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Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, with you, to honor the heroes from the Aurora theater shooting in Colorado on July 20, 2012, and the everyday heroes who make sacrifices for their community, including those we have seen emerge from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Eight years ago today, 12 lives were taken, 70 were wounded, and hundreds more suffered emotional trauma. Yet, even in this tragedy, we saw incredible heroism that night—those who carried people to safety and cared for the gravely wounded.

We saw those who sacrificed themselves by shielding others, such as: Jonathan Blunk, John Larimer, Matt McQuinn, and Alex Teves. It is these four men who inspired you, Mr. Speaker, and me to introduce H. Res. 1051, to designate July 20 as National Heroes Day.

Today, we mourn JOHN LEWIS, another real national hero. During these trying times, everyday heroes have been particularly visible during the coronavirus pandemic where we have seen tremendous acts of selflessness and bravery.

Join me in saying thank you to the hero in your life, and let us exhibit their courage and service today and throughout the year.

PENNSYLVANIA DAY

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

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize July 20 as Pennsylvania Day.

Since the inception of our Nation, Pennsylvania has played a transformative role in United States history.

In our foundational years, Pennsylvania was the site of many important battles and military milestones, like the Battle of Valley Forge in the Revolutionary War and the Battle of Gettysburg during the Civil War.

Pennsylvania is home to a lot of firsts, including: our Nation's first capitol, Philadelphia; the American flag sewn by Betsy Ross; and the first commercial oil well, in my district, giving birth to the modern petroleum industry.

Pennsylvania has a proud history of American craftsmanship and work ethic, from our steel mills and coal mines to farmlands and forests.

I am encouraged each and every day by Pennsylvania's rich history, and I am grateful for our industrious residents who continue to build a bright future for the Commonwealth.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to call Pennsylvania my home, today and always.

BANNING BURN PITS

(Mr. RUIZ asked and was given permission to address the House for 1

minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. RUIZ. Mr. Speaker, in 2017, my constituent, Jennifer Kepner, passed away due to pancreatic cancer connected to her exposure to burn pits during her military service in Balad, Iraq.

In her honor and the countless veterans who are sick, permanently disabled, or who have died from illnesses due to exposure to burn pits, I introduced an amendment to the NDAA to prohibit Federal funding for the military use of toxic burn pits.

My amendment was not included, but it is imperative to acknowledge the serious health risks that open-air burn pits have on our troops, yet our military still uses them to dispose of waste on the battlefield.

The EPA's website has a brochure discouraging burning household trash, because burning waste releases dioxin and other pollutants to the air and at the ground level, where they are most readily inhaled. In addition, many counties across the Nation have banned open-air trash burning because of air pollutants that pose a risk to our health.

If we can't burn trash here at home because of the health effects, why do we keep exposing our servicemembers to dioxin and other toxins and carcinogens that are released by burn pits?

We must address reducing the use of burn pits in our military.

ADDITIONAL JOBS RESTORED

(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, as the world has been challenged over the past few months, we see success. As America recovers from the Wuhan virus pandemic, I am grateful to see job growth.

The June jobs report showed inspiring improvement. With 4.8 million jobs added, this job growth has exceeded expectations by nearly 2 million and shows the economy continues to recuperate.

In South Carolina, over 105,000 people have rejoined the workforce, and we now have over 2 million people employed in the Palmetto State. It is great to see the jobs return as small businesses work to fully recover for families.

America is resilient. I am confident, with President Donald Trump's business-savvy leadership and proven record of creating jobs, our citizens will come out of this stronger than ever.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September the 11th in the global war on terrorism.

Our sympathy to the family of Congressman JOHN LEWIS.

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PAYING TRIBUTE TO JOHN LEWIS

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

Mr. COHEN. Leader HOYER expressed, I think, everybody's feelings about JOHN LEWIS.

I lost a hero and a friend, a cohort in good trouble, and a colleague. It is said, when you come to the House, you sometimes walk with giants, rarely do you get to walk with a saint. JOHN LEWIS was a saint. He was heavenly. He embodied the spirit of Martin Luther King and Mahatma Gandhi. He exhibited that in his work, his life, his votes, his advice to his colleagues.

There is no good time to die, but JOHN LEWIS lit a fire that has turned into a tremendous blaze, and I am fortunate that I have been able to feel the warmth and share it with him.

RECOGNIZING DRIVE BY HEROES IN PEARLAND, TEXAS

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

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, over half the States in America have had a large spike in the COVID-19 pandemic crisis. Sadly, my own State of Texas has had one of the highest increases in the past week.

There are lots of factors why. Most blame is laid upon youngsters age 18 to 30 because they know they have a small chance of dying, so they don't really care about social distancing.

I spent about an hour last Thursday with three amazing Pearland High School students, twins Isaiah and Stephan Torres and Jasmine Saenz. These kids care with spider webs and bracelets of submission.

On their own, they set up a nonprofit called Drive By Heroes. They dress up as Spider Man and Wonder Woman, and they have kids out of school prod their parents to drop by to see their superheroes.

