Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 6, 2021, at 4 p.m.

House of Representatives

TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2021

The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. WEXTON).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC, May 4, 2021.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JENNIFER WEXTON to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NANCY PELOSI, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

O Lord, our rock, we take refuge in You this morning. Receive us in the shelter of Your presence. In all that we bring to this moment, may we know of the sanctuary You provide for usdaily.

O Lord, our fortress, protect our lawmakers from all peril. May they know that Your right hand supports them and Your strength covers them. Be their stronghold to truth, fairness, and justice in their dealings and with each other.

O Lord, our deliverer, our foes are too strong for us; their confrontations seek to consume us. In these moments, may we call on You and rely not on our own efforts, for we can do nothing without Your salvation.

Deal with each of us according to Your righteousness. Give us Your favor and purify our hearts.

May our lives this day proclaim our love for You, our strength and our shield. It is in Your most holy name we pray.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 11(a) of House Resolution 188, the Journal of the last day’s proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Communion from the Clerk of the House


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

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on May 3, 2021, at 1:13 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 321.

Appointments:

Senate Trustee to the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation.

Members to serve on the Congressional-Executive Commission on the People’s Republic of China.

Member of the Commission on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

CHERYL L. JOHNSON, Clerk.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Cheryl L. Johnson, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was therupon signed by the Speaker pro tempore, Mr. BROWN, on Friday, April 30, 2021:

H.R. 2630, to amend the Temporary Reauthorization and Study of the Emergency Scheduling of Fentanyl Analogues Act to extend until October 2021, a temporary order for fentanyl-related substances.
Transportation, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Airworthiness Directives; ATR-GIE Avions de Transport Régional Airplanes [Docket No.: FAA-2020-0972; Final Rule, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Organizations Procurement Organizations Conditions; Revisions to the Outcome Measure Requirements for Organ Procurement Organizations; Public Comment Period; Delay of Effective Date [CMS-3380-F2] (RIN: 0938-A029) received April 21, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

EC-1026. A letter from the Regulation Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department’s final rule — Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Organization Procurement Organizations Conditions; Revisions to the Outcome Measure Requirements for Organ Procurement Organizations; Public Comment Period; Delay of Effective Date [CMS-3380-F2] (RIN: 0938-A029) received April 21, 2021, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

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. SCOTT of Virginia: Committee on Education and Labor. H.R. 1065. A bill to eliminate discrimination and promote women’s health and economic security by ensuring reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of their jobs are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition; with an amendment (Rept. 117-27, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committees on House Administration, Oversight and Reform, and the Judiciary discharged from further consideration, H.R. 1065 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. McBATH (for herself, Ms. Moore of Wisconsin, and Mr. Smucker):
H.R. 2953. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow penalty-free withdrawals from retirement plans for domestic abuse victims; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Neal (for himself and Mr. Brady):
H.R. 2954. A bill to increase retirement savings, simplify and clarify retirement plan rules, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Financial Services, and Education and Labor, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

By Mr. Stewart (for himself and Ms. Brownley):
H.R. 2955. A bill to author a pilot program to expand and intensify surveillance of self-harm in partnership with State and local public health departments, to establish a grant program to provide self-harm and suicide prevention services in hospital emergency departments, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. Tonko (for himself, Mr. Delgado, and Ms. Stefanik):
H.R. 2956. A bill to establish safety standards for certain limousines, and for other purposes; to the Committees on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. Tonko (for himself, Mr. Delgado, and Ms. Stefanik):
H.R. 2957. A bill to direct the Secretary of Transportation to award grants to States that have enacted and are enforcing certain laws with respect to stretch limousines, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. Delgado (for himself, Mr. Tonko, and Ms. Stefanik):
H.R. 2958. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to modify the definition of commercial motor vehicle, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mrs. Axne:
H.R. 2959. A bill to establish the Consumer and Investor Fraud Working Group to help protect consumers and investors from fraud during the COVID-19 pandemic, to assist consumers and investors who have fallen victim to such fraud, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. Bacon:
H.R. 2960. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide an exception for certain qualified retired law enforcement officers to carry a concealed firearm, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. Baird (for himself and Mr. Lucas):
H.R. 2961. A bill to provide for advanced biologicl and environmental research and development capabilities and infrastructure at the Department of Energy and for other purposes; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

