

For decades, Bob made his home in Marin. He raised his family there, opened his doors to other artists, and helped build the vibrant local music vibe that so many of us cherish. He played intimate shows at Mill Valley's Sweetwater and took the stage at the Mountain Theater atop Mount Tamalpais.

Bob's music, his generosity, and unmistakable creative spirit helped define the identity of the North Coast. His legacy will endure every time a kid picks up a guitar, every time the lights come up at the Sweetwater, and every time music echoes across Mount Tam.

We are grateful that he made our community part of his life. We send our love to his family, friends, and all my fellow Dead Heads across the world.

Mr. Speaker, let the record reflect, I delivered these remarks barefoot in honor of Bobby Weir. I think he would appreciate that.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. KENNEDY of Utah). Members are reminded to observe proper decorum on the floor.

AMERICA CANNOT HAVE UNLIMITED IMMIGRATION

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

Mr. GROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, Congress is leaving and won't be back until next week. If it is like every other weekend, a lot of what you see on television is going to be incidents going on in Minnesota affected by the immigration situation.

I remind my colleagues and the American people that we are a Nation of immigrants, but every year we naturalize about 800,000 new folks. That is about five times what it was when I was a child. Mr. Speaker, 16 percent of the people in our country were not born in America. That is the highest it has been since before 1890.

We have nothing to apologize for that we are not letting enough people in this country. However, sadly, there are too many elected officials who, in essence, want to get rid of the immigration laws. We saw this in the 2016 election in which way too many Democrats promised free medical care for people who come here.

In any event, we are very generous to immigrants. We cannot have unlimited immigration.

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THERE CANNOT BE TWO TIERS OF JUSTICE IN AMERICA

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

Mr. KHANNA. Mr. Speaker, THOMAS MASSIE and my Epstein Files Transparency Act led to millions of files being released that have shocked the conscience of the Nation.

Today, I call for Congress to hold in front of the Oversight Committee every single person who emailed about going to Epstein's island. They need to answer some basic questions. Who raped these underage girls from working-class families? What did they see? What did they know? What did they participate in?

The American people are frustrated with the rich and powerful getting a different set of justice. There cannot be two tiers of justice in America, and I will not rest until the people who committed these heinous crimes and this heinous behavior are held accountable.

WHEN SUPPLY GOES UP, PRICES GO DOWN

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

Mr. MRVAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to share my deep frustration and anger for the people of northwest Indiana's First Congressional District as they open their heating bills that have skyrocketed this winter.

Hoosiers understand that utility rates are regulated at the State level, but they also understand, just as we do here, that Federal policy plays a role in whether our Nation is increasing energy supply or restricting it.

It is simple economics. When supply goes up, prices go down. Unfortunately, recent actions by this administration have moved us in the wrong direction.

In northwest Indiana, two major energy projects that would have increased supply and lowered costs were canceled. An \$8 billion hydrogen project at the BP refinery in Whiting supported by labor, industry, the State, higher education partners, and the Federal Government were halted. An \$18 million alternative aviation fuel project in East Chicago was also canceled. These projects would have strengthened our energy supply, created jobs, and supported our regional economy for decades to come.

Mr. Speaker, I urge the House to find ways to increase the energy supply so we can lower the costs in northwest Indiana.

RECOGNIZING MARC RABOURDIN

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

Mr. VINDMAN. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to honor an exceptional member of my staff who is moving on to his next chapter.

Marc Rabourdin, my deputy district director, has served the people of Virginia's Seventh Congressional District with distinction for more than 4 years.

Marc began his service to the Seventh Congressional District working for my dear friend and predecessor, former Congresswoman and now Governor Abigail Spanberger.

He has continued to deliver results for central and Northern Virginia on

my team with the same professionalism and care. From day one, his dedication has made a real difference in the lives of the people we serve. Always calm, steady, and deeply knowledgeable, Marc has been a trusted presence and an invaluable resource to our constituents and our team.

A true public servant, Marc earned his nickname, the mayor, in our office because he knows the communities, local leaders, and needs of the Seventh District better than just about anyone.

Mr. Speaker, while we will miss him, we are grateful for his service to Virginia's Seventh Congressional District and wish him every success in his next endeavor serving Virginians.

FAMILY, SACRIFICE, AND THE ROCKET SPIRIT

(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 today with a heart full of joy to celebrate a story that reminds us why sports, family, and community matter.

At the University of Toledo, sophomore Rocket Miriam Diala was greeted after a hard-fought win by her mother, Francisca. Her mom had traveled 4,300 miles from Germany to see her daughter play women's college basketball at UT in person for the very first time.

