

American companies, nonprofits, and scientists played key roles in these breakthroughs, and they were poised to transform global health over the next five to ten years. The next administration had no reason not to pursue these objectives. Congress had already funded them. There was nothing partisan about them at all.

But instead of saving millions of lives, we got surgery with a chainsaw. The new administration not only shuttered this work, they fired the staff of the entire agency, terminated 86% of its programs, and kneecapped the rest—all against Congressional directives. They dismantled the U.S.'s largest civilian force advancing global stability, peace, economic growth, and survival. And they have done it in a way maximized loss of life and mismanagement of taxpayer dollars.

Here are few specific examples of the global health damage:

Our 50-country network for stronger surveillance to deadly diseases from bird flu to swine fever—gone.

Our emergency response system that cut response times to global outbreaks from >2 weeks to <48 hours—gone.

AIDS programs to prevent new cases of HIV in high-risk populations—gone

Programs for preventing child and maternal deaths that reached 93 million women and children under 5 in 2023 and added 6 years of life on average—cut 92%

Lifesaving tuberculosis programs—cut 56%  
Lifesaving water and sanitation programs—cut 86%

Funding for Gavi, the global vaccine alliance, which was set to vaccinate half a billion children—terminated and, if not restored, will cost 500,000 lives a year and drive higher exposure to measles in the U.S.

The damage is already devastating. And it is all part of a larger dismantling of America's world-leading capacity for scientific discovery, health care delivery, and public health that goes well beyond USAID. They are using the same playbook to purge staff and destroy programs in across our entire domestic infrastructure in government, universities, and medical center. And they inserting political controls on NIH science research, FDA approvals, and CDC guidance.

For the sake of power, they are destroying an enterprise that added more than 30 years to U.S. life expectancy and made America the world leader in medical technology and innovation. We need you in Congress to stop this process. USAID cannot be restored to what it was. But we must salvage what we can of our health, science, and development infrastructure and stop the destruction.

DAN SCHWARZ—VICE PRESIDENT AT  
MANAGEMENT SCIENCES FOR HEALTH  
TESTIMONY AT SENATE GLOBAL HEALTH  
ROUNDTABLE

Good afternoon Ranking Member Shaheen and members of the Committee. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to speak with you today about the impact of the recent terminations of global health programs.

My name is Dan Schwarz, I grew up in a small town in Appalachia and am a practicing pediatrician and a Vice President at Management Sciences for Health.

MSH is a Virginia-based nonprofit that works with communities to save lives by sustainably strengthening country health systems. MSH has been in operation since 1971 and has worked in more than 150 countries, often in close partnership with the U.S. Government.

My remarks today are informed by my career as a doctor, both here in the U.S. and abroad. They are guided by my oaths to care for all and to do no harm. I offer them in the spirit of an objective analysis of the impact

recent program terminations will have on the health of the most vulnerable communities around the world.

I would like to begin by telling you about one of the most effective methods of stopping malaria. Quite simply, it involves providing preventative treatment to women and children most at risk throughout the rainy season—the most dangerous time for malaria. In Nigeria, where we work, they have over 25% of the world's malaria infections and 30% of malaria deaths—that's about 200,000 deaths a year. 70% of those deaths are children under the age of 5. During the time that I am delivering these remarks to you, at least two children will die of malaria in Nigeria.

Every year, with the generous support provided by the American people, at the beginning of the rainy season we work with the Nigerian ministry of health to get the medicines and train the health workers who provide it to those children.

This has prevented millions of cases of malaria and saved hundreds of thousands of lives. It's extraordinary life-saving work that Americans should be very proud of.

This year, however, this will not happen. That is because these U.S. government-funded projects have been terminated. Millions of children are at risk of sickness and many will die. We should not be proud of that.

These stories are not unique. Thousands of programs have been terminated without warning, with deadly consequences for communities around the world. At MSH we had 15 USAID projects terminated; only five remain. We have let go of over 1,000 of our team members—colleagues who live and work in these communities, providing this life-saving treatment.

At MSH, we focus on building strong health systems. Viewed from this perspective, the recent terminations are even more concerning. The elimination of foundational programs like maternal health or health worker training only serves to undermine the effectiveness of what programs remain. These cuts will devastate entire communities.

But let's bring it home, right here in this city, in this very room. The safety of Americans is very much at risk as global health security programs are shuttered. Programs we implemented that responded to the plague, Ebola, and drug-resistant tuberculosis have suddenly ended, even as the United States experiences its largest TB outbreak in decades. These programs helped address emerging health threats at their source and built the capacity of country governments to confront disease themselves.

