

will be deeply missed and fondly remembered.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentlewoman from California (Ms. LOFGREN), my good friend and the chair of the Democrat delegation.

Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, we are heartbroken at the news that we have lost Doug LaMalfa. We served with him so proudly and got to know him as a friend, someone who you could disagree with without being disagreeable. We loved him dearly, and I value personally the chance I had to work with Doug and many others on the Farm Workforce Modernization Act. The insight that he had on that as a long-term rice farmer was just incalculable.

I value the moment that he came and brought me a little bag of rice that he had grown himself. We are in shock, and I would just like to add that our condolences go to the family as has been expressed so well. All of us are heartbroken at this terrible news.

The SPEAKER. The Chair now asks all those present in the Chamber, as well as Members and staff throughout the Capitol, to please rise for a moment of silence in remembrance of the late Honorable Doug LaMalfa of California.

□ 1700

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 4593, SAVING HOME-OWNERS FROM OVERREGULATION WITH EXCEPTIONAL RINSING ACT; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 5184, AFFORDABLE HOUSING OVERMANDATING EFFICIENCY STANDARDS ACT; AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 6938, COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE, ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT; AND INTERIOR AND ENVIRONMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2026

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on adoption of the resolution (H. Res. 977) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4593) to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to revise the definition of showerhead; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5184) to prohibit the Secretary of Energy from enforcing energy efficiency standards applicable to manufactured housing, and for other purposes; and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6938) making consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes, on which a recorded vote was ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the resolution.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 214, noes 212, not voting 5, as follows:

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Aderholt	Gimenez	Miller-Meeks	Garcia (CA)	McBath
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Allen	Gonzales, Tony	Moolenaar	Gillen	McClellan
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Arrington	Gosar	Moore (NC)	Goldman (NY)	Schrier
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Bacon	Griffith	Moore (WV)	Gonzalez, V.	McGarvey
Balderson	Grothman	Moran	Goodlander	McGovern
Barr	Guest	Nehls	Gottheimer	McIver
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Baumgartner	Hageman	Newhouse	Menendez	Simon
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Carey	Jackson (TX)	Scalise	Kaptur	Tokuda
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Cline	Jordan	Self	Krishnamoorthi	Pappas
Cloud	Joyce (OH)	Sessions	Landsman	Torres (NY)
Clyde	Joyce (PA)	Shreve	Larsen (WA)	Pelosi
Cole	Kean	Simpson	Larson (CT)	Trahan
Collins	Kelly (MS)	Smith (MO)	Latimer	Perez
Comer	Kelly (PA)	Smith (NE)	Lee (NV)	Peters
Crane	Kennedy (UT)	Smith (NJ)	Lee (PA)	Underwood
Crank	Kiggans (VA)	Smith (VA)	Smucker	Pettersen
Crawford	Kiley (CA)	Stewart	Spatz	Vargas
Crenshaw	Kim	Stauber	Stefanik	Vasquez
Davidson	Knott	Steil	Strong	Veasey
De La Cruz	Kustoff	Steube	Latimer	Velázquez
DesJarlais	LaHood	Thompson (PA)	Thompson (NY)	Vindman
Diaz-Balart	LaLota	Loudermilk	Taylor	Wasserman
Donalds	Langworthy	Latta	Tenney	Wasserman
Downing	Latta	Lawler	Thompson (PA)	Waters
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Emmer	Loudermilk	Thompson (PA)	Turner (OH)	Wilson (FL)
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Evans (CO)	Luna	Mace	Van Drew	Withey
Ezell	Mackenzie	Mackenzie	Van Duyne	Withey
Fallon	McCormick	Malhotakis	Van Epps	Withey
Fedorchak	McCormick	McCormick	Van Orden	Withey
Feenstra	McClintock	McCormick	Wagner	Withey
Fine	McClintock	McClintock	Walberg	Withey
Finstad	McCormick	McDowell	Weber (TX)	Withey
Fischbach	Massie	McGuire	Webster (FL)	Withey
Fitzgerald	Mast	Messmer	Westerman	Withey
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Flood	McClintock	Miller (OH)	Wilson (SC)	Withey
Fong	McCormick	Miller (WV)	Wittman	Withey
Foxx	McDowell	Miller (WV)	Womack	Withey
Franklin, Scott	McGuire	Miller (WV)	Yakym	Withey
Fry	Messmer	Miller (WV)	Zinke	Withey
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Gill (TX)	Miller (WV)	Miller (WV)		
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Adams	Case	Davis (IL)		
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Amo	Castor (FL)	Dean (PA)		
Ansari	Castro (TX)	DeGette		
Auchincloss	Cherif	DeLauro		
Balint	Cormick	DelBene		
Barragán	Chu	Deluzio		
Beatty	Cisneros	DeSaulnier		
Bell	Clark (MA)	Dexter		
Bera	Clarke (NY)	Dingell		
Beyer	Cleaver	Doggett		
Bishop	Clyburn	Elfreth		
Bonamici	Cohen	Escobar		
Boyle (PA)	Conaway	Espallat		
Brown	Correa	Evans (PA)		
Brownley	Costa	Fields		
Budzinski	Courtney	Figures		
Bynum	Craig	Fletcher		
Carbajal	Crockett	Foster		
Carson	Crow	Foushee		
Carter (LA)	Cuellar	Frankel, Lois		
Casar	Davids (KS)	Friedman		