Francisca often stays up past midnight to watch Miriam's games on TV because of the 6-hour time difference. We can just imagine the embrace in the stands, the tears, the joy, and the gratitude.

Miriam's performance showed talent, discipline, and resilience, but the real victory was love made visible. This community wrapped an international student in a sense of belonging, friendship, and a second family. That is the spirit of Toledo. That is the promise of America.

Mr. Speaker, I thank Francisca for her sacrifice to Miriam and for inspiring us. To the Rocket family, keep lifting one another higher.

HORRIFIC ICE ABUSES

(Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2025, Mr. ESPAILLAT of New York was recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the minority leader.)

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material in the RECORD.

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

There was no objection.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to forcefully speak against the Trump administration's horrific ICE

abuses and to demand accountability for the deaths of 45 individuals who have died within the custody of DHS since the start of 2025.

Mr. Speaker, 2025 was the deadliest year for ICE detention in two decades with 37 total deaths. Already in 2026, eight more individuals have died, including the murders of Renee Nicole Good and Alex Pretti. The American public is outraged at the brutality of ICE, and they demand accountability.

According to polls, 76 percent of Americans, including 79 percent of Latinos, have seen the video footage of the murder of Renee Nicole Good. Mr. Speaker, 57 percent of Americans, both Democrats and Republicans, disapprove of the way ICE is enforcing immigration laws.

Put simply, ICE is out of control. The number of people with no criminal records being detained is 16 times greater than in previous administrations. Mr. Speaker, 92 percent of individuals recently held in ICE detention have no criminal conviction whatsoever.

More than 170 U.S. citizens have been wrongfully detained at raids and protests. More than 20 of them were held incommunicado for a specific period of time without being able to call their loved ones or an attorney.

DHS is now claiming they can enter anyone's home without a warrant signed by a judge, clearly ignoring the Fourth Amendment of our Constitution. A recent memo distorting the truth was circulated to our offices.

Still, congressional Republicans continue to fund this rogue agency without restraint. Congress already gave ICE \$75 billion through the 2025 reconciliation bill.

They paid for the slush fund by cutting healthcare and nutrition assistance while giving tax cuts to rich millionaires and billionaires. This Chamber has decided to continue funding for ICE without any accountability whatsoever.

As we begin negotiating to fund DHS for the rest of the year, the Congressional Hispanic Caucus is unified in demanding real accountability provisions, including requiring ICE agents to identify themselves, prohibiting agents from wearing masks during enforcement, restricting the use of deadly force, strengthening hiring and training standards, enforcing humanitarian standards in ICE custody, and protecting sensitive locations.

Members of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus and the Congressional Progressive Caucus stand united in opposition to giving ICE one more cent without meaningful reform. In fact, I think ICE should be dismantled altogether. We are finalizing a bill that would do just that. It would rescind the agency's funding and rebuild it from the ground up.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentlewoman from Minnesota (Ms. OMAR).

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Ms. OMAR. Mr. Speaker, two of my constituents, Renee Good and Alex

Pretti, beloved neighbors and community members, were murdered by Federal immigration enforcement agents.

These are not distant headlines. These were beloved community members fighting to protect their neighbors.

Alex Pretti was a 37-year-old ICU nurse at the Minneapolis VA who cared for veterans. He was a healer, and he should be alive.

Renee Good was a 37-year-old beloved wife, mother, and community member. She should be alive.

Kristi Noem's DHS must be held accountable. We cannot continue to operate as if this terror is acceptable. We cannot allow a Federal agency—one that was created for the purpose of terrorizing—to function as an occupying force in our communities.

Real accountability starts with abolishing ICE, impeaching Kristi Noem, and rethinking how we enforce immigration policy in this country. We cannot stop there. We must demand that those who are responsible for terrorizing our communities are investigated thoroughly, not by the agencies that oversee them but by truly independent authorities.

We have seen Federal agencies block State investigators and stonewall accountability. That is unacceptable. Our system of justice cannot tolerate a situation where people are killed and the only response is silence, spin, or justification from the administration's officials.

Minnesota was once known as a place of refuge. It has now been turned into a war zone by a Federal Government that has lost sight of the values that make America great.

Everything we love—our communities, our rights, our Constitution, and our humanity—is on the line right now. We have to fight like our future depends on it because it does.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. GARCIA).

Ms. GARCIA of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I am a lawyer. I have served as a judge. I know what the rule of law demands. What this administration is doing with ICE is not enforcement. It is lawlessness. It is cruelty. They have turned ICE into a force of masked thugs. In my community in the Houston area, people are paying the price.

