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CONGRATULATING CONSTITUENT OF THE WEEK ANAND RAO

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

Mr. VINDMAN. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to congratulate my constituent of the week, Professor Anand Rao, on launching the Center for AI and the Liberal Arts at the University of Mary Washington.

As director, Professor Rao will lead this new initiative, positioning UMW as a leader in the national conversation around artificial intelligence.

Professor Rao is an emerging expert in blending AI with the humanities and ensuring AI is shaped in ethical, thoughtful, and humanistic ways.

Students who take courses through the center will have the opportunity to build their own chatbots, conduct research, and contribute to building the future of AI.

Mr. Speaker, again, I congratulate the professor on all of his accomplishments. It is a privilege to highlight his story on the floor of the U.S. House of Representatives.

HONORING THE LIFE OF GREG BIFFLE

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

Mr. HARRIGAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Greg Biffle, who passed away last month.

Greg was known internationally for his NASCAR career, but back home in North Carolina, people came to know him for his heart and specifically his actions after Hurricane Helene.

When roads were washed out, and communities were cut off, Greg used his own helicopter to reach the hardest hit areas. He flew multiple missions a day, delivering generators, food, water, and medical supplies, and he helped evacuate people who could not be reached by any other means. Volunteers on the ground have said that when they told Greg a family needed help, he made it happen, often within hours.

Greg's life was centered on his family, and this loss also took his wife, Cristina, and his children, Emma and Ryder, as well as three friends. They are all deeply missed by everyone who knew them.

As we are here in Washington today, our hearts are back home. On the race-track or in the air, Greg Biffle will be remembered exactly as he should be, as a hero.

GO DUCKS

(Ms. HOYLE of Oregon asked and was given permission to address the House

for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. HOYLE of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, tonight the Oregon Ducks are fighting for their first-ever national championship. After dominating Texas Tech in only the third shutout victory of all 49 college football playoff games, the Ducks are only two wins away from celebrating in Eugene.

I want to shout out to Head Coach Dan Lanning. In four seasons, he has posted an incredible 48-7 record, and our team has shined through his leadership.

Our quarterback, Dante Moore, has thrown more than 3,200 yards this year, and a true freshman, Brandon Finney, Jr., is one of the Nation's elite corners.

I am proud to say the Oregon Ducks have one of the best records in the country, 13-1, and that one loss was to the Hoosiers. Tonight, we get to set that record straight. We will be cheering them on against Indiana tonight, and Go Ducks.

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REMEMBERING DOUG LAMALFA

(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, it is an honor for me to be able to recognize and appreciate our dear friend, Doug LaMalfa, who served so well here in Congress. He was such a patriot that we all could appreciate.

He was a fourth-generation rice farmer from northern California; a champion for the people of northern California. I had the opportunity to campaign for him several years ago, and I saw his love and appreciation of the people of northern California. He never gave up.

I am grateful, too, for the leadership of Speaker MIKE JOHNSON, our vice chair, BLAKE MOORE, and the different tributes that have been paid to Doug's service, how important it is. Then putting that in context, too, President Donald Trump issued a heartfelt statement of love and affection for our departed congressional Member.

With that in mind, Doug LaMalfa is always going to be treasured as a champion for limited government, expanded freedom, and peace through strength.

MAKING THE MOST OF HARD- EARNED COLLEGE CREDITS

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

Mr. SUBRAMANYAM. Mr. Speaker, college has become outrageously expensive and forced students and families to take out huge loans or forgo higher education entirely. That is why many high schoolers choose to take AP and IB exams, where they can earn college credit at much less expense.

Unfortunately, it is hard for students to find information on which colleges award credits for certain AP and IB exams. A lot of students show up to their chosen school and only then realize that their credits are worthless.

That is why I am introducing the COURSE Credit Act with Representative JEFF VAN DREW. This common-sense, bipartisan legislation directs the Department of Education to collect and publish detailed information on AP and IB credit policies at colleges and universities.

It also requires colleges and universities to publish the same information on their own websites. This will give students, families, and counselors a quick and easy way to see how much credit they will receive for their AP and IB exams at any given college, allowing students to choose a school where they can make the most of their hard-earned credit.

ICE HAS GONE ROGUE

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

Mr. KHANNA. Mr. Speaker, ICE has gone rogue. I was sickened to see an ICE officer shoot a 37-year-old mother, leaving her 6 year old an orphan. That officer needs to be arrested and prosecuted.

Mr. Speaker, I am concerned about the human rights of people in ICE detention facilities. I visited the California City Immigration Detention Center and spoke with 47 detainees. They talked about rocks in their food. They talked about having blood in their urine and not being able to see a doctor. They talked about freezing in the night because they didn't have clothes.

These are human rights violations. This is not the way America acts. We need accountability to ICE, and we need to act with our values.

EXTENDING ACA TAX CREDITS

(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 applaud the House's extension of the enhanced Affordable Care Act premium tax credits for an additional 3 years. Bravo, House. Thank God we exist.

Please allow me to thank Leader JEFFRIES for his ability to work across the aisle to get this crucial vote passed.

However, the majority leader should never have played politics with millions and millions of American people's healthcare. There are 24 million Americans who face doubling of their insurance premiums. These tax credits will help Americans who work in small businesses and farmers to lower their costs and be able to afford health insurance for their families. The majority refused to act for America's working people.

Meanwhile, just months ago, these same Republican leaders gave an average tax cut of \$80,000 to every millionaire in this country. Do you think they really need more? Yet, when the time came to stand up for hardworking families, they ran away.

