENLEY JUIILLERAT

(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 today to recognize Kenley Juillerat. Kenley is a member of the Premier Showmen 4-H Club in Hillsboro, Ohio.

For her 4-H project, Kenley gave back to veterans by thanking them for their service with stars, stripes, and smiles buckets. With help from her community, she assembled goodie buckets to disperse to veterans in her area.

Included were cards that thanked them for their service. Freedom has never been free, and our brave servicemen and -women and their families sacrifice so much to keep us safe. It is great to see heroes being recognized, and it is my honor to advocate on their behalf in Congress.

Outstanding operations like 4-H teach our young people the values of patriotism and hard work. Programs just like this one represent the best America has to offer, and it is great to see them focusing their efforts on honoring our Nation's heroes.

I and all of southern Ohio are proud of Kenley.

I congratulate Kenley.

IRMGARD HERMANN DAVIS' 90TH BIRTHDAY

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

Mr. CORREA. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to celebrate the 90th birthday of Irmgard Hermann Davis.

Irmgard grew up in Germany during World War II. After the war, she came to visit her sister in Garden Grove, California, my district, where her life changed forever.

She met Wally Davis. They got married and had seven beautiful children. She never returned to Germany. Wally Davis was one of Orange County's first Hispanic attorneys and a civil rights icon. Irmgard was always there for him, and she was the story behind Wally's success.

I wish Irmgard a happy birthday. We love her and look forward to her next few birthdays.

PROTECTING MEDICAID

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

Mr. BAIRD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to highlight how the One Big Beautiful Bill Act will strengthen and protect Medicaid for those who need it the most. This legislation focuses on eliminating waste, fraud, and abuse that have historically plagued this system, ensuring that resources are used efficiently and effectively.

Contrary to the misinformation spreading, there are roughly 1.4 million illegal immigrants who are receiving Medicaid, crowding out benefits meant for American citizens.

What is more, this bill invests billions of dollars in long-term care for seniors and people with disabilities by establishing a new pathway for States to offer community-based services. This will help preserve Medicaid for the most vulnerable populations who rely on it: pregnant mothers, children, seniors, and individuals with disabilities and low-income families.

NURSING HOMES

(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, in Pennsylvania nearly 65 percent of nursing home residents rely on Medicaid.

In my district outside Philadelphia, it is a lifeline for more than 15,000 seniors who have worked and earned access to affordable, high-quality care and who deserve to age with grace and dignity.

President Trump and the Republicans' big, ugly bill will cut Pennsylvania's Medicaid program, known as Pennie, by about \$53 million over the next decade.

What will happen to our parents and to our grandparents?

Some facilities may be forced to make impossible decisions like reducing staff or raising prices for those who don't qualify for Medicaid. Others simply will not survive.

I know how worrisome it is to watch aging parents need to leave the home they loved. I know how critical it is to find them the best possible care. I saw it with my own in-laws, Joan and Bill Cunnane.

After all, through Medicaid, think about it, Mr. Speaker: I was disabled and you offered me aid; I was infirm and you offered me care; I was aging and you offered me dignity.

That is what Republicans voted in lockstep to tear away. Shame.

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PAYING TRIBUTE TO CARLA REYNOLDS

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

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart and a deep sense of gratitude as I pay tribute to a true hometown hero, Carla Reynolds of Bristol Borough.

Carla was more than an advocate. She was a force of nature, a woman of uncommon compassion, relentless purpose, and a rare gift for bringing people together.

Through her signature event, Unity Day, Carla united law enforcement and neighbors, children and elders, in a shared celebration of kindness, community, and respect. She believed that our greatest strength lies in our ability to stand together, and she proved that year after year, day after day.

Through her Boots on the Ground Foundation, Carla offered not just food and essentials to those in need, but her time, her energy, and her heart. She gave selflessly, always showing up for those in crisis, always finding a way to help, and never asking for a thing in return for herself.

She also championed young people, creating initiatives to spotlight Bucks County youth who excelled in academics, service, and sports because, as she would say, our kids need to know that we see them.

Mr. Speaker, over the many years I had the privilege to work alongside Carla, I came to not only know her mission but her soul.

May God bless Carla Reynolds, and may we each do our part to honor her by continuing the work she believed in so deeply.

DEMANDING ANSWERS

(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, Virginia Federal employees are still being fired, RIF'd, and harassed by this administration.

Last week, I heard from a constituent who received a termination letter from the Department of Health and Human Services just hours before it went into effect with no access to their equipment, no offboarding information, and no details about their severance. This is one of the many, many stories that I get at my office every week.

Civil servants who dedicate their career to serving this government deserve transparency, clarity, and respect. But across agencies, this administration continues to blindly and abruptly fire Federal workers. What do we have to show for it? A complete and total brain drain.