Luis Gustavo Nunez Caceres died in ICE custody near Houston. DHS claims it was heart failure, but this administration has shown such contempt for the truth that we can't believe a darn thing they say. His family is demanding answers, and so are we. I have requested the death report, but, Mr. Speaker, ICE has yet to respond.

Under Trump, as noted earlier, 43 people have died in DHS custody or at the hands of DHS agents or their contractors. This is not a coincidence. This is cruelty masquerading as policy.

In Minneapolis, two Americans—Renee Nicole Good and Alex Pretti—were murdered by Federal immigration

agents. We have all seen the videos. We know both deaths were completely unjustified. We know that this was not domestic terrorism. The American people know it, too, no matter how much this President tells us not to believe our very own eyes.

Instead of accountability, the felon in the White House rushed to smear and lie about the victims. It is a disgrace. It is shameful. It is immoral.

This administration is terrorizing our communities, threatening our cities, trampling on the Constitution, and tearing our country apart. It must stop, and it must stop now. Congress must act. Stop ICE now.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ).

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, in the span of 12 weeks, our country was shaken by the tragic killings of Renee Good and Alex Pretti, who lost their lives because of the violent and reckless choices that the Trump administration has made.

When I went to Minneapolis shortly after Renee Good's killing, I heard firsthand how the Trump administration's dangerous escalation of immigration enforcement is a threat not just to Minnesota but to every community and every American.

Since Trump took office, at least six people have died during enforcement activities by Federal agents. People are not just dying in our streets. They are also dying in immigration detention centers run by ICE and private companies that have been empowered to profit off of detaining mothers, fathers, and children who pose no threat to our communities.

Just last year alone, 32 people died in ICE detention, including Jean Wilson Brutus, who had been detained at Delaney Hall in Newark, New Jersey.

While this administration claims they have our communities' best interests in mind, they have already proved through their actions from New Jersey to Minnesota and across the country that safety is not their priority. No one is safe in Trump's America, not mothers, not fathers, not our elders, and not even our children.

That is why we must continue to stand up to fight for our communities and why we must drive Trump's paramilitary out of our communities, why we must end ICE, why we must end private detentions, why we must remove Secretary Noem, why we must remove Stephen Miller, and why we must continue to fight for the soul of our Nation.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from New York (Mr. TONKO).

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the Congressional Hispanic Caucus and Congressional Progressive Caucus for convening this very important discussion this evening.

Over the past year, the Trump administration has pursued immigration

enforcement actions, actions that are deplorable, inhumane, and, indeed, deadly.

Last month, in my district in New York's Capital Region, a family of five, including an 8-month-old who was reportedly a U.S. citizen, was detained and deported after ICE entered their apartment without—without—a judicial warrant, a clear violation of the Fourth Amendment.

In December, our Afghan community was repeatedly targeted, including ICE arresting a father and son after they exited a mosque following morning prayer. People who fled the Taliban, fearing for their lives and their families' lives, are now wondering if they will be picked up next by ICE.

This is not who we are as a nation. We are supposed to uphold the values of freedom, the values of democracy, and the American Dream. Instead, the very people who came here in pursuit of that dream are afraid to attend school, go to their jobs, go to church, and even leave their homes for fear of being hunted down, detained, and deported.

Nowhere have the effects of ICE's operations been clearer than in Minneapolis. The murders of Renee Nicole Good and Alex Pretti, both U.S. citizens and both shot multiple times by U.S. agents, were senseless and horrifying. Two people who should be in the arms of their families today have instead been killed in the streets.

In their brutal and deadly campaign, ICE has lost all public trust and credibility. This agency as it exists and operates cannot continue. ICE must be abolished.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. CLARKE).

Ms. CLARKE of New York. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from New York, Mr. ADRIANO ESPAILLAT, for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, I rise on this day in opposition to ICE, CBP, and any others that are added to this Federal militia that is supposed to be part of the administration of immigration in the United States of America. I also rise in remembrance of all those innocent lives its agents and enforcers have stolen.

For 1 painful year under the Trump administration, this rogue agency has engaged in an unrestrained crusade of cruelty against our migrant neighbors and the places they call home, all powered by the \$85 billion and counting hand-delivered to them by Republicans in Congress and their overlord in the White House, all conducted with immunity granted not by law but by lawlessness.

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ICE agents are in our streets, where they are out every day kidnapping, trafficking, torturing, and, indeed, even murdering immigrant Americans and American citizens in the cold and hidden recesses of their detention cen-

ters, where atrocities beyond our wildest nightmares are occurring without cessation.