NOT VOTING—5

Baird Murphy Thompson (MS)

McCaul Rutherford

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

□ 1732

Mr. LARSEN of Washington changed his vote from “aye” to “no.”

The resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 1834, BREAKING THE GRIDLOCK ACT

Mr. JEFFRIES. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 2 of rule XV, I call up the motion to discharge previously noticed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from New York calls up a motion to discharge the Committee on Rules from further consideration of House Resolution 780.

The Clerk will report the title of the resolution.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the rule, the gentleman from New York (Mr. JEFFRIES) will be recognized for 10

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. McGOVERN) will control the time.

There was no objection.

Mr. McGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, during consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purposes of debate only.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. McGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Massachusetts?

There was no objection.

Mr. McGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, all I can say is, it is about damn time. I mean, we have had to wait months while the Republican leadership of this House dragged their feet, all so we could take up a simple vote on whether to stop people's healthcare premiums from doubling or tripling.

We could have done this months ago. Instead, Republican leadership literally shut down the entire government rather than just allow this one vote on making sure that regular people can afford their healthcare. That is absurd.

If billionaires want another tax break, they get it in a nanosecond. If the rich and powerful want another loophole, it materializes out of thin air. Somehow days stretch into weeks and then stretch into months when it comes to healthcare for hardworking families.

Every night, those families are sitting around their kitchen tables trying to figure out how to pay for childcare so they can get to work. They are trying to figure out how they can pay their rent so their kids have a safe place to grow up. They are trying to figure out how they can afford groceries amid skyrocketing costs.

Because of the stalling and hesitation and delay from this President and this Speaker, millions of these families are now left trying to figure out how they can afford their healthcare.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to think it is not up for debate that in the richest country in the history of the world, no person—and I mean no person—should be left without healthcare. No mom or dad should have to forego their own health insurance because they can't afford to pay for their kids and themselves. No small business owner should have to go without coverage to pay the bills.

That is exactly what is happening right now. It is happening all because this leadership here in this House refused to lift a finger. They were too busy helping Big Banks, Big Oil, Big Tech, and whatever billionaire needed a handout.

This Congress musters up the will to spend trillions of dollars on tax breaks

for billionaires and to send the Pentagon billions of dollars more than they even ask for.

□ 1750

Mr. Speaker, the administration came up with tens of billions of dollars to bail out Argentina, for God's sake. Somehow, helping moms and dads, grandparents, and kids afford trips to the doctor is a step too far for this Republican leadership.