We are losing talent and expertise in our Federal Government, all while the administration prioritizes tax cuts and handouts to the biggest corporations.

To my constituents impacted by these cuts, I will continue to demand answers, and I will continue to fight to hold this administration accountable.

RECOGNIZING MARK MURPHY

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

Mr. WIED. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the legacy and esteemed career of Green Bay Packers president and CEO Mark Murphy, who is set to retire at the end of this week after serving in the role for more than 17 years.

Mark Murphy is a Green Bay Packers legend and a highly respected figure throughout Wisconsin and among NFL fans across the country.

During his tenure as president and CEO, the Green Bay Packers won the Super Bowl in 2011, made 5 NFC Championship Game appearances, secured 8 NFC North division titles, earned 13 playoff appearances, and posted a 172-101 regular season record, which was the second best in the league over that span.

Off the field and under his guidance, the Green Bay Packers invested more than \$700 million in the Lambeau Field campus and Tiletown development without the use of public money and increased charitable giving across Wisconsin.

Most recently, the Packers hosted the immensely successful 2025 NFL Draft, which drew an official attendance of 605,000 and delivered a major economic boost in our region in north-east Wisconsin.

Mr. Speaker, as the Representative from northeastern Wisconsin and as a lifelong Packers fan, I want to thank Mark Murphy for his many years of dedicated leadership with the Green Bay Packers and wish him the very best in his retirement.

DISASTROUS FLOODS

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

Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, disastrous floods, horrific floods are devastating the lives of our residents in southeast Michigan and across the Nation.

The dangers don't stop when the flooding ends. Too many of our families are denied FEMA assistance because current rules and policies don't cover repairs and reconstruction for most basements where floods are the most destructive.

Without Federal assistance, Mr. Speaker, they are forced to live in extremely unsafe conditions, being exposed to serious health risks like mold and mildew and moisture damage.

One of my residents, a 90-year-old woman, had no hot water, a broken furnace, and toxic mold in her basement.

There are people recovering from disasters, and many of them are on a fixed income. They are seniors who cannot afford the thousands of dollars in repairs to their basement.

That is why I am proud to introduce the Fix Our Flooded Basements Act to make sure that Federal disaster assistance finally covers those costs.

We must make this change so that our residents, our constituents, live in a safe home after a flood. They need to be able to rebuild their lives from these disastrous floods.

SIX MONTHS OF AMERICA FIRST LEADERSHIP

(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, this week marks 6 months of the America First leadership under President Trump Donald Trump.

He has had innumerable accomplishments over the first half of this year and has kicked off a new golden age for our country. His strong leadership has single-handedly added over half a million jobs to the U.S. economy. Many of these jobs came back to my home State of Indiana, like the announcement from General Motors about increasing its production in the Fort Wayne truck plant.

He has brought gas prices to their lowest point since 2021 by unleashing American energy independence.

Outside of the economic impacts that have saved money for everyday Americans, President Trump has kept his commitment to protect American children and families by halting so-called gender-affirming care for children in this country.

As another testament to his impressive pace, President Trump has also signed 27 bills into law, the greatest of which, the One Big Beautiful Bill Act, delivers tax cuts to American families, solidifies funding for America's Golden Dome, and defunded Planned Parenthood.

Over the past 6 months, President Trump has delivered on his promise to restore America's strength and dominance, and I look forward to continuing the fight with President Trump leading the way to ensure America's golden age lasts for decades to come.

RELEASE THE EPSTEIN FILES

(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, in February of this year, Attorney General Pam Bondi went on national TV and told the American people that Jeffrey Epstein's client list was "sitting on my desk right now."

Why won't she release that client list?

Why won't House Republicans vote to release that list?

In fact, House Republicans are shutting down Congress early. Shortly after my speech, Congress is going to shut down until September because House Republicans want to avoid voting on releasing the Epstein files.

Why? I will tell you why.

The Wall Street Journal just confirmed that in May of this year the Department of Justice told Donald Trump to his face that he is in the unreleased Epstein files.

House Republicans are facilitating a coverup of epic proportions.

Release the Epstein files.

HONORING LINDA KVASAGER

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

Mrs. FEDORCHAK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a notable North Dakotan, Linda Kvasager, who recently retired after 50 years of dedicated service at Valley Senior Living.

Linda began her career in elder care as a high school student at the age of just 15 and devoted five decades to helping seniors stay active, healthy, and connected.

Her work as a restorative aide supported not only the physical well-being of her residents but their dignity and independence. Colleagues describe her as a compassionate, reliable, and deeply committed person, a steady presence in a field where continuity makes the difference.