

war, earning countless honors, including the Bronze Star for service and sacrifice.

In 2014, Mr. Massanelli joined the University of Arkansas and has been bringing his keen judgment and personal experience, working tireless hours to help obtain important research grants and funding for the University of Arkansas.

Mr. Speaker, I thank my friend, Randy Massanelli, for his years of service and commitment to Arkansas. His work is a model for future generations of public servants, and his devotion to our State is truly commendable.

□ 1215

PENN STATE WRESTLING TEAM

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Penn State wrestling team for winning the NCAA Division I wrestling tournament last month. This historic achievement marks the Nittany Lions' fifth consecutive title and Penn State's 13th team title over the last 15 seasons.

The NCAA wrestling tournament, hosted in Cleveland, Ohio, saw the Lions qualify all 10 wrestlers for the 3-day event, with 7 wrestlers placing as top seeds.

The team scored 181.5 points, breaking their own record of 177 points, which they set last year.

To conclude championship weekend, four Nittany Lions earned individual national titles. In addition, Mitchell Mesenbrink was named the 2026 NCAA Championship Outstanding Wrestler.

Much of this success is a testament to the leadership of Head Coach Cael Sanderson, who has been with the team since 2010. Cael, a former collegiate wrestler and Olympic athlete, knows exactly what it takes to deliver a championship-level team. As the university's head coach for more than 10 years, Cael has delivered the team from strength to strength. Another accolade that the team can tout is winning the Big Ten championship for the fourth consecutive year.

As a former high school wrestler myself and a Penn State alum, I love seeing the success that the Nittany Lions have had each year. Penn State wrestling brings together the student body, Penn State alum, and State College residents to watch an exciting evening of matches. There is nothing quite like a packed Bryce Jordan Center on a Saturday evening.

I was a former wrestler at Bald Eagle Area High School under the leadership of Coach Dick Rhoades, and in 2015 I was honored to be recognized by the National Wrestling Hall of Fame. The leadership and discipline that I learned during practice have stuck with me throughout my life.

I know that all young men at Penn State will be able to take the lessons

that they learn through wrestling and apply them to other aspects of their lives.

Mr. Speaker, the athletes, the coaches, and the staff should all be proud of this amazing accomplishment, and I wish the team the best as they continue working towards their goals next season.

GERRYMANDERING: A PLAGUE ON DEMOCRACY

(Mr. KILEY of California was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Mr. KILEY of California. Mr. Speaker, last week yet another State returned to the era of gerrymandering, marking a further regression for democracy in America.

This entire redistricting war has been a total disaster for our country. What is more, it has been utterly pointless. As was predicted, neither side is really going to come out ahead. Every side has lost.

Meanwhile, the whole conflict that has spread from State to State to State has caused partisanship in this country to truly bubble over. It has destabilized representation across the country. It has further eroded trust in the fairness of our political process. It has further eroded the idea of representation and government by the people.

It is past time for Congress to take responsibility for the fairness of our own elections throughout this country. We can do that in two ways.

Number one is by passing my bill to end mid-decade redistricting. I introduced this last year, and it passed last year. We could have avoided this whole thing, but we can still pass it now to make sure that nothing like this ever happens again.

Number two is by the time of the next Census when we are supposed to do redistricting, we can pass legislation to end gerrymandering in this country once and for all. The way I am proposing we do this is by setting up a truly independent commission in every State, much like California had before it was sidelined last year.

Mr. Speaker, gerrymandering is a plague on democracy, and it is well past time that the United States moves past it and ensures fair elections and fair representation for every citizen in our country.

CALIFORNIA'S ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE REVIEW 2025

Mr. KILEY of California. Mr. Speaker, a new report titled: "California's Economic Performance Review 2025" paints an absolutely alarming picture of our State's current economic performance.

Just to give you a few of the highlights, or really lowlights, Mr. Speaker, California right now has the highest unemployment rate in the Nation at 5.5 percent with over 1 million unemployed workers.

There were 181,700 private-sector jobs lost in 2025 and 432,900 private-sector

jobs lost in the last 3 years. Meanwhile, almost all of the actual job growth has come from government. There are now 1.9 unemployed workers per job opening in California. That is the worst ratio in the country, with layoffs and separations up by 57 percent in 2025.

Net business establishments in 2025 were down almost 90 percent since before Governor Newsom took office, and almost all of the new firms that were rated were sole proprietorships with almost no employees.

California, meanwhile, has the highest cost of living of any State, with 6 of the 10 most expensive metropolitan areas in the country. Electricity rates in our State are nearly double the rest of the country for homes and almost triple for industry. We also, of course, have the highest gas prices by far in the country.

California has the highest poverty rate in the Nation at 16.4 percent. California had 1.9 million residents lost to other States over the last 7 years, and that includes 409,000 workers lost in job-to-job migration over the last 5 years.

All this time, the budget grew by 68.2 percent since 2019, with a structural deficit that is now \$20 billion to \$35 billion annually.

By the way, there has been nearly a 50 percent drop in the number of high earners filing tax returns over \$10 million just in the last 5 years, and that number is going to go up a lot with this entire wealth tax scheme that is being proposed right now.