Today, we should be discussing how to make America's investment in global health more efficient and effective. We should be discussing how we can integrate programs such as HIV and malaria treatment into countries' primary health care systems and reduce reliance on outside sources. Or how we can help countries to finance their own health needs. Instead, we are asking if life-saving foreign assistance is of benefit to the U.S. The answer to that question is and always has been a resounding "yes." We have so much to be proud of. But with the recent program terminations, we are turning our backs on that. So much progress has already been lost in the past two months, and so many lives will be lost with it.

Thank you again for allowing me the opportunity to speak with you today. I look forward to your questions.

REMEMBERING CAPTAIN ALLEN C.  
BRADY

Mr. SCOTT of Florida. Mr. President, I rise to honor the life of U.S. Navy

CAPT Allen Brady who passed away on April 24, 2025, at the age of 95. We remember Captain Brady for his bravery and his sacrifice to our Nation through his 30 years of Active Duty. Captain Brady entered the U.S. Naval Academy in June 1947 and was commissioned as an ensign in the U.S. Navy on June 1, 1951, first assigned as a signal officer aboard the aircraft carrier USS *Palau* (CVE-122) from July 1951 to May 1952, followed by flight school. Captain Brady proudly served our Nation in several assignments during the Cold War, Korean war, and Vietnam war. During the Vietnam war, Captain Brady served as an A-6A pilot and executive officer of VA-85 at NAS Oceana and deployed aboard the aircraft carrier USS *Kitty Hawk* (CVA-63) from September 1966 until he was forced to eject over North Vietnam and was taken as a prisoner of war on January 19, 1967. He remained a prisoner of war for 2,237 days from January 19, 1967, to March 4, 1973, when he was released during Operation Homecoming. Captain Brady received a Silver Star for his time as a prisoner of war in North Vietnam, where he was subjected him to extreme mental and physical cruelties in an attempt to obtain military information and false confessions, yet Captain Brady resisted. He showed incredible bravery and determination in that brought honor to his naval service, the U.S. Armed Forces, and the United States of America.

Captain Brady continued to serve his country until his retirement from the Navy on October 1, 1979. On behalf of all Floridians, our entire country, and my fellow Navy sailors, it is an honor to remember the life of CAPT Allen C. Brady, a true American hero.

#### TRIBUTE TO HADLEY DEAN

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I would like to take the opportunity to express my appreciation to Hadley for her hard work as an intern in my Washington, DC, office. I recognize her efforts and contributions to my office, as well as to the State of Wyoming.

Hadley is a native of Washington, DC. She is currently a junior at Madeira School in McLean, VA. She has demonstrated a strong work ethic, which has made her an invaluable asset to our office. The quality of her work is reflected in her great efforts over the last several months.

I want to thank Hadley for the dedication she has shown while working for me and my staff. It is a pleasure to have her as part of our team. I know she will have continued success with all of her future endeavors. I wish her all my best on her journey.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

#### TRIBUTE TO CORA MASTERS BARRY

• Ms. ALSOBROOKS. Mr. President, Cora Masters Barry has been a champion for youth, families, and sports,

benefitting Marylanders and our neighbors in the District of Columbia alike. Mrs. Barry is the former first lady of Washington, DC, and is the founder and CEO of the Recreation Wish List Committee, an organization of area businesses, government and community leaders who work to renovate and improve recreation centers.

She began her impactful career in the world of sports as one of the first women to serve as a boxing commissioner and was a tireless advocate for safety in boxing. She worked alongside Members of Congress to help write legislation to regulate the sport and was a member of the executive committee for the World Boxing Council and the International Boxing Federation.

Mrs. Barry has also made her mark on the tennis world, serving on the Community Development Committee and the National Junior Tennis League Committee of the United State Tennis Association. She helped Serena Williams establish a school for girls in Africa and served as vice president of the Oracene Williams Learning Foundation to maximize opportunities for youth with special needs. She also helped spearhead the Southeast Tennis and Learning Center.

Mrs. Barry, a former tenured professor of political science at the University of the District of Columbia, specialized in Black politics, the Presidency, and the Constitution. She has been an advocate for voter education, registration and mobilization.

I ask that you join me and the residents of Maryland in offering my well wishes to Cora Masters Barry on the occasion of her 80th birthday. And I am so grateful for the impact this luminary has had, not only on the District, but Marylanders as well.●

#### RECOGNIZING THE CENTENNIAL OF THE TOWN & COUNTY CLUB

● Mr. BLUMENTHAL. Mr. President, I rise today to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Town & County Club in Hartford, CT, a remarkable organization dedicated to advancing the interests of women.

