

a vote on a bill that will help our small business community.

But again, where is the Speaker? Why are we playing politics with small businesses? I don't get it.

Where is the Speaker? Where is this body on 43, 43 dead law enforcement officers, up a significant amount, almost 50 percent since last year?

I would say, as I said before, that bill that we got passed in June on a bipartisan basis, the PPP bill we passed in the spring, this is just my district alone, the district I represent, Texas 21: businesses supported, 18,400; nonprofits supported, 511; total jobs supported, 90,900; funding distributed, over \$600 million. That is one congressional district.

Let's do our job. Let's pass an extension of that.

Mr. Speaker, how much time do I have remaining?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Texas has 7 minutes remaining.

Mr. ROY. Mr. Speaker, I would like to use the time that I have remaining not lamenting some of my frustrations about the floor of the House but talking about why it matters. I would like to talk about this magnificent young lady, Rebekah Wendt.

I rise here tonight to remember Rebekah, who loved her country, a martyr who lost her life striving to do what we all came here to do: to make America better.

Rebekah is the granddaughter of Chuck and Judy Wendt, daughter of Tim and Erika Wendt, and sister of two of my staffers, one current and one former, Jonah and Manfred Haden Wendt.

On July 10, a little bit before midnight, I received a phone call from my aide, Jonah. He informed me that his sister, Rebekah, had just passed away in a car accident while working on a campaign in west Texas for a candidate she believed in to make a little extra money to buy textbooks for school.

Rebekah Susanna Wendt was born on May 12, 2000, to Tim and Erika Wendt. She was baptized on August 13 of 2000 and confirmed on May 17 of 2015 at St. Paul Lutheran in Fort Worth, Texas. She was a rising sophomore at Trinity University, which I am proud to represent.

On July 10, 2020, she was embraced at the pearly gates of heaven by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. She was greeted by those who had gone before her: Oma, Opa, Anita, Willard, and Jeff.

Rebekah's story is nothing of inspirational.

As a child, Rebekah struggled with language. Speaking, reading, and writing—putting her thoughts into written language—were difficult for Rebekah. Many thought she would never be able to read, but she overcame and flourished.

As a child, she was able to do what most adults today cannot even do: ask for help.

Rebekah had a wonderful gift for the fine arts. She danced and sang choir

with poise and self-confidence. Rebekah learned to work through her difficulties and blossomed into an aspiring architect and historian. She would eventually follow her big brothers to Trinity University.

Rebekah was a student of history and a lover of architecture. She loved to read about World War II, particularly the Battle of the Bulge.

I thank my friend, a veteran, for coming in and holding this for me just as I am talking about the sacrifices of our wonderful World War II generation.

As a self-described architecture geek, she worked hand in hand with her father to design their new home.

Having just finished her freshman year at Trinity University, Rebekah was just beginning to come into her own.

Her classmates at Trinity University remember her as a devoted Christian who lived out her faith every day: warm and enthusiastic, charmingly silly and unsure of herself, but brave and willing to ask for help. They will also remember her as a keenly aware friend.

Her family will forever remember her as the introvert who just needed a stage to perform on; the sister who was already planning out who would host Christmas, Easter, and Thanksgiving; an apologetic history buff who would blurt out a fact only to excuse herself for being a self-described nerd; an old soul who found comfort in "MASH," "Golden Girls," and anything vintage; a fighter who overcame the odds and never gave up on her dreams, with a smile that lit up rooms and a roaring laugh that the whole neighborhood knew.

Her mother, Erika, will fondly recall her daughter as her best friend, kitchen partner, an ally in all things gluten-free, and caretaker of her two brothers. They need some caretaking.

Her father, Tim, will never forget designing the family's new house with his beloved daughter. While Rebekah may have gone to Heaven, the family house will remain here on Earth as a testament to her love and devotion for her family.

Following Rebekah's service, a friend of the Wendt family noted that the funeral had reminded her of Matthew 25:21: "Well done, my good and faithful servant."

