

score points in field events, sprints, and middle-distance events.

In the field, *Scottie Vines*, a Colorado native, brought an impressive performance in the high jump. He cleared five consecutive bars, ending at 7 feet 4½ inches. *Juriad Hughes* put out a set of career-best marks in the long jump. Building on that momentum was *Ernest Cheruiyot* in the 10,000. Keeping the Hogs on the leaderboard were powerhouse performances by *Tyrice Taylor* and *Rivaldo Marshall* in the 800 and *Jelani Watkins* in the 100. Bringing the victory home was *TJ Tomlyanovich*, *Devyn Wright*, *Zander Cruzan*, and *Jordan Pierre* in the 4 by 400.

This type of elite performance doesn't happen by chance. It happens as a direct result of the dedication and discipline that are refined in long hours on the track and in the weight room. It is a product of excellence in every practice, down to every drill, every rep. It also happens because of exceptional leadership.

I want to extend my special congratulations to *Doug Case*, who in his first year, Mr. Speaker, as head coach, has led these men to four titles: two in the SEC and two national championships in indoor and outdoor track. This accomplishment is unprecedented and is a feat not achieved by any first-year head coach in over four decades.

Mr. Speaker, I can't forget *Doug's* wife, and his number one cheerleader, *Chris Case*, for her support of this championship program.

I should also recognize assistant coaches *Rob Jarvis*, *Cale Wallace*, *Brandon Battle*, *Steven Strobis*, and *Danny Green*. Their contributions should not go unnoticed.

This year's victory builds on the generational legacy of track-and-field dominance at the University of Arkansas. The 2026 title in outdoors was the 11th NCAA outdoor championship for our Hogs and the 53rd national championship for track and field programs overall.

Mr. Speaker, this win isn't just a trophy. It is a testament to the hard work of every athlete and every coach this season. I look forward to celebrating the team's future accomplishments and watching this momentum carried into the next school year.

Coach Case has set a very high bar in his first season as our head coach. I look forward to the future under his leadership.

Wooo. Pig. Sooie. Go Hogs.

#### SURVEILLANCE PRICING

(Mr. SUBRAMANYAM of Virginia was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Mr. SUBRAMANYAM. Mr. Speaker, there are a lot of reasons why we are seeing rising costs. One reason is particularly troubling, and it is called surveillance pricing. You see, it is common for businesses to track our online activity, like searches and web browsing, and to use that to decide who to target with ads.

What if they actually used that information to charge you a higher price for something they knew you actually needed? That is surveillance pricing. It is unfortunately becoming very common.

Surveillance pricing feeds your personal information and your online activity into an algorithm. That algorithm then raises the price you see online for your purchase based on how much it thinks it can get away with charging you. If the algorithm recognizes, based on your web search history, that a family member just passed away and you need to fly across the country, with surveillance pricing, the airline can then use that information to jack up the price of your flight. It is like personalized price gouging.

It is raising the costs on everyone. It is happening with food, housing, transportation, and more. You would never know that it was happening to you.

That is why I am introducing the SLASH Prices Act. This bill requires businesses to disclose the use of surveillance pricing and requires that consumers are able to opt out of surveillance pricing. Customers have the right to know if their personal data is being used to force them to pay unfair prices.

I urge my colleagues to join me in lowering costs by putting an end to online price gouging and predatory surveillance pricing.

#### DATA CENTER OVERVIEW

Mr. SUBRAMANYAM. Mr. Speaker, there are over 5,000 data centers in this country, with thousands more planned.

Data centers could use 12 percent of the entire country's energy by 2028. Communities are being asked to host these massive centers without knowing exactly how much water and electricity they use. This can lead to irresponsible data center build-outs, electric grid instability, and high energy prices.

Americans deserve to know how much energy and water data centers actually are using and not just estimates. That is why I am introducing the bipartisan Data Infrastructure Energy Measurement and Standards Act. This bill will establish consistent and accurate measures for how much water and energy are used by data centers.

With this transparent information, communities will be able to decide if they want to host a data center. Energy infrastructure can be properly planned, away from homes and schools, and we can understand, finally, data centers' full impact on our communities.

