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The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer: Merciful God, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

As Members prepare to return to their home districts, endow them with ears to hear the voices of their constituents, those who voted for them and those who did not. It is the strength of our representative democracy that all have a voice in the governing of the Nation.

Our Nation will soon be remembering Presidents Washington and Lincoln, giants of American history. One presided over a nation united in its inception behind their President, the other over a nation divided soon after his election.

May each of their examples be inspiration to all Americans that faithfulness to the Constitution and all the laws of our land and the hope of our Founders is the responsibility of us all to bring to our political discourse.

Bless us this day and every day. May all that is done be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. 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. Will the gentlewoman from Indiana (Mrs. WALORSKI) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. WALORSKI 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.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair will entertain up to five requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

### PRESIDENT'S BUDGET

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

Mr. CICILLINE. Madam Speaker, President Trump stood in this very Chamber last week promising that he would protect Medicare and Social Security, but like so many things with this administration, that empty promise didn't even last a week. In fact, when he sent his budget proposal to Congress on Monday, it cut more than \$1.6 trillion for Medicare, Medicaid, and other healthcare programs. It cut another \$24 billion from Social Security.

As the top 1 percent of wealthy corporations continue to benefit from the President's tax cut, he is now asking for you, the American people, to pay for it.

He likes to brag that the stock market is up and unemployment is down, but what he refuses to acknowledge is that the economy isn't working for most working folks.

Healthcare costs are rising as his administration sues to eliminate the ACA in its entirety. The cost of living is increasing as he tries to cut funding for affordable housing. And prescription drug prices continue to climb despite our passage of H.R. 3, which is collecting dust on MITCH MCCONNELL'S desk.

The President's budget is nothing more than assault on hardworking families just trying to keep a roof over

their heads and put food on their table. The American people deserve better.

House Democrats are going to continue passing legislation that actually gets government working for the people again, and the President and MITCH MCCONNELL should get off the sidelines and join us in this effort.

### ABORTED FETAL REMAINS BURIAL

(Mrs. WALORSKI asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. WALORSKI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the 2,411 unborn children whose remains were finally laid to rest with dignity yesterday in South Bend, Indiana.

These victims of Indiana's most prolific abortionist would be in their late teens now, graduating from high school and entering into college, but their innocent lives were cut short, and they were denied a proper burial. Instead, their remains sat for almost 2 years in a garage, a car trunk, in moldy boxes and Styrofoam coolers.

Such callous disregard for human life should shake us to the core. These children deserve justice and dignity.

To ensure this never happens again, the House must pass the Dignity for Aborted Children Act to build on Indiana's law, upheld by the Supreme Court, that requires dignified treatment of aborted fetal remains.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in observing a moment of silence for the thousands of innocent victims who were laid to rest yesterday.

### VICTIMS OF GUN VIOLENCE TO HOLD GUN TRAFFICKERS LIABLE

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

Mr. CASTEN of Illinois. Madam Speaker, 1 year ago Saturday, five people lost their lives and many more were

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