Well done, Rebekah. You have run the race. You have kept the faith.

Rebekah's story has touched the lives of many people who she didn't even know.

She passed away doing what I pledged to do when running for Congress: preserve the promise of America for our children and our grandchildren.

She didn't have to be out on a campaign knocking on doors during a virus and all the chaos of 2020, but she did. In fact, Rebekah was not particularly political, but she loved her country, and she was proud of our history and all who had come before her in the name of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

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She loved America; she loved her God; she loved Jesus Christ; and she loved her German Lutheran heritage. She will be remembered as a very good German who loved her God, her family, and her country.

She served as an inspiration to me and someone that I have honored, am honoring now, and will continue to honor as I serve not just in the United States Congress but the rest of my life.

Thank you, Rebekah. While your time on Earth has come to an end sooner than we all would have liked, your legacy will remain long after. You are an inspiration for many and will not soon be forgotten.

I thank my friend for his assistance. I thank Rebekah for her service. I thank her family for their love and support that they are offering to each other and everybody in the community.

I will just say this in closing. We all have these stories. We all have people we lose. I went through a battle with cancer. We are here to make this country better. We are here to represent the people of the United States. I would just ask that we come together and let's solve those problems. Let's roll up our sleeves and do our job. That is what we were elected to do. And let's stand up for America together.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

LETTER SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 4(b) OF HOUSE RESOLUTION 965, 116TH CONGRESS

COMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT AND REFORM

SEPTEMBER 14, 2020.

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

DEAR SPEAKER PELOSI: Pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 965, we are writing to inform you that the Committee on Oversight and Reform has met the requirements for conducting a business meeting outlined in regulation E.1 of the remote committee proceedings regulations, inserted into the Congressional Record on May 15, 2020, and that the Committee is prepared to conduct a remote meeting and permit remote participation.

In meeting these requirements, the Committee held a non-public business meeting rehearsal on Friday, September 11, 2020; public full Committee hearings with remote participation, including on Thursday, September 10, 2020; and public subcommittee hearings with remote participation, including on Monday, August 3, 2020.

Sincerely,

CAROLYN B. MALONEY, *Chairwoman,*
Committee on Oversight and Reform.

Wm. Lacy Clay, Eleanor Holmes Norton, Stephen F. Lynch, Jim Cooper, Raja Krishnamoorthi, Ro Khanna, Debbie Wasserman-Schultz, Peter Welch, Robin L. Kelly, Brenda L. Lawrence, Gerald E. Connolly, Jamie Raskin, Kweisi Mfume, John P. Sarbanes, Jackie Speier, Mark DeSaulnier, Stacy E. Plaskett, Jimmy Gomez, Ayanna Pressley, Katie Porter, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, Rashida Tlaib, *Members, Committee on Oversight and Reform.*

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 967, the House stands adjourned until 9 a.m. tomorrow for morning-hour debate and 10 a.m. for legislative business.

Thereupon (at 7 o'clock and 15 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, September 16, 2020, at 9 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS,
ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

5273. A letter from the Principal Deputy, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Department of Labor, transmitting the Department's final rule — Occupational Exposure to Beryllium and Beryllium Compounds in Construction and Shipyard Sectors [Docket No.: OSHA-H005C-2006-0870] (RIN: 1218-AD29) received September 8, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and Labor.

