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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. GUEST).

DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
June 4, 2026.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MICHAEL GUEST to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

MIKE JOHNSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

MORNING-HOUR DEBATE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the order of the House of January 6, 2026, the Chair will now recognize Members from lists submitted by the majority and minority leaders for morning-hour debate.

The Chair will alternate recognition between the parties, with time equally allocated between the parties and each Member other than the majority and minority leaders and the minority whip limited to 5 minutes, but in no event shall debate continue beyond 11:50 a.m.

CONGRATULATING DELAWARE BLACK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ON 4-STAR ACCREDITATION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the Member from Delaware (Representative McBRIDE) for 5 minutes.

Ms. McBRIDE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Delaware Black Chamber of Commerce on their recently being awarded a four-star distinction by the United States Chamber of Commerce. Earning this accreditation is no small feat and highlights the commitment to strong leadership, in-

novative programming, and meaningful contributions that drive economic growth and opportunity.

The Delaware Black Chamber of Commerce is just 5 years old, a testament to what is possible when we choose not to accept barriers but to break them down for the benefit of our communities.

Too often, Black entrepreneurs face higher hurdles to capital, contracts, and connections. This honor recognizes not only Delaware's refusal to accept that fact, but the DEBCC's ability to turn challenge into opportunity and opportunity into achievement.

This accreditation has been granted to fewer than 200 chambers of commerce nationwide, yet another example of the outsized impact of the smallest but greatest State in the Union.

Organizations like DEBCC are building ladders of opportunity and uplifting our neighbors in ways that positively shape our entire State, because when Black businesses thrive, Delaware thrives.

Mr. Speaker, the Delaware Black Chamber of Commerce is an outstanding representation of the First State's commitment to excellence and empowerment. I am thrilled to congratulate them on this distinct honor. Here is to the decades of progress and remarkable impact still to come.

CELEBRATING DELAWARE GRADUATES

Ms. McBRIDE. Mr. Speaker, tomorrow, students at Cab Calloway School of the Arts, my alma mater, will walk across the stage, receive their diplomas, and take their first step into whatever comes next for them.

Across Delaware and around the country, thousands of students will do the same as they celebrate graduations of every kind, from high school, college, technical programs, and military training.

I wanted to take a moment to congratulate Delaware's graduates and reflect on the hope that comes with this season.

Every generation is saddled with challenges. Today's graduates will be asked to navigate rapid technical advancement, growing economic uncertainty, and corrosive polarization, but a generation isn't defined by the obstacles it inherits. It is defined by how it confronts those challenges and the future it builds.

In Delaware, I am consistently reminded of the drive and dedication that define the next generation. I see curiosity where others often see cynicism. I see creativity where others see obstacles. I see a generation that is eager to meet challenges with solutions, not just to inherit the future but to shape it.

Young people are the pilots of progress. They see our Nation and our world as the unfinished project that it is, and they strive to make it better.

To everyone graduating this year, dream big, stay curious, and never stop believing in the promise of our Nation. I am confident that you will continue the tradition of leaving our Nation fairer, freer, and more just than you found it.

RECOGNIZING DEPUTY BRENT REIMER

(Mr. WIED of Wisconsin was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Mr. WIED. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Deputy Brent Reimer of the Kewaunee County Sheriff's Department for receiving the Wisconsin Professional Police Association's 2026 Certificate of Merit.

This honor recognizes Deputy Reimer's lifesaving actions on November 29, 2025, when he helped rescue a choking individual during a medical emergency.

Acting quickly alongside local first responders, Deputy Reimer used an airway suction device to clear the obstruction and help save the individual's life.

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What makes this story even more extraordinary is that before this incident, it was Deputy Reimer who took the initiative to research the device and recommend it for use in the department. Because of that foresight, not only was he able to save this individual's life, but now patrol officers, schools, and nursing homes have access to this lifesaving tool.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Deputy Reimer on this well-deserved award, and I thank him for his service to Kewaunee County and northeastern Wisconsin.

RECOGNIZING LOCAL LEADERS

Mr. WIED. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize local leaders across northeastern Wisconsin who have worked tirelessly to support communities impacted by recent flooding.

In April, communities throughout Wisconsin's Eighth District experienced record rainfall with severe weather over several days, causing rivers to overflow their banks, damaging homes, businesses, and infrastructure.

Since then, I have remained in close contact with local leaders and witnessed firsthand how people come together to support one another. Their resilience in the face of devastation has been truly inspiring.

I especially thank the leaders in Shiocton, New London, and Fremont, which were among the hardest hit, for their unwavering dedication to helping their communities recover.

From county executives and sheriffs to emergency management officials and first responders, we are lucky to have such dedicated leaders in northeastern Wisconsin.

Mr. Speaker, when times get tough, Wisconsinites come together. I commend our local officials for their leadership, and I want them to know that I will continue to stand with them every step of the way.

