

jobs in the U.S. every year. Unfortunately, our small businesses have been through the wringer this year. With coronavirus and overreaching government regulations, especially in States like California, now more than ever they are relying on us to help them through this difficult time.

If we want to get America's economy back on track to be the greatest in the world, it starts with support for our small businesses. They are the key to propelling America's prosperity forward.

RECOGNIZING AFFORDABLE INTERIOR SYSTEMS

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

Mr. MCGOVERN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Affordable Interior Systems, or AIS, of Leominster, Massachusetts, a company that normally manufactures office furniture, but which has organized volunteers from across the United States to create an amazing new initiative called Sew the Masks.

Like so many other patriotic Americans, when the AIS team began to see the terrible toll the coronavirus pandemic was inflicting on our country, they jumped into action. Affectionately drawing on the inspiration of World War II icon Rosie the Riveter, AIS leveraged their expertise and retrofitted a chair production line to produce high-quality, reusable masks.

Then they mobilized their own employees, as well as volunteers from across the country, affectionately known as Rosies, to sew high-quality reusable masks for first responders and other essential employees.

Madam Speaker, I find their dedication to helping their neighbors in the fight against COVID-19 nothing short of awe-inspiring, and I hope you will join me in recognizing the amazing work of AIS and their volunteers from across the country.

PRESIDENT TRUMP'S SUPREME COURT PICK

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

Ms. FOXX of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, Democrats love to throw around the term "constitutional crisis" to distract the American people from the facts.

Was it a constitutional crisis when 22 past Presidents made Supreme Court nominations in election years? We didn't hear Democrats harping then, but we sure do now.

Democrats believe that the vacancy on the Supreme Court is theirs for the taking, and they claim it would be illegal for President Trump to appoint a Justice this year. It is absurd to say that a duly-elected President fulfilling his constitutional duty is illegal.

Democrats aren't respecting the Constitution; they are using their distorted interpretation of it to justify attacking President Trump for simply doing his job. The seat must be filled without delay.

CONSIDERING JUSTICE GINSBURG'S REPLACEMENT BEFORE THE ELECTION

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

Mr. BUTTERFIELD. Madam Speaker, on Friday night, a great American, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, passed from labor to reward. Moments after her passing, the Senate Republican Leader announced that Republicans will confirm any name that President Trump will send over, whether it is before or after the election.

It was in February of 2016, 9 months before the election, that Justice Scalia unexpectedly passed away, and Senate Republicans announced they would wait until the election of the new President to consider the replacement. Because of this obstruction, President Obama was denied an opportunity to replace Justice Scalia. Republicans then took control and packed the Court with the confirmation of Justice Gorsuch.

And now this is 2016 in reverse. The Senate Republican Leader and LINDSEY GRAHAM are determined to confirm a replacement before the election. This is the height of hypocrisy. It places the integrity of our judiciary in a place where it should not be. We will not tolerate a second court packing. Do it at your peril.

A GREAT VICTORY FOR OUR FIRST RESPONDERS

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

Mr. ZELDIN. Madam Speaker, as early as today, the House will be voting to pass the Don't Break Up the T-Band Act, of which I am proud to be an original cosponsor.

This would mark a great victory for our first responders who use the T-Band spectrum and bravely and selflessly put their lives on the line each and every day to protect our communities.

From hurricanes to fires, the T-Band spectrum provides critical communication between first responders. Even when cell phones, internet, and electricity cease to function, T-Band is the last line of defense.

However, the T-Band spectrum is mandated to be sold. According to the GAO, this misguided sale and the relocation of users would actually cost taxpayers \$5 billion to \$6 billion.

Thankfully, this bipartisan legislation would preserve the spectrum, and help ensure our first responders have the resources to do their jobs safely and effectively.

I urge the Senate to follow suit and move forward on this vital bill.

TRIBUTE TO TEGAN ROOBOL

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

Ms. SLOTKIN. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor Tegan Roobol of Howell, Michigan.

Ms. Roobol has dedicated her career to helping others overcome obstacles. As a physical therapist who works with children with disabilities and those who have suffered traumatic injuries through the Livingston Educational Service Agency, Ms. Roobol has helped hundreds of children learn to walk, master basic motor skills, and gain independence.

Recently, the inspiring mother of two had the chance to try out some obstacles of her own when she competed on the popular TV series "American Ninja Warrior."

Frustrated with the lack of recreation opportunities for those with disabilities, she developed a unique, adaptive ninja warrior program for children with special needs, and founded a non-profit organization to reach even more kids.

Roobol has worked to overcome the obstacles of the stigma around mental illness, and bravely shared her own battle with depression in a book she authored.

Regardless of what happens on the obstacle course, Ms. Roobol is a real-life warrior, fighting to make a difference for some of the most vulnerable members of our community.

RECOGNIZING WORLD WAR II VETERAN GEORGE BEAM

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

Mr. MCKINLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor George Beam of Fort Ashby, West Virginia, who will be celebrating his 100th birthday next month.

George Beam's life is one of exemplary service to his community and his country. During the height of World War II, he enlisted and served in the United States Army, leaving behind his wife and newborn baby. Mr. Beam sensed the call of duty and he knew serving his country was the right thing to do.

For his service, he received numerous recognitions, including a Purple Heart for his injury at the infamous Battle of the Bulge.

After the war, Beam returned home to West Virginia where he operated several businesses in Fort Ashby.

George Beam, we wish you a happy 100th birthday. You truly are a great American.