

while ensuring our Nation remains a strong and ready force.

I call upon the memory of one of my favorite Presidents, President JFK, and think about his statement: "Ask not what your country can do for you—ask what you can do for your country."

Madam Speaker, I call on all the parents of eastern Washington and all the teachers and principals to have a conversation with our fine recruiters and talk about what career paths their young people in their homes and their schools may have in protecting our country with our military.

RECOGNIZING SPOKANE CHINESE ASSOCIATION
AND SPOKANE CHINESE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Mr. BAUMGARTNER. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Spokane Chinese Association and the Spokane Chinese Christian Church for hosting an outstanding Lunar New Year celebration in Spokane.

The event was a vibrant tribute to our community's diversity and the rich cultural traditions that strengthen all of us. The music and dance performances showcase not only extraordinary talent but also the spirit of unity and joy that defines this wonderful celebration.

In eastern Washington, we are proud to have such a vibrant Asian-American community. For more than 170 years, Asian, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander families have helped to shape the cultural fabric of the inland Northwest.

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As we celebrate this season of new beginnings, may it bring good health, prosperity, and joy to them and their families. I am proud to join in honoring the start of a new year filled with hope and good fortune.

Madam Speaker, I thank the Spokane Chinese Association and the Spokane Chinese Christian Church for inviting me to such a wonderful celebration, and I wish them a Happy Lunar New Year.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until noon today.

Accordingly (at 11 a.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MACKENZIE) at noon.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

God of power and might, mercy and peace, we raise our voices on behalf of all those who have cried for so long

that their voices are weary and their words are faint. Especially on this fourth anniversary of the enduring conflict in Ukraine, let not their hearts fear. Though war has risen up against them without cease or cause, even still may they remain confident that You are their light and salvation.

Lord, be the stronghold that pushes back the enemy's relentless campaign against them. Hide them in the shelter of Your sanctuary in these endless days of trouble.

Then lift up their voices as they testify to the world their faith in You. Even as they refuse to give up their will to their adversaries, may their confidence in You serve as a testimony to all of us. As they wait for You, may their faith be strong and their hearts take courage that all may know that our salvation is found only in You.

Sovereign God, may all who believe in You when enemies encamp against us see Your goodness, O Lord, in our lifetime.

Hear the fervent prayers of all who call on Your name these days.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House the approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1 of rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. DAVIS) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER
PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to 15 requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

PRESIDENT TRUMP IS DELIVERING
REAL RELIEF FOR FAMILIES

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

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, President Trump is delivering real relief for families in the form of lower costs for everyday items, creating jobs.

Wages are growing faster than prices, putting more money into the pockets of Americans. Year over year, inflation fell over 2.4 percent in January, mark-

ing a new low. Core inflation has dropped to the lowest level in 5 years, underscoring progress made by Donald Trump.

In the first Trump year, real earnings for workers have outpaced inflation by \$1,400, earning back some of the \$3,000 lost under Biden.

Key prices are falling in January. Beef, eggs, and coffee prices all declined. The interest rates are down for home building. Gasoline prices are falling. Promises made, promises kept.

In conclusion, God bless our troops as the global war on terrorism continues. Trump is reinstating peace through strength, revealing war criminal Putin lies, insulting Trump and mocking Trump as we now see war criminal Putin entering into the fourth anniversary of the Putin invasion today, which he lied to his troops would be a 30-day special mission. Courageous Ukrainians with President Volodymyr Zelenskyy will be victorious over mass murderer Vladimir Putin.

HONORING AHMED REHAB

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

Mrs. RAMIREZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Ahmed Rehab, a fearless advocate and leader.

Ahmed's career reflects his courage, clarity, and conviction. For more than two decades, Ahmed has defended our civil rights and protected our Muslim and immigrant neighbors and communities.

While he is currently the executive director of the Chicago Office of CAIR, the Nation's largest Muslim civil liberties and advocacy group, he has served on the board of the Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights, the Chicago Council on Global Affairs' Muslim task force, and in many other leadership roles. He is committed to building multifaith, multi-sector coalitions.

Just last week, at Illinois' Third first Power of the People Summit, Ahmed reminded us that coalition is commitment. It means standing together before the storm, not just during it. It means being light in the midst of darkness.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of Illinois' Third Congressional District, I am proud to commend Ahmed Rehab for his tireless defense of our civil liberties and for the wisdom he brings to the work of solidarity and unity.

I thank and congratulate Ahmed.

RECOGNIZING THE ROCHESTER
AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
ON 160 YEARS

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

Mr. FINSTAD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Rochester Area

Chamber of Commerce and congratulate the organization on celebrating 160 years of support for local businesses and economic growth.

Since 1866, the Rochester Area Chamber of Commerce has been a strong advocate for the business community, helping build the Rochester area into the epicenter of economic activity that it is today.

For more than a century and a half, the chamber has supported generations of entrepreneurs, employers, community members, and businesses across the Rochester community, shaping the economic development in our region with strong business advocacy, investments in workforce and professional development, and meaningful networking opportunities.

Mr. Speaker, I am thankful for the work of the chamber members and their leaders and for the many contributions to fostering the connections that make the Rochester community a great place to live, work, and do business.

I congratulate the entire Rochester Area Chamber of Commerce family on celebrating this incredible milestone, and I wish them continued success for the next 160 years and beyond.

RECOGNIZING REFETTORIO HARLEM IN NEW YORK CITY

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

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I recently had the pleasure of visiting Refettorio Harlem, an incredible non-profit restaurant and food pantry in New York City.

Refettorio Harlem is housed in the historic Emanuel AME Church and is run by Free Food Harlem. With incredible partners like Food for Soul, 2 nights a week, chefs transform perfectly good but unused food into multi-course fine dining dishes, served free of charge to anyone in need.

On Wednesday and Friday evenings, Refettorio is bustling with community and conversation as neighbors come together for a shared meal and a welcoming space.

During my visit, I tasted a delicious bowl of zero waste ramen with glazed chicken and bok choy, perfect for a cold winter day.

Mr. Speaker, I thank Jill, Matt, and Bob, and everyone at Refettorio for taking a few minutes during meal prep to show me around.

Refettorio Harlem is a spectacular example of what is possible when dedicated, like-minded people come together to not only fight hunger but also combat food waste. We need to uplift more innovative models like Refettorio Harlem to end hunger now.

RECOGNIZING NATHANAEL SIMMONS

(Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina asked and was given permission to address

the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, an exceptional young leader from eastern North Carolina, 17-year-old Nathanael Simmons, is joining us as my guest for the State of the Union.

Nathanael is a senior at Mattamuskeet High School, an eighth-generation farmer from Hyde County, and the son of Benjamin and Tonya Simmons.

Since the tender age of 9, he has passionately helped on the farm with his family, carrying on a legacy spanning generations. With about 15,000 farms closing this past year alone, we must support young, next-generation farmers like Nathanael. If we are to ensure our national security, we must recognize and invest in the hands that feed, clothe, and fuel our Nation.

Mr. Speaker, Nathanael is a true inspiration and a shining example of America's future. I am honored to welcome him to our Nation's Capital.

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HONORING FATOU-SEYDI SARR

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

Ms. TLAIB. Mr. Speaker, resistance comes in different forms. Sometimes just our mere existence is resisting. I want to take a moment to recognize my guest for the State of the Union Address. Her name is Dr. Fatou-Seydi Sarr, the founder and CEO of the African Bureau for Immigrant and Social Affairs in Detroit.

I am bringing her into this Chamber this evening to uplift the work that she does in resisting the dehumanization of our beautiful immigrant neighbors.

Originally from Senegal, she provides critical services to our Black immigrant families in the city of Detroit. She fights to secure basic needs like food, shelter, and stability for our immigrant families who are often viewed as disposable by our own government.

As a Black immigrant Muslim woman, she confronts injustices and refuses to be silent. She has also mentored so many incredible young Black girls to see themselves as leaders and changemakers.

Inspired by Detroit's Black women organizers, Seydi reminds us that in our community, we keep each other safe. In, Wolof, she says: We must hold on to one another if we want to build a humanity we believe in. Because it is not about me. It is about us, locked arm in arm.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 4626, DON'T MESS WITH MY HOME APPLIANCES ACT, AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 4758, HOMEOWNER ENERGY FREEDOM ACT

Mr. GRIFFITH. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I

call up House Resolution 1075 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 1075

Resolved, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 4626) to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to prohibit the Secretary of Energy from prescribing any new or amended energy conservation standard for a product that is not technologically feasible and economically justified, and for other purposes. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. In lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Energy and Commerce now printed in the bill, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 119-20 shall be considered as adopted. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, are waived. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill, as amended, and on any further amendment thereto, to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce or their respective designees; and (2) one motion to recommit.

SEC. 2. Upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 4758) to repeal provisions of Public Law 117-169 relating to taxpayer subsidies for home electrification, and for other purposes. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. The bill shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill are waived. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and on any amendment thereto to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce or their respective designees; and (2) one motion to recommit.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Virginia is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. GRIFFITH. Mr. Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MCGOVERN), pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume.

During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only.

GENERAL LEAVE

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

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

There was no objection.

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

Mr. Speaker, the Rules Committee met and reported out a rule providing for consideration of two measures: H.R. 4626, the Home Appliance Protection and Affordability Act, and H.R. 4758, Homeowner Energy Freedom Act under closed rules.

The rule provides each measure 1 hour of debate, equally divided and