The truth is that this should not be a partisan issue. We are here today debating this rule because four Republicans joined Democrats to put good policy ahead of party and demand that this House take up this measure. Thanks to their efforts to be on the right side of this, we were able to get around the Speaker's logjam and force a vote on this bill.

We have a moral obligation to act, Mr. Speaker. It is unconscionable that anyone in the richest country in history should not have access to good, quality healthcare.

How long have we heard that the Republican healthcare plan is coming? It still hasn't materialized. The reality is that, in the meantime, reversing the massive premium increases that families across this country are grappling with is the bare, bare minimum that we should do.

America's healthcare system is broken, and I am not going to defend the status quo. It has been broken for decades. America spends more per patient than any other major country for the worst outcomes. People lack access to care. Medical bills still leave families in debt. This sure as hell isn't the healthcare system that I would have designed.

In fact, Democrats believe that every person in the United States should have high-quality, affordable healthcare. I personally believe in Medicare for All. Also, there is no doubt in my mind that the American people are better off due to the Affordable Care Act.

Like I said, our system was broken long before the ACA, and the ACA took major steps to try to move us toward comprehensive coverage. That is part of the reason that the ACA is so popular. An overwhelming majority of Americans support the ACA because it protects people with preexisting conditions, provides free preventative care, and requires coverage for essential health benefits like emergency services and maternity care.

The ACA gave health insurance to millions of people, and improvements made to the law made premiums more affordable. Failing to act and failing to extend these tax credits will leave millions of Americans paying more for their healthcare.

Families in my district are reaching out to me to share that their healthcare premiums are going up by hundreds and even thousands of dollars every month due to the inaction of this Congress.

Mr. Speaker, I know that many of the people back home must be writing to you with similar stories. We can't fail these families. We can't turn our backs on working people who are struggling to get by. Healthcare is a basic and fundamental human right. If we have it in our power right now, today, to help make people's lives better, how could we not take the opportunity to do that?

Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. PALLONE), the distinguished ranking member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, there is no more important bill than Leader JEFFRIES' bill to make healthcare more affordable for more than 20 million Americans whose monthly health premiums have skyrocketed because of Republican inaction and indifference.

When I was home during the holidays, all I heard from my constituents was that their healthcare premiums were doubling and tripling in the State of New Jersey.

This bill is a godsend. I am not exaggerating. This bill is a godsend for people who are concerned that they are not going to have health insurance or already don't have health insurance because they weren't able to buy it on January 1.

What happens when they don't get health insurance? Mr. Speaker, the effects of this don't just affect the 20 million people who don't get it because of the Affordable Care Act or ObamaCare. The effects are on everyone who has health insurance because emergency rooms will once again be overflowing with people who are forced to wait until they are so sick that they have no choice but to go to the ER because they don't have a doctor.

Patients will be sicker. Doctors and nurses will be stretched thin. Hospitals will be left with large sums of uncompensated care, which will be passed on to everyone with insurance in the form of higher monthly premiums. This isn't just about the ACA, but it is most important for those people who had the ACA and perhaps don't have it anymore.

Unfortunately, the Republican majority has known these price hikes were coming all along, but they didn't do a single thing to stop this from happening.

Last year, Republicans instead spent their time giving permanent tax breaks to billionaires and large companies, but refused to extend the ACA enhanced premium tax credits to help lower healthcare costs for everyday people. Today, we have a chance to right that wrong and help out our hard-working Americans.

Mr. Speaker, Republicans may not want to admit it publicly, but they know that the ACA has resulted in historically low insurance rates, helped millions of families stay covered, and saved lives—and I stress saved lives. If we don't take action, all of this

progress could be reversed as the American people are priced out of the ability to see their doctors.

Vote for this bill.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from New York (Mr. LAWLER).

Mr. LAWLER. Mr. Speaker, after the 43-day Democratic-led shutdown, I agreed to sit down with my Democratic and Republican colleagues to negotiate in good faith to extend the ACA enhanced premium tax credit with reforms.