I am speaking of atrocities like the death of Jean Wilson Brutus at the Delaney Hall Detention Center, who passed away from a medical event while under the careless and unconcerned watch of ICE.

The title of ICE's press release following the tragedy?

"Criminal illegal alien passes away at University Hospital following medical emergency at Delaney Hall Detention Facility."

How callous. How sick.

In one sentence, these twisted individuals reveal the systemic rot and culture of inhumanity that is inherent in ICE operations.

It is heartbreaking to know that Mr. Brutus' death was not an isolated tragedy. There have been 45 deaths and counting under Donald Trump's tyranny.

In what moral nation would the penalty for seeking a better life for yourself or your neighbors be a terrible death?

In what decent society would the government deploy propaganda to convince the masses that its victims deserved their fate?

Catching an ICE agent in a bad mood should not warrant capital punishment. Being undocumented should not be a death sentence.

Hear me when I say that ICE is a rogue entity incapable of doing its duty and incapable of re-earning the public trust that it has betrayed. It is an existential danger to public safety, American decency, and the American Dream.

Mr. Speaker, if there is a single revelation to emerge from this abyss of wickedness, let it be that our immigration apparatus needs bold and systemic change, and may that change be a system centered in compassion, not cruelty; entrusted to competent officers, not kidnapping traffickers and killer thugs, and bent toward justice, not broken by ICE.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, may I inquire as to how much time is remaining.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from New York has 45 minutes remaining.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from California (Mr. RUIZ).

Mr. RUIZ. Mr. Speaker, as a Member of Congress and a physician, I am outraged and sad about the killings of U.S. citizen and mother, Renee Nicole Good, who was shot and killed by an ICE agent; and U.S. citizen and VA ICU nurse, Alex Pretti, who was fatally shot by an ICE agent during the same enforcement surge in Minneapolis, sparking widespread protests and intensifying scrutiny of Federal tactics.

Last year was the deadliest year in over 20 years, with over 56 people dying under ICE and CBP custody in detention centers. Reports of detainees like

Luis Beltran Yanez-Cruz, who died in a hospital in my district after complaining for days of chest pain without receiving the appropriate urgent care, are concerning and smell of neglect.

The violence and brutality against noncriminal immigrants and U.S. citizens are not public safety. It is cruelty. That is why Secretary Noem must be impeached and removed, and there must be transparency and accountability.

That is why I introduced the Humanitarian Standards for Individuals in ICE and CBP Custody Act to prevent death and to protect human dignity.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentlewoman from Minnesota (Ms. MORRISON).

Ms. MORRISON. Mr. Speaker, Minnesotans are grieving the loss of two precious lives and enduring immeasurable community suffering due to the ill-advised policies of the Trump administration and the failed leadership of DHS under Kristi Noem.

Their systemic refusal to prioritize public safety and adhere to any semblance of due process in my home State of Minnesota has shown all of us that the trauma and suffering are very much intended consequences of their policies. Cruel indifference to constitutional rights and human dignity have become standard operating procedure for DHS.

There could be no more stark proof than the list of names behind us. It is consistent with the harrowing firsthand accounts that I have received directly from my constituents and individuals in DHS custody, and it is horrifically clear in the videos documenting the killings of Renee Good and Alex Pretti.

The impacts of these tragedies and aggressive operations continue to be felt every single day and are staunchly opposed because the people targeted are an inseparable part of the fabric of their communities.

Minnesotans are fiercely dedicated to protecting their communities. They see themselves in their neighbor—not because of a shared language or a shared place of birth but because they hold steadfast to their shared humanity and to the belief that every human being deserves to be treated with dignity.

Through a relentless commitment to freedom, community, and their constitutional rights, Minnesotans have exposed the charade of this administration's narrative. They are rejecting dehumanization and division in perilous circumstances, many at great personal risk and an immeasurable cost in the loss of Renee, Alex, and the 40 others listed here.

I join my fellow Minnesotans in calling for Operation Metro Search to end now. It is incumbent on every single one of us to honor their resilience, embrace their courage, and put an end to this senseless and preventable suffering in my community and in every community across this country.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentlewoman from Washington (Ms. RANDALL).

Ms. RANDALL. Mr. Speaker, across the Nation, out-of-control ICE agents are terrorizing our communities. They shot Renee Good in the face four times. They are tearing people out of their homes, out of the windows of their cars, and illegally detaining people who have Brown skin.

This is fascism, pure and simple, and ICE must be held accountable.

Since I was elected to Congress, I have made six oversight visits to the Northwest Detention Center in my district. Each time I have gone, the lack of medical care and serious privacy concerns have consistently been issues.

