

actually listening to our constituents. Every one of us has heard ObamaCare horror stories, including freshmen like me who have been here just for a year.

I continue to be inundated by grave concerns raised by families and businesses in my district. One individual wrote to me and summed it up this way: "Mr. BISHOP, the Affordable Care Act is anything but." He explained that his family of four went from an overall \$5,000 deductible to having the same deductible per family member in addition to having his premium doubled. "Where is the affordability?" he asked.

Another small-business owner from the small town of Fowlerville in my district called the other month to say that her rates for her family had more than doubled in just the past 2 years.

I could go on, but we know the story all too well. Simply put, Mr. Speaker, the President's healthcare law is crushing our families and local communities. I urge my colleagues to heed their concerns and support this reconciliation package.

OPPOSING CUTS TO PLANNED PARENTHOOD

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

Ms. LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in strong opposition to H.R. 3762, the Restoring Americans' Healthcare Freedom Reconciliation Act of 2015. It really does just the opposite.

Not only does this bill represent Republicans' 62nd attempt to repeal the Affordable Care Act, but it is yet another ideological attack on women's health care. It would defund Planned Parenthood for 1 year, preventing millions of women from accessing critical healthcare services, such as cancer and STI screenings and contraceptive care.

In 2013 alone, Planned Parenthood provided healthcare services to more than 800,000 Californians and provided more than 93,000 pap tests and 97,000 breast screening exams.

Although Planned Parenthood centers make up only 10 percent of all publicly funded family planning centers, they serve, mind you, 36 percent of clients who obtain care from the family planning center network.

Denying access to healthcare providers such as Planned Parenthood will harm the communities that need these services the most, including low-income women and women of color.

Enough is enough. Mr. Speaker, this afternoon will mark the 11th vote to attack women's health care this Congress. It is past time for Republicans to end their attacks on Planned Parenthood and recognize that they are really harming women by denying them these badly needed healthcare services.

I hope my colleagues will vote "no" on H.R. 3762 and really begin to look at what they are doing in terms of the freedom of women to make their own decisions and to really access the vital healthcare services that they need.

Again, this reconciliation act does nothing to reconcile healthcare services, which women desperately need in our country.

HOUSING UNDOCUMENTED CHILDREN

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

Mr. CRAMER. Mr. Speaker, I was informed last week that the Department of Health and Human Services is considering temporarily housing unoccupied minor children at military bases throughout the United States. Six bases are under consideration to house up to 5,000 of these undocumented children. One of the bases under consideration is Grand Forks Air Force Base in North Dakota.

Mr. Speaker, I cannot stress strongly enough my opposition to this plan. The reasons are numerous, but let me emphasize two of the most obvious: military bases are not appropriate for housing unaccompanied children, and unaccompanied children are not appropriate residents of a military base.

The last Congress clearly expressed our opposition to housing unoccupied minors at military installations through the passage of H.R. 5230. Additionally, funding sufficient to meet the needs at the southern border was provided just a few weeks ago in the passage of the fiscal year 2016 omnibus spending bill.

Mr. Speaker, it is neither compassionate to the children, nor in the country's best interests for national defense, to house these children at Grand Forks or any other military installation. I urge the administration to find a more appropriate solution to the crisis at our southern border.

POLITICAL THEATER

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

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, we closed the last year of Congress with some very productive work on both sides of the aisle: we passed a transportation bill; we reformed No Child Left Behind; we passed the tax extenders bill; and we passed an omnibus bill. I thank Speaker RYAN and the Republicans for working in a bipartisan fashion.

But we are back here in 2016, and as President Reagan would say: There they go again.

Yes, they are trying to repeal the ACA for the 62nd time, and for the 11th time to try to defund Planned Parenthood. These bills are not going to become law. The President will veto them.

It puts us back in a situation where this House isn't being used for America's priorities of putting people back to work, dealing with the crisis in the Middle East and maybe having an AUMF passed, and dealing with criminal justice reform and passing a bill.

The idea, as I understand it, is to pass the bill; the President will veto it; it won't become law; and have the first veto override on the day that the March for Life is here in Washington. This is being done for political theater, to appeal to the March for Life people, and not for what America needs: to put people back to work and protect our people from terrorism in the Middle East.

I wish we would get back to the way we finished up 2015.

THE RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS IS NOT UP FOR DEBATE

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

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today as a voice of warning for all Americans.

This administration's recent executive orders designed to further restrict Americans' Second Amendment rights is a dangerous move. Make no mistake, this administration will not be satisfied until all Americans no longer have the right to possess firearms.

This latest round of executive orders serves only to harass and intimidate law-abiding citizens. Nothing the President has proposed would have stopped a single tragedy. Americans have as much right to the protection of their homes and their families with firearms as the President does while sitting in the Oval Office.

As a firearm owner myself, from a family of firearm owners, and a defender of the Second Amendment, I want to remind the administration that the right to bear arms was settled in 1791. It is not up for debate.

PREVENTING GUN VIOLENCE IN AMERICA

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

Mr. LEWIS. Mr. Speaker, yesterday Lucy McBath from metro Atlanta stood behind the President when he announced his actions to reduce gun violence.

In 2012, her son, Jordan Davis, was killed simply for playing loud music. I could see the pain of her loss and the anguish on her face. It broke my heart. Jordan Davis is one of the 100,000 Americans killed in the last decade who are no longer with us due to gun violence.

It is our duty to do all we can to protect all Americans. Every year mothers and fathers, brothers and sisters, families and friends beg their government to act. Mr. Speaker, are we deaf to their cries? Are we blind to their suffering?

President Obama is listening, and he is leading. A leader must be a headlight and not a taillight.

Members of this House, we are not leading. His proposal is common sense and constitutional.