By Mrs. Boebert (for herself, Mr. Perry, Mr. Gosar, and Mr. Grothمست):
H.R. 2962. A bill to require funds provided for COVID relief that have not been obligated for purposes of infrastructure development, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 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. Brownley:
H.R. 2963. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the work opportunity credit for hiring veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. BucK:
H.R. 2964. A bill to codify the denial of export privileges and related provisions under title 15, Code of Federal Regulations; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. Carbajal (for himself and Mr. LaMalfa):
H.R. 2965. A bill to require the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to establish a grant program to provide amounts to eligible entities for costs associated with the establishment and operation of a safe parking program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. Carter of Texas:
H.R. 2966. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make employers of spouses of military personnel eligible for the work opportunity credit; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. Case (for himself, Mr. Young, Mr. Bria, and Mr. Sherman):
H.R. 2967. A bill to establish a comprehensive, long-term United States strategy and policy for the Pacific Islands, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Natural Resources, 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. Connolly (for himself and Mr. Turner):
H.R. 2968. A bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to include service as a veteran family caregiver as a public service job for purposes of the public service loan forgiveness program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. Costa (for himself, Mr. Perlmutter, Mr. Tiffani, Mr. Grootman, Ms. Spanberger, Mr. Jordan, Ms. Craig, Mr. Emmer, Mr. Ryan, Ms. Omar, Mr. Fitzpatrick, and Mr. Young):
H.R. 2969. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into national cemeteries agreements with parties to executed contracts; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. Crawford (for himself, Mr. Gimenez, Mr. Mast, Mr. Nebals, Mr. Perry, and Mr. Rouzer):
H.R. 2970. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to remove the lifetime exemption from the prohibition on procurement of rolling stock from certain vehicle manufacturers for parties to executed contracts; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. Crist (for himself, Mr. Rutherford, and Mrs. Deshmukh):
H.R. 2971. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require an alien lawfully admitted to the United States under a non-immigrant visa to obtain the approval of the Attorney General before receiving a firearm, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. DeGette (for herself and Mr. Johnson of Ohio):
H.R. 2972. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to cover physician services that are delivered by telemedicine; to ensure access by Medicaid beneficiaries to appropriate quality foot and ankle care, to amend title XVIII of such Act to modify the requirements for diabetic shoes to be included under Medicare, 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 Ms. Delauro (for herself, Mr. Bilirakis, Mrs. Hayes, Mr. Cooper, Ms. Norton, Mr. Scozzie, Mr. Rutherford, and Ms. Jahner):
H.R. 2973. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the health...
and well-being of maltreated infants and toddlers through the implementation of infant-toddler court teams within States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. DELGADO (for himself, Mrs. RODGERS of Washington, Mr. BEYER, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mr. PAPA, and Mr. RAICON): H.R. 2974. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make employers of spouses of military personnel eligible for the work opportunity credit; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. DINGELL: H.R. 2975. A bill to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to modify the definition of water heater under energy conservation standards, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. DOGGETT (for himself, Mr. COHEN, Mr. COOPER, Mr. GARCIA of Illinois, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. KHANNA, Mr. MCGOVERN, Mr. NOONLEY, and Ms. SCHAKOWSKY): H.R. 2976. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the rules relating to employer contributions; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. FERGUSON: H.R. 2977. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude gain from the sale or exchange of the entire interest in a wholly-owned rural incumbent local exchange carrier, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. FITZGERALD: H.R. 2978. A bill to require a report regarding the scope of efforts by the People’s Republic of China and Chinese Communist Party to utilize the Belt and Road Initiative to undermine the United States-led international order and a detailed strategy regarding how the United States Government intends to counter such initiatives, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. GARAMENDI (for himself and Mr. NEWHOUSE): H.R. 2979. A bill to amend the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 with respect to the final maturity date of certain loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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. JACOBS: H.R. 2980. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide for the remediation of cybersecurity vulnerabilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Mr. KATKO (for himself, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, and Mr. BEYER): H.R. 2981. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize the development of high-capacity service through the Suicide Prevention Lifeline, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. KIM of New Jersey (for himself, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Ms. KUSTER, Mr. KELLY of Mississippi, and Mr. RYAN): H.R. 2982. A bill to amend title 32, United States Code, to authorize cybersecurity operations and missions to protect critical infrastructure by members of the National Guard in connection with their state or other duty; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. KINZINGER (for himself and Mrs. MURPHY of Florida): H.R. 2983. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow the deduction for interest paid on student loans without reduc-