We negotiated a 2-year extension with income limits, with insurance reforms, and with the elimination of zero-premium plans. Unfortunately, we could not get that bill to the floor for a vote, so I and three of my other Republican colleagues felt that we had no choice but to sign the discharge for this 3-year clean extension.

I am voting in favor of this discharge and this legislation to send it to the Senate so that the Senate will have the opportunity to put forth a reform package that can pass Congress and become law.

The fact is that health insurance premiums have risen 96 percent since ObamaCare took effect in 2010, with insurance companies' profits increasing by 2,000 percent.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The time of the gentleman has expired.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I yield an additional 30 seconds to the gentleman from New York.

Mr. LAWLER. Mr. Speaker, insurance companies' profits have increased by 2,000 percent.

Republicans and Democrats can agree that our system is broken, and we need to fix it. We need to work in a bipartisan way.

To me, this is two-pronged: deal with the immediacy of the enhanced premium tax credit, and deal with the larger healthcare reform issues that have to take effect. Enough of the blame game on both sides. Let's focus on actually delivering affordable healthcare for Americans.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. OLSZEWSKI).

Mr. OLSZEWSKI. Mr. Speaker, despite Americans consistently identifying higher costs as their number one issue, today marks 369 days that this Republican-led Congress has failed to take any significant action to address the affordability crisis. Instead, chaotic trade policies, along with devastating cuts to healthcare and food programs by the President, have only driven up costs.

The recent expiration of ACA tax credits makes things even worse. In Maryland, it is the equivalent of a \$4,700 tax hike. I have heard from many constituents who are now forgoing insurance altogether, exposing them to risks and spiking premiums across the board.

I am also deeply concerned about the chilling economic effect that this will

have. If we aren't going to pass legislation to lower costs in this Congress, can we at least pass legislation to keep them from going up even more?

I urge my colleagues to support the rule and the legislation before us. Extend these tax credits for struggling families.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Florida (Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ).

Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise to insist that we pull our Nation back from the largest-ever, Republican-forced loss of healthcare in our history.

These catastrophic coverage cutoffs and massive premium hikes will hammer millions of us back in Florida, and it is all because Republicans chose billionaire tax breaks over extending the Affordable Care Act tax credits for our hardworking families.

That is all on top of the \$1 trillion that Republicans slashed from Medicaid and \$500 billion from Medicare. Over 203,000 people will lose coverage in my district. Let's be really clear: Many of them will get needlessly sick or die.

Thankfully, Democrats refused to accept this Republican healthcare crisis and forced this vote to extend the ACA tax credits.

Mr. Speaker, Republicans have made life too expensive. From burger and coffee prices to rent, home insurance, and utilities, costs keep soaring. We can't add crushing cost burdens by forcing families to pick between seeing a doctor and buying groceries.

Yes, Republicans chose to unleash this healthcare crisis, but they can avoid it right now. Millions of anxious families are watching.

Mr. Speaker, I urge a "yes" vote.

□ 1800

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. JOHNSON).

Ms. JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in strong support of this legislation to extend the Affordable Care Act and the tax credits.

In my district alone, nearly 100,000 people rely on these tax credits to afford coverage, and because Republicans let them expire, many of them are starting off the year without access to care.

I hear from families all across north Texas every day begging for help. One constituent in Dallas, a small business owner with a child who has type 1 diabetes, told me plainly: "I need these tax credits so my baby can survive."

This is life or death for so many families in our communities. Yet, Republicans have refused to extend these tax credits, making healthcare unaffordable for millions of people.

I refuse to accept Republicans governing in the currency of cruelty. It is critical that we restore these credits and put the money back in the pockets of the people who need it the most.

I urge every Member of this body, Democrat and Republican alike, to sup-

port this bill and stand up for the American people. We deserve better. I will never stop fighting to protect the basic necessities that every family needs to survive.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Oregon (Ms. BONAMICI).

