

House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from Montana (Mr. ZINKE), the whole number of the House is 430.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

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

NATIONAL EATING DISORDERS AWARENESS WEEK

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

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, as we observe National Eating Disorders Awareness Week, I urge our south Florida community to attend the Alliance for Eating Disorders Awareness Walk this Saturday, March 4, at Tradewinds Park. The walk will celebrate everybody's shape and also encourage screening for eating disorders.

Eating disorders impact millions of Americans and has a proportionate impact on teens and young adults. That is why, Mr. Speaker, I have led bipartisan legislation that urges the Federal Trade Commission to uphold its duty to protect the next generation by promoting fair and responsible advertisements, especially for products geared for children and teens.

I was so proud that last year we were able to enact into law the Anna Westin Act, which I introduced with my colleague TED DEUTCH, in order to allow an avenue for millions of young Americans impacted by eating disorders to seek the help that they need.

Let's celebrate and commemorate Eating Disorders Awareness Week, and I encourage everyone to help spread awareness and promote authentic healthy body images.

THE COST OF BORDER WALLS

(Mr. HIGGINS of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Mr. Speaker, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Review reported that the cost of then-candidate Trump's wall along the southern border will be up to \$40 billion for every 1,000 miles of wall. With the potential of a 2,000-mile wall along the border, American taxpayers can expect to pay up to \$80 billion for a wall at the southern border—\$80 billion for a wall we were told Mexico would pay for, and Mexico said they will not pay for that wall.

Last year, a leading Republican Governor also suggested that we should explore building a wall along the northern border. The northern border wall would be 5,000 miles. A northern border wall would cost about \$400 billion using the MIT report estimates. Obviously, Canada, like Mexico, will not pay for a silly wall.

Mr. Speaker, \$480 billion to wall in the United States. What is it with Republicans and walls? What are they afraid of? What we need is a new infrastructure bill not to build walls, but to build bridges and roads and to build infrastructure to put Americans back to work and to grow the American economy.

PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP FULFILLS PROMISES

(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. Madam Speaker, last night President Donald Trump spoke to a joint session of Congress and to the American people in a powerful and positive address.

From day one, President Trump committed himself to fulfilling the promises he made to the American people, and last night he outlined his bold agenda. I was grateful to hear his plans to repeal regulations, reduce taxes, create jobs, repeal and replace ObamaCare, and promote veterans.

As the chairman of the House Armed Services Subcommittee on Readiness, I appreciated his determination to rebuild our military by providing them with the resources they need to promote peace through strength.

The President's speech received an overwhelmingly optimistic response, with nearly 60 percent of viewers having a positive reaction. Additionally, 70 percent of the viewers said the President's policies would move the country in the right direction.

I look forward to working with the President and Speaker PAUL RYAN to achieve the bold, positive vision for American families.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September the 11th in the global war on terrorism.

Congratulations to Interior Secretary RYAN ZINKE and his wife, Lola, a great team for America.

PRESERVING AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE

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

Ms. DELBENE. Madam Speaker, too often we forget that the Affordable Care Act is about more than numbers. It is about real people. So for the next 6 weeks, I will be highlighting the voices of my constituents who have flooded my inbox with heart-wrenching stories about why the law must be preserved, constituents like Paul from Snohomish, whose son-in-law died of cancer before the Affordable Care Act.

His disease started small, but, growing up, his family couldn't afford insurance, and he delayed seeking care. By the time he got a job with health coverage, the disease had progressed too far, and he died at the age of 29. Paul

wrote to me and said: "The certificate of death says my son-in-law died from cancer, but I believe he died from a broken healthcare system."

We can't go back to a time when getting sick meant going bankrupt. Across the country, Americans like Paul are telling Congress not to repeal the Affordable Care Act. We should heed their advice.

REDUCING PRICE OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

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

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Madam Speaker, as President Trump remarked in his joint address, we must work to bring down the high price of prescription drugs. Too often we have seen the price of lifesaving medication skyrocket due to bad actors taking advantage of monopolies in the market. We witnessed it in 2015 when Turing Pharmaceuticals hiked the price of Daraprim, a drug to treat HIV patients. We saw it again with Mylan Pharmaceuticals raising the cost of the EpiPen by 400 percent.

We cannot allow this to continue.

I am proud to join my colleague, Congressman KURT SCHRADER, to introduce the Lower Drug Costs Through Competition Act. Our bill is a bipartisan approach to tackle the issue of high drug costs head-on. Our legislation uses the free market to incentivize competition among drug makers, encouraging them to bring new generic drugs to market.

My constituents in Florida and folks nationwide need relief. Let's get this done.

IMMIGRANTS ALSO SAVE LIVES

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

Mr. POLIS. Madam Speaker, yesterday President Trump launched a rather ridiculous effort called the Victims of Immigration Crime Engagement Office, or VOICE. They are going to be focusing on talking about people who were victimized by people who are here illegally.

First of all, the statistics aren't with him. It turns out that people who are undocumented are among the least likely groups to commit illegal acts, and studies show that they are one-fifth to one-half less likely to commit a crime.

So I want to start an effort that is similar. I am going to start a task force called SAINT, Saved by American Immigrants National Taskforce, to talk about Americans whose lives were saved by people who are here undocumented—people like Dr. Alfredo Quinones-Hinojosa, who became a brain surgeon, saving countless lives; people like Antonio Diaz Chacon, who chased down a child abductor and saved a 6-