

are in danger, and they are coming here.

The gentleman well knows there are some people in the White House who want to see the numbers of immigrants to America almost eliminated, so that there is some discussion and disagreement in the White House. I don't know exactly where the President stands on that, but he certainly has been hostile to immigration.

So, I take the gentleman at his belief, but we have not necessarily seen that from the White House.

Having said that, we will work—because we believe, as he does, that people who come to the United States need to be treated, for whatever reason they come to the United States, in a way consistent with our American values, in a humanitarian way.

And it is—I will repeat—ironic that we are debating this issue on the year's anniversary of children being taken from the arms of their mothers and fathers and sent hundreds of miles and, in some cases, thousands of miles away, and still have some of them who have not been reunited with their parents.

I am glad that there is concern about humanitarian treatment now. That is appropriate. I share the gentleman's view on that. Hopefully, we can reach bipartisan agreement in the very near term.

As the gentleman knows, the President's request was just sent down last week. As the gentleman further knows, we have appropriated money to certain objects. And we had a confrontation on that, and both the House and the Senate thought the President was taking money and applying it to an object which we had not authorized.

Then the Congress stood up for itself, in a bipartisan way, in the Senate and in the House.

Unfortunately, the President vetoed that bill, and he is spending money that was not authorized by the Congress of the United States.

We are having a number of challenges to the underpinning of our democratic system and the authority of the Congress of the United States versus the exercise of authoritarian power by the President of the United States, and I would hope the gentleman would share that view.

But, having said all that, we clearly want to get to the same objective, and I am sure the Senate—and I know, as I have just talked to Mrs. LOWEY—they are going to review the request, as Ms. DELAURO said on the floor, see what the money is going to be spent for, make sure that it is, in fact, going to be spent for humanitarian relief at the border.

We are very concerned about that and, I think, rightfully so. That is what it is projected to be, and we want to make sure that that is what it is.

So, we will proceed, hopefully, in a bipartisan way and, hopefully, with relative speed.

But I hope the Senate, Madam Speaker, will take up this relief bill

and pass it forthwith so that the folks who have been so damaged by natural disasters will get some relief and will understand that their Federal Government cares about them and is going to give them the relief they need.

I hope that we can move that as quickly as possible.

Mr. SCALISE. Madam Speaker, let's be clear. On the problems with our immigration laws, the gentleman mentioned asylum. We all know right now, somebody comes across the border on a daily basis—in the thousands on some days. And they come across and claim asylum, coming through illegal parts of our border, not the ports of entry.

The President has made it clear: If you are seeking asylum, there is a legal way to do it. Come through a port of entry and properly seek asylum.

Many people know there are coyotes, people who make money human trafficking people across the border, and they read from a script. They all know the script. Whether they are seeking asylum or not, they just read the script, and they are let in.

We see it all the time, and they know the game. It is a game, because it is a loophole in the law that we have tried to fix and haven't gotten any help from the other side.

But they know that if they read the script and they know—ironically, they have come through multiple countries that have offered them asylum, and they have turned down that asylum.

So that is not the right way to do it. The President said: Come the right way. Nobody said—you have never seen the President say get rid of immigration laws. He said fix the immigration laws, secure the border, have a legal way to come here, and get rid of things like the visa lottery system and turn it into a merit-based system to make this law work better for the people who want to come here and seek the American Dream.

And I know we have beaten this to death, and we will continue to debate it. Hopefully, we get some real conversations over the weekend to solve these other problems in the disaster bill that aren't included and clear up the number.

We have seen a number of \$90 billion plus that has been appropriated to Puerto Rico. Regardless, clearly, it is well over 50, probably closer to 90. We will continue to talk about that as well and address this problem.

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

CELEBRATING MIAMI'S COMMUNITY NEWSPAPERS

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

Ms. SHALALA. Madam Speaker, I rise today during Small Business Week to celebrate one of the longest-thriving small businesses in Florida's 27th Congressional District.

In publication for 61 years, Miami's Community Newspapers is a family-run

business founded by Ronald Miller in 1958. Today, brothers Grant and Michael Miller have grown the business to include 14 editions covering Miami-Dade County.

Miami's Community Newspapers covers the local issues that are the fabric of our neighborhoods.

Recognizing the accomplishments of high school students and centennial birthdays, Miami's Community Newspapers is hyper local; however, they do not shy away from discussing important issues like transportation and education.

The Miller brothers host breakfast socials and a luncheon series that has featured everyone from the county transportation director to David Beckham.

Unknown to most is that the Millers have, for years, given jobs to numerous people attempting to reenter society after incarceration.

With a distribution of 65,000, their newspapers can be found in every diner and lobby in Miami-Dade. Today, we honor Grant and Michael Miller and the 30 employees of Miami's Community Newspapers as a great small business.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JAY PRICE

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

Mr. COMER. Madam Speaker, today I rise to remember the life of my friend Mr. Jay Price of Casey County in the First Congressional District of Kentucky.

After graduating from Western Kentucky University as an ag major, Jay returned home to manage his family's beef cattle farm and teach agriculture at Casey County High School. Jay devoted his career to educating nearly three decades of young farmers. His students will not only remember the skills they learned but the life lessons and guidance he provided at every opportunity.

As an FFA adviser, teacher, and mentor, his support in and out of the classroom had an outsized influence on thousands of young adults. By connecting them with industry and State leaders, he ensured they were well prepared to pursue remarkable educational and career opportunities.

Jay also dedicated his time to advancing the prosperity of his fellow farmers through his leadership in local and State organizations. His peers recognized his profound influence on Kentucky agriculture and inducted him as a member of the Kentucky Cattlemen's Association Hall of Fame, along with many other accolades throughout his life.

His passion for the agriculture industry and his students is rivaled only by his love for his family: his wife, Carol; his daughters, Lauren and Lindsay; their husbands, Brian and Jon; and his

grandchildren Clay, Avery, and Hudson.

I join with his entire family—including his mother, siblings, and a host of friends who he considered family—in celebrating and remembering his lifetime of service to others.

TIME FOR THE SENATE TO ACT ON HOUSE-PASSED BILLS

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

Mr. ROUDA. Madam Speaker, I rise today because I am frustrated. I came to Washington, D.C., because I was tired of politics as usual. That is why the voters of Orange County sent me here. I also came here to honor my constitutional obligation and the oath of office I took.

Yet, today, we see a President and an administration that continues to sabotage the efforts of Members of Congress to do their job, while painting a false narrative that all we want to do is investigate, investigate, and investigate. And that is not the case.

This House, the House of the people, has passed 115 measures, 115 bills, the overwhelming majority of them bipartisan. Yet, only 12 have gone to the floor of the Senate to be voted on. That is right—only 12.

It is time for the Republican leadership in the Senate and for MITCH MCCONNELL to start allowing these bills that have passed the House of Representatives with bipartisan support, that address disaster relief across our great country, to finally be voted on to help working families and Americans across our great country.

NATIONAL NURSES WEEK

(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. Madam Speaker, I rise today during National Nurses Week to celebrate America's hardworking and professional caregivers, our nurses.

National Nurses Week is celebrated annually from May 6 through May 12, the birthday of Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing.

Men and women who enter the nursing profession care for bodies and minds and educate and empower patients.

This rewarding profession allows nurses to deeply impact their patients' lives. Often, nurses help those facing serious health challenges.

Nursing is a science; it is an art; and it is a profession for the most giving, caring, and compassionate individuals.

Nurses help patients and their families enter new stages of life. From the birth of a child to the challenge of an aging parent, nurses are there, providing expertise and encouragement, delivering care and compassion, and working to deliver positive outcomes.

Madam Speaker, some nurses travel the globe caring for others. Others are the well-known caregivers in their small communities.

Wherever they practice, I say thank you to our nurses for caring so deeply for all of us.

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CELEBRATING ACADEMIC MAGNET HIGH SCHOOL

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

Mr. CUNNINGHAM. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate Academic Magnet High School in North Charleston, which was just ranked the number one high school in the country by U.S. News & World Report.

Academic Magnet students embody hard work and determination in the classroom, along with the passionate teachers and administrators who work tirelessly to help students achieve their goals and dreams. Scholarship, honor, and character are the principles that guide students and faculty at Academic.

Academic Magnet has a graduation rate of 100 percent, a college readiness score of 100, and is nationally ranked as one of the top STEM high schools in the country. This educational achievement should not go unrecognized.

I know, personally, the quality of students that they produce by the legislative assistant we have, Paniz Rezaerod, and I am honored to recognize them today. I am proud of this institution for representing Lowcountry excellence in South Carolina's school system.

HONORING OFFICER JORDAN HARRIS SHELDON

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

Mr. BUDD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Officer Jordan Harris Sheldon. He was killed in the line of duty during a routine traffic stop recently. Mr. Sheldon honorably served the Mooresville Police Department for 6 years as a K-9 officer.

I know that the Mooresville Police Department and the community are heartbroken by this news, as am I. Our men and women in blue put on the uniform every day not knowing what their fate could be, yet they continue to serve their communities without question.

Madam Speaker, I consider myself extremely fortunate to be able to represent a place like Mooresville in the U.S. Congress, and I know that I speak for the good folks of Mooresville when I say that Officer Sheldon will not be forgotten.

I ask Members to join me in praying for Officer Sheldon's family, the

Mooresville Police Department, and the community during this difficult time.

SEPARATING IMMIGRANT CHILDREN FROM THEIR FAMILIES IS A VIOLATION OF BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS

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

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Madam Speaker, just 1 year ago, we learned of the Trump administration's cruel separation family policy.

Separating immigrant children from their family is a violation of basic human rights and a betrayal of our values as a nation.

In the wake of this terrible policy, my colleagues and I went to work and spoke out because, Madam Speaker, we are a nation of immigrants. I introduced the REUNITE Act, which would require the immediate reunification of children with their families.

When we learned separated children were being held in a facility in my district, we worked to reunite them with their parents because we are a nation of immigrants. My office reunited four families, one of which I brought to the Capitol as my guest at the State of the Union to show the President that the people he tried to damage through this terrible policy are stronger than he thinks.

Today, the other side of the aisle presented a false motion to recommit. We voted it down because we are, Madam Speaker, a nation of immigrants.

This administration must own up to its failure, and my colleagues and I will continue to work to make sure this never happens again.

RECOGNIZING BERKS COUNTY MARCH FOR LIFE

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

Mr. MEUSER. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the ninth annual Berks County March for Life, which I attended this past weekend. I was proud to join over 250 participants, and I would like to thank Helen MacMinn for organizing the event and Donna Lea Merritt for inviting me.

Madam Speaker, I am proudly pro-life and believe in the sanctity of innocent, unborn human life. I was deeply troubled to see a Democratic Pennsylvania State representative openly berate, verbally attack, threaten and, in fact, terrify peaceful advocates of the unborn.

This behavior is reprehensible for anyone, but particularly appalling from an elected official. This type of hostile discourse should be repudiated by all, Democrats and Republicans.

The Berks March for Life event was a wonderful reminder of the unity and kind spirit found among the pro-life