

STATE OF CALIFORNIA DECISION AFFECTS STUDENT-ATHLETES

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

Mr. KILEY of California. Mr. Speaker, I feel compelled to call attention to an outrageous action that has just been undertaken by the State of California to deprive many, many young people in my district of athletic opportunities.

Truckee Unified School District, which is in my district, competes when it comes to athletics in a neighboring school district in Nevada. What is the reason for that?

Well, for sports like soccer, these are winter sports in California, but they are quite hard to play in the winter in this part of the State because there is a lot of snow. They are spring sports in Nevada. So in order to allow young people to play soccer and other sports, they compete in Nevada.

However, the State of California has just ordered Truckee Unified to compete in California, no longer giving them that option. Why? It is because Nevada doesn't have the same policy of allowing biological males to compete in women's sports.

Regardless of what you think of that particular policy, it is something that only affects a few students, and now the State of California is depriving all of these student-athletes of the opportunity to play their sport as well as subjecting them to onerous new travel arrangements.

I am urging the State of California to reverse this outrageous action.

I SHALL MARCH ON

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

Mr. GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, and still I rise to announce that last night I called for the impeachment of Donald John Trump, President of the United States of America, for threatening judges and for calling for the execution of Members of Congress.

If ever there was a person who ought to be impeached, it is Donald John Trump. Now, there are many people who don't want to see this happen. They don't want to vote for impeachment.

Well, there were people who didn't want to cross the Edmund Pettus Bridge, but they marched on. I shall march on.

I have been told that this vote will take place sometime after 1:30 today. I assure you that I will be here for that vote. I will also speak on Friday for about 1 hour after about 11 o'clock. I will explain more about it at that time.

This President is a reckless, ruthless, lawless person who doesn't deserve the title of President of the United States of America.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. OWENS). Members are reminded to re-

frain from engaging in personalities toward the President.

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages in writing from the President of the United States were communicated to the House by Mr. Randall Holstead, one of his secretaries.

RECOGNIZING REPRESENTATIVE HARRY WARREN

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

Mr. McDOWELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to send my greatest gratitude to Representative Harry Warren as he retires after eight terms serving the people of Rowan County in North Carolina's 76th District.

Representative Warren has been a steady, respected voice in Raleigh, and folks back home knew that they could always count on him. He listened, he worked hard, and he treated everyone with fairness and respect.

As someone who represents Rowan County in Congress, I have seen the impact of his work up close. He has been a strong advocate for the community, a trusted partner, and a genuinely good man. We are grateful for his service, and I wish him all the best in his next chapter.

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BENJAMIN GUERRERO-CRUZ IS HOME

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

Ms. RIVAS. Mr. Speaker, for months I have been sharing the story of Benjamin Guerrero-Cruz, a constituent of mine who is a senior in high school. He was detained by ICE in August while walking his dog.

In the span of 24 hours, ICE shuffled Benjamin between detention centers and across State lines without his family knowing. I visited Benjamin at the Adelanto Detention Center and observed a recent court hearing of his, and my team has been working with his family on this case throughout the ordeal.

Today, I am excited and relieved to report that after months of living through a nightmare, Benjamin is home. My heart goes out to his family, especially his mother, who can hold her son again after months of fear and uncertainty at the hands of ICE. No family should ever have to live through this.

I will continue showing up to detention facilities to hold ICE and this administration accountable for the terror that they are forcing families to live through each day.

Mr. Speaker, I am glad that Benjamin is home, and I hope he and his family can begin the healing process.

Welcome home, Benjamin.

CONDEMNING THE ILLEGAL EFFORTS TO DISMANTLE THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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

Ms. MCBRIDE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to condemn the Trump administration's illegal efforts to dismantle the Department of Education.

The President and the Secretary of Education can call this plan whatever they want, but the bottom line is that this is about defunding public education and putting taxpayer dollars into the hands of private institutions who do not face the same standards and protocols as public schools.

The Department of Education protects students with disabilities, supports rural and low-income schools, and helps make college more affordable for students across the country.

In Delaware, \$530 million in Federal education funding supports teachers across our State. Removing that funding would mean students without teachers, schools without support, and communities left behind.

I have stood arm in arm with Delaware educators, parents, and students who are pushing back. They are asking for a fair shot, and we should be investing in their future, not abandoning them.

HONORING THE LIFE AND COURAGE OF RALPH LAWRENCE CARR

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

Mr. TAKANO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and courage of Ralph Lawrence Carr, the 29th Governor of Colorado, whose birthday we celebrate today.

He was in office when Executive Order 9066 was issued, the order that permitted the mass incarceration of 120,000 Japanese Americans, including my grandparents and parents during World War II.

A staunch Republican, he refused to comply with the order and instead opened the State of Colorado to Japanese Americans fleeing the Federal Government. To a group of farmers concerned with his support of Japanese Americans, Governor Carr said, "An American citizen of Japanese descent has the same rights as any other citizen. If you harm them, you must first harm me."

Mr. Speaker, the Governor lost reelection, largely due to his defense of Japanese Americans. Let his courage be a lesson to us today as we, once again, see a dark tide spread across our country.

HEALTHCARE CRISIS

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

Mr. SUOZZI. Mr. Speaker, there are so many issues in our country right now that are affecting our people, but one of the biggest concerns is an urgent matter that on December 31 of this year, premiums for people's health insurance are going to be skyrocketing because of the expiration of the premium tax credits.