each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. SCOTT of Virginia (for himself, Mr. WILD, and Mrs. Lieu of Nevada).  
H.R. 2993. A bill to award grants for the recruitment, retention, and advancement of direct care workers; to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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. PANETTA (for himself, Mr. MOLULTON, Mr. CARBAJAL, Mr. CROW, Mr. PHILLIPS, and Mr. KAHELE).  
H.R. 2994. A bill to build on America’s spirit of service to nurture, promote, and expand a culture of service to secure the Nation’s future, address critical needs of the Nation, and strengthen the civic fabric of American society; to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committees on Armed Services, Foreign Affairs, Agriculture, Natural Resources, Ways and Means, Oversight and Reform, Veterans’ Affairs, Homeland Security, Intelligence (Permanent Select), House Administration, the Judiciary, and Commerce, 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. SMITH of New Jersey (for himself, Ms. LOPFREN, Mr. LOWENTHAL, Mrs. KIM of California, Mrs. STEXL, Mr. ZEBUG, and Mr. COBURN).  
H.R. 3001. A bill to advance United States national interests by prioritizing the protection of and recognition for human rights and development of the rule of law in relations between the United States and Vietnam, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, 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. TORRES of New York:  
H.R. 3002. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend the prohibition against discrimination on the basis of sex recognized by the Equal Rights Amendment to the United States Constitution; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. WALBERG (for himself, Mr. ROUCKER, and Mr. BALIEN).  
H.R. 3006. A bill to amend the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act to create a demonstration program to issue high-quality credentials; to the Committee on Education and Labor, 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. CARBAJAL (for himself, Mr. BUCK, Mr. MURPHY of Texas, and Mr. JAY RODGERS).  
H.R. 3008. A bill to promote national, regional, and international economic and social development; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Ms. BROWNLEY:  
H.R. 3013. A bill to direct the Assistant Secretary for Communications and Information to take certain actions to enhance the representation of the United States and promote United States leadership in communications standards-setting bodies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, 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. WILSON of Florida:  
H.R. 3004. A bill to amend the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act to create a pilot program to award grants to units of general local government and community-based organizations to create jobs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Ms. CASTOR of Florida (for herself, Mr. WOSMACK, Mr. TURNER, Mr. TIRMAN, Mr. ORR, Mr. APPAS, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. BOST, Mr. SARLAN, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. CARSON, Mr. EVANS, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. MOUTON, Mr. LAWSON of Florida, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania, Mr. FUSEY, Mr. GARCIA of California, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. SCHRADE, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. AMODEI, Mr. ZELDIN, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, Mr. UPTON, Mr. GOBAR, Mr. KELLY of Pennsylvania, Mrs. BUSTOS, Mr. GIBBS, Mr. MASSIE, Mr. VICENTE GONZALEZ of Texas, Mr. GROTHEM, Mr. FOX, Mr. WITTMAN, Mr. MILLIKEN, Mr. CIRILLES, Mr. ROUZER, Mr. BACON, Mr. WALBERG, Mr. GHANGER, Mr. COSTA, Mr. LATTA, Mr. MCINERNY, Mr. EMMER, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. BANKS, Mr. NUNES, Ms. KUSTER, Mr. PHILLIPS, Mr. BROOKS, Mr. KELLER, Mr. KIND, Mr. REED of Ohio, Mrs. BEATTY, Mr. CRAWFORD, Mr. VAN DEW, Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. KIM of New Jersey, Mr. MSUSA, Mr. WESTERMAN, Mr. BALDERSON, Mr. MALINSKI, Mr. RUSH, Mr. KINZINGER, Mr. COLE, Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio, Mr. PALAZZO, Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina, Mr. HILL, Mr. MULLIN, Mrs. DINGELL, and Mr. RODNEY DUNGAN of Illinois).  
H. Con. Res. 33. Concurrent resolution supporting the Local Radio Freedom Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. B. PAULLAT.  
H. Res. 367. A resolution honoring the life and career of Johnny Pacheco, a groundbreaking musical artist whose pioneering approach to music inspired generations and made him one of the most internationally renowned artists in Latin music; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. GRJALVA (for himself, Mr. NOTSTON, Mr. KILMER, Mr. GALLUGO, Mr. HORSFORD, Mr. LEE of California, Mr. SANCHEZ, Mr. MCCOLLUM, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. SOTO, Mrs. LEGER FERNANDEZ, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Mr. FOSCON, and Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas).  
H. Res. 368. A resolution expressing support for the designation of May 5, 2021, as the “National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls”; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. NEWHOUSE (for himself, Mr. ARMSTRONG, Ms. DELBENE, Mr. JOYCE of Ohio, Mr. RENDON, Mr. HERRELL, Mr. COLE, Mrs. HINSON, and Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota).  
H. Res. 369. A resolution expressing support for the designation of May 5, 2021, as the “National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Native Women and Girls”; the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. NORTON.  
H. Res. 370. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives supporting the Federal workforce; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

