

“Others chanted, ‘Separation of church and state’ and so on and so forth. Someone filmed the prayer and words do not do justice to the amount of hate directed at the chaplain.

“I’ve never been shouted down throughout a time of prayer like that,” Chaplain Sprague told me. ‘I’ve never been in a situation like that. It’s sad there wasn’t honor and respect for God.’

“But they became absolutely unhinged when he concluded his prayer in the name of Jesus.

“Wow, they booted the name of Jesus,” Cassidy said in remarks reported by the Times-Picayune.

“I thought several of the agitators were going to spontaneously combust.

“The chaplain said the overwhelming majority of people in the room were causing a disruption—but he harbors no ill will toward the mob.

“I’m not mad at people. My heart is bigger than that,” he said. ‘My heart’s prayer is that everybody be treated with dignity and respect.’

“The chaplain was especially disappointed by how the mob insulted the Vietnam War veteran.

“There was a lot of shouting. Some turned their backs. Many didn’t stand or put their hand on their heart,” he said.

“Infuriating, but not surprising.

“As I wrote in ‘The Deplorables’ Guide to Making America Great Again’ liberals have a strong aversion to President Trump, Jesus and Old Glory. “But I still have hope in America.”

And I share that.

There is a lot to be grateful for, but one is not this article from CBN News in Jerusalem, Israel:

“A Palestinian Arab terrorist convicted of murdering two Israeli university students is one of the leaders of the feminist protest movement against U.S. President Donald Trump.

“Rasmeeah Yousef Odeh, a member of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, is helping to organize a ‘Day without a Woman’ on March 8, Arutz Sheva quotes reports in The New York Post and The Guardian.”

In 1969, Odeh was sentenced to life in prison for planting explosives that kill people and is now out leading organized resistance to the President of the United States and to law and order. It is tragic.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker’s table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 442. An act to authorize the programs of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 9 o’clock and 49 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Tuesday, February 28, 2017, at 10 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker’s table and referred as follows:

628. A letter from the Acting Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting the Annual Report of the Reserve Forces Policy Board for Fiscal Year 2016, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 113(c)(2); Public Law 87-651, Sec. 202 (as amended by Public Law 112-239, Sec. 1076(f)(1)); (126 Stat. 1951); to the Committee on Armed Services.

629. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement of General Herbert J. Carlisle, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of general on the retired list, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 1370(c)(1); Public Law 96-513, Sec. 112 (as amended by Public Law 104-106, Sec. 502(b)); (110 Stat. 293); to the Committee on Armed Services.

630. A letter from the Acting Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting notification that a public health emergency of national significance exists in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico relating to pregnant women and children born to pregnant women with Zika, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 247d(a); Public Law 107-188, Sec. 144(a); (116 Stat. 630); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

631. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-116, pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

632. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-115, pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

633. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 15-140, pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

634. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Transmittal No. DDTC 16-108, pursuant to Section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

635. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 21-678, “Omnibus Alcoholic Beverage Regulation Amendment Act of 2016”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

636. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 21-655, “Elderly Tenant and Tenant with a Disability Protection Amendment Act of 2016”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

637. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 21-677, “Fair Criminal Record Screening for Housing Act of 2016”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

638. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 21-656, “Council Financial Disclosure Amendment Act of 2016”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

639. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 21-657, “Condominium Owner Bill of Rights and Responsibilities Amendment Act of 2016”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

640. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 21-665, “Regulation of Landscape Architecture and Professional Design Firms Amendment Act of 2016”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

641. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 21-685, “Land Disposition Transparency and Clarification Amendment Act of 2016”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

642. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 21-676, “Death Certificate Gender Identity Recognition Amendment Act of 2016”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

643. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 21-659, “Downtown Business Improvement District Amendment Act of 2016”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

644. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 21-687, “Advisory Neighborhood Commissions Omnibus Amendment Act of 2016”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

645. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 21-673, “Fair Credit in Employment Amendment Act of 2016”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

646. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 21-674, “Urban Farming and Food Security Amendment Act of 2016”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

647. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 21-686, “First-time Homebuyer Tax Benefit Amendment Act of 2016”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

648. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 21-666, “Washington Metrorail Safety Commission Establishment Act of 2016”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

649. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 21-668, “Uniform Electronic Legal Material Act of 2016”, pursuant to Public Law 93-198, Sec. 602(c)(1); (87 Stat. 814); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

650. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting D.C. Act 21-684, “Wage Theft Prevention Clarification and Overtime Fairness Amendment Act