The Town & County Club is a private women's city club located in Hartford's historic Asylum Hill neighborhood. The club was formed in 1925—just 5 years after women gained the right to vote—by a group of 400 progressive and determined women. Investing their own resources and time, the early membership was committed to three objectives: to provide an organized center for women's work, thought, and action; to advance the interests of women; and to promote the sciences, literature, and art.

The focal point of the club is the historic 1895 Theodore Lyman House. At this beautifully maintained facility, the club serves as a retreat for both members and guests to converse, connect, and celebrate, hosting a wide variety of events, special occasions, and other activities. This includes every-

thing from birthday parties, weddings, anniversaries, and memorials to business events, conferences, and presentations.

The club also undertakes significant and remarkable philanthropic activities. This includes the Town & County Club Scholarship Fund, created over 23 years ago to assist women who are actively pursuing an undergraduate college degree in the Greater Hartford area. To date, over \$350,000 in scholarship funds have been awarded to 142 deserving women, the majority of whom were both working and raising a family as they pursued their education. The club also hosts the Lyman Heritage Preservation Foundation, a nonprofit organization whose purpose is to restore and preserve the historic property, as well as engage in educational and outreach initiatives in local communities.

The Town & County Club is celebrating their 100th anniversary on May 21—a truly remarkable milestone—and remains dedicated to its original principles of scholarship and the uplifting of women. I hope my colleagues will join me in celebrating the Town & County Club and the outstanding services they provide for the Greater Hartford community.●

#### RECOGNIZING TIMBER CITY CHIROPRACTIC

● Ms. ERNST. Mr. President, as chair of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, each week I recognize an outstanding Iowa small business that exemplifies the American entrepreneurial spirit. This week, it is my privilege to recognize Timber City Chiropractic of Maquoketa, IA, as the Senate Small Business of the Week.

In December 2003, Dr. Don Schwenker and his wife Colleen opened Timber City Chiropractic. Don, a Maquoketa native, served Active Duty in the Air Force for 8 years. He then joined the Iowa Air National Guard and studied at Palmer College of Chiropractic. After graduating with a concentration in family chiropractic and acupuncture, Don and his wife moved back to Maquoketa. The couple recognized the need for a holistic family chiropractor in their hometown and opened their family practice. Timber City Chiropractic is committed to serving families and blue-collar workers across the community, calling itself the mechanic of the human body. The couple rented a local building for 5 years, and in 2008, they purchased a building on S. Main Street that allowed them to expand both its services and role in the community.

Timber City Chiropractic offers a full range of chiropractic and acupuncture services tailored to each client's individual needs. The business works with its clients to set up programs to deliver the best possible results when dealing with both acute and chronic discomfort. Additionally, the small business

has a broad selection of holistic services, including cellular body detoxification, hydrotherapy, and massage therapy, all performed by a licensed massage therapist. Don works as the clinic's president, primary chiropractor, and acupuncturist, while Colleen manages the front office, billing, and social media. Timber City Chiropractic is also an associated provider for Veterans Affairs (VA) and provides our veterans across eastern Iowa with critical care.

Timber City Chiropractic participates as a member of the Maquoketa Area Chamber of Commerce and is a proud supporter of veterans in the community. Over the years, Don and Colleen both served on the chamber board, and each served a term as president. In 2024, the chamber honored Don and Colleen with the Volunteers of the Year award. Previously, the chamber awarded Don the Executive Director's Award, as well as the President's Award. In 2013, Don and two other community members cofounded the Jackson County Economic Alliance. Additionally, Don served on the Maquoketa City Council. He later became the mayor of Maquoketa for 10 years, and today, he is a Jackson County supervisor. Colleen is actively involved with the Maquoketa Athletic Boosters, and in 2014, the Maquoketa Chamber of Commerce awarded her the Volunteer of the Year. The couple also teamed up with the chamber to revive the Timber City Adventure Race, a signature triathlon fundraiser for Maquoketa. This December, Timber City Chiropractic will celebrate its 22nd business anniversary in Iowa.

I want to congratulate the Schwenkers for their entrepreneurial spirit and dedication to providing meaningful chiropractic and acupuncture services to workers and families across eastern Iowa. I look forward to seeing their continued growth and success.●

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-929. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license amendment for the manufacture of significant military equipment abroad to the Republic of Korea (Transmittal No. DDTC 24-099) received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-930. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 3(d) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed transfer of major defense equipment with an original acquisition value of approximately \$242,284,321 to Ukraine (Transmittal No. RSAT 25-10931) received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.