I was told by a detained individual that they were unable to receive the medications that they needed until nearly a week after they had run out. When they finally received it, it was the wrong dosage.

Another person who I met with asked the officer, who had accompanied them to a health appointment in the community, to step out of the room while he received sensitive medical information. The officer refused.

This administration's reckless dehumanization of our immigrant neighbors is horrific, and it is not just immigrants who they are terrorizing. Tribal members in my district and across the country are being instructed to carry their Tribal IDs with them in case they are stopped by ICE.

DHS is not above the law, and neither is Secretary Noem. We must hold them accountable, and we must prevent more death and violence.

That is why I voted against funding lawless, out-of-control agents who are terrorizing our communities and why I continue to call on us to impeach Secretary Noem and to hold the Trump administration accountable for the chaos and the violence that they have unleashed and to restructure a Department that is no longer holding the trust of the American people and that needs serious reform.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, I now yield to the gentleman from California (Mr. TAKANO).

Mr. TAKANO. Mr. Speaker, I thank my good friend, Congressman ESPAILLAT, for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, people across the country and in the Inland Empire are scared that they could join the roughly 50 individuals who have died under Donald Trump's and Kristi Noem's brutal immigration crackdown, such as Renee Good, Silverio Villegas Gonzalez, Alex Pretti, and many more.

Just north of my district sits the Adelanto ICE processing facility, which has seen multiple people die while in custody. The conditions at Adelanto have long been deplorable, which is why I have long called for it to be shut down.

Yet, we must look for ways to press our case even more forcefully. Just yesterday, I voted against more blank-check funding for ICE and CBP. No accountability and no reform equals no taxpayer money.

I call on every Member of this body to hear the cries of communities from coast to coast: Impeach Kristi Noem, end open-ended DHS funding, and stop the killing of our neighbors.

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Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, I now yield to the gentlewoman from Vermont, BECCA BALINT.

Ms. BALINT. Mr. Speaker, let's be clear. This is not about catching the most violent criminals. It is about power. It is about control. It is about cruelty. It is about depravity and abandoning human decency.

I have spent time in Chicago. I have spent time in Minneapolis-Saint Paul. I have talked to the people there. We knew it would end like this.

President Trump and his apologists and his enablers have been demonizing and dehumanizing immigrants and refugees for years. Americans are now dead at the hands of ICE, and over 40 others have been killed in DHS custody. Despite what Secretary Noem has said, over 170 Americans have been arrested and detained. As I said, we knew that this is how it would end.

There are people of color across this country afraid to leave their homes because right now ICE and Border Patrol will detain anyone who they think they can use to meet a quota based on the color of their skin or the accent that they are using.

This didn't have to go like this. I remind everybody who is responsible for supersizing the ICE budget and bringing us to this place, it was Republicans in Congress who did this, even though we warned them that this is what would happen.

ICE needs to be dismantled. Secretary Noem needs to be fired, and Stephen Miller has to go. He is the mastermind of this ghoulish plan.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, I now yield to the gentlewoman from Oregon, VAL HOYLE.

Ms. HOYLE of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, I thank my colleague from New York, Representative ESPAILLAT, for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, I stand in memory of Renee Nicole Good and Alex Pretti, who were murdered for standing up for what is right and exercising their constitutional First Amendment right to speech and assembly, and in the case of Mr. Pretti, his Second Amendment right to carry arms. I also stand in honor of the 38 people who have died in ICE custody since Kristi Noem became the head of DHS. Although they are not household names, their lives are no less valuable, and we cannot forget them just because we didn't see it happen.

Being detained in an ICE facility should not equal a death sentence.

I recently conducted an oversight visit in Tacoma, and I met with four of my detained constituents. One detainee had lost over 12 pounds since November. He achieved up to a Ph.D. here in the United States. He has four United

States citizen children. His wife is a United States citizen. Because of a paperwork error, he will be deported to a country he has never been to and he does not speak the language. He is a deacon in his church. He is a good member of our community, not the worst of the worst.

Another one of my constituents just turned 18 and was so terrified he couldn't even answer questions. He was afraid to say anything. He will be deported because he is caught up in a broken immigration system.

We will not let them disappear into the system. We will not stand by and let ICE bring more violence to our cities and open detention facilities in rural communities like Newport, Oregon, that I represent. We will not normalize cruelty as public policy.

While innocent people continue to die in detention centers and on our streets, we must continue to speak up and fight for real change.

The Constitution is clear. It guarantees due process. It guarantees the right to assembly. It guarantees the right to bear arms.

