

around the world who need it to survive.

This is Plumpy'Nut, a peanut paste that is made specifically to treat children who are starving to death. When children are starving, their organs shut down. Even if food is provided to them, they cannot process traditional food. They need this. This is their only chance at life.

Mr. Speaker, 2 years ago, Congress appropriated, on a bipartisan basis with Democrats and Republicans, over \$1 billion to get lifesaving food aid and other aid to children around the world.

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This was produced in American factories with supplies that came from American farmers. The money was already approved. The money was already spent.

Thousands of boxes of this lifesaving food aid is now sitting in warehouses, including in my district in Rhode Island, because Donald Trump and Elon Musk stopped the program. It is already paid for. It is already produced. There are children starving around the world waiting for this lifesaving aid, and it is sitting in warehouses while children starve.

Congress came back and appropriated more funding for fiscal year '25, \$200 million plus. The Trump administration sat on that funding, as well. Why? Interestingly, the administration for the last 8 months has insisted that they intend to restart this program. They have said, yes, it is coming back. They started saying that within the first few weeks. Elon Musk tweeted about it. Marco Rubio swore under oath that they were going to restart this program, but it has been 9 months. Where is the urgency?

Finally, a few weeks ago, Edesia Nutrition, the organization in my district that produces this food aid, received new orders from the State Department after 9 months. That is welcomed news, but the days and weeks are continuing to tick by, and they still have not been told where to ship this food aid to.

There is a lesson here. It is very easy for any idiot, any billionaire, who has never worked in government to go in and destroy a program, but then it is hard to rebuild it afterwards. In the meantime, children are starving to death, needlessly.

My message to the administration, once again, is to act with purpose, to act with urgency, to follow your own word, and to honor your commitment. The administration has said they were going to restart this program. They have awarded new contracts. Literally, all they have to do is hit a button and restart the shipments. That is all they have to do.

It has been 9 months. These kids cannot wait a day longer. Let's restart the aid, disburse the funds, ship the food, and save the children. I will speak on this floor every day until you do.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF JUDGE
FRANK CAPRIO

Mr. MAGAZINER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of a

true Rhode Island original and hero, Judge Frank Caprio.

Born to Italian immigrants in 1936, Frank was raised in the proud neighborhood of Federal Hill in Providence, Rhode Island. His family, like so many in Rhode Island and across the country, valued hard work and service.

Frank served on the Providence City Council and had a distinguished legal career before being appointed to the Providence Municipal Court as a judge in 1985, a career on the bench that would span nearly four decades.

During this time, Judge Caprio became renowned for his sense of compassion and fairness in the courtroom, which eventually made him an international television star and a beloved example of compassionate leadership across the world.

I will tell you, I still have friends and family from all over the country, people I meet when they hear I am from Rhode Island, they ask about that judge.

In 2000, Judge Caprio launched his show "Caught in Providence" on WLNE-TV in Rhode Island so that Rhode Islanders could see how the nicest judge in the world works up close and personal.

In 2018, the show gained national syndication reaching audiences across the entire United States and the world. Judge Caprio's show was nominated for four Emmys, and clips from "Caught in Providence," showcasing his humanity, garnered billions of views on social media.

Through his work on the bench, Judge Caprio has inspired countless people to treat others with kindness and empathy. My thoughts are with his family, his loving wife, his five children, his grandchildren, and everyone whose life has been touched by his work.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF DR. JOSEPH CASTRO

(Mr. COSTA of California was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to honor the life and the legacy of Dr. Joseph Castro, an exceptional leader who broke the glass ceiling as the first Latino to lead the California State University System, the largest university system in the Nation with 23 State campuses and over 500,000 students.

A grandson of immigrants, his story is the American story. He was raised by a single mother in Hanford, California. He was the first in his family to graduate from college. He never forgot the struggles his family faced, and he carried those lessons with him throughout his life as a role model. His journey reflected the hopes and the dreams of so many families in our valley and throughout our Nation who work hard every day to achieve a better life.

That is why Joe made it his mission to open doors for others. From his time

as a professor to his service as president of Fresno State, and ultimately as chancellor to the university system, he dedicated his career to lift up students who, like him, came from very humble beginnings. That was Joe. That is who he was. That is why we honor him.

He believed that every young person deserved a chance to succeed no matter what their background may be.

I had the privilege of working with Joe on a wide range of initiatives from protecting our Dreamers and ensuring that they have a chance to achieve their full potential, to expanding global opportunities for students at Fresno State through new study abroad partnerships with the University of the Azores and the Punjab Agricultural University.

This was just Joe. He would always reach out not only throughout our valley but throughout California.

These efforts didn't just expand educational pathways, but they built bridges between our valley and the world. Joe understood that educating our children provided a foundation for future success. It is not rocket science. When our young people in this country get a complete education, a university education, they succeed. When they succeed as part of America's future, America succeeds.

That is why he dedicated his life to education. To me, Joe was more than just a colleague. He was a dear friend. I will remember him not only for his many accomplishments but for his kindness, his generosity, and that big heart that Joe had. He was a true son of the valley who never forgot where he came from and never stopped giving back. His legacy lives on for thousands and thousands of students whose lives he changed in higher education.

My thoughts and prayers go to Joe's wife, Mary, a true partner—they achieved so much together—to his kids, Isaac and Lauren and Jess, as well as the countless people whose lives Joe touched. It was really remarkable. He left a mark on all of us that will never ever fade and that we should carry on in turn.