We have heard so much talk. We have heard so many petty partisan messages, people attacking each other, but right now, we have to actually do something about this issue.

In my district, if you are a family of four and make \$130,000 a year, right now under the premium tax credits you have to pay 8.5 percent of your income for your health insurance. That is about \$10,000 or \$11,000 a year.

Those premiums are going to go up to \$30,000 on January 1. People are going to go broke. They are not going to buy health insurance. When less people are on health insurance, everybody's health insurance rates go up.

Right now, there are three discharge petitions in this House giving people options as to how to address this, two of which are bipartisan, negotiated ideas. There is one for a 1-year extension and another for a 2-year extension.

Mr. Speaker, we need the Speaker of the House, the majority leader, and the President of the United States of America to engage in this issue. Pick a way forward and solve this problem that is affecting so many Americans.

WOLVES SHOULD NOT BE AN
ENDANGERED SPECIES

(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, there is a lot of talk about the word "affordability" around here these days. I am going to touch on the burdensome regulations that make the cost of everything go up.

There is a lot of worry about what the cost of beef is, the cost of groceries in general, but what is helping drive up the cost of beef? I will tell you what is hurting the cost of producing it for growers is the introduction of more and more wolves to the areas where they grow their product, like in north-east California, Colorado, and other areas around the country.

What is the issue there? Under the Endangered Species Act, somehow the wolf is still seen as an endangered species, even though there are tens of thousands of them scattered across the country. A lot of them end up in the upper Midwest.

The rule seems to be that you have to have them in every single county, in every rural area. Otherwise, they still count as endangered.

It is costing growers thousands and thousands of dollars, while the government is operating many millions of dollars of an operation to spread these wolves around. The latest scheme is to pull them out of places like Washington and bring them down into Colorado, capturing wolves that are already there.

Why are we doing this? Why are we driving the cost of food up? Why are we making it impossible for the growers to be able to keep their livestock alive as well as the wildlife that are devastating areas because of a nonendangered animal?

HONORING THE SERVICE OF
MARIO CORDERO

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

Ms. BARRAGÁN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the distinguished service of Mario Cordero, a visionary leader who has served on the Federal Maritime Commission and also as a member of the Long Beach Harbor Commissioners, and he currently serves as the CEO of the Port of Long Beach since 2017.

Under his guidance, the port achieved record cargo movement and advanced modernization projects, but what distinguishes his leadership is not only growth, but it is the values behind it.

Early in his service, Mr. Cordero proposed the Green Port Policy, a transformational shift that made the port an environmental leader. Twenty years later, the port has dramatically less pollution and a landmark commitment to zero-emissions operations.

Mr. Cordero's story is uniquely American. The son of immigrants from Mexico and the first in his family to attend college, he embodies the promise of opportunity when service meets purpose. His leadership will have a lasting impact.

Mr. Speaker, today, we recognize Mario Cordero for his extraordinary service, congratulate him on his retirement, and wish him fulfillment in the years ahead.

NATIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELOR OF
THE YEAR: DANIELLE
CRANKFIELD

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

Ms. ELFRETH. Mr. Speaker, I am proud to rise here today on behalf of the 2026 National School Counselor of the Year, Ms. Danielle Crankfield of Annapolis.

Ms. Crankfield of Crofton High School in Anne Arundel County is the first Marylander to earn this national distinction for going above and beyond and inspiring young minds.

When she first arrived at Crofton, she found that African American and His-

panic students were underrepresented in advanced classes, so she created a framework for teachers when making course recommendations and worked from the ground up to better publicize high-level courses for students.

Thanks to her efforts, the gaps in advanced coursework decreased and now these advanced classes more closely reflect the composition and diversity of our students.

As we all know, good teachers, good counselors, and good classes stay with us for a lifetime. I would not be in Congress today if I did not have my own Ms. Crankfield.

Mr. Speaker, closing disparities and exposing more students to new ideas and opportunities sets them up for success in the years to come and perhaps even a seat in this very Chamber.

Congratulations to Ms. Crankfield.

EXPANDING ACCESS TO IVF FOR
MILITARY FAMILIES

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

Ms. MORRISON. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to condemn the betrayal of President Trump and his Republican majorities. Trump called himself the fertilization President and promised to expand access to IVF, but his Speaker of the House just blocked critical IVF expansion for military families.

The American people overwhelmingly want to expand access to IVF. It is what Donald Trump promised them as he was running for President last year. I quote word for word: "Under the Trump administration, we are going to be paying for that treatment, or we are going to be mandating that the insurance company pay."

Here we are, and the Republican Congress is sending a bill to President Trump's desk that fails to expand coverage for military families to do just that.

The brave servicemembers who put their lives on the line for our country and our freedoms will not be able to access the care they need to grow their families if they suffer from infertility.

Mr. Speaker, this is sadly only the latest betrayal by the Republican majority talking a big game about being profamily but blocking policies that would actually support them. It is beyond disappointing. It is cruel.

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NDAA WINS FOR NORTH CAROLINA

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

Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, with the House's authorization of the National Defense Authorization Act, we are actively safeguarding the American people and making strategic investments in eastern North Carolina.