

Mr. BEAN of Florida. Mr. Speaker, northeast Florida has watched smoke rise on the horizon as brush fires burn in Nassau and Clay Counties amid severe drought.

In moments like these, communities rely on those who are willing to stand between danger and everything we hold dear.

Today, I rise to honor one of those individuals, James "Kevin" Crews of Hilliard, Florida.

Kevin served faithfully with the Hilliard Volunteer Fire Department, answering the call time and time again to protect his neighbors. As brush fires spread across our region, he once again stepped forward without hesitation to serve on the front lines.

Mr. Speaker, last Thursday, while responding to a fire along Old Dixie Highway, Kevin suffered a medical emergency in the line of duty and later passed away.

Mr. Speaker, he was only 59 years old. Kevin's sacrifice reminds us what it truly means to serve. His loss is felt deeply in Hilliard and beyond. He lives a life of service, Mr. Speaker, and today I ask my colleagues to recognize him as a dedicated public servant and a hero.

VOTER REGISTRATION

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

Ms. BYNUM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to highlight one of the most important rights American citizens have, and that is voting.

Tomorrow is the deadline in Oregon to register to vote in our upcoming primaries, and Oregonians should make sure they register so that they can make their voices heard. They can find out where and how to update their information on Oregon's secretary of state website, but now the President is trying to make registering less accessible and voting by mail harder.

Mr. Speaker, I just won't stand for it. We voted by mail for almost 30 years in Oregon, and it was a bipartisan initiative when it was enacted. We know that it is safe, secure, and effective. I won't let this President or my colleagues silence our voices. Your voice is your vote, and your vote is your voice, and everyone should use it at the ballot box.

HONORING RANDY JOE HOPPERS, JR.

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

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and service of Deputy Randy Joe Hoppers, Jr., of Tulare County Sheriff's Department.

On April 9, Deputy Hoppers was tragically killed in the line of duty while serving the people of Tulare County. A

proud Central Valley native, he committed his life to helping others.

After graduating from El Diamante High School, he answered the call to protect our Nation in the U.S. Navy before returning to home to work in the sheriff's department.

During his 6 years on the force, he served in the patrol division as a detective, with the CATTCH Unit, and on the SWAT team as a medic.

Those who knew him speak of a man who led with integrity, cared about his community, and worked every day to make a difference.

Deputy Hoppers is survived by his wife, Ashley; his children, Austin, Everett, and unborn son Levi; and his parents, Stacy and Randy, Sr.

Deputy Hoppers's service and sacrifice will not be forgotten. He will be deeply missed.

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HONORING LIFE AND LEGACY OF RUBY DUNCAN

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

Mr. HORSFORD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with a heavy heart to honor the life and legacy of Ms. Ruby Duncan who sadly passed away yesterday surrounded by her loving family in Las Vegas.

In 1972, she founded Operation Life, the first federally funded community development corporation led by low-income women.

But even before that, in 1981, she helped organize a powerful march on the Las Vegas Strip, bringing more than 6,000 people together to protest cuts to welfare support for women and children.

When the march ended, the movement did not. She and other Black mothers continued their fight by staging eat-ins at casino restaurants, demanding dignity and justice.

She led the charge to make sure no child in Nevada went hungry, helping bring WIC to our State, expand food assistance, and deliver thousands of meals to students every day.

Her impact reached all the way to the White House where President Jimmy Carter invited her to help shape national programs.

Her work was always rooted in community and rooted in Las Vegas. She showed us what it means to turn struggle into action and action into lasting change.

Today, we honor her life, her legacy, and the generation she lifted up. May God bless her soul.

Rest in peace, Ms. Ruby Duncan.

CONGRATULATING LUCIA RANIERI

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

Mrs. McIVER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Lucia Ranieri for her victory at New Jersey's State wrestling championship.

Lucia made program history with her win, becoming the first Roselle Park high schooler to win a State title since 1953.

Lucia has had an amazing path to success. As just a sophomore, she is a two-time regional champion, district champion, and a two-time county champion.

Last winter, as a freshman, she placed third at the State championship, setting the stage for this year's historic win.

On behalf of New Jersey's 10th Congressional District, I am wishing Lucia the best as she continues to represent Roselle Park High School with strength and pride.

ARMENIAN GENOCIDE REMEMBRANCE DAY

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

Mr. LATIMER. Mr. Speaker, last week Americans and Armenians came together to remember Armenian Genocide Remembrance Day.

We must continue to honor the more than 1.5 million Armenian lives that were senselessly taken and recommit ourselves to remembering the Armenian genocide as a historical truth with clarity and moral responsibility.

We, as a country, must do more to ensure that atrocities like the Armenian genocide never happen again. That is why I have cosponsored H.R. 6840, the ARMENIA Security Partnership Act, to both strengthen the U.S.-Armenian alliance and hold Azerbaijan accountable for their continued human rights abuses.

I am proud to stand with the Armenian-American community today and every day as they bravely demand justice, accountability, and fight against those who seek to erase their history.

I encourage my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to join me in supporting these critical pieces of legislation that guarantee the safety and acceptance of the Armenian people 111 years after the atrocities started.

HONORING RANDY GEORGE

(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 to honor the noble service of U.S. Army General Randy George, an American soldier whose life reflects decades of unwavering patriotic commitment to our Nation.

General George, at an early age, was selected to attend and then graduated from the United States Military Academy at West Point. General George led at every level academically and then

served from platoon to theater, many theaters, serving in Desert Storm, Iraq, Afghanistan, and ultimately as Chief of Staff of the United States Army. He earned his spurs and stripes.

His career was not measured in titles but in sacrifice and judgment forged over time. He held the trust of soldiers. He led in peacetime and in war.

At a moment when the challenges facing our U.S. military demand depth, steadiness, and proven leadership, experience matters. It matters in consequential judgment calls and decisions in battle that affect lives, and it matters in moments of uncertainty. It matters in ensuring the trust, strength, and readiness of our force.

Mr. Speaker, the American people thank General Randy George for his utter commitment to our Nation.

HONORING ST. LOUIS ALL-STARS

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

Mr. BELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor this week's St. Louis All-Stars, the brave men and women of our Armed Forces who have served or are currently serving our Nation around the world.

While I still have very serious concerns about President Trump's decision to launch this unauthorized war, one thing remains clear: Our servicemembers have made extraordinary sacrifices in the name of duty to the United States.

We must do everything in our power to honor their service, protect their rights, and ensure they receive the care they have earned when they return home. That includes restoring and strengthening Veterans' Affairs services, which have been cut by the Trump administration.

To all the servicemembers deployed around the world, especially those from the St. Louis region, I thank them for their courage and their commitment. We are praying for their safe return.

2026 APP CHALLENGE WINNERS

(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, these incredible young minds from Martin County High School earned top honors at the Congressional App Challenge for North Carolina's First District with their app, Positive Pathways, designed to support mental health through interactive tools that help manage anxiety, depression, and OCD.

Aaron Snyder, Ava Edmonds, and Layla Salem turned an idea into a working app using technology to make a real difference in helping people.

Their success was made possible with the guidance of Libby Grimes, their media coordinator and mentor. I was so

glad to welcome them to our Nation's Capital.

Their creativity and dedication highlight the bright future of STEM in eastern North Carolina.

Positive Pathways is an inspiring example of how young innovators can work together to use technology for the greater good.

A BLANK CHECK FOR ICE

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

Ms. STANSBURY. Mr. Speaker, today, once again, our Republican colleagues are coming to the House floor to write another blank check to ICE on the backs of the American people.

One year ago, Republicans in this Chamber claimed they were going to lower the debt and give tax breaks to real Americans. Instead, they gave tax breaks to billionaires on the backs of the hardworking people across this country.

They gave billions in funding to terrorize our communities. They gave billions in funding to ICE, billions in funding to the war machine that is currently raging overseas.

Yet, here they are again in front of this Chamber this week asking for \$70 billion with zero reforms to help the American people. That is why I am here to say: Hell, no, we are not writing another blank check to ICE, not a penny more.

SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The Speaker announced his signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 1020.—An act to require the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to extend the time period during which licenses are required to commence construction of certain hydropower projects.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. STANSBURY. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 7 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, April 28, 2026, at 9 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

EC-3427. A letter from the Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, transmitting the Commission's Major final rule — Application of the Federal Securities Laws to Certain Types of Crypto Assets and Certain Transactions Involving Crypto Assets (RIN: 3038-AF67) received April 9, 2026, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-3428. A letter from the Counsel, Chief Counsel's Office, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's rescission of final interagency guidance — Leveraged Lending: Interagency Statement on Rescission of Interagency Leveraged Lending Guidance Issuances received March 31, 2026, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-3429. A letter from the DAA, Diversion Control Division, DEA, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule — Definition of "Cannabimimetic Agents" and Assignment of an Administration Controlled Substances Code Number for All "Cannabimimetic Agents" [Docket No.: DEA-368] received April 7, 2026, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3430. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Diversion Control Division, DEA, Department of Justice, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Registering Emergency Medical Services Agencies Under the Protecting Patient Access to Emergency Medications Act of 2017 [Docket No.: DEA-377] (RIN: 1117-AB37) received April 7, 2026, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3431. A letter from the DAA, Diversion Control Division, DEA, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final amendment — Schedules of Controlled Substances: Placement of N-Desethyl Isotonitazene and N-Piperidinyl Etonitazene in Schedule I [Docket No.: DEA-1143] received April 7, 2026, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3432. A letter from the DAA, Diversion Control Division, DEA, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule — Schedules of Controlled Substances: Placement of 4-Chloromethcathinone in Schedule I [Docket No.: DEA-1246] received April 7, 2026, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3433. A letter from the DAA, Diversion Control Division, DEA, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule — Schedules of Controlled Substances: Placement of 4-Fluoroamphetamine in Schedule I [Docket No.: DEA-1180] received April 7, 2026, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3434. A letter from the DAA, Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule — Specific Listing for Dipentylone, a Currently Controlled Schedule I Substance [Docket No.: DEA-1390] received April 7, 2026, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3435. A letter from the DAA, Diversion Control Division, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's temporary amendment — Schedules of Controlled Substances: Temporary Placement of N-pyrrolidino metonitazene and N-pyrrolidino protonitazene in Schedule I [Docket No.: DEA-1337] received April 7, 2026, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3436. A letter from the DAA, Diversion Control Division, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's temporary scheduling