

promoted education and culture and has worked tirelessly to diversify the Ute Mountain Ute economy through agriculture and business development.

Chairman Heart has been a strong voice for Tribal sovereignty, reminding us that the rights of Tribal members as citizens of both their Tribe and the United States must always be respected.

On behalf of Colorado's Third District, I thank Chairman Manuel Heart for his decades of leadership and extend my best wishes to him in retirement. His service leaves a legacy that will endure for years to come.

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#### RECOGNIZING PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

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

Mr. CARTER of Louisiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to discuss an issue that affects men of all ages, races, and socioeconomic backgrounds: prostate cancer.

Just last week, I introduced a resolution designating September as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month. As co-chair of the bipartisan Men's Health Caucus, this issue is close to my heart.

Every year, the Black community is disproportionately affected by prostate cancer. Specifically, Black men are twice as likely to die from prostate cancer as their White counterparts. This alarming trend highlights an urgent need for action.

To address the disparities in prostate cancer outcomes, we must ensure at-risk populations have access to prevention, early detection, and treatment options.

This disease does not have to be a death sentence, and this disparity isn't written in stone. We have the tools to close that gap.

Together, we can increase awareness through campaigns like Prostate Cancer Awareness Month and beat prostate cancer once and for all. Together, let's end this scourge on our community.

#### REFLECTING ON TRIP TO ISRAEL

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

Mr. SHREVE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to reflect on my very recent visit to Israel. It was a humbling journey through the Holy Land, where the history and resilience of the Israeli people left a deep impression.

I stood inside Jerusalem's Church of the Holy Sepulcher, a profound moment for me as a Christian.

I was grateful to have met Prime Minister Netanyahu, Israel's President Herzog, and our own Ambassador Mike Huckabee. Each visit afforded a deeper understanding of the enduring bond between our nations.

Our delegation visited the site of the Nova music festival, where Hamas terrorists carried out one of the most horrific attacks on October 7.

The trip was both sobering and inspiring. It reaffirmed my conviction to stand with the people of Israel, while working toward the goal of a more peaceful Middle East.

#### BRENDAN CARR'S WORDS

(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 quote: "Political satire is one of the oldest and most important forms of free speech. It challenges those in power while using humor to draw more people into the discussion. That's why people in influential positions have always targeted it for censorship."

These are not my words. These are the words of Brendan Carr, the current FCC Chairman.

This week, Chairman Carr called for Jimmy Kimmel's show to be canceled for using that very same satire—Jimmy Kimmel, Stephen Colbert, suppression of free speech.

I don't see this administration saying anything about limiting the free speech on FOX, OAN, or Newsmax. Free speech is okay if you agree with it, but if it disagrees with you, then out it goes.

That is the way it is in Putin's Russia and in Kim Jong-un's North Korea. That is the way it is in China, Hungary, and Iran. That is not America.

America believes in something good and greater: free speech, free thought, free practice of religion.

When we silence American voices, we slide every day toward the very regimes that we say we are fighting.

#### HURRICANE HELENE

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

Mr. EDWARDS. 1 year ago, western North Carolina was slammed by the worst storm to ever hit our region. To many across the country, we thought that this might have been just another segment on nightly news programs or an article in our local paper, but for those of us who call western North Carolina home, it meant so much more.

In our mountain communities, waters crested above 30 feet; winds peaked at over 100 miles an hour; and 1,500 landslides destroyed hundreds of homes and many communities. Over 1,300 roads were blocked by damage and debris. There were 1.2 million citizens left without power. Mr. Speaker, 108 North Carolinians lost their lives.

Over the last year, our mountain communities have overcome unimaginable obstacles with grit and determination. I couldn't be prouder that, as a community, we have come back to-

gether, not as individuals, but as neighbors, friends, and family.

Rebuilding hasn't been easy, but very few things that are worth doing are easy.

Come Helene or high water, western North Carolina will rebuild. I am so proud of the resiliency of the people of the mountains.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Ferrari, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed without amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 2483. An act to reauthorize certain programs that provide for opioid use disorder prevention, treatment, and recovery, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 101-509, the Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, announces the re-appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress:

Denise A. Hibay of New York.

#### RECOGNIZING TOM FETTER

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

Mr. VARGAS. Mr. Speaker, we have giants in San Diego. I rise today to congratulate one of them, Mr. Tom Fetter, who is being honored as Mr. San Diego by the San Diego Rotary.

A lifelong San Diegan, Tom was born in 1934 and grew up in Point Loma. In 1957, he married his beautiful wife, Jane, a La Jollan.

Tom served in the Army before beginning a long and successful business career in San Diego.

Tom has always been involved in community service, and it has been at the center of his and Jane's lives. Tom has spent more than five decades building up the community and serving on the leading boards of San Diego institutions, which include the San Diego Yacht Club, The Bishop's School, the Fleet Science Center, the San Diego Zoo, the USD School of Law, and the San Diego History Center.

Notably, Tom was commodore of the San Diego Yacht Club during its defense of America's Cup in 1994.

Tom's service to the San Diego Zoo is especially meaningful as his father served as the zoo's board chairman in the 1960s.

Despite his many achievements, Tom considers his family to be his greatest success, and they are a great blessing to San Diego.

Mr. Speaker, I thank Tom for everything he has done for San Diego, and I congratulate him again on this prestigious honor. It is very well deserved.

