

Transparency Act." The President may have the power to pardon, but the American people have a right to know how and when he does it.

This bill requires the White House to publicly disclose every pardon the President grants. Our Founders established the Presidential power to pardon to protect the American people from their government, not for the President to protect himself. This bill upholds that principle.

REMEMBERING ROY HERRINGTON

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

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. Speaker, recently, the Appling County community mourned the loss of lifelong resident Roy Herrington.

He was a loving husband to his wife of 59 years, Georgia, and a dedicated father to his three children: Tami, Jeff, and Julie. Roy was an active member of the community. He was a member and a deacon at the Baxley First Baptist Church; a past director of Appling County Chamber of Commerce; and a recipient of the Chamber Award of Excellence in Agriculture.

Roy was awarded the Appling County Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year award in 1981.

During my time traveling the 12th District of Georgia, Roy was one of those people who I would always make sure to visit to gain insight on serving the great folks of the 12th District.

Mr. Speaker, we are losing our greatest generation, but as Members of Congress and as Americans, we must not forget the lessons they have taught us. Every village, every community, has a man of peace and influence. In Appling County, that man was Roy Herrington.

Baxley, Georgia, is a better place because of Roy Herrington. He will be remembered often.

SUPPORTING NATIONAL HOUSING WEEK OF ACTION

(Mrs. BEATTY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. BEATTY. Mr. Speaker, I come to the House floor today in support of National Housing Week of Action and to stand up for a better deal for hardworking Americans.

Access to affordable housing directly impacts the ability of Americans to have a better job, better wages, and a better future. However, far too many families are struggling to keep a roof over their heads as the cost of rent is rising, mortgages are harder to get, and wages remain stagnant.

Due to cuts in Federal rental assistance, only one in four people eligible for it actually are receiving it. Our constituents deserve a better deal. I join Democrats in standing up to create millions of good-paying jobs, full-time jobs by investing in our crumbling

infrastructure, and offering apprenticeship programs to new workers.

Mr. Speaker, I will continue to fight for affordable housing programs so all Americans can have the ability to achieve the American Dream.

REMEMBERING HEROES JACOB CHESTNUT AND JOHN GIBSON

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

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, every day on Capitol Hill, we have heroes among us, our Capitol Police. Five weeks ago, three of these heroes saved lives. They killed a deranged man who opened fire on the Republican baseball team. Two heroes were wounded, Crystal Griner and David Bailey. Our brave Capitol Police prevented a massacre.

Another massacre was prevented by the Capitol Police on June 24 of 1998, 19 years ago today. My hometown of Sugar Land, Texas, still hurts over a hero we knew well, Detective John Gibson. He was killed a few feet from where I am standing.

Like Crystal and David, Detective Gibson was assigned to protect a member of House leadership, my neighbor, and my predecessor, Majority Leader Tom DeLay. Gibson heard Officer Jacob Chestnut being killed by an intruder. He shot the attacker, despite being mortally wounded.

Our Capitol Police are true heroes. May we always remember two special heroes, Jacob Chestnut and John Gibson.

NO APPROPRIATIONS FOR BORDER WALL

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

Mr. CARBAJAL. Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to the House appropriations package that will provide \$1.6 billion for the construction of President Trump's border wall.

As a member of the House Armed Services Committee, I have heard from many military leaders who all agree, a wall won't make our borders more secure or our Nation safer.

There are more effective ways and technology that would be a better investment of our limited resources. Moreover, the President has failed to provide a cost for this wall, and it would be irresponsible for Congress to write him a blank check, especially after he promised over and over that the American taxpayers would not foot the bill.

This wall only serves as a symbol of xenophobia and hate, while doing nothing to address our broken immigration system. Immigrants strengthen the fabric of our Nation, they serve in our military, they teach in our schools, and some, like myself, are fortunate enough to serve as Members of Congress.

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SNAP UPDATE AFTER PATHWAYS HEARING

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

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, last week the Nutrition Subcommittee hosted a hearing on how eligible SNAP participants can improve their education and labor force involvement as they aim for independence.

Over the past 2½ years, the House Agriculture Committee has done a comprehensive review of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. We have looked at how it is administered and how it can be improved. We have also looked at how we can help Americans climb the ladder of opportunity and get out of poverty.

The subcommittee hearing looked at ways to sync employers with work-capable SNAP participants whose education, skill set, and backgrounds match their needs. This comprehensive approach brings together resources, funding, data, policies, partnerships, and, perhaps most importantly, shared performance measures that continue to allow the development, scaling, and sustainability of these pathway programs.

Stable employment that provides a living wage is essential to helping individuals and families rise out of poverty. As chairman of the subcommittee, I am committed to exploring ways to couple services with employment and education to empower work-capable recipients and help them achieve self-reliance.

FIRST, DO NO HARM

(Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, over this weekend, I heard nonstop from people—people from all walks of life—who are living each day in fear that this Congress is going to strip them of the healthcare insurance they so desperately need, causing them to lose access to affordable care.

These good, decent, and hardworking people have told me again and again, in no uncertain terms, that they or someone whom they love dearly will suffer or die if our Republican colleagues carry out their catastrophically ill-conceived plan to repeal and replace or repeal and delay. They scoff at the oft-repeated Republican plan that they would merely be choosing not to have coverage, for they know the bitter truth.

To strip these people of the very coverage that keeps them, their children, and their parents alive would be as immoral an act as was ever perpetrated under the guise of governance.

When it comes to setting healthcare policy, this Congress, like every decent