

ATTACKS ON PLACES OF WORSHIP

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

Mr. LATIMER. Madam Speaker, if you watch the news regularly, you probably have witnessed an increasing number of attacks on places of worship.

In the past year, members of the Temple Israel Synagogue in Detroit; Annunciation Catholic Church in Minneapolis; Beth Israel Congregation in Jackson, Mississippi; the Islamic Center of San Diego; and many others have had their greatest fear come true—an attack on their institution due to their religious affiliation.

When one house of worship is targeted, people of every faith ask themselves: Will the next time be at my mosque, church, shrine, or synagogue?

We must find respect amid our diversity and ensure that we continue to defend the fundamental freedom to practice one's religion in this country just as the Founding Fathers intended and as generations of Americans have fought to preserve.

Let us honor the lives of those lost by recommitting ourselves to a country where every person of every faith can worship without fear.

 RECOGNIZING NEBRASKA LAW ENFORCEMENT

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

Mr. FLOOD. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the heroes of Nebraska law enforcement.

Last Friday, as I was participating in the annual La Vista Days celebration, the Papillion Police Department responded to an active shooter at a shopping center just down the road.

Officers located the suspect and began a pursuit that ended in a busy parking lot nearby, where the officers opened fire. The threat was neutralized, and any injuries to the public or law enforcement did not happen.

When the community faced an armed gunman, the men and women of Papillion P.D., La Vista P.D., and the Sarpy County Sheriff's Office ran towards danger. Because of their bravery, everybody went home safe.

Their courage is a testament to the sacrifice law enforcement officers make every day they put on the uniform. I am proud to back the blue, and I thank those serving in law enforcement for keeping us safe.

 SUPPORT FOR LEBANON WAR POWERS RESOLUTION

(Ms. PRESSLEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. PRESSLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise in support of the Lebanon War Powers Resolution.

More than 3,000 innocent people have been killed in Lebanon by the Israeli military and over a million are displaced.

These are not abstract statistics. These are real lives—a baby who will grow up without a mother, an elder who was fleeing the only home they have ever known.

Congress must not sit idly by while the Trump administration supports Netanyahu's barbaric warfare. We must not be complicit. We must take action for peace and pass this War Powers Resolution.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to vote "yes" on H. Con. Res. 84.

Madam Speaker, I rise in favor of the Ukraine Support Act.

In the Massachusetts Seventh Congressional District, I hear from Ukrainians about the necessity of American support to put an end to Putin's attacks. This bill will advance strategic assistance to save lives and negotiate a diplomatic solution to end this war once and for all.

I was proud to sign the discharge petition to force this vote, and I urge all of my colleagues to stand with Ukraine.

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RECOGNIZING TED AND DANA HUBER

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

Mrs. HOUCHIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize two exceptional small business leaders from Indiana's Ninth District, Ted and Dana Huber, who have been named Indiana Small Business Persons of the Year by the United States Small Business Administration.

Ted represents the sixth generation of a family business founded in 1843, when his ancestor Simon Huber left Baden, Germany, and settled in the small southern Indiana community of Starlight, bringing with him the craft of winemaking and distillation that still defines the family today.

Ted and Dana have built that legacy into something remarkable. What began as a fruit farm has grown into one of the Midwest's premier agritourism destinations, welcoming over 600,000 guests annually to their 700-acre property.

The next generation is already carrying it forward. Their sons, Christian and Blake, have both returned from university programs in viticulture and distilling to work alongside their parents on the family farm.

The Hubers didn't just build a business. They helped build an industry. In 1998, the family worked with Indiana legislators to create the farm brandy distillation permit, opening the door for distilleries across the State.

Their willingness to invest not just in their own operation but in the

broader agriculture community is exactly what sets Ted and Dana apart. I am proud to recognize them for this well-deserved honor, and I thank them for their generations of contributions to southern Indiana and our State.

 END HUNGER NOW

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

Mr. MCGOVERN. Madam Speaker, last week, I joined my colleague Congressman BILL KEATING in New Bedford, Massachusetts, for the eighth stop on my End Hunger Now Massachusetts tour.

We started the day at the PACE Community Food Center, an incredible model of a food pantry, where clients can choose their own groceries and get advice from nutritionists on staff. There is dignity in food choice, even when you are poor—especially when you are poor.

We then toured the new culinary center of the New Bedford Public Schools. It is a modern, state-of-the-art kitchen, where healthy and tasty school meals are prepared daily for more than 13,000 students in and around the city.

I thank everyone who joined us on our visits, including PACE Executive Director Pam Kuechler, Jennifer Ferland and Cathy Henriques from the culinary center, New Bedford School Superintendent Andrew O'Leary, New Bedford Mayor Jon Mitchell, and Eos Foundation President Andrea Silbert, among others.

Madam Speaker, what I saw in New Bedford is a shining example of what dedicated people working together can do to thoughtfully, yet boldly, end hunger now.

 RECOGNIZING MELISSA KUNES

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

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Melissa Kunes, who is retiring from Penn State after 40 years of steadfast service.

Melissa's journey at Penn State began in the early 1990s when she started working in the University's agricultural sciences extension office.

After earning her master's degree in counselor education in 1993, Melissa worked in the Office of Student Aid. Throughout her tenure, she served the university in various capacities before becoming the assistant vice president and executive director for student aid in 2018.

In this role, Melissa has advocated for financial aid funding; implemented LionPATH, the University's student information system; and collaborated with multiple State organizations, like the Pennsylvania Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators.

Melissa and her colleagues have been responsible for administering more than \$1.5 billion in financial aid. Over the years, she has helped countless Penn State students attend the university, creating future opportunities in an array of careers.

Madam Speaker, I applaud Melissa for her constant support at Penn State. I congratulate Melissa on this milestone.

CALLING FOR RELEASE OF RUTH ELEONORA LOPEZ

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

Mrs. RAMIREZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to join human rights defenders across the world to call for the immediate and unconditional release of Ruth Eleonora Lopez, who has been held in pretrial detention for over 1 year without any due process and without access to her family or even her lawyer.

A Salvadoran lawyer and human rights defender, Ruth is a political prisoner, unjustly targeted for her tireless fight against corruption and her demands for justice, accountability, and transparency from Bukele's government in El Salvador.

Authoritarians want to strike fear into our hearts. They want to punish dissent, and they want to criminalize those who would be willing to speak truth to power. But we will not concede the power of the people, and we will not be silent.

I unequivocally stand in solidarity with Ruth Lopez, her family, and human rights defenders. I say to them that they are not alone. We are with them, and we will not forget them.

HONORING JOHN POLYNIAC

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

Ms. ELFRETH. Madam Speaker, ahead of the 82nd anniversary of D-day this Saturday, I rise to honor a distinguished Marylander, Sergeant John Polyniak, a Ranger of the 29th Division, 116th Infantry, Company C, one of the first units to land on Omaha Beach.

While he didn't know it then, that day would lay the foundation for the Allied victory on the western front.

But it didn't come without heavy loss. Mr. Polyniak was severely wounded and left behind as his unit moved forward. It was only hours later when he heard the voice of a medic that he thought he might make it.

He would later undergo three operations and endure pain for the rest of his life. When asked if he was scared, he said that everybody was scared, but he figured that he had a job to do.

To honor their extraordinary sacrifice and heroism, the Army Rangers veterans of World War II were recently awarded a Congressional Gold Medal.

Mr. Polyniak's story reminds us of the unwavering bravery of our men and women in uniform, the importance of learning and preserving our past, and the undeniable strength of our global alliances like NATO.

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PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 8646, AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCY APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2027; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 7726, NO FUNDS FOR REPEAT CHILD CARE VIOLATIONS ACT OF 2026; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 7892, NO AID FOR GHOST STUDENTS ACT OF 2026; AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 8872, PREVENTING WASTE, FRAUD, AND ABUSE IN TANF ACT

Mrs. HOUCHIN. Madam Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 1333 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 1333

Resolved, That at any time after adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 8646) making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2027, and for other purposes. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed one hour equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their respective designees. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. The bill shall be considered as read. Points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 or clause 5(a) of rule XXI are waived.

SEC. 2. (a) No amendment to H.R. 8646 shall be in order except those printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution, amendments en bloc described in section 3 of this resolution, and pro forma amendments described in section 4 of this resolution.

(b) Each amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules shall be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment except as provided by section 4 of this resolution, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole.

(c) All points of order against amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules or against amendments en bloc described in section 3 of this resolution are waived.

SEC. 3. It shall be in order at any time for the chair of the Committee on Appropria-

tions or his designee to offer amendments en bloc consisting of amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution not earlier disposed of. Amendments en bloc offered pursuant to this section shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their respective designees, shall not be subject to amendment except as provided by section 4 of this resolution, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole.

SEC. 4. During consideration of H.R. 8646 for amendment, the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their respective designees may offer up to 10 pro forma amendments each at any point for the purpose of debate.

SEC. 5. At the conclusion of consideration of H.R. 8646 for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommend.

SEC. 6. Upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 7726) to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to withhold funds from noncompliant States under such Act. 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 Education and Workforce now printed in the bill, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 119-32 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 Education and Workforce or their respective designees; and (2) one motion to recommend.

SEC. 7. Upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 7892) to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require to the Secretary of Education to use an identity fraud detection system to review each FAFSA to determine whether the FAFSA presents a reasonable suspicion of identity fraud. 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 Education and Workforce now printed in the bill, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 119-31 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 Education and Workforce or their respective designees; and (2) one motion to recommend.

SEC. 8. Upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 8872) to amend part A of title IV of the Social Security Act to target funds to low-income families, strengthen program integrity guardrails for State expenditure of