

harm's way. Set Your angels to guard their every step. I thank You for those who make it their life's ambition to protect the lives of the weak and helpless. May this House ensure that righteousness exalts this Nation.

All this I ask in Jesus' mighty name. Amen.

#### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House her approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. JOYCE) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

#### WELCOMING DR. DEREK W.H. THOMAS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the gentleman from South Carolina (Mr. WILSON) is recognized for 1 minute.

There was no objection.

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, the Reverend Dr. Derek William Henry Thomas is the senior pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Columbia, South Carolina, and the Chancellor's Professor of Systematic and Pastoral Theology at Reformed Theological Seminary.

A native of Wales in the United Kingdom, Dr. Thomas completed his ministerial training at Reformed Theological Seminary and received his Ph.D. from the University of Wales, Lampeter. He served as a pastor for 17 years in Belfast, Northern Ireland, before returning to the United States to serve as the minister of teaching at First Presbyterian Church in Jackson, Mississippi. He was called to his present position in 2013. He has written or edited 25 books becoming editorial director for the Alliance of Confessing Evangelicals and the editor of its e-zine, *Reformation 21*.

He and his wife, Rosemary, have been married for 43 years, have two adult children, and are naturalized citizens of the United States.

The First Presbyterian Church was the first church organized in the capital of South Carolina and will celebrate its semisestercentennial next year. It is the largest congregation in the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Synod with 3,000 members.

The historic First Presbyterian Churchyard was established in 1798 with Federal legislators interred along with Ann Pamela Cunningham who

founded the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association in 1853 saving President George Washington's home from collapse. Also interred are President Woodrow Wilson's parents, Reverend Joseph and Jessie Wilson.

#### CONGRATULATING THE NORTH CAROLINA COURAGE

(Mr. PRICE of North Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the North Carolina Courage for their second straight National Women's Soccer League Championship and their third title in the past 4 years.

Their four-goal win was the largest margin of victory in NWSL history.

The Triangle area that I represent in North Carolina has truly embraced this team with a record-setting crowd attending Sunday's match.

Now, this was really a team effort, but I do want to give a special shout-out to Coach Paul Riley, MVP Debinha Miri, and the retiring great—Heather O'Reilly. I must also mention the four members from the Courage who also led us to victory in the 2019 Women's World Cup: Crystal Dunn, Samewis, Abby Dahlkemper, and Jessica McDonald.

Thank you for making North Carolina proud. And congratulations again to the North Carolina Courage.

#### SALUTING OUR TROOPS FOR ELIMINATING ABU BAKR AL-BAGHDADI

(Ms. FOXX of North Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. FOXX of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, today, thanks to the relentless efforts of our military's special operations servicemembers, ISIS leader, Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi, is dead and our world is a safer place. Saturday night's victory over this violent enemy is due to our troops' selfless sacrifices and superior work with our Nation's intelligence operatives.

President Trump has shown that under his command there is no safe place for terrorists, and I thank him and our troops for helping keep our country free and safe.

Providing national security is the number one job of the Federal Government. Now it is time the House of Representatives puts our troops first by passing the Department of Defense Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2020 to support our military's continued success and ensure the safest possible outcome in all its missions.

#### PAYING TRIBUTE TO DR. PATRICIA SKINNER

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

Mr. MCHENRY. Madam Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to a great education leader in my district, Dr. Patricia Skinner of Gaston College. She has been president of Gaston College for 25 years, nearly half of the college's existence.

Over the last two decades, the college has seen tremendous progress. Dr. Skinner facilitated the opening of two new campuses in addition to the construction of 11 new academic and administrative buildings and recently opened the Center for Advanced Manufacturing at the Dallas campus.

She has done a fantastic and phenomenal job, and we wish her great success in her retirement. Spending more time with her two daughters and her grandchildren will put her through the paces as we well know.

We wish Dr. Skinner well in her retirement.

#### NATIONAL FIRST RESPONDERS DAY

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

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the service and the sacrifice of our Nation's first responders.

In Pennsylvania and around the entire country, police officers, firefighters, EMTs, and other emergency personnel are willing to put their lives on the line each and every day that they report to duty. On today, National First Responders Day, we thank these men and women and their families for serving our communities.

As a member of the Homeland Security Committee, I am committed to ensuring that first responders are well-equipped to do the job that we have entrusted them to do. This month it was my privilege to announce that FEMA, through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program, has awarded nearly \$3 million to local fire companies and first responders in the 13th District of Pennsylvania. These funds will help them to acquire much-needed equipment and training.

When there is an emergency, we know that our first responders will be there, and Congress needs to be there for them too.

#### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 2:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 9 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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#### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. CUELLAR) at 2 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.

# COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, October 28, 2019.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,  
The Speaker, House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on October 28, 2019, at 12:27 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 2065.  
That the Senate passed S. 2107.  
With best wishes, I am,  
Sincerely,

CHERYL L. JOHNSON.

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or votes objected to under clause 6 of rule XX.

The House will resume proceedings on postponed questions at a later time.

## DIGNITY IN AGING ACT OF 2019

Ms. BONAMICI. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4334) to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2020 through 2024, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 4334

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the “Dignity in Aging Act of 2019”.

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents of this Act is the following:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

### TITLE I—ENSURING COLLABORATION AND PROMOTING INDEPENDENCE FOR OLDER INDIVIDUALS

Sec. 101. Person-centered, trauma-informed care.

Sec. 102. Vaccination.

Sec. 103. Functions of Assistant Secretary.

Sec. 104. Professional standards for nutrition official under Assistant Secretary.

Sec. 105. Interagency Coordinating Committee on Age-Friendly Communities.

Sec. 106. Technical assistance on age-friendly communities.

Sec. 107. Malnutrition.

Sec. 108. Coordination with resource centers.

Sec. 109. Arts education.

Sec. 110. Social determinants of health.

Sec. 111. Falls prevention and chronic disease self-management education.

Sec. 112. Extension of RAISE Family Caregivers Act.

Sec. 113. Support for socially-isolated older Americans.

Sec. 114. Increased focus of Assistant Secretary on health effects associated with social isolation.

Sec. 115. Advisory council on health effects associated with social isolation.

Sec. 116. Supportive services and senior centers.

Sec. 117. Demonstration projects.

Sec. 118. Younger onset Alzheimer's Disease.

Sec. 119. Priority for the senior community service employment program.

Sec. 120. Direct care workforce.

Sec. 121. National resource center for older individuals experiencing the long-term and adverse consequences of trauma.

Sec. 122. National Resource Center for Women and Retirement.

Sec. 123. Definition.

Sec. 124. Review of reports.

Sec. 125. Area plans.

Sec. 126. Addressing chronic pain management.

Sec. 127. Extension of the Supporting Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Act.

Sec. 128. Screening for suicide risk.

Sec. 129. Traumatic brain injury.

Sec. 130. Addressing public health emergencies and emerging health threats.

Sec. 131. Prevention of sexually transmitted diseases.

Sec. 132. Aging and Disability Resource Center.

### TITLE II—EMPOWERING THE AGING NETWORK TO MEET THE NEEDS OF OLDER INDIVIDUALS

Sec. 201. National family caregiver support program cap.

Sec. 202. Minimum funding level for State administrative expenses.

Sec. 203. Culturally-appropriate, medically-tailored meals.

Sec. 204. Business acumen provisions and clarification regarding outside funding for area agencies on aging.

Sec. 205. Other practices.

Sec. 206. Caregiver assessments.

Sec. 207. Research and evaluation.

Sec. 208. Grant program for multigenerational collaboration.

### TITLE III—STRENGTHENING PROTECTIONS FOR OLDER INDIVIDUALS

Sec. 301. State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program minimum funding and maintenance of effort.

Sec. 302. State long-term care volunteer ombudsman representatives.

Sec. 303. Clarification regarding board and care facilities.

Sec. 304. Report on legal hotlines.

Sec. 305. Community outreach.

Sec. 306. Principles for person-directed services and supports during serious illness.

### TITLE IV—MEETING THE NEEDS OF OLDER NATIVE AMERICANS

Sec. 401. Expanding supportive services for Native American aging programs.

Sec. 402. Enhancing capacity to support Native American aging programs.

### TITLE V—MISCELLANEOUS

Sec. 501. Technical corrections.

Sec. 502. Authorization of appropriations; uses of funds.

Sec. 503. Hold harmless formula.

### TITLE I—ENSURING COLLABORATION AND PROMOTING INDEPENDENCE FOR OLDER INDIVIDUALS

#### SEC. 101. PERSON-CENTERED, TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE.

Section 101(2) of the Older Americans Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3001(2)) is amended by in-

serting “(including access to person-centered, trauma-informed care)” after “health”.

#### SEC. 102. VACCINATION.

Section 102(14) of the Older Americans Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3002(14)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (B) by inserting “immunization status,” after “oral health,” and

(2) in subparagraph (D) by inserting “infectious disease, and vaccine preventable disease,” after “(disease).”

#### SEC. 103. FUNCTIONS OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

(a) REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS.—Section 202 of the Older Americans Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3012) is amended—

(1) by amending subsection (a)(4) to read as follows:

“(4) administer the grants provided by this Act but not approve an application submitted by an applicant for a grant for a program for which such applicant previously received a grant unless the Assistant Secretary determines—

“(A) the program for which such application was submitted is operating effectively to achieve its stated purpose; and

“(B) such applicant complied with the assurances provided to the Assistant Secretary with the application for such previous grant; and”, and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(h) The Assistant Secretary shall publish, on an annual basis, a list of centers and demonstration projects funded under each title of the Act. The Assistant Secretary shall ensure that this information is also directly provided to States and area agencies on aging.”.

(b) ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF OLDER INDIVIDUALS IN DISASTERS.—Section 202(a) of the Older Americans Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3012(a)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (30) by striking “and” at the end,

(2) in paragraph (31) by striking the period at the end and inserting “; and”, and

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(32) provide technical assistance to and share best practices with States and area agencies on aging on how to collaborate and coordinate activities and develop long-range emergency preparedness plans with local and State emergency response agencies, relief organizations, local and State governments, federal agencies as appropriate, and any other institutions that have responsibility for disaster relief service delivery.”.

#### SEC. 104. PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS FOR NUTRITION OFFICIAL UNDER ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

Section 205(a)(2)(C)(ii) of the Older Americans Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3016(a)(2)(C)(ii)) is amended to read as follows:

“(ii) be a registered dietitian or registered dietitian nutritionist.”.

#### SEC. 105. INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COMMITTEE ON AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES.

Section 203 of the Older Americans Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3013) is amended—

(1) in subsection (b)—

(A) in paragraph (18) by striking “and” at the end,

(B) in subparagraph (19) by striking the period at the end, and inserting “, and”, and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

“(20) section 393D of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 280b-1f), relating to safety of seniors.”, and

(2) in subsection (c)—

(A) in paragraph (1)—

(i) by striking “Aging” and inserting “Age-Friendly Communities”, and

(ii) by inserting “to support the ability of older individuals to age in place, including through the provision of homelessness prevention services, support the ability of older