

Mr. ZELDIN. Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to rise today recognizing Rabbi Dr. Steven Moss of B'nai Israel Reform Temple, who is retiring after serving his community for over 47 years.

Rabbi Moss became the first ordained rabbi for B'nai Israel in June of 1974 and has honorably served his community ever since.

Rabbi Moss' service to his community and his accomplishments are nothing less than extraordinary. He has been the chair of the Suffolk County Human Rights Commission since 1992 and has served as the chaplain to the Suffolk County Police Department, with the rank of deputy chief of chaplains, since 1986.

Additionally, Rabbi Moss is the co-chair of the Suffolk County Anti-Bias Task Force; chair of the Islip Town Anti-Bias Task Force in the battle against anti-Semitism and other bias crimes; director and founder of STOP/BIAS, an educational program for people who have committed hate and bias crimes; former president of the Suffolk County Board of Rabbis; board member on the New York Board of Rabbis and the Center for the Holocaust, Diversity and Human Understanding at the Selden campus of Suffolk Community College; founder of the Jewish Hospital Referral Service; pastoral care coordinator of the Suffolk Partners in Dignity; hospital chaplain at Good Samaritan Hospital, Brookhaven Memorial Hospital, and Southside Hospital; and is the longest sitting member of the Islip Town Board of Ethics.

I have known Rabbi Moss since I was a little kid. Nearly 27 years ago, he was the rabbi who presided over the bar mitzvah service for me and, this November, will be the rabbi for my daughter's b'nai mitzvah. He has left a lasting impact on so many lives, including my own.

One of the things I love the most about Rabbi Moss is how he visits people in hospitals, nursing homes, and elsewhere all the time, every day. If you think you have lost touch with Rabbi Moss and it has been 20 years since you have last spoken to him, even if you weren't really that close with him back in the day, if he finds out that you are at a local hospital, he will come and visit you and pray for you.

His family services during the High Holy Days are amazing for the kids. He involves everyone. It is not easy to get every single kid in a temple totally engaged, all in, without much effort, but Rabbi Moss has charisma that is second to none.

Most importantly, he is simply a very kind, warm, and decent human being who loves everyone.

Rabbi Moss is now en route to Poland, where he will bike 60 miles from the gates of Auschwitz to the Jewish Community Center in Krakow, which is also known as the "Ride for the Living," in honor of the millions of people who were murdered during the Holocaust.

Rabbi Moss and about 300 other bikers will be biking the entire 60 miles in one day to raise money for the Jewish Community Center in Krakow, which supports the growing Jewish population there and in the surrounding areas.

When asked about his upcoming experience, Rabbi Moss stated he believes the experience will be overwhelming but that he is excited to witness the growth of the Jewish diaspora.

On Sunday, B'nai Israel held a going-away party for Rabbi Moss, where they gifted him with a bronze plaque signifying that the sanctuary within the synagogue will be named after him. Rabbi Moss deserves nothing less after having served over 47 years at the synagogue.

He has been an incredible role model and mentor to both my family and me, and he has continued to be a remarkable role model for thousands of others.

I look to him as a community leader, an inspiration, and a teacher, one with an amazing ability to connect with anyone. I would like to thank Rabbi Moss for all he has done for our community, and I wish him nothing but the best in his retirement.

HUMANITARIAN STANDARDS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California (Mr. RUIZ) for 5 minutes.

Mr. RUIZ. Mr. Speaker, today the House will vote on legislation to provide our immigration agencies the humanitarian resources they need for children, women, and families. However, that is not enough when this administration has argued in court that children in CBP custody do not need soap, toothbrushes, or blankets as basic necessities for hygiene.

This bill funds items and resources for a dysfunctional system that treats children and families inhumanely. It does not create humanitarian standards that will change behavior, and it will not meet the humanitarian needs of children and families.

We need to pass my legislation, the Humanitarian Standards for Individuals in CBP Custody Act, a comprehensive, public health approach to address the basic humanitarian needs of children and families under CBP's custody and responsibility.

Why? Why are these humanitarian standards needed? Because, when I visited the border, I saw open toilets and crowded cells without privacy. I saw one latrine for 200 individuals. I saw babies who were dirty and didn't have diapers and didn't have free access to water and formula. Because six children have now died while in the custody and responsibility of CBP, under their supposed TEDS standards.

Why? Because my bill will define what a health screening is. It will say that a health screening is an interview, a questionnaire, and it will have vital signs, an actual physical examination, and consultation with an emergency

care provider. The appropriations bill doesn't.

My bill will say that high-priority individuals, upon detention, within 3 hours, must have a health screening. The appropriations bill doesn't.

My bill says that there needs to be emergency care backup for every individual who has a healthcare screening. The appropriations bill doesn't.

In terms of water, my bill will say that every adult will, at least, have free access to 1 gallon of water. The appropriations bill doesn't give those metrics.

It says that there should be one closed, private, functioning toilet per 12 men or 8 women. The appropriations bill doesn't.

It says that individuals should have the ability to bathe once a day. The appropriations bill does not.

In terms of shelter, an individual should have 2 meters squared of space. Right now, they are piled on top of each other. The appropriations bill will not change that practice.

It says that temperatures should be kept within a humane range. Currently, they are keeping them in very, very cold rooms, interrupting their sleep, which decreases their immune system and makes them prone to more illnesses and mental health disorders.

The appropriations bill does not require them to allow the children to sleep 8 hours.

The appropriations bill does not say that they need to keep temperatures in a humane range.

In terms of food, my bill says that an adult should have, at least, a minimum of 2,000 calories a day. The appropriations bill doesn't. We are just funding a lot of food, and we already know that children are given frozen burritos.

My bill will say that a pregnant woman or a child under 12 years old or the elderly should have age-appropriate food and age-appropriate calories per day. This appropriations bill does not enforce those behavioral changes.

So, today's vote is a desperate bill for a desperate situation. But, don't be fooled that this bill is going to meet the humanitarian needs of women and children at the border. Don't be fooled into thinking that we should pat ourselves on the back and walk away thinking that this problem is over or that children and families will be treated humanely—not when an administration is arguing that toothbrushes and soap are not needed for basic hygiene for children.

Mr. Speaker, I urge a vote on my bill, and I urge my fellow Representatives to support my bill, the Humanitarian Standards for Individuals in CBP Custody Act, to bring humanity back to our treatment of women, children, and families seeking asylum and prevent the needless loss of life.

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EMMA SWARTZ

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from