I was honored to call him my friend, and I will miss him, like so many, deeply. He always challenged us at Fresno State to be bold. For me, Joe, my friend, I will always think of him as chancellor emeritus. Go Fresno State Bulldogs. God bless Joe.

Mr. Speaker, I thank him for his service to a grateful nation. We will always remember.

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HONORING SERGEANT KENNETH SALAS

(Mr. BAUMGARTNER of Washington was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Mr. BAUMGARTNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to honor the life and service of Spokane County Sheriff's Sergeant Kenneth Salas, who

was tragically killed in the line of duty on August 9 while selflessly assisting with a traffic hazard on Interstate 90.

Sergeant Salas served the people of Spokane County for more than 34 years, first as a corrections officer, then as a patrol deputy, detective, and, ultimately, patrol sergeant.

Sergeant Salas was known not only for his dedication in uniform but also for his deep commitment to helping others in every aspect of life.

Kenneth Salas also served our country for over two decades in the United States Air Force, retiring as a technical sergeant with the Washington Air National Guard.

Sergeant Salas was a protector, mentor, and beloved member of both law enforcement and military communities.

Everyone in eastern Washington and I are keeping his wife, his family, and the entire Spokane County Sheriff's Office in our prayers. We are profoundly grateful for his life of service, and we will never forget his sacrifice.

May we all appreciate and remember the sacrifice of our first-line responders and the service that they provide every day for our communities.

REMEMBERING JERRY CONSIGLIO

(Mr. CISCOMANI of Arizona was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Mr. CISCOMANI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Jerry Consiglio, a World War II veteran, former mechanic and aerospace foreman, and a beloved fixture of the Sierra Vista community for more than four decades, who died in July just days before his 102nd birthday.

Born in 1923, Jerry served in the U.S. Army during World War II, where he participated in some of the most harrowing campaigns in Europe. He landed at Normandy on D-day and later fought in the brutal Battle of the Bulge.

Jerry was awarded two Bronze Stars and left the Army with the rank of sergeant. After the war, Jerry built a life grounded in hard work and community. He owned an auto shop and later worked in aerospace, contributing to the early development of the Boeing 747 landing gear at Aerojet.

Jerry moved to Sierra Vista more than 40 years ago. He built deep ties with the community and was well known amongst veterans. He attended Our Lady of the Mountains Catholic Church and had a vibrant social life even into his second century.

Jerry had relocated to Tennessee earlier this year to be close to family as his wife, Nancy, battled health concerns. Since his passing, his family plans to return his ashes to Sierra Vista, fulfilling his wishes to be remembered in the community that he loved.

My thoughts and prayers are with the Consiglio family and the Sierra Vista community. Jerry was a true role model for absolutely everyone.

HONORING KELLY PIERCE

Mr. CISCOMANI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to honor Kelly Pierce, who tragically and unexpectedly passed away on August 1 of this year.

Kelly was a mom of three boys, and she was a daughter, granddaughter, friend, cousin, aunt, and a women's soccer coach.

Kelly coached at Pima Community College, Mountain View High School, CDO Soccer Club, and FC Tucson, but she was most recently known for coaching the Lancers, the varsity women's soccer team at Salpointe Catholic High School, where she graduated in 1999.

As a player, Kelly won two State championships. Later, as a coach, she led the Lancers to six State championships in the past 8 years, a truly remarkable feat.

Only 44 years old, Kelly was passionate and devoted to her family and coaching. She was widely known in our community for her soccer talent and had been involved with youth soccer for nearly 20 years. She was an inspiration to young female athletes, instilling self-confidence and their power as individuals.

Among her cousins, she was the leader with all the confidence, who was admired for the biggest and most giving heart.

Later in life, Kelly's boys were everything to her. She was a dedicated mother who always prioritized her boys and their well-being.

My prayers are with her three sons: Tyler, Brady, and Camden; her partner, Joey Bernier; her brothers, Jeff and Donald Pierce; and her large extended family, including her mom, grandmother, and cousins; plus the players she loved so much, both current and former.

Kelly truly reflects what I love most about our district. She was hard-working, passionate, and dedicated. She leaves a humongous hole in our community and will be dearly missed.

As her family, friends, and the Salpointe community grieve, know that our community is alongside you. May Kelly's legacy on this Earth continue to inspire future generations, and may she rest in peace.

RECESS

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

Accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 6 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. STUTZMAN) at noon.

PRAYER

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

Sovereign God, establish Your purpose for this day. Though we come to the business of this place with many plans and purposes, our minds filled with cares and concerns, and our spirits guided by the best of intentions, none of this will prosper unless we have Your blessing.

So we humble ourselves under Your mighty hand, laying before You all that we could hope for or desire, that You will exalt only that which reveals Your grace plan. We cast our worries before You, trusting that You will care for us.

Into Your keeping we commend this day and pray that all that we say and do will bring glory to You.

Certain of Your abiding presence, and sure of Your salvation, we pray in the power of Your name.

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 Virginia (Mr. VINDMAN) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. VINDMAN 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.

PRESIDENT TRUMP PROTECTING THE BORDER

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

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, illegal alien crossings have fallen to a historic low, with the fewest arrests by the Border Patrol at the southern border in July, being a 24 percent drop from the previous record low in June. Compared to July 2024 under Biden, this achieves an amazing 92 percent decrease of illegal aliens and terrorists coming into America.

Since President Donald Trump took office, the administration has arrested nearly 150,000 illegal aliens, with 50,000