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#### RECOGNIZING SPOKANE IMPACT

(Mr. BAUMGARTNER asked and was given permission to address the House

for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BAUMGARTNER. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize an inspiring moment in our community, the Spokane Impact's first home match this past Saturday at the HUB Sports Center in Liberty Lake.

The Spokane Impact is one of the founding teams of the Inspire Soccer League, the first-ever national soccer league created specifically for athletes with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Launched by Project Inspire, this league is about more than just soccer. It is about bringing people together from all walks of life and making sure that everyone has a chance to experience the joy and connection of sports.

Too often, athletes with special needs are left without access to the kinds of opportunities so many take for granted, which is real teams, real competition, and real crowds cheering them on.

This is an exciting new effort. There is so much going on with soccer in Spokane and across the country with the launch of our USL team and the coming World Cup. I am so proud that this has taken place.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to give a special shout-out to the team's manager, Anna McCoy, who is doing a wonderful job in her new role.

#### BRINGING COMPASSION TO OUR NATION

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

Ms. BALINT. Mr. Speaker, our Nation is in crisis. We are in a very dark place. Americans are scared, and they want to see a way forward. We all need to start with ourselves.

This morning, I sat, and I lit a candle. I thought about the anguish and suffering of Representative Melissa Hortman's two children as they try to cope with the assassination of their mom and dad.

Then I sat, and I thought of the pain and the torment of Charlie Kirk's family as they try to cope with the killing of their dad.

Today, Mr. Speaker, I am inviting Americans across the Nation to do the same. I invite them to sit for a few minutes in the pain of these two families. If they can feel compassion for one family and not the other, that should tell them about the work they need to do and the work that we all need to do.

#### 2025 COLORADO SPRINGS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE D.C. FLY-IN

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

Mr. CRANK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank the Colorado Springs Chamber of Commerce for hosting the chamber fly-in to Washington, D.C., this week.

Over 90 members of the Chamber, from the Aerospace and Defense, Energy, Housing, and Community Development sectors, among others, made the journey to our Nation's Capital.

I had the opportunity to meet with several of these business leaders individually. We discussed how we can work together to lower regulations, support businesses, and keep jobs in our community. Many of these business leaders are the reason why the Pikes Peak region is becoming one of the economic titans of the West.

Relationships are the most important part of the legislative process, and I look forward to continuing to work together with these and every business leader in the Fifth Congressional District to continue to grow our thriving community.

#### HONORING WOMEN OF TOLEDO

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

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Women of Toledo. This remarkably dynamic organization is celebrating 10 productive years of advancing good works, opportunity, sorority, and leadership in northwestern Ohio.

What began as a simple focus group has grown into a vibrant hub, connecting thousands of women and girls to mentorship, education, and resources to build lives forward.

Through initiatives like HerHub, which champions women-owned businesses, and Girl's Hub, which inspires our next generation of leaders in science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics, Women of Toledo is shaping the future of our community. Bravo.

Their story is a testament to the power of vision and persistence with good people and good women. From coffee shop conversations to packed ballrooms, they have built a movement rooted in "e pluribus unum"; "out of many, one." Women of various heritages are working together for community betterment.

Women of Toledo forges partnerships with business, not-for-profits, and neighborhoods who believe that when women rise, our entire community rises. Congratulations, Women of Toledo.

#### STALWART REPUBLIC OF GEORGIA

(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, the last 2 days have actually been remarkable. Led by House Foreign Affairs Committee Chairman BRIAN MAST, we actually met for nearly 36 hours straight on an amendment for inclusion in the State Department Authorization Act.

Indeed, I am very grateful that last night a very historic step was taken as

the people of the United States showed their love and affection for the people of the Republic of Georgia. An amendment was passed that provides for no recognition of the illegitimate Georgian Dream government that has seized power in a rigged election in Georgia on October 26, 2024.

We now have a resolution or amendment that calls for nonrecognition. I am so grateful to my colleagues who joined in supporting that resolution. Indeed, it is an indication that what has been done is positive.

The Speaker of the Parliament of Georgia, Shalva Papuashvili, has denounced this legislation. In an unintended consequence, he reveals that the people of Georgia want to live in fairness and freedom. Additionally, today the United Kingdom has passed legislation to block recognition.

With this, we conclude that Charlie and Erika Kirk are making a difference for God, family, and country.

#### REDISTRICTING MAPS FOR PARTISAN PURPOSES

(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, under the process in this country of drawing maps for representation, it is done every 10 years immediately following a census. This year, States are setting out to redraw maps mid-decade and mid-census without any census data. This is done for partisan purposes.

For example, my home state of California has a commission that is supposed to draw the maps and put them in the grubby hands of legislators with a pen or pencil and eraser. The voters of California affirmed three different occasions by their vote on the ballot that they don't want it to be done by legislators.

We see a scheme going on right now to take that away from the voters and put it back in the hands of the legislators. Here is one of the results rights here. Where the top of California meets Oregon and Nevada, that corner there is Modoc County. It sounds as rural as the name "Modoc" implies. It is now being linked all the way down here to the north half of the Golden Gate Bridge in Marin County.

This is the area where wolves have been introduced that are devouring the wildlife and the farmers' and ranchers' livestock up there by the people down here who think it is a really good idea. They are not going to have any voice to balance out and to talk about how they are being devastated by policies coming from the urban areas. That is what is known as Proposition 50.

Mr. Speaker, they should vote "no" on that in California and bring balance back. Leave the balance in place instead of partisan lines.