

Constituent of the Week, on her appointment as head coach of the U.S. Women's Cyber Team.

A dedicated cybersecurity teacher at Spotsylvania High School, Kristi will guide and mentor cyber experts as they prepare to compete on the global stage.

This July, she will lead her all-female team at the Women's International Cybersecurity Challenge in Ireland.

In addition to this remarkable achievement, Kristi has been named Spotsylvania Teacher of the Year for 2025–2026 and is the recipient of the Presidential Cybersecurity Education Award.

These honors reflect on her exceptional leadership, deep professional expertise, and unwavering commitment to advancing cybersecurity education.

CONGRATULATING MICHAEL SIDEBOTHAM

Mr. VINDMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate my Constituent of the Week, Dr. Michael Sidebotham, on being recognized in the inaugural class of the Virginia Department of Education's Principals of Distinction.

This recognition honors outstanding school leaders while supporting their continued professional growth.

A longtime principal of Grafton Village Elementary School, Dr. Sidebotham was named Stafford County's Principal of the Year in 2018.

His dedication to students, staff, and families at Grafton Village has stood out.

Principals like Dr. Sidebotham play a vital role in shaping the next generation and ensuring every student has the opportunity to succeed.

I thank Dr. Sidebotham for his leadership and his unwavering commitment to education in our community.

#### RECESS

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

Accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 39 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess.

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#### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. LALOTA) at noon.

#### PRAYER

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

Bless us, O Lord, this day as we place our trust in You. Sure of Your guidance and hopeful for Your favor, we put our confidence in You.

Let our faith in You be our source of strength. Like a tree planted by the water, may everything that is within us reach to You to sustain us in the work set before us.

When the heat of argument or the intensity of debate becomes too much, may we draw from Your living waters the refreshment and calm of Your quiet presence.

When our worries and frustrations inflame our words and ignite our anger, may we find coolness in the streams of Your peace and righteousness.

Lord, search our hearts that they would be found faithful. Examine our minds that they would prove blameless. Reward us according to our conduct this day and judge us according to the fruit of our deeds.

We appeal to Your mercy and pray in Your holy name with gratitude for Your undeserved grace.

Amen.

#### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. 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 pro tempore. 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.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to 15 requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

#### ANNIVERSARY OF PRESIDENT TRUMP'S TAX CUTS

(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, delivering on promises made by President Donald Trump and House Republicans, led by MIKE JOHNSON, this is the first anniversary of the Working Families Tax Cut Act. This big, beautiful bill cuts taxes, limits government, expands freedom, and will create jobs.

Sadly, every Democrat voted against it. This historic legislation resulted in the largest tax cut in American history, benefitting families. Millions have received historic tax refunds. More than 29 million workers claimed the no tax on overtime deduction. More than 35 million seniors have claimed no tax on Social Security. In addition, nearly 8 million have claimed no tax on tips. Promises made, promises kept.

In conclusion, God bless our troops. Trump is reinstating peace through strength, revealing war criminal Putin lies, insulting Trump and mocking Trump, with President Trump now supporting the Lindsey Graham Russian sanctions act to bankrupt the Putin oligarchs who oppress the talented people of Russia.

#### HONORING JULIA DANIELS

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

Ms. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Julia Daniels, a remarkable North Carolinian whose generosity, leadership, and love for our State touched countless lives.

Born in New Bern and raised in Raleigh, Julia dedicated herself to preserving and enriching North Carolina's culture and civic institutions. She was a champion of the arts, history, and education, helping strengthen organizations, including the North Carolina Museum of Art and the North Carolina Historical Commission.

Julia was often called a professional volunteer, but her impact went far beyond that title. To many, Julia was the embodiment of grace and service. She opened her heart to causes she believed in, inspiring generations through her kindness and civic spirit.

As we mourn her passing, we also celebrate an exceptional life and a legacy that will endure across North Carolina for generations to come.

#### 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. Mr. Speaker, when schools are closed for the summer, far too many kids in America go hungry because they don't have access to nutritious breakfasts or lunches.

That is where the incredible Summer Eats program comes in. Funded by USDA and in partnership with States, local schools, and community organizations, Summer Eats provides free, nutritious summer meals to kids across the country.

Last week, I joined Project Bread on a visit to Summer Eats programs in Leominster and Turners Falls, two communities in my district. I was able to talk with young children and teens who told me they loved the meals and enjoyed the ability to spend time with their friends while school was out of session.

I thank the Spanish American Center and the Gill-Montague School District for sponsoring these successful sites.

Mr. Speaker, even with important programs like Summer Eats, 14 million kids in the United States of America, the richest country in the history of the world, are food insecure. We have

to reject Republican cuts to nutrition programs and invest more in programs like Summer Eats, which help to improve health and end hunger now.

#### NEGATIVE CONSEQUENCES OF PRESIDENT TRUMP'S TAX CUTS

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

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, my friend, Mr. WILSON, made some remarks about how everybody benefited from the big, beautiful bill.

