

History will not judge this process and this impeachment favorably. If you don't like who gets elected, work to elect someone else.

Instead, Democrats will ask themselves years from now, "Why did we allow partisanship and hatred of this President to change history and precedent?" when this institution is paralyzed by future partisan impeachments of duly elected Presidents of both parties.

TIT-FOR-TAT IS NOT A POLICY

(Ms. NORTON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, the House cannot sit still and allow Trump to become an imperial President, answerable to no one.

Without consultation with House leadership or even leaders in the Republican Senate, Trump ordered the killing of a major military leader, Iranian General Qasem Soleimani.

Like countless officials worldwide, Soleimani was a bad actor whose forces were responsible for the deaths of Americans. However, Soleimani was not killed on the battlefield but was targeted by President Trump in Baghdad. Trump may have been seeking revenge for the storming and damaging of the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad, the largest, most fortified embassy in the world.

Tit-for-tat is not a policy. It is a childish and dangerous response that could lead to all-out hostilities.

The U.S. lacks credibility to start diplomatic efforts. I hope that our allies will intervene as emissaries before it is too late.

CONDEMNING RECENT ANTI-SEMITIC ATTACKS

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

Ms. FOXX of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, over the past year, we have seen a troubling rise in anti-Semitic crimes and activity across the United States and the world.

In 2019, 229 anti-Semitic hate crimes were reported in New York City. There was a 46 percent increase in anti-Semitic hate crimes in Chicago. From January to October, there were 58 reported anti-Semitic crimes in Los Angeles.

The facts are indisputable. These heinous acts of violence were not the result of random, isolated incidents. These acts were deliberately orchestrated with a clear intent to target and harm the Jewish community.

Attacks of any kind on communities of faith are unacceptable. Simply broaching the issue of anti-Semitic crime is not enough to protect these communities. Those responsible for committing these senseless acts of violence must be prosecuted to the fullest

extent of the law. We must foster engagement between law enforcement and targeted communities, and we must all work together to confront this issue.

CONGRESS NEEDS TO PASS WAR POWERS RESOLUTION IMMEDIATELY

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

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, the American people and Members of Congress cannot ignore being on the brink of war. Nor can we ignore the fact that the Constitution indicates in Article I that it is the Congress that has the responsibility and duty to declare war.

Nor can we ignore the breaking news of 10 rockets that have just hit a base in Iraq that houses U.S. troops or the 4,000 troops that have been sent in the last 24 hours or the reckless decision made by this administration to kill a very bad man in a manner that has created havoc in the Mideast.

It is interesting to suggest that our allies are supportive when, in the last 24 hours, Israel said they had nothing to do with it. Presidents Obama and Bush, competent and prepared, indicated that this was not the right thing to do.

My concern is that we, as a Nation, are defenders, and we can defend ourselves. We are powerful. That is not the point.

The point is that we can do a tactic, but where is the strategy? It is crucial that we do not send young men and women into battle recklessly.

I believe the Congress needs to pass a war powers resolution, an AUMF, immediately.

PRESIDENT TRUMP'S ORDER WAS CORRECT

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

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, yesterday, universally respected Senator Joe Lieberman provided an extraordinary op-ed in *The Wall Street Journal*: "President Trump's order to take out Qasem Soleimani was morally, constitutionally, and strategically correct. . . . No American can dispute that Soleimani created, supported, and directed a network of terrorist organizations that spread havoc in the Middle East." In Syria, "more than 500,000 Syrians have died."

"During the Iraq war, Soleimani oversaw three camps in Iran." These trained fighters have killed more than 600 American troops.

The claim that President Trump "had no authority to order this attack without congressional approval is constitutionally untenable and practically senseless. Authority to act quickly to eliminate a threat to the U.S. is inher-

ent. . . . Democrats should leave partisan politics at 'the water's edge' and . . . stand together against Iran and dangerous leaders like Qasem Soleimani."

Senator Joe Lieberman tells the truth.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September the 11th in the global war on terrorism, with the courage and leadership of President Donald Trump.

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PRESIDENT TRUMP VISITS OHIO

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

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, this week, President Trump will travel to the great and compassionate city of Toledo, Ohio, my lifelong home. Like all people, the President is welcome in Toledo.

Toledo is a city of industry, where the mighty Jeep has rolled off the assembly line every year since 1941. We are also the city that embraces the future and launched America's leading solar energy company, First Solar. Our diverse city and people truly make America great.

I urge the President to bring a message of unity to our city, not one of division.

I also urge President Trump to keep his promises to our people: Make medicine and healthcare more affordable; save our Great Lakes; negotiate enforceable trade agreements that actually stop job outsourcing. Protect, don't gut, Social Security, Medicare, and Medicaid. Get MITCH MCCONNELL to pass the Butch Lewis Act to save the pensions of 60,000 Ohioans, and select our 180th Fighter Wing for the F-35 tranche planes that they have so duly earned.

Let us work on a bipartisan basis to improve the lives of all people. And, in furtherance of that, this Thursday, I urge all Toledo area religious leaders to offer prayers for nonviolence and peace, and I urge all of our citizens to light a candle in their home and put on a porch light to shine a ray of hope skyward for a new year of peace and prosperity for all.

May God bless our troops.

CONGRATULATING THE BLUM HIGH SCHOOL BOBCATS ON THEIR FIRST STATE TITLE

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

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate the 2019 Blum High School Bobcats football team on winning their first ever six-man State championship title.

For Texans, high school football is not just a sport; it is a way of life. Each week in the fall, we gather under Friday night lights and cheer our team on to victory.