I urge my colleagues to join me in passing this legislation so that Americans are not left guessing when it comes to data centers.

#### NEED FOR GUN SAFETY LEGISLATION

Mr. SUBRAMANYAM. Mr. Speaker, every day nearly 130 people are killed from gun violence. That is 46,000 Americans every year. Far too many families, far too many friends, and far too many loved ones have to cope with a devastating loss because of gun violence.

June marks Gun Violence Awareness Month. I am proud to introduce commonsense measures to promote firearm safety and prevent more of these deaths. For instance, a lot of gun deaths could be prevented by using technology to prevent unauthorized users from using a firearm.

My first bill, the Gun Safety Innovation Opportunity Act, supports research into cutting-edge gun safety technologies, like using fingerprints to ensure that only authorized users can access that firearm. We can use this research to prevent guns from being used by bad guys or kids who don't know how to use them.

Speaking of kids, we also want to keep guns out of our schools. Current law prohibits firearms on K through 12 campuses, but it does not cover preschools, like my daughter's.

That is why I am introducing the Protect Every Preschooler Act, legislation to extend existing gun safety protections to our youngest learners at preschools and early childhood education campuses.

The time for action is now. I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting these bills and renewing our commitment to keeping all of our communities safe from gun violence.

#### RECOGNIZING PAT REILLY

Mr. SUBRAMANYAM. Finally, Mr. Speaker, I rise to celebrate the life of *Pat Reilly*, a proud Virginian and public servant who passed away on June 6th.

*Pat* started her career teaching English in Liberia as a Peace Corps volunteer. There, she helped design the Liberian Education Assistance Project, which sent U.S. teachers to Liberia every year.

*Pat* continued her work with the Peace Corps, chairing the board of the National Peace Corps Association. During the Ebola crisis, she helped raise money for communities working on prevention and treatment.

Here at home, *Pat* worked as a reporter and editor for five U.S. newspapers, including *The Washington Post*. She later served in public affairs roles in agencies across the Federal Government.

Even in retirement, she tirelessly advocated for the arts, human rights, social justice, and led her local League of Women Voters chapter.

Our community will always remember *Pat's* commitment to serving others, and she will be missed by her family, friends, and so many of the people whose lives she touched.

May she rest in peace.

#### HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANY STOCK BUYBACKS

(Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Mr. MURPHY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to continue to shed light on the egregious, unethical, and deliberately unscrupulous practices of our health

insurance companies that deny patients care and rip off the American taxpayer.

I have spent 35 years taking care of patients. The amount of treachery in the healthcare industry at this point in time continues to boggle my mind.

A few months ago, the House Ways and Means Committee hosted representatives from the Nation's leading insurers. There was bipartisan outrage against what they are doing to the American patient and the American taxpayer.

Healthcare is no longer affordable and, in large part, it is due to the ever-increasing, insurance-company-driven middleman apparatus. These megacorporations are squeezing every last penny out of patients and physicians, all in the name of profit.

Today, I want to discuss an interesting event, how the American taxpayer is subsidizing stock buybacks by the United States' largest health insurers. A buyback is when companies, flush with cash, our cash, are buying back their own stock.

In 2025, the seven largest for-profit health insurance conglomerates took in nearly \$1.7 trillion in total in revenues, yielding over \$50 billion in profits. The true number was much higher because of the way they hide their finances.

Regardless, that was a great year for these companies, which receive record sums of American taxpayer dollars. In fact, UnitedHealthcare now gets more than three-quarters of its revenues from government programs, even though it covers almost twice as many people in its commercial plans. No wonder they lobbied so hard to keep the ObamaCare subsidies in place. They love that taxpayer Federal dollar.

What is even more sinister is the amount of money that these giants have spent on their own stock buybacks. Instead of using money to lower the cost of care for patients across the country, they pump it in to boost up their own profits.

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In 2015, the top seven companies spent more than \$137 billion buying back stock shares. United has more than 50 percent of these buybacks, and guess who makes the most profit? United does. They are flush with cash—so flush, they even own a bank.

Why is this important? As they buy back their own stock, it makes their stock more expensive, drives up earnings, and, guess what, makes their executives richer because of their compensation plans. It is all at the expense of patients.