5274. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Standards of Care of Chimpanzees Held in the Federally Supported Sanctuary System [Docket No.: NIH-2019-0001] (RIN: 0925-AA66) received September 8, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5275. A letter from the Program Analyst, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Advanced Methods to Target and Eliminate Unlawful Robocalls; Alarm Industry Communications Committee Petition for Clarifications or Reconsideration; American Dental Association Petition for Clarification or Reconsideration [CG Docket No.: 17-59] received September 8, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

5276. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final methodology — Basic Health Program; Federal Funding Methodology for Program Year 2021 [CMS-2432-FN] (RIN: 0938-ZB56) received September 8, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Energy and Commerce.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON
PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. PALLONE: Committee on Energy and Commerce. H.R. 4447. A bill to establish an energy storage and microgrid grant and technical assistance program; with an amendment (Rept. 116-504, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GRIJALVA: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 895. A bill to allow tribal grant schools to participate in the Federal Employee Health Benefits program (Rept. 116-505, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

[Omitted from the Record of September 8, 2020]

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committees on House Administration, Oversight and Reform, and the Judiciary discharged from further consideration. H.R. 2694 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committees on Oversight and Reform and Energy and Commerce discharged from further consideration. H.R. 895 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology discharged from further consideration. H.R. 4447 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mrs. WAGNER:

H.R. 8251. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit preventing access to lifesaving medical procedures and treatments, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. GREEN of Texas (for himself and Mr. ROUDA):

H.R. 8252. A bill to require the Director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency to require each enterprise to include a military service question on the form known as the Uniform Residential Loan Application above the signature line of such application, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. BEYER (for himself and Mr. ROONEY of Florida):

H.R. 8253. A bill to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to require 30 percent of revenues from offshore wind energy to be deposited in the National Oceans and Coastal Security Fund, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. BLUMENAUER (for himself, Mr. SMITH of Missouri, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Mrs. RODGERS of Washington, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. WENSTRUP, and Ms. SHALALA):

H.R. 8254. A bill to establish a demonstration program to provide integrated care for Medicare beneficiaries with end-stage renal disease, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. BUTTERFIELD (for himself, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Ms. ADAMS, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina, Mr. TIMMONS, and Mr. WILSON of South Carolina):

H.R. 8255. A bill to clarify the status of gaming conducted by the Catawba Indian Nation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. CHENEY (for herself, Mr. GOSAR, Mr. LAMALFA, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. PERRY, Mr. STAUBER, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr. CRAWFORD, Mr. KEVIN HERN of Oklahoma, Mr. NEWHOUSE, Mr. WESTERMAN, and Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana):

H.R. 8256. A bill to amend the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 to provide a rule to determine venue for a proceeding for judicial review of certain agency actions; to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. KILDEE (for himself and Mr. BERGMAN):

H.R. 8257. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide to a member of the uniformed services who is denied a traumatic injury protection claim under Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance certain information related to that denial; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. LEVIN of California:

H.R. 8258. A bill to direct the Secretary of energy to conduct an advanced fuel cycle research, development, demonstration, and commercial application program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

By Mr. MEEKS (for himself, Mr. CONNOLLY, Mr. KEATING, Mr. COHEN, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. TRONE, Mr. DEUTCH, Mr. CICILLINE, Mr. HASTINGS, Mr. KINZINGER, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mrs. WAGNER, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. SUOZZI, and Mr. TED LIEU of California):

H.R. 8259. A bill to prohibit Russian participation in the G7, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. OLSON:

H.R. 8260. A bill to provide a payroll tax credit for best practices training expenses associated with protecting employees from COVID-19; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. RUIZ:

H.R. 8261. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for a presumption of service connection for certain diseases associated with exposure to toxins, including emissions from open burn pits, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, and Education and Labor, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. VELAZQUEZ (for herself and Ms. MOORE):

H.R. 8262. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to establish a grant program for infrastructure improvement projects at transportation access points to facilitate or increase the use of transportation facilities by individuals with limited mobility; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. WITTMAN (for himself and Ms. HAALAND):

H.R. 8263. A bill to ensure opportunities for Department of Defense participation in wildlife conservation banking programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. JUDY CHU of California (for herself, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mr. SHERMAN, Mrs. DAVIS of California, Mr. GRIJALVA, and Mr. RASKIN):

H. Res. 1109. A resolution recognizing the 40th anniversary of the founding of The Planetary Society; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.