President Trump's \$40 billion bailout of Argentina alone could have paid for nearly 2 years of these tax credits.

Bravo, House of Representatives. What an honor it is to serve with people who care about the American people.

HOLD THE ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNTABLE

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

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today because I could not leave Washington this week without calling out House Republicans for their hypocrisy.

They have been silent while DHS agents shoot Americans in broad daylight and then smear them as domestic terrorists. At the same time, they try to vanish the memory of January 6 from our collective memory, refusing to put up a plaque to honor law enforcement officers who defended them from actual domestic terrorists in this very building.

They won't hold this administration accountable because it would make them feel as unsafe as many Americans feel right now. They all saw what happened when Marjorie Taylor Greene, one of Trump's staunchest supporters, opposed the President and in doing so saw her and her family's safety threatened. This is the culture of fear this President has created and which House Republicans have been complicit in.

The American people deserve better, and I will keep coming down here until House Republicans finally speak up for the American people and hold this administration accountable.

A CONFESSION OF OUR VALUES

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

Ms. SIMON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to speak about betrayal. Nearly 14,000 veterans who served this Nation will sleep unsheltered tonight, not in beds. They will sleep on concrete, in cars, and under bridges.

There are 37 million American children who depend on Medicaid for their healthcare, and this Congress just signed \$1 trillion in cuts to that lifeline. Also, 12 million Americans will lose their health insurance, the largest rollback of healthcare in American history.

Meanwhile, the Pentagon just failed its eighth consecutive audit. There are over \$4 trillion in assets that they cannot account for. They are the only Federal agency who has failed to ever pass

an audit, not once. We have got money for war, but we can't feed the poor. We refuse to fully fund cancer research. We refuse to house low-income elders in their final years, and we refuse to shelter the very soldiers we sent to die in wars that we keep funding.

This is a confession of our values.

FOLLOW THE MONEY

(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, as they say, follow the money: invading a foreign country, stealing their oil, extortion, violence, giveaways to corporate America, American oil and gas companies, and, yes, Trump donors.

What is going on here? Today, Donald Trump will convene the CEOs of some of the largest oil and gas companies in America, the same individuals who promised to raise a billion dollars in campaign donations for him when he was a candidate.

In fact, this week I was shocked to learn that the White House and the President are not only planning to sell the oil of Venezuela, but to place it in foreign bank accounts that only the President controls.

We are asking what is going on here: endangering the lives of our service-members, unauthorized use of the military, extorting foreign countries, invading foreign countries and taking their leaders, and, yes, stealing their resources.

I will say this to you, Mr. President: We are watching. We will follow the money, and we will hold you to account.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. MOORE of West Virginia.) Members are reminded to address their remarks to the Chair.

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FEARING FOR OUR LIVES

(Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2025, Mr. GREEN of Texas was recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the minority leader.)

Mr. GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, and still I rise, and still I rise, a liberated, unbought, unbossed, unafraid Democrat.

And still I rise, and I rise today because I have grave and great concern for the American people. I fear for the lives of the American people.

I do so, Mr. Speaker, because if the President of the United States and his underlings and his persons who are in charge of very powerful agencies within the Federal Government can convince this country or some significant portion of the people in this country that Ms. Renee Good was a terrorist, I fear for the lives of the people in this country.

In fact, I fear for my own life. I am not afraid to speak truth to power. I

am not afraid to speak truth about power. I am going to speak truth about power today, but I can tell you that I fear for our lives because if you can justify what happened to Ms. Good after seeing with your very own eyes what took place, and if we can allow the king's men to conclude that only they can investigate this and remove the local constabulary from the process, if this can happen, I fear for our lives.

We are now living in a country where people are expected to believe that this mother of three, a Christian woman, seated in her vehicle—yes, the vehicle was across the roadway—that somehow she was a terrorist. The head of Homeland Security has as much as said so, a terrorist.

Mr. Speaker, I fear for our lives because what we saw when this lady, this woman, was accosted—and I say “accosted” because men who had on masks in police regalia, I suppose, approached her rather aggressively, it seems to me, and one of them, in approaching, said: “Get the f out of the car.” I am not using the profanity, but that is what was said.

You can see it for yourselves, and you can hear it for yourselves. That is what was said: “Get the f out of the car.” When men can approach a female in a car and say this to her and expect her to immediately respond in a positive manner, and if she does not and attempts to drive away, if they can take her life, I fear for our lives.

Do not assume that it can happen only to her. They aggressively approached her. Cars were going around her in various ways, but when she made her move to extricate herself, to move along, to move her car, officers started to shoot. She was shot. One officer shot through the side window as she was moving away.

You don't have to know this lady. I don't know her. I don't know who she was other than what I have seen and what I have read, but the truth is, officers ought not be allowed to do what was done to this lady. There should be an investigation that includes the local constabulary.

If you truly want to be transparent, if you truly believe in liberty and justice for all, if you want the people in this country to believe that what occurred was the right thing, then you would want the local constabulary to be involved, but no. This administration is shutting out the local investigation, and they are including only the Federal investigation, which means, by some thought processes, that they have no desire to let this go to trial.

There are people who believe that this administration has no desire to let this case go to a trial. For edification purposes, I am one of them. I don't believe that they want this case to go to a trial.

I think that this is why they have decided that only the Federal authorities will investigate. I also believe that if the case goes to a trial and if there is