MEMORIALS

Under clause 3 of rule XII.

ML-20. The SPEAKER presented a memorial of the Legislature of the State of North Dakota, relative to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 890, clarifying the 1973 ratification by the 44th Legislative Assembly of the proposed 1972 Equal Rights Amendment to the Constitution of the United States was validly ratified March 22, 1972, which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

Pursuant to clause 7 of rule XII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the following statements are submitted regarding the specific powers granted to Congress to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution.

By Mrs. McBATH:  
H. Res. 2954. A resolution to grant the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8, Clause 3

By Mr. NEAL:  
H. Res. 2954. A resolution to grant the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8, Clause 3

By Mr. TONKO:  
H. Res. 2956. A resolution to grant the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8, Clause 7

By Mr. TONKO:  
H. Res. 2957. A resolution to grant the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8, Clause 7

By Mr. DELGADO:  
H. Res. 2958. A resolution to grant the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Clause 18 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution

By Mrs. AXNE:  
H. Res. 2959. A resolution to grant the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. BACON:  
H. Res. 2960. A resolution to grant the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Clause 18 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution

By Mr. BAIRD:  
H. Res. 2961. A resolution to grant the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
U.S. Constitution, Article I, Section 8, Clause 18

The Congress shall have Power . . . To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Offi cer thereof.’’

By Mrs. BOEBERT:  
H. Res. 2962. A resolution to grant the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8

By Ms. BROWNLEY:  
H. Res. 2963. A resolution to grant the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Amendment XVI of the U.S. Constitution

By Mr. BUCK:  
H. Res. 2964. A resolution to grant the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. CARBAJAL:  
H. Res. 2965. A resolution to grant the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8

By Mr. CARTER of Texas:  
H. Res. 2966.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article One Section Eight of the U.S. Constitution

By Mr. CASE:
H.R. 2967.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. CONNOLLY:
H.R. 2968.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18: To make all Laws, which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Mr. COSTA:
H.R. 2969.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The constitutional authority under which this bill rests is the power of Congress to make rules for the government and regulation of the land and naval forces, as enumerated in Article I, Section 8, Clause 14 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. CRAWFORD:
H.R. 2970.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Congress—U.S. Constitution Article I, Section 8

By Mr. CRIST:
H.R. 2971.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

By Ms. DeGETTE:
H.R. 2972.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 3

By Ms. DeLAURO:
H.R. 2973.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I of the United States Constitution and its subsequent amendments, and further clarified and interpreted by the Supreme Court of the United States.

By Mr. DELGADO:
H.R. 2974.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution

By Mrs. DINGELL:
H.R. 2975.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The constitutional authority of Congress to enact this legislation is provided by Article I, section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. DOGGETT:
H.R. 2976.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article I of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. FERGUSON:
H.R. 2977.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. FITZGERALD:
H.R. 2978.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 18 of section 8 of article I of the Constitution.

By Mr. GARAMendi:
H.R. 2979.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clauses 5 and 18 of the U.S. Constitution

By Ms. JACKSON LEE:
H.R. 2980.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

This bill is enacted pursuant to the power granted to Congress under Article I, Section 8, Clauses 1, 10, 11, 12, and 18 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. KATKO:
H.R. 2981.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article 1 of the Constitution

By Mr. KIM of New Jersey:
H.R. 2982.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

By Mr. KINZINGER:
H.R. 2983.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 18 (Necessary and Proper Clause)

By Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHI:
H.R. 2984.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 1

The Congress shall have the power to . . . provide for the . . . general welfare of the United States.

By Mr. LAMB:
H.R. 2985.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution

By Mrs. LEE of Nevada:
H.R. 2986.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, clause 1 provides Congress with the