

his team were searching for an 8-month-old child.

Joshua, when asked later about the search, said: We weren't going to leave that basement until that baby was found. We saw the fire, but that wasn't our priority. Our priority was finding this baby.

He quickly found the child's bedroom, where he spotted the 8-month-old's head poking over the side of his crib. Less than 12 minutes after receiving the initial 911 call, Joshua emerged from the clouds of smoke with the 8-month-old baby boy wrapped safely in his coat.

Many of us cannot imagine what it is like running into a fire because when we see fire, we run away. Thankfully, there are dedicated firefighters like Joshua who are willing to do what most of us will not. For these incredible feats, I extend my sincere gratitude to Joshua and his colleagues at the Twinsburg Fire Department. I thank all those at Twinsburg Emergency Services for protecting individuals and families in Ohio's 13th Congressional District.

HONORING LIFE OF SERGEANT MICHAEL VERARDO

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

Mr. MOORE of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and sacrifice of U.S. Army Sergeant Michael Verardo. Michael was a devoted husband, father, and patriot who gave everything for this great Nation.

After being severely injured by IED attacks in Afghanistan, he came home and continued the fight on behalf of wounded veterans. I was honored to know Michael and his wife, Sarah, through their advocacy work that improved outcomes and changed the lives of countless veterans. I am extremely proud that we worked together on legislation that we passed in the North Carolina General Assembly for veterans and their caregivers for our State.

Michael inspired so many Americans with his bravery, his resilience, and his love for his fellow servicemembers and our Nation. We owe Michael and his family a debt of gratitude that we cannot repay, but I ask you to pray for Sarah, his daughters, and the rest of his family as they navigate this loss and continue his mission.

50TH ANNIVERSARY OF "BORN TO RUN"

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

Mr. GOTTHEIMER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Bruce Springsteen's "Born to Run," a legendary album that is still inspiring generations today. Since its release, Bruce Springsteen and the E

Street Band have captured not just the American spirit, but also the Jersey values that unite us.

Bruce is Jersey, and Jersey is Bruce. Just when a 25-year-old kid from Freehold thought about giving up, his hard work paid off with an album that shared the Garden State with America and America with the world.

Every song on the album is a timeless classic: From "Thunder Road" to "Jungleland," to "Tenth Avenue Freeze-Out," to "She's the One," not to mention, of course, the title track.

Whether from a turntable, cassette, the radio, or your phone, "the Boss" sings for us all when chasing after that "runaway American Dream," "baby, we were born to run."

CALIFORNIA'S WATER NEEDS CAN'T WAIT

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

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to be able to talk about the two amendments that passed yesterday in committee to increase water storage at Shasta Dam and Black Butte Dam in northern California in the appropriations bill. Shasta is the largest reservoir in California and the primary source of the Central Valley Project.

Yet what goes on, you see that spillway in use right there, we are letting too much water get out of the lake because it isn't being properly planned for. They are using a water control manual written in the seventies. Instead, they could be using modern technology called FIRO, Forecast-Informed Reservoir Operations, which should be applied to Shasta County, the largest dam in California. We could apply that. We could save hundreds of thousands of acre-feet that would normally be going downstream or flooding out the roads of Glenn County, for example, as we saw this year.

Updating the manual with modern forecasting, using what they use on TV and The Weather Channel, could actually inform operations for Army Corps there. We could be producing many more agricultural products and dispatchable power with that hydro plant.

The other amendment I got done provides \$2 million for an Issue Evaluation Study at Black Butte Dam in Glenn County. It is the first step toward adding spillway gates that could boost storage by 100,000 acre-feet there that we normally couldn't store. We need the water. We need to store the water for agriculture, energy, people, and even for the environment.

20TH ANNIVERSARY OF HURRICANE KATRINA

(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, 20 years ago Hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans. The images of families stranded, neighborhoods submerged, and a city brought to its knees are seared into our national memory. That tragically exposed serious failures in our disaster response, and we promised never to let it happen again.

This administration has broken that promise. They have hollowed out our national emergency response systems and are floating the idea of eliminating FEMA altogether. That is not leadership. That is negligence.

Disasters don't care about ideology. In the last year, we have seen natural disasters in California, Texas, North Carolina, and Florida. Whether it is a natural disaster or pandemic, Americans expect a Federal Government that shows up and is ready to respond. Costs and response capacity are too much for any one State to bear on their own.

Americans deserve competence and compassion, not political games and threats to withhold funds when lives are on the table.

We must remember the lessons of Katrina. Disaster will strike whether we are ready or not. It is the Federal Government's responsibility to be ready.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Ferrari, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed a bill of the following title in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 1038. An act to direct the Attorney General to include a data field in the National Missing and Unidentified System to indicate whether the last known location of a missing person was confirmed or was suspected to have been on Federal land, and for other purposes.

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RECOGNIZING NORTH DAKOTA'S SPACE CONTRIBUTIONS

(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 recognize a great milestone in North Dakota's history and our Nation's future in space.

Earlier this summer, the University of North Dakota launched our State's first-ever satellites into orbit, a bold step forward in satellite operations and a powerful example of homegrown innovation.

These low Earth orbit satellites, developed in partnership with the AVS US, are operated from my alma mater, Odegard Hall in Grand Forks.

The mission, known as ROADS, is about more than technology. It is about inspiring the next generation of scientists, engineers, and leaders in space.

North Dakota has long led in agriculture, energy, defense, and aviation.

Now, we are expanding that leadership into space.