Ms. BONAMICI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of this critical bill that will lower the cost of healthcare for thousands of Oregonians and millions of Americans by extending the Affordable Care Act premium tax credits.

Right now, too many people are struggling. At the end of 2025, Republicans let healthcare costs skyrocket, adding to the stress Americans are already experiencing, because Republicans have done nothing to address the high costs of housing, groceries, childcare, utilities, and more.

David from Tillamook, Oregon, said premiums for him and his wife increased from \$415 a month to \$2,384 a month, a 474 percent increase.

For Stacy in St. Helens and her husband, their premiums went from \$539 a month to \$2,396, a 344 percent increase.

It is unconscionable, it is unacceptable, and it is unnecessary. This is the United States of America, and everyone should feel secure, not fearful when they get sick or injured. Our constituents want affordable healthcare. They deserve better, and we can make things better, starting with this vote to extend the tax credits.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Virginia (Ms. McCLELLAN).

Ms. McCLELLAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of a 3-year extension of the Affordable Care Act's enhanced premium tax credits.

Millions of Americans who benefited from these credits are now facing the real prospect of losing their health insurance because they can no longer afford their premiums. We have told their stories for months. These are small business owners, their employees, the self-employed, farmers, restaurateurs, beauticians, landscapers, mediators, chiropractors, on and on.

They are people like Bobby Connor from Brunswick County, Virginia, who is 3 years away from Medicare. Last year, with the tax credit, he paid \$34 per month for his insurance. This year, he was set to pay \$92 with the tax credit. Now, without it, he is looking at \$1,700 a month.

Lester and Yolanda Johnson of Richmond, Virginia, co-owners of Mama J's Restaurant, and their 8-year-old daughter are going from paying about \$700 a month with the tax credit last year to over \$1,400 this year without it.

We have a chance to give Bobby, Lester, Yolanda, and millions like them the peace of mind that if they get sick or injured, they can get the care they need without losing everything.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Florida (Ms. CASTOR).

Ms. CASTOR of Florida. On behalf of the over half a million hardworking neighbors back home and across the Tampa Bay area, I rise in strong support of the extension of the lifesaving and cost-saving ACA tax credits.

Families are being crushed by inflation and high healthcare costs, and they need the savings that the ACA tax credits provide. Mr. Speaker, 4.7 million Floridians, one in five who live in the Sunshine State, depend on the ACA. It is estimated that without the tax credits, over 1.4 million Floridians will lose their health insurance entirely.

They are entrepreneurs. They are caregivers. They are cancer patients. They are part-time workers. They are small-business workers who have seen their premiums more than double, and they deserve so much better.

That includes Yohanna, a small business owner in Tampa and the mother of a daughter with Down syndrome, who without enhanced tax credits defaults to an insurance plan where every visit will cost her \$150 for a copay. It includes Matthew, a truck driver from St. Petersburg, whose premiums rose from \$64 a month to \$736 per month.

We need to extend these tax credits, and we need to do it now.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Hawaii (Ms. TOKUDA).

Ms. TOKUDA. Mr. Speaker, imagine being a farmer choosing between insurance and seed, a small business owner weighing a doctor's visit against payroll, families hoping nothing goes wrong because they are one ER visit away from being homeless. This is the reality for rural America today.

The big, ugly bill took a sledgehammer to rural healthcare, and letting the ACA enhanced premium tax credits expire will accelerate the damage and hasten the harm.

In rural America, places like Hawaii, insurance coverage is the business model that keeps hospitals, clinics, and emergency rooms open. When premiums rise, coverage drops, revenue disappears, and hospital doors close. Without those credits, rural Americans will see their monthly healthcare costs rise by 107 percent. A single premium hike will make the difference between whether a family eats, pays their rent, or sees a doctor.

Mr. Speaker, 2.8 million rural Americans will lose coverage. For them, this is not politics. This is life or death.

