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The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). There are 2 minutes remaining.

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So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The title of the bill was amended so as to read: "A bill to require public elementary and secondary schools to disclose certain funds received from, or contracts with, a foreign source, and for other purposes.".

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas. Mr. Speaker, due to an official engagement, I was unable to vote on H.R. 2965, H.R. 4305, and H.R. 1005. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 310, YEA on Roll Call No. 311, and YEA on Roll Call No. 312.

### HOUR OF MEETING ON TOMORROW

Mrs. BIGGS of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from South Carolina?

There was no objection.

# CONGRATULATING WEST DE PERE PHANTOMS FOOTBALL TEAM

(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, today I rise to recognize and congratulate the West De Pere Phantoms football team for winning the WIAA Division 2 High School State Championship.

Following an impressive regular season and dominant performance in the playoffs, the West De Pere Phantoms traveled to Camp Randall Stadium in Madison to compete in the 2025 WIAA Division 2 State Football Championship.

In a hard-fought matchup, the West De Pere team won its third State title in program history. The Phantoms' defense held their opponent to zero points in the second half, and the offense broke records on the way to a 28–14 victory.

I commend the coaching staff and the entire Phantoms team for their hard work and dedication that led to this unforgettable season.

I also want to give a special shoutout to the father-son duo of West De Pere Head Coach Chris Greisen and all-star quarterback Patrick Greisen, who set the Division 2 record for total passing yards in a championship game, an extraordinary achievement on an already memorable day.

Mr. Speaker, I once again congratulate the team on this accomplishment, and I look forward to seeing many more championship wins in their future. I am proud to recognize this talented team, and I urge my colleagues to join me in applauding their outstanding season.

### HONORING FIRE CHIEF BRYAN TYNER

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

Ms. OMAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Minneapolis Fire Chief Bryan Tyner for over 30 years of selfless, heroic, and dedicated service to our city.

Serving as the second Black chief in the department's history, Fire Chief Tyner led Minneapolis Fire through some of the city's most significant public safety challenges, including the COVID-19 pandemic.

Throughout his tenure, he has worked tirelessly to advocate for the department's health and safety initiatives, improve operations, and promote inclusion within the ranks. At the end of this year, the chief will be transitioning into a new role, continuing his devoted service to our city as executive director of the Phyllis Wheatley Community Center.

It has been an honor to work alongside such a dedicated public servant, and I am incredibly grateful for his work keeping our community safe.

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## RECOGNIZING FUTURE ASTRONAUT YURI KUBO

(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 to recognize a fellow Hoosier and Purdue University engineer, Mr. Yuri Kubo. Yuri is a native of Columbus, Indiana, back in my district. He was recently selected as one of just 10 candidates from a field of 8,000 to join NASA's next astronaut program. That is rarefied air by any measure.

Over the next 2 years, Yuri and an elite cohort will train at NASA Johnson Space Center down in Houston as they prepare for missions to the International Space Station, the Moon, and whatever comes next. Yuri reflects the kind of scientific talent that Indiana grows.

Purdue, my own alma mater, has long been a launchpad for many of America's sharpest engineers and explorers, and he is rocketing that tradition forward. We are filled with Hoosier pride back home to see Yuri representing our State on a stage that is literally out of this world.

### RUSHING TO BUILD AI DATA CENTERS

(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, citizens nationwide and across our district are pushing back on AI data centers. They are concerned these facilities demand massive amounts of energy and water, driving up rising regional utility costs even more.

How much more will our citizens be forced to pay for power and water? They have a right to know.

Will our building trades be true partners in economic growth or just temporary labor, while facing higher utility bills at home?

How many permanent jobs will these largely opaque facilities actually provide? Exactly which out-of-town interests will get the profits if these firms succeed?

Residents across our region complain State and local approvals are moving too quickly. In Ohio, the crooked PUCO and Ohio's Legislature have granted giant tax breaks to data centers, while local township officials remain in the dark about details. That is not fair.

Ohioans know what secrecy and inside deals bring. FirstEnergy scandals led to indictments, prison terms, and even suicides. Ohio Statehouse corruption rewards big business and harms the public. The American people deserve to know how AI data centers will affect their communities. Public hearings must be more robust and factual, not merely road shows by proponents.

### THE FIGHT AGAINST SUICIDE

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

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a rising tradition out of the University of Georgia. It is The Fight Against Suicide. Born out of a student movement, this charity boxing event was created to spread mental health awareness, particularly among young men.

What began in Athens now spans across eight universities with the proceeds benefiting the Sam Asbury Foundation in Atlanta Georgia, and other local charities.

Sam Asbury was a proud graduate of the University of Georgia and a diehard Bulldog. He lit up every room with his smile and unique sense of humor. No one knew of the pain and battles he faced daily. Tragically, in 2020, Sam lost his silent struggle. His story is a powerful reminder to check in with friends and family. Though he left us

too soon, Sam's kindness and the life he lived are inspiring change.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the students at the University of Georgia for their leadership in suicide prevention and for starting conversations that can save lives.

# HONORING BEN BOYKIN AND CATHERINE PARKER

(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 to recognize two members of the Westchester County Board of Legislators who will each leave office at month's ends, as they have completed 12 years in their positions and have reached their term limit. They are the Honorable Ben Boykin of White Plains and the Honorable Catherine Parker of Rye. They have provided exemplary service to their districts and beyond and to all the residents of Westchester County.