I am proud of the students, faculty, and innovators who made this mission possible.

ARREST OF WILDLAND FIREFIGHTER

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

Ms. SALINAS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to call out the Trump administration for their arrest and unconstitutional treatment of my constituent.

Last week, my constituent was working as a wildland firefighter to combat the Bear Gulch fire when CBP stopped his crew and arrested him.

He was brought to the United States when he was just 4 years old. The United States is the only home he knows.

For the past 3 years, he has bravely served as a wildland firefighter, putting his life on the line to protect us.

Arresting a firefighter who is actively fighting a wildfire does not make our community safer. For roughly 48 hours after his arrest, the Trump administration violated my constituent's constitutional rights. Despite requesting a phone call and his attorney, he was denied.

Let me be clear. Immigrants deserve to be treated with dignity. The Constitution deserves to be followed. Communities deserve safety from wildfires. First responders deserve to do their jobs unimpeded. Anything less is a slap in the face to the values we share as Americans.

RECOGNIZING SMARTY JONES

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

Mr. MEUSER. Mr. Speaker, although I am originally from Babylon, New York, like a few in the gallery today, Pennsylvania is home to a champion horse known as Smarty Jones.

I rise today to celebrate one of the great horses our Commonwealth has ever produced. Born and bred at Roy and Patricia Chapman's Someday Farm in Chester County, Smarty Jones was not just a racehorse. He was a Pennsylvania champion horse.

In 2004, he captivated the Nation, winning the Kentucky Derby and the Preakness Stakes, and coming within a single length of the Triple Crown at the Belmont Stakes.

Last month, Smarty Jones was inducted into the National Museum of Racing Hall of Fame.

Today, thanks to Rodney and Sharon Eckenrode, he continues to stand at Equistar Training and Breeding Center in Lebanon County.

I look forward to visiting Smarty this weekend for an event my good friend Chairman G.T. THOMPSON is hosting.

Smarty's story is proof that when you are Pennsylvania-bred, you are built to win.

RECOGNIZING ROBERT UPTON

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

Mr. VINDMAN. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize Robert Upton, a Culpeper native who is training to join the U.S. Navy Submarine Force.

Robert is currently a student at the Naval Submarine School, training to serve as a sonar technician. Once he graduates, Robert will serve aboard or in support of a Navy submarine.

Robert is inspired by his father, who was in the Army, and his grandfather, who was in the Marines during the Vietnam war.

As a 25-year Army veteran and a member of the House Armed Services Committee, I know just how much our servicemembers sacrifice to serve this country. That is why, this week, I am recognizing Robert as Constituent of the Week.

Mr. Speaker, I thank Robert for his service and sacrifice now and into the future for this Nation. In Congress, I will always work to deliver for servicemembers like Robert.

PASSING BILLS WITH 51 VOTES IN SENATE

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

Mr. GROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, I think it is important that all conservative opinion makers be aware of one of the controversies that is going on here right now.

The United States is over \$37 trillion in debt. You may hear from your local Congressman that all sorts of things can't be done because we have a 60-vote rule in the U.S. Senate, and we can't pass many bills without the 60 votes, including the big appropriation bills that have to pass every year.

However, once a year, and due to a quirk, three times in the 2 years that this body is elected, we will have a chance to pass a bill with only 51 votes in the Senate. That is what we just did with regard to the One Big Beautiful Bill Act.

Obviously, there should be more changes to this government. There are people right now in this building who would like to have us not take advantage of the provision to pass any bill with 51 votes for the next year and 4 months. That is horrible.

I hope conservative commentators are all over this. I hope they are asking any Congressmen if they really think we should waste the opportunities to pass bills with 51 percent or with 51 votes.

HONORING PAUL KAWATA

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

Ms. WATERS. Mr. Speaker, the United States Conference on AIDS is taking place right now in Washington, D.C., and I rise to honor Paul Kawata, who is retiring after 37 years of extraordinary service as executive director of the National Minority AIDS Council, making him the longest serving leader of a national HIV/AIDS organization in the United States.

Paul's vision transformed NMAC into a nationally recognized force for racial justice and health equity in the fight against HIV/AIDS and ensured that LGBTQ people, people living with HIV, and communities of color were visible in this epidemic.

Paul was a founding member of the Federal AIDS Policy Partnership, helped to drive the creation of the national HIV/AIDS strategy, and worked with me when I created the Minority AIDS Initiative back in 1998.

A proud Japanese American, Paul Kawata's legacy is not only found in the landmark policies he shaped, but in the thousands of lives he touched, the leaders he mentored, and the communities he uplifted across the Nation.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate Paul Kawata.

ENERGY AND WATER CUTS

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

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, moments ago in this Chamber, a very important piece of legislation was passed by one vote. It was the appropriation bill for energy and water.

We would do well to understand what was actually in that bill: money to deal with the climate, removed; money to deal with new energy sources, renewable energy sources, removed; energy efficiency, removed.

Where did the money go? It went into nuclear weapons programs, the Sentinel program. Over \$200 billion will be spent replacing the Minuteman III missile. Why? Why are we doing that? Why are we putting more money into plutonium pit production? Why do we have a new useless rocket that we want to put on a submarine? Why are we doing that?

On the water side of this, the Army Corps of Engineers, money was removed for flood protection, levies, and infrastructure around the Nation.

We would do well to understand the values of the Republicans who voted for this and the Democrats. We are looking to the future, and the Republicans are looking to the past.