I took an oath to uphold the Constitution. I would ask that my colleagues do the same and uphold the oath that they are obliged to stand up for.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, I now yield to the gentleman from Texas, JOAQUIN CASTRO.

Mr. CASTRO of Texas. Americans are living in a time of viciousness. Under Donald Trump, we are living in America the brutal, a Nation where the wrong skin color, the wrong accent, the wrong language makes you a suspect, puts you in danger, threatens your life. Masked agents without warrants and long guns are barging into people's homes and businesses without apology. Americans who stand up for the Constitution, for the rule of law, and for due process are threatened and some are killed.

We have seen it out on the streets in Los Angeles, in Chicago, in Minneapolis, and across the country. We have also seen it in secret. I saw it just last week in a detention center in Dilley.

What do we call a place that keeps a 2-month-old baby in a trailer prison? Is that what America is? What do we call a place that keeps a 5-year-old boy in a trailer prison, that refuses to provide any education, that withholds medical care, that traumatizes children so brutally?

That is what ICE has become, not an immigration enforcement agency, but a reckless, lawless, brutal agency. Congress should disband ICE, should impeach Kristi Noem, and this Congress should help restore the Constitution of the United States of America to the people of our Nation.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, I now yield to the gentlewoman from Illinois, DELIA RAMIREZ.

Mrs. RAMIREZ. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, it has been 365 days of Trump 2.0, 365 days of terror, abuse, and violations of our rights.

After infusing \$150 billion into DHS and ICE, people in this Chamber have chosen to give them even more money, even after seeing what DHS does with its unlimited resources, even after seeing what they do with unchecked power.

Let me say what they did to Silverio, what they did to Marimar, to Keith, to Renee, to Alex, what they did to Illinois resident Nenko Gantchev in an ICE detention center. Also, Mr. Speaker, what they are doing right now to my own constituent, Steven, a 14-year-old boy with autism in a detention center plagued with measles, it is unconscionable. It is unacceptable.

Many of us are clear: The Department of Homeland Security is the greatest threat to the homeland right now, and that is why we must claw back funding for DHS and ICE. It is why we must pass my Melt ICE Act and end DHS detention and monitoring, disrupt immigration enforcement, and return taxpayer dollars back to the communities.

We also must immediately start the proceedings to impeach Noem. I said it before, and I will say it again. She will either quit, she will get fired, or we will impeach her.

Here is the thing: Our tax dollars should be used to make sure working people have every single thing they need to thrive, not money used to execute U.S. citizens.

Let me end by saying this: We brought the Department of Homeland Security into this world just two decades ago. We also have the ability and the authority to build a world without it, and I will work every day to make that happen.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, I now yield to the gentlewoman from Michigan, RASHIDA TLAIB.

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Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, that is what the American people are doing right now in the streets of America. That is what they are using to protect themselves, whistles and their cameras. That is what they are doing against the fascist army.

Speaker JOHNSON says: ICE is doing what ICE is designed to do.

That is what he said.

How many more of our neighbors have to be executed? How many more of our neighbors have to be killed?

I refuse to send another dollar to the Department of Homeland Security. My residents don't want their tax dollars going to execute people in the streets, abduct 5-year-olds, tear gas children, and separate our families.

This is what the Trump administration is doing right now with DHS funding. It is a fascist army, and it is shameful.

I grew up in southwest Detroit, Mr. Speaker, with 20 different beautiful ethnicities. We were the northern bor-

der. What my community and our community kept telling us back then during its creation, literally, is they told us they are violating people's civil rights. We do not feel safe with them in our community. People were jogging around our parks and getting stopped to be asked what their legal status was. They were militarizing southwest Detroit. They told us back then: Stop funding ICE.

Kristi Noem has violated the United States Constitution, eroded due process, and again violated Federal processes and laws by preventing Members of Congress already from conducting oversight in their facilities. Shame on them.

This is not an agency, Mr. Speaker, that can be reformed. You can impeach the Secretary, and she needs to be impeached, but this is an agency that was created to do what it is doing now. It is built on violence and racism.

ICE must be abolished. Kristi Noem must be impeached. These murders should be prosecuted.

I am not looking for people to get fired. I am looking for them to be truly held accountable for killing our loved ones and for ripping our children from our arms. Not one more penny should go to this agency that terrorizes our communities.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentlewoman from Arizona (Mrs. GRIJALVA).

Mrs. GRIJALVA. Mr. Speaker, today, while Kristi Noem staged yet another photo op, this time in Nogales, Arizona, families across this country are still grieving people who should be alive.