What he didn't tell you is that President Trump made a deal with himself when he sued the IRS for \$1 billion for releasing his tax returns, along with thousands and thousands of other Americans. He settled the case with himself and the man he wants to make Attorney General with a clause, an agreement, that the IRS would not prosecute or even look at his tax returns, his family's tax returns, or any businesses they are involved with.

That means that the \$2.2 billion they made this year off of crypto and other questionable companies will be tax free. That means he is stealing from you and me, the American public.

He doesn't want to spend money on his failed war in Iran or his failure with ICE, who are killing Americans every day.

Our country is in trouble. We have a man who is out of control as our President. It scares me tremendously, and it should scare you, as well.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members are reminded to refrain from engaging in personalities toward the President.

#### RECOGNIZING NOREEN TURYN

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

Mr. McGUIRE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize journalistic excellence in Virginia's Fifth Congressional District.

This year, news anchor Noreen Turyn will retire after 36 years at ABC 13 in Lynchburg, Virginia.

Noreen began her career at WJLA, right here in Washington, D.C., followed by time at a station in Baltimore before finding her way to the Fifth District.

Noreen has earned an Emmy Award, a Virginia Association of Broadcasters Award, and the Regional Edward R. Murrow Award for her incredible reporting. Her dedication to seeking truth and giving a voice to the voiceless has made her a trusted newscaster and beloved community member.

I congratulate Noreen on over three decades of excellence in journalism.

#### HONORING LIZ GRIFFIN

(Mr. MIN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1

minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. MIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the service of University of California, Irvine Chief of Police Liz Griffin.

After more than 33 years of serving her community in law enforcement, including 7 years serving Irvine, Chief Griffin is retiring.

Throughout her career, Chief Griffin has led with integrity, transparency, and a deep commitment to community-centered policing.

At UC Irvine, Chief Griffin's leadership helped the UCI Police Department implement initiatives that have set new standards for safety, accountability, and public trust. Her work has expanded public access to safety data, helped implement the community safety plan, strengthened partnerships across campus, and increased the representation of women in the policing workforce.

Under her leadership, UCIPD also earned national accreditation from the International Association of Campus Law Enforcement Administrators, placing it among the top 10 percent of university policing agencies nationwide.

Chief Griffin's legacy will continue at UCI and across the University of California system. I thank her for her dedication, hard work, and service. I wish her the very best in retirement.

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#### REMEMBERING MAYOR ROBERT EDWARD TAYLOR

(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, the Town of Hookerton and all of Greene County mourn the passing of Mayor Robert "Bob" Taylor.

Bob was a dear friend, and it was a privilege to know a man whose life reflected faith, hard work, and service to others.

Born and raised in Greene County, he answered our Nation's call to serve in the United States Army before returning home to serve the community he loved.

Whether protecting his neighbors through the Hookerton Fire Department, mentoring young people in his church, or faithfully serving as mayor for 17 years, Bob always put others first.

Mr. Speaker, his leadership was never about recognition. It was simply about making Hookerton a better place.

Above all, Bob was a devoted husband to Carolyn for 65 years, a loving father and grandfather, and a man whose Christian faith shaped every chapter of his life. I extend my deepest condolences to his family.

#### HONORING GINA JOY RIGBY-HOUSE

(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, I rise today to recognize the remarkable career of a great American, Gina Joy Rigby-House, who will soon retire from her role as Vice President of AFLAC.

A native of Smiths Station, Alabama, Gina first worked for AFLAC part time during high school. After attending Liberty University, Gina dedicated her career to advocacy and government relations.

For nearly a decade, Gina worked for the Gas Appliance Manufacturers Association, and in 2000 she joined a company whose commercials and mascot are familiar to us all, AFLAC.

For 26 years, Gina honorably served the employees and shareholders of AFLAC by cultivating relationships with our country's leaders and shaping policies that benefited millions of Americans.

Mr. Speaker, I first met Gina and her husband, Mike, in 2018 when I was serving in President Trump's first White House. Gina and I worked together to facilitate an Oval Office event with AFLAC employees to celebrate the passage and enactment of the historic Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, which proved to be a memorable day we will never forget.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize the distinguished career of Gina Joy Rigby-House, who will be remembered by this Congress and her colleagues in Washington for her accomplishments, character, integrity, and steadfast devotion to her work. May the wonderful example she set be an inspiration for generations to come.

#### HONORING LATAVIA STURDIVANT

(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, I rise to honor Latavia Sturdivant, a disability advocate, Yonkers resident, New York City Schools educator, author, Lehman College professor, and now Ms. Wheelchair America 2026.

Ms. Wheelchair America was established on the principle of giving a platform to women who use wheelchairs, showing that they are more than their disability. The pageant crowns their winner based on advocacy, leadership, and achievements.

This title could not reflect Ms. Sturdivant more. Her passion and accomplishments are noted and rooted in resilience, service, and passion for breaking barriers for wheelchair users. Her motto: "Don't pay attention to what we roll in, pay attention to how we roll" speaks to her will to be a voice in the community.

Mr. Speaker, she is an inspiration to all of us, and from the floor of the House of Representatives, I extend my congratulations to Latavia on this remarkable accomplishment.