Ben Boykin is a financial professional who previously served on the White Plains school board. He has also served as councilman and president of the White Plains Common Council. Since 2014, he has served as the legislator for the 5th County Legislative District of White Plains, Scarsdale, and West Harrison. He served two terms as chair of the county board, as well as chair of important committees, and more recently as president of the New York State Association of Counties.

Catherine Parker has owned her own retail business on Purchase Street in Rye, served as leader of her co-op apartment board, and served for 6 years as Rye City councilwoman. She was a majority leader of the board of legislators and has been the author of major environmental legislation. She represents the 7th District, which includes Rye, Mamaroneck, Larchmont, and part of Harrison.

Both Ben and Catherine will bring their public service skills to new challenges, but we salute them for their legislative accomplishments on the Westchester County Board of Legislators.

## ADDRESSING SOUTH CAROLINA'S MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS

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

Mrs. BIGGS of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, Anderson County is facing a heartbreaking reality. They have experienced 55 suicide deaths this year alone, the highest number ever recorded.

Mr. Speaker, 55 families are shattered; and a community is left grieving. The pain reaches across South Carolina's Third District and across America.

Having counseled hundreds of patients and as a psychiatric mental

health nurse practitioner, I have seen what suffering looks like when it hides behind a smile. We often notice the physical scars, but we miss the wounds below the surface, the inward scars, the ones that ache in silence. We don't like asking the hard question: Are you thinking about ending your life? We have to, though.

I ran on the promise to help heal our Nation, and that healing starts with the unshakeable belief that every single life and every soul is created by God and with a purpose.

Mr. Speaker, if someone is hurting right now, I ask them to please reach out. They are not alone. They are seen. They are loved. They are worth it.

## FIGHTING DHS IMMIGRATION RAIDS

(Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2025, Mrs. RAMIREZ of Illinois was recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the minority leader.)

Mrs. RAMIREZ. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the subject of my Special Order hour.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. ONDER). Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from Illinois?

There was no objection.

Mrs. RAMIREZ. Mr. Speaker, as a Chicagoan, I know firsthand the terror that Trump's mass deportation agenda and the Department of Homeland Security's immigration raids are having on our communities.

My constituents have been surveilled, threatened, teargassed, hit with pepper balls, and shot. They have been subjected to warrantless arrests, rammed with Department of Homeland Security vehicles, kidnapped, and disappeared. People keep asking us why DHS agents are allowed to behave this way. Why isn't Congress doing something about it?

Let me start by saying that DHS was intentionally established with an overbroad mission and, some would argue, unchecked power. Yet, Republicans have expanded that power with a blank check and unlimited personnel.

With his authoritarian tendencies, his power grabs, his overreach, and his willingness to shamelessly use DHS as his own terror force, Trump is only making visible what so many communities have already known to be true: Terrorizing is the point. Violating our rights is the point. Fear is the point.

Creating a public enemy is meant to convince Americans to sacrifice our freedoms for the promise of security. Let me be very clear. Nothing that the Department of Homeland Security is doing is making us any safer.

In this moment, under Secretary Noem and under Donald Trump, DHS has become the single greatest threat to public safety. DHS agents used chemical weapons on protesters and bystanders at least 49 times across 18 incidents in Chicago and the suburbs since October 1. Bovino and CBP agents are violating court injunctions and agency rules. They are lying in court about incidents where civilians have been put in danger.

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The government alleges that Marimar Martinez used her car to assault and impede Federal law enforcement, but then, Federal prosecutors filed a motion to dismiss their own case.

Why?

It is because while she didn't assault the agents, they did shoot her five times, and then they went on and bragged about it.

You see, Mr. Speaker, President Trump and DHS are lying. They are acting with impunity. They are rejecting checks and balances, and they are ignoring Congress and the courts.

Here is my question to this House: If DHS cannot be held accountable, if we are obstructed from conducting oversight, and if they are systematically undermining our civil rights and perpetrating violence in our communities, then what, in fact, is Congress' responsibility?

You see, Mr. Speaker, the answer is clear. We must strip away every tool they are using to terrorize us, starting with the taxpayer dollars that they are using to harm Americans.

Today, in our Special Order hour, I am going to be yielding to my colleagues who will highlight stories of victims of Trump's enforcement overreach, discuss our ongoing work to hold the administration accountable, and uplift how we are pushing back against the abuses of this President, Secretary Noem, and of the entire administration.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentlewoman from Washington State (Ms. JAYAPAL).

Ms. JAYAPAL. Mr. Speaker, I thank Representative RAMIREZ for her incredible leadership on this issue and so many others. I thank the Congressional Progressive Caucus for the Special Order hour and the Hispanic Caucus for all the work that has been happening at this very, very serious moment in time.

I stand here as the top Democrat on the Immigration Integrity, Security and Enforcement Subcommittee on the Judiciary Committee. I have been conducting shadow hearings both here in D.C. and across the country.

In October, we had a shadow hearing in Chicago, Illinois, in the gentle-woman's home State. I really appreciate all the work she did to help us facilitate that. We had 18 Members of Congress from all over the country come to that shadow hearing, and it was the largest act of congressional immigration oversight since Donald Trump took office.

What we heard was alarming, and I have worked in this space for a very