

Number four, President Trump met with President Zelensky, and the U.S. assistance flowed to Ukraine in September 2019, without Ukraine investigating President Trump's concern for corruption.

Mr. Speaker, there is no objective evidence to undo the votes of 63 million Americans.

Not only do the Democrats and their leadership ignore the facts in order to impeach President Trump, but they are also ignoring the American people by failing to get anything done.

Republicans stand at the ready to pass USMCA, secure our border, and create a bipartisan plan to lower prescription drug costs. Sadly, Democrats intend to deny the American people such progress.

COMMEMORATING SERVICE DURING MILITARY WEEK

Mr. MARSHALL. Mr. Speaker, in honor of Veterans Day, this week is Military Week for our office. This week, we will honor the sacrifices of those who have and are currently serving in America's armed forces.

This year, our office took part in the 2019 Veteran History Project to give our Nation's heroes a platform to tell their stories. This project will allow future generations to hear directly from veterans to better understand their realities, the personal sacrifices of war, and the importance of public service.

For this project, our office interviewed three constituents from the Big First District about their military service. All three gentlemen not only served their country overseas but returned home to make lasting impacts on their communities and create a better Kansas for all of us.

Listening to these veterans' stories of sacrifice and bravery is quite inspiring. Thank you to each of these fine gentlemen for your service, for your families' sacrifices, and for sharing your stories for future generations.

FIGHTING NORTHWEST KANSAS WILDFIRES

Mr. MARSHALL. Mr. Speaker, this past Saturday, a disaster declaration was issued for Cheyenne County in northwest Kansas after a series of grass fires broke out between St. Francis and Wheeler.

Thanks to fast-acting volunteers and the National Guard, many homes, farms, and, most importantly, families were kept safe. Even pheasant hunters out on opening day pitched in to help fight the fires.

Time and time again, rural Kansans rise to the occasion and the challenges to provide for their communities' needs without a moment's notice. That is what Kansans do. These are Kansas values.

Thank you to all the first responders, the troops, and the citizen volunteers who bravely responded to put out these fires in Cheyenne County. Thank you for helping take care of your neighbors.

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HIGHLIGHTING IMPROVEMENTS TO VA HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

Mr. MARSHALL. Mr. Speaker, in honor of Military Week in my office, I

would like to take a moment to highlight improvements made to our VA healthcare system by the VA MISSION Act. This week, our office partnered with Newman Regional Health Center in Emporia to host a community forum to share information about healthcare options available to veterans through the VA MISSION Act, which went into effect June 6.

Since being implemented, the VA MISSION Act has benefited thousands of veterans in Kansas greatly, allowing them the option to get care at home. In rural Kansas, it can be costly and burdensome for many veterans to travel to a nearby VA facility which might be as many as 2 to 3 hours away. The MISSION Act enables them to seek the care they want from a provider closer to home.

We must continue to empower our veterans, providing them with the choice they need to receive the care they deserve, the care we promised them all. Thanks to Congress and the work of the Trump administration, we are taking steps to provide our veterans the very best of care because they deserve nothing less.

AMERICANS WHO HAVE VOLUNTARILY SERVED AND SACRIFICED DESERVE OUR DEEPEST GRATITUDE AND RECOGNITION

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

Mr. CROW. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of the Global War on Terrorism Memorial Location Act, which I am very proud to have introduced along with my friend and colleague from Wisconsin, Congressman MIKE GALLAGHER.

The global war on terrorism changed the course of American history and the lives of millions of servicemembers, first responders, and civil servants—including my own.

On 9/11 and since, we have learned that we can never take our democracy or our country's security for granted. It is a fight that, sadly, continues today.

The millions of Americans who have voluntarily served and sacrificed for our Nation deserve our deepest gratitude, but they also deserve our recognition.

Several generations of Americans have now come of age during the global war on terrorism. There are now Americans born after 9/11 who are serving today, overseas, in uniform in what has become our Nation's longest conflict.

That is one of the reasons why it is now time for us to recognize the several generations of Americans who have volunteered to serve our Nation: those of us who have served and who have worked to help our fellow veterans understand the important power of place, the transformational power of a sacred location where veterans and their families can come together to heal, to remember, and to reflect.

Memorials like those for World War II, Korea, and Vietnam have provided the opportunities for those generations whose lives and service were defined by those conflicts, and it is now time for the current generation of veterans to have that same opportunity. It is our hope that, by honoring them in the Nation's Capital, we will ensure a location befitting of their service and their sacrifice.

Over 2½ million Americans have served in uniform in the global war on terrorism, and millions more first responders, law enforcement, and civil servants have also supported global operations. To date, over 7,000 Americans have given the ultimate sacrifice and over 53,000 have been wounded. Many more bear the invisible scars of the war that will be with them for the rest of their lives.

If these feel like statistics to some, they are not to me and to many others. At a time when Congress feels more divided than ever before, I hope that this Congress can focus on what we do have in common and what does bring us together so that we can move our country forward.

We have a sacred duty to those who have selflessly served in our Nation's longest war, and it is a charge that we do not take lightly. I urge my colleagues to join me in this effort by supporting the bill.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until noon today.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 49 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess.

□ 1200

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. CUELLAR) at noon.

PRAYER

Mr. Dipesh Pandya, BAPS Swaminarayan Sanstha, Warrington, Pennsylvania, offered the following prayer:

Aum.

O, Lord, lead us from illusion to the truth. Lead us from darkness to light. Lead us from death to immortality.

May everyone in the world be happy. May everyone be healthy. May all experience what is good. May there be no suffering.

O, Lord, may the skies give us peace. May space bring us peace. May the Earth give us peace. May the waters give peace. May herbs and plants give us peace. May all the beings of the Earth bring us peace. May the deities bestow peace. May all of Your creations bring us peace. May peace prevail throughout the universe.