The price? Food supplies for victims of COVID-19. In less than 2 weeks, these three youngsters raised 1 ton of food for the Pearland Neighborhood Center.

So, people of Pearland, southeast Texas, if you want to meet a real superhero, go to Facebook and find out where they are, or invite them to come to your home. Enjoy the pride of Texans being Texans.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 6395, WILLIAM M. (MAC) THORNBERRY NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 7027, CHILD CARE IS ESSENTIAL ACT; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 7327, CHILD CARE FOR ECONOMIC RECOVERY ACT; AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF SENATE AMENDMENTS TO H.R. 1957, TAXPAYER FIRST ACT OF 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 1053 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 1053

Resolved, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 6395) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2021 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. In lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Armed Services now printed in the bill, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116-57 shall be considered as adopted. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, are waived. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill, as amended, and on any further amendment thereto, to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services; (2) the further amendments described in section 2 of this resolution; (2) the amendments en bloc described in section 3 of this resolution; and (4) one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

SEC. 2. After debate pursuant to the first section of this resolution, each further amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules not earlier considered as part of amendments en bloc pursuant to section 3 of this resolution shall be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, may be withdrawn by the proponent at any time before the question is put thereon, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question.

SEC. 3. It shall be in order at any time after debate pursuant to the first section of this resolution for the chair of the Committee on Armed Services or his designee to offer amendments en bloc consisting of further amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution not earlier disposed of. Amendments en bloc offered pursuant to this section shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 30 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services or their respective designees, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question.

SEC. 4. All points of order against the further amendments printed in the report of the

Committee on Rules or amendments en bloc described in section 3 of this resolution are waived.

SEC. 5. Upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 7027) making additional supplemental appropriations for disaster relief requirements for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. An amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116-58 shall be considered as adopted. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, are waived. Clause 2(e) of rule XXI shall not apply during consideration of the bill. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill, as amended, and on any further amendment thereto, to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided among and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations and the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and Labor; and (2) one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

SEC. 6. Upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 7327) making additional supplemental appropriations for disaster relief requirements for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. The bill shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill are waived. Clause 2(e) of rule XXI shall not apply during consideration of the bill. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and on any amendment thereto to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided among and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations and the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means; and (2) one motion to recommit.

SEC. 7. Upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to take from the Speaker's table the bill (H.R. 1957) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modernize and improve the Internal Revenue Service, and for other purposes, with the Senate amendments thereto, and to consider in the House, without intervention of any point of order, a single motion offered by the chair of the Committee on Natural Resources or his designee that the House concur in the Senate amendments. The Senate amendments and the motion shall be considered as read. The motion shall be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the motion to its adoption without intervening motion or demand for division of the question.

SEC. 8. House Resolution 967, agreed to May 15, 2020 (as amended by House Resolution 1017, agreed to June 25, 2020) is amended—

- (1) in section 4, by striking “July 31, 2020” and inserting “September 21, 2020”;
- (2) in section 11, by striking “legislative day of July 31, 2020” and inserting “calendar day of September 20, 2020”; and
- (3) in section 12, by striking “July 31, 2020” and inserting “September 21, 2020”.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Colorado is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gen-

tleman from Georgia (Mr. WOODALL), pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members be given 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Colorado?

There was no objection.

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, the Rules Committee met on Friday and reported a rule, House Resolution 1053, providing for consideration of H.R. 6395, known as the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021, under a structured rule which makes in order 407 amendments. The rule provides for en bloc authority with en blocs debated for 30 minutes each.

The rule also provides for consideration of this Senate amendment to H.R. 1957, the Great American Outdoors Act.

The rule further provides for consideration of H.R. 7027, the Child Care is Essential Act, and H.R. 7327, the Child Care for Economic Recovery Act, under closed rules.

Finally, the rule provides for suspension authority through September 20, 2020, and recess authority as well as same-day authority through September 21, 2020.

Mr. Speaker, I want to start by commending Chairman SMITH and Ranking Member THORNBERRY for their leadership and calming influence that they bring to the appropriately named Mac Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021. This will be the 60th consecutive year that Congress enacts this important legislation, and I think it is a direct testament to the hard work and collegiality of these two gentlemen.

The NDAA fulfills our constitutional obligation of protecting our Nation by providing our military the tools they need to provide for our national defense, confront terrorism, and defend our democratic values overseas.

The legislation also provides essential care for the backbone of America's fighting force, our servicemembers and their families. The bill includes a 3 percent pay raise for our servicemembers and makes key investments in military infrastructure.

The bill allows our military to maintain readiness, expand capabilities, and invest in the software and technologies required to secure our country.

Additionally, the COVID-19 pandemic has affected all of us, including our military. This NDAA would authorize funding to strengthen the DOD and the country's ability to respond to this and future pandemics by creating \$1 billion pandemic preparedness and resilience national security fund.

H.R. 6395 does all of this while abiding by the budget agreement from last