Let's be clear: Border communities are not war zones. Border towns, like Nogales, which I represent in Congress, are vibrant, binational communities where families live, work, and thrive.

Instead of listening to local leaders, this administration keeps choosing militarization, fear mongering, and political theater, and it is costing people their lives.

On January 7, an ICE agent murdered Renee Good, an unarmed U.S. citizen, in Minneapolis. Two weeks later, just miles away, Alex Pretti was shot and killed by Federal agents. In both cases, the administration lied about what happened, smeared the victims, and blocked independent investigations. These are not isolated incidents. They are part of a growing pattern.

For border communities, this violence is not new. In 2012, 16-year-old Jose Antonio Elena Rodriguez was shot and killed by Border Patrol through a border fence while he was walking home on the Mexico side of the border in Nogales, Sonora. He was unarmed. He was a child.

For far too long, communities like mine have been told to accept this as the cost of enforcement. That is why, yesterday, I voted against continued funding for DHS. I will not rubberstamp an agency that enables violence, racial profiling, and terror in our neighborhoods.

ICE has already been handed \$75 billion through the Republican's big, ugly bill, money that was ripped away from SNAP, Medicaid, and working families. That money is being used to militarize our cities, not keep people safe.

This is a moral inflection point. We can choose dignity, accountability, and real solutions, or we can keep funding abuse, pretending its policy.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, may I inquire as to the time remaining.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from New York has 22 minutes remaining.

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, you have heard from many of our colleagues, members of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus, members of the Congressional Progressive Caucus, and other Members representing the State of Minnesota, the State of Illinois, the State of Michigan, and others.

The Congressional Hispanic Caucus has presented a policy position on DHS. The Members voted on that position, approved it, and it is the following:

We propose to suspend ICE and CBP immigration enforcement actions in Minnesota. We also propose to end warrantless stops. We also want to suspend indiscriminate arrests and militarized tactics against civilians nationwide.

Allow the agency to continue legitimate statutory enforcement, focused on serious public safety threats. This includes, obviously, the immediate protections against the detention and targeting of U.S. citizens. That is right, Mr. Speaker. This agency has been rampantly arresting not just green card holders, TPS recipients, Dreamers, moms, and dads, but also U.S. citizens.

We also call to redirect the \$75 billion OBBB enforcement funding away from mass detention and quota-driven arrests toward humane community safety and affordability concerns.

This includes independent investigations into the deaths in DHS detention. As I said earlier, many people have died while in DHS custody.

We want to deliver accountability by advancing comprehensive legislation to unmask ICE agents. No ICE agent should be anonymous, without a first name, a last name, and a shield number. We want to mandate body cameras with strong protocols; protect sensitive locations, including houses of worship, schools, and hospitals; and restrict the use of deadly force.

We also want to enforce humanitarian standards in ICE and CBP custody, ban military-grade equipment, strengthen civil rights, and the inspector general's oversight.

We want to protect whistleblowers and return Border Patrol where they should be, at the border. These are the proposals that have been adopted by the Congressional Hispanic Caucus.

Again, Mr. Speaker, the country is alarmed. Our citizenship is imperiled with these aggressive actions by ICE.

Our citizens are being hurt. Green card holders have gone underground. Our economy is suffering because of these brutal practices.

Let's dismantle ICE. Let's take a look at these best practices, and let's move forward as one United States of America.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members are reminded to refrain from engaging in personalities toward the President and to observe decorum on the House floor.

Ms. DEXTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with urgency and outrage.

The Trump regime, with its lawless and cruel immigration agents, has become a source of nightmares for children.

People are living in hiding, fearful, as these agents are kidnapping, assaulting, and murdering people.

Last month it was Renee Nicole Good and Alex Pretti.

Next month? It could be another beloved, hard-working member of your community.

Agents are detaining sick children.

Last month it was Diana Crespo, a seven-year-old from my district and her parents who were detained on the way to urgent care.

Next month? It could be another sick second grader in your community.

Children are being traumatized, communities are being torn apart, and people are being murdered.

Republicans need to wake up from the delusion that what Trump is carrying out in your name is lawful, needed, or making us safer.

When your children and grandchildren ask what you did when secret police came for families, when children were imprisoned, when U.S. citizens were murdered by federal agents without accountability, what will you say?

You have the power to help stop this.

It is past time to do so.

HISTORIC TAX RELIEF FOR FAMILIES

(Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2025, Mr. MOORE of Utah was recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the majority leader.)

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. MOORE of Utah. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the topic of this Special Order.

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

There was no objection.