Mr. Speaker, California is the greatest State in the country. We have more to offer than any State in the country. With our State's abundance of natural resources, its amazing companies, people, and culture, there is absolutely no reason we should not be outperforming every other State. Instead, we are underperforming every other State by a lot, to the detriment of our own citizens.

So I am, once again, calling upon leaders in Sacramento to chart a different course, one that is proworker, pro-opportunity, and progrowth. I am also encouraging those of us here in the House to look at what California has done wrong because it provides us a good roadmap of what we should be doing in order to get the economy and the cost of living right.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until 2 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 22 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

□ 1400

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker at 2 p.m.

PRAYER

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

Great is Your faithfulness, O God our Father. New every morning are the mercies You offer unto us. Even as we remember and honor the life of our friend and colleague, David Scott, our souls are saddened by his passing. But this we call to mind, and in this we have hope: that Congressman David Scott, Your son and servant, was one who sought You daily.

The remarkable life he lived which began in the tobacco fields of South Carolina was marked by an exceptional intellect, evident in both his academic accomplishments, his business acumen, his political service in Georgia, and his noteworthy tenure on the Hill, all of which was undergirded by the firm foundation of his faith in You.

Those who knew him well knew that he believed, without doubt, that You were his portion. He walked quietly and faithfully with an inward calm, a peace that passed all understanding, and a faith that looked through death to the hope of a larger life beyond the grave.

Thank You for raising up among us such a stalwart example of how You, O Lord, are good to those whose hope is in You, to the ones who seek You, to those who wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.

May we in faith follow David Scott's lead.

In Your eternal name, we pray.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. 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. Will the gentleman from South Carolina (Mr. WILSON) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. WILSON of South 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.

TRUMP DELIVERS TAX RELIEF

(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, led by House Republicans with our leader and Speaker MIKE JOHNSON and President Donald Trump, this year millions of Americans received larger tax cuts.

By signing the Working Families Tax Cuts Act, President Trump has allowed

53 million hardworking Americans to keep more of their own money, creating jobs.

Sadly, every single Democrat in the House voted to oppose the tax relief, promoting taxes to rise by 22 percent on working families. Democrats want Big Government. Republicans promote limited government.

Millions of Americans have already benefited from no tax on tips, no tax on overtime, and no tax on Social Security. 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 war criminal Putin has subverted the Government of the Republic of Georgia with the Georgian Dream Party collaborating with the Iranian regime as Iranians meet today with war criminal Putin in Moscow to coordinate death to America.

RECOGNIZING PASCAGOULA
POLICE CHIEF TERRY SCOTT, JR.

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

Mr. EZELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize an incredible accomplishment by one of our own from the Mississippi Gulf Coast, Pascagoula Police Chief Terry Scott, Jr.

At 60 years old, Terry made history by becoming the oldest heavyweight boxer to win a professional, sanctioned fight, earning a world record in the process. That is an extraordinary achievement and a testament to his grit, discipline, and perseverance.

Success like this doesn't come easy. It takes years of hard work, sacrifice, and an unwavering commitment to your craft. Terry Scott, Jr., has shown what it means to stay focused, push through challenges, and defy expectations.

His story is a reminder that determination has no age limit and that it is never too late to chase and achieve something remarkable.

South Mississippi is proud of Terry, and I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating him on this historic accomplishment and wishing him continued success.

HONORING UNIVERSITY OF WEST
GEORGIA WOLVES MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM

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

Mr. JACK. Mr. Speaker, over the past 3 weeks in college basketball, a national champion was crowned, the transfer portal opened and closed, and the 2025–2026 season officially ended.

I proudly represent the University of West Georgia. I am a passionate supporter of their basketball program, led by Coach Dave Moore, a natural leader,

and his talented staff: Andy Young, Mark Schult, Willie Evans, and Jalen Sasser, and administered by Athletic Director Jason Carmichael and President Dr. Michael Johnson.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a few of the West Georgia Wolves who are leaving next season, having exceeded expectations and built a program poised for future success.

Shelton Williams-Dryden was named First Team-All Atlantic Sun, averaging 20.7 points and 9.1 rebounds per game.

Josh Smith was named the Atlantic Sun's Sixth Man of the Year, averaging 16.2 points per game.

Kolten Griffin averaged 7.7 points per game and set a record for the most games played in the history of the program.

Malcolm Noel averaged 8.1 points per game and will graduate after three seasons with the Wolves.

Mr. Speaker, the West Georgia Wolves are a source of great inspiration for many across my district, and I am immensely proud to represent them in Congress.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FLOOD). Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 7 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

□ 1459

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. EZELL) at 2 o'clock and 59 minutes p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER
PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or votes objected to under clause 6 of rule XX.

The House will resume proceedings on postponed questions at a later time.

SHARING OF INFORMATION WITH
RESPECT TO SUSPECTED VIOLATIONS
OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

Mr. MOORE of Utah. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4930) to expand the sharing of information with respect to suspected violations of intellectual property rights in trade, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 4930

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,