RECOGNIZING OFFICER KELIN CHARLES

Mr. WIED. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Officer Kelin Charles of the Kewaunee Police Department who recently received an award for his lifesaving actions during a medical emergency in Kewaunee.

On November 12, 2025, Officer Charles responded to what appeared to be a routine call from a man who had passed out. Out of an abundance of caution, he brought Narcan with him in case the situation involved an overdose, a decision that proved critical when he found the man unresponsive.

Officer Charles immediately began lifesaving care. Working alongside other first responders, CPR was performed, an AED was used, and Narcan was administered. These actions gave the man a chance to breathe on his own again.

In a moment of crisis, Officer Charles' decisive actions gave this individual a second chance at life.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Officer Kelin Charles for his quick action, service,

and dedication to the people of Kewaunee and northeastern Wisconsin.

RECOGNIZING LUKE SCHROEDER

Mr. WIED. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a northeastern Wisconsin native, who recently finished his UW-La Crosse track career with a national title.

Luke Schroeder won the NCAA Division III national title in the 110-meter hurdles with a record-breaking time, finishing in a stunning 13.42 seconds.

This is not the first time Luke has gone out on top. During his high school athletic career at Ashwaubenon High School, he won the WIAA Division I State 300-meter hurdles title in his final race.

Schroeder had to overcome many odds to get to this championship victory, from a bulging disc in his back during his sophomore year to the COVID-19 pandemic in his junior year to running on a pulled quad during his senior year. His perseverance shows just how dedicated he is to this sport.

Mr. Speaker, as Luke's career comes to an end, I want to congratulate him on this record-breaking achievement and wish him the best of luck as he begins training for the 2028 Olympics and in all future endeavors that he may pursue.

RECOGNIZING MAYOR BENIAMINO MAZZULLA

(Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to recognize and celebrate Mayor Beniamino Mazzulla, affectionately known as Benny, of Stone Park, Illinois, on his 25th anniversary as a servant mayor.

Born in Calabria, Italy, Mayor Mazzulla immigrated to the U.S. with his parents in 1976. His family settled in Stone Park, the community he would later dedicate himself to serving.

Mayor Mazzulla's commitment to public service began in 1995, when he served for 2 years as a police officer with the Memorial Park District.

Since taking office as mayor, he has worked tirelessly to strengthen his community by creating programs that support seniors, homeowners, and children; expanding family-oriented activities through a resident-led special events committee; and introducing bilingual village newsletters to ensure that all his constituents get the information they need.

Mayor Mazzulla takes great pride in both his community and his immigrant heritage as a beloved husband, father of three, grandfather, and fluent speaker of English, Italian, and Spanish.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate Mayor Mazzulla on this milestone. I thank him for his 25 years of dedicated leadership and enduring commitment to the residents of Stone Park.

CELEBRATING 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF BANNER WHOLESALE GROCERS

Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 100th anni-

versary of Banner Wholesale Grocers, a proud cornerstone of the Chicago business community.

Since its founding in 1926 by Ben Friedman, Banner Wholesale Grocers has served as a trusted partner to independent grocers throughout Chicagoland and across the Midwest.

With a selection of more than 6,000 American and Hispanic products, the company helps local retailers meet the diverse needs of their customers. Its knowledgeable and bilingual team provides the personalized service that has distinguished Banner for generations.

Through a century of hard work, family dedication, and commitment to convenience and quality, Banner Wholesale Grocers has built lasting relationships and earned the trust of countless businesses and families throughout our region.

Mr. Speaker, I congratulate Banner Wholesale Grocers on 100 years of success. I thank them for their enduring contributions to Chicago and the Midwest. I look forward to seeing many more decades of their success.

PASSING GUN SAFETY LAWS

(Ms. KELLY of Illinois was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Ms. KELLY of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today because there is a gun violence epidemic in America. I have spoken loudly and clearly on gun safety again and again, shooting after shooting.

Moments of silence have never been enough. Thoughts and prayers have never been enough. Americans need real action by Congress to end gun violence. They need us to make good trouble.

After Congress decided to do nothing in the aftermath of the horrific shooting at Pulse Nightclub in Orlando, I helped organize a sit-in with my late colleague and friend, John Lewis, and other Members. We sat on this very floor for about 24 hours.

If the people in charge refuse to pass gun safety legislation, I will always make sure that Americans know there are Members of Congress who actually represent their needs and demands.

I continue to echo their voices in this Chamber. We need to pass lifesaving gun safety laws. That means universal background checks, funding and support for community violence intervention organizations, safe storage laws to prevent unintentional shootings, an assault weapons ban, and standard marketing practices to hold the gun industry accountable.

We know those solutions to end gun violence, yet the Trump administration refuses to act. Instead, President Trump and Republicans reversed the progress we have made over the past few years. On day one in the Oval Office, President Trump shut the doors of the White House Gun Violence Prevention Office.

Since then, he continues to pour salt into injury after injury. The Department of Justice terminated over \$66