Mr. MOORE of Utah. Mr. Speaker, I am so glad to be joined by my colleagues this evening to talk about the historic tax relief we are providing for working families this tax season. I think it should be on the mind of every single American, and we are thrilled to be able to highlight some of the many things that we have accomplished in the preceding calendar year.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Missouri, (Mr. SMITH) before I begin my remarks.

HONORING MARK ROMAN

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Utah (Mr. MOORE) for yielding and for being an incredible member of the best committee in Congress, the Ways and Means Committee.

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Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to my staff director, Mark Roman, who is leaving Federal service at the end of this week.

For more than one decade, Mark has been one of the most capable and loyal public servants I have ever worked alongside. My team is stronger today because of his judgment and the example his work ethic sets for the rest of my team. He has not only been my most trusted adviser, but I am proud to also call him a true friend.

Mark began working in the House of Representatives just over 20 years ago for his hometown Congresswoman, Ms. Nancy Johnson, from Connecticut. Mark went on to work for two congressional Members from Illinois before he joined my team in 2015 as my deputy chief of staff to serve the great people of Missouri's Eighth Congressional District.

Mark's keen eye for tax policy in particular and, in fact, his keen eye for all policies within the Ways and Means jurisdiction made him so important to me when my colleagues selected me to serve as a member of the Ways and Means Committee. He went on to become my chief of staff and my staff director when I was the Republican leader of the Budget Committee, and my staff director for the Ways and Means Committee for the last 3 years.

Mark's deep understanding of and relationships within the conservative and the populist movements have been invaluable as we worked to build the One Big Beautiful Bill Act.

I am told that most Ways and Means Committee staff directors often have their legacies defined by their one signature accomplishment, and I think it says so much about Mark that his signature accomplishment will be the largest tax cut in our Nation's history and a bill remembered for rejecting special interest tax policy in favor of relief for the tens of millions of working American families, farmers, and many small businesses that are the heartbeat of this Nation.

I know that Mark's wife, Tate, and his two wonderful children, Johnny and Ann Tate, have made a lot of sacrifices along the way to allow him to serve for so long, and I will say I am blessed to call them family as well.

Mark is not going far, and even though he won't be here in the Capitol with us, I have no doubt he will continue to leave a lasting impact on all of us after he leaves. His incredible tenure of service has strengthened my team and this institution for the better.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in thanking Mr. Mark Roman for his dedication and years of public service to this institution.

Mr. MOORE of Utah. Mr. Speaker, I will briefly add that I had the opportunity to serve on Chairman SMITH's Ways and Means Committee, and I have seen the work that Mark Roman did, mostly behind the scenes, the stress that he is put under, and the outcomes that we have delivered.

Oftentimes, we don't talk about this being a functional place. Sometimes when you go to Congress, Mr. Speaker, all you hear about is the gridlock, the nonsense, and all the rhetoric. Mark Roman accomplished some things for the American people that he will never get credit for.

I am going to speak a little bit about it today, but I also wanted to add how much I appreciated getting a chance to work under Mark. I wish his amazing kids and family all the best. We hope that he really, truly won't go far.

HISTORIC TAX RELIEF FOR FAMILIES

Mr. MOORE of Utah. Mr. Speaker, as I mentioned, I want to share a brief message about what we have accomplished this last year.

Mr. Speaker, House Republicans have turned a season of dread as tax season approaches into a season of historic relief. Tax season is officially underway, and this year, 91 percent of all taxpayers will experience an easier and more simplified filing process.

We locked in the doubled standard deduction, and not only at the rate that Republicans established in 2017. We actually boosted it for this new approach. It is now considered permanent policy, meaning that families will pay no taxes on the first \$31,500 of what they make.

It will also save Americans an estimated 210 million hours per year in paperwork and \$13 billion in compliance costs annually.

We talk all the time about simplifying the tax code. Everybody talks about it, and we have done it. Since 2017, we decided to double the standard deduction.

That immediately targets middle- and lower-income Americans who choose not to itemize. Itemizing is still an option you can do, Mr. Speaker, if you have multiple different types of elements that you can deduct from your taxes. You can still choose to do that, but the vast majority of Americans, working Americans and everyday Americans, use the doubled standard deduction.

That is real tax relief. It goes unsaid a lot. It is such a standard piece. Nobody truly disagrees with it—"nobody" meaning both parties. It is something that we have now established as the norm, and it will give immediate relief to the vast majority of American families.

Because the historic tax cuts are retroactive to 2025, the average refund is projected to increase by \$1,000, with a total of \$91 billion in additional refunds being returned to the American people this spring. We also repealed the Democrats' \$600 reporting requirements for payments through PayPal or Venmo