Further, they have become more diversified, vertically integrated conglomerates that have swallowed up nearly every part of our healthcare system. Mark Cuban and I agree completely. The middleman is destroying American medicine.

As it stands, we are now allowing an oligopoly to take nearly \$2 trillion

from the American people, while making it more expensive and harder to access healthcare.

As I have said before, if it were up to me, I would break up these giants and eliminate for-profit health insurance.

Medically necessary healthcare cannot be treated the same way as other customer goods and services. I believe that patients must take responsibility for their well-being, but I also think it is a marked way that we incentivize making people healthier. I also understand that people cannot afford healthcare right now.

We are all impacted by emergencies and illnesses at some point in our life, even the most robust and healthy individuals. A visit to the emergency room should not be a life-altering financial event.

Therapy for cancer we know how to treat should not be a death sentence because of the cost of care. Access to a lifesaving medicine that sustains your life should not bankrupt you.

I am an equal opportunity offender. I will go after any entity in the healthcare industry regardless that is causing the cost of healthcare to be so expensive. These greedy and egregious practices of our health insurance companies top the list.

Countless patients are denied medically necessary care every single day because these companies want to save a buck. They want to save a buck to buy back their stock and increase their profits.

Make no mistake, the health insurance industry is the most powerful one in Washington, D.C. But fortunately, the American people are waking up. They are waking up to the nonsense and demanding change.

I have dedicated my entire life to taking care of patients. I am happy to take on this fight. We cannot deal with this anymore. The insurance industry is destroying American healthcare.

I will not rest until this job is finished and we break up these insurance company monopolies.

#### CONGRATULATING VICKY TORRES

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

Mr. CORREA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Vicky Torres on receiving her bachelor of science degree in nursing from Cal State Fullerton.

Vicky was born in the city of Orange and raised in Santa Ana, where she was diagnosed with osteosarcoma at the age of 7. For over a decade, she fought through countless rounds of chemotherapy, surgeries, and rehab.

The support and kindness she got from the medical teams inspired Vicky to pursue a degree in nursing. She enrolled at Santa Ana College's associate's degree program in nursing before transferring to Cal State Fullerton.

Navigating college was hard enough, let alone doing it with multiple sur-

geries. Of course it was very hard, but her determination carried her through.

I ask you today to join me in commending Ms. Torres for her accomplishments and for her degree.

RECOGNIZING NORMA E. MARTINEZ

Mr. CORREA. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize Ms. Norma Martinez, superintendent of Centralia Elementary School District where she has been the superintendent since July 1, 2015.

A graduate of my alma mater, Anaheim High School, Superintendent Martinez was named Superintendent of the Year by the 2026 Association of California School Administrators Region 17.

For the past decade, she has led Centralia Elementary School District with strength and commitment to student success.

I thank Superintendent Martinez for her support of her students, for her leadership, and for providing our children with an excellent education.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF MANUEL CASTRUITA LICERIO

Mr. CORREA. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor the late Manuel Castruita Licerio, a member of the Greatest Generation, a proud World War II veteran, whose service reflects courage, sacrifice, and unwavering dedication to our Nation.

Manuel served in the U.S. Army during one of the most defining moments in our world history. Through his commitment and leadership, he rose to the rank of staff sergeant, earning the respect of those who served beside him.

For his service, he was awarded the American Defense Service Medal, the World War II Victory Medal, and the Honorable Service Lapel Button.

Today, let's pause to express our deepest gratitude not only for what he did in uniform but for the freedoms his service helped secure for generations to come.

I thank Manuel for his service to our great Nation which will never be forgotten.

#### HONORING BREVARD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

(Mr. HARIDOPOLOS of Florida was recognized to address the House for 5 minutes.)

Mr. HARIDOPOLOS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the students, teachers, and the proud parents of Brevard County Public Schools for earning an A grade from the Florida Department of Education.

As a former history teacher myself, I know that success is not measured by a single test or a single classroom. It is the result of years of hard work by students and dedicated teachers who value learning.

This A rating reflects academic performance, student achievement, graduation rates, and college and career readiness for our future.

On Florida's Space Coast, our schools are preparing for the next generation