Healthcare should never depend on your ZIP Code. This clean extension of the ACA tax credits will save lives.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Vermont (Ms. BALINT).

Ms. BALINT. Mr. Speaker, 1 week ago today, Republicans allowed the ACA premium tax credits to expire after telling us there was no money to do so.

Healthcare premiums have soared, and millions of Americans will lose their healthcare coverage because they simply can't afford it.

Just 3 days later, the President found money, a lot of money, to pay for a very extensive and expensive military raid to capture the President of Venezuela. This regime change and the nation building that will come later is going to cost us additional billions of dollars.

We have seemingly endless money to spend for illegal, unauthorized war-mongering, but there is no money available for healthcare for Americans. It doesn't have to be this way. We are the richest Nation in the world. We have the money to make sure everyone has healthcare.

Voting to extend these healthcare tax credits is the least that we can do for Americans to show them that we are focused on them and their needs.

Mr. Speaker, I urge a "yes" vote.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Rhode Island (Mr. MAGAZINER).

Mr. MAGAZINER. Mr. Speaker, in Rhode Island and all across the country, people are being crushed by high healthcare costs because Republicans have refused to extend the Affordable Care Act funding. People are seeing their premiums go up by thousands of dollars a year, and many of them are having to make that hard choice to not go with insurance at all and hope that they won't end up with an emergency room bill that will bankrupt them.

Meanwhile, President Trump and the Republicans are talking about buying Greenland. They have the money to buy Greenland but not to help fund healthcare for the American people. They have the money. Donald Trump wants to expand the size of the military budget by \$500 billion which he just posted today, but they don't have the money to fund healthcare for the American people. They have the money for ballrooms and lavish parties.

Here is an idea. How about we invest in providing relief to the American people who are being crushed by out-of-control healthcare costs. We have an opportunity now to do the right thing by the people who sent us here and to extend this Affordable Care Act funding now once and for all.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time.

This is it, Mr. Speaker. We need a majority of this House to vote "yes" on this rule so that we can have an up-or-down vote on reversing the premium increases. It is that simple.

If we do nothing, millions of families will lose their healthcare. People won't be able to see doctors if they get sick. Medical bills will stack up. Millions more will be left paying hundreds or even thousands of dollars more every month just to maintain their coverage. They will have to cut back on food or won't be able to make their rent because of these steep increases.

In some cases, the damage has already been done. Many people have already decided to forgo coverage. In my home State of Massachusetts, over 25,000 people canceled their coverage

because Republicans let premiums skyrocket.

□ 1810

That is nearly double the number of people who canceled coverage last year. It is a huge increase that will drive up costs for everyone and make America less healthy. I am sure that my colleagues are seeing their constituents make similar choices.

Let me end with this. We have the power right now to give peace of mind to working families that they won't go bankrupt just trying to afford health insurance. We can make their lives a little easier. We can help them sleep a little more soundly and breathe more easily knowing that they can afford coverage for their families.

I have said this over and over and over again, but we are the richest country in the history of the world. People ought to have better coverage. They ought to have more affordable coverage. Healthcare is a fundamental human right, and we should come together in a bipartisan way and support this rule and support the underlying legislation. We can prevent a catastrophe from impacting millions and millions of people in this country.

We have lots of disagreements, but, boy, I would like to think if we could all agree on one thing, it ought to be that people ought to not get screwed over when it comes to healthcare, that they ought not be paying double, triple, quadruple what they normally pay for their health insurance premiums.

I urge a "yes" vote on this rule. I yield back the balance of my time, and I move the previous question on the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the previous question is ordered.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the resolution.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. WEBER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this question are postponed.

REAPPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE STRATEGIC COMPETITION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's reappointment, pursuant to section 4(a) of House Resolution 5, 119th Congress, and the order of the house of January 3, 2025, of the following Member to the Select Committee on the Strategic Competition Between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party:

Mr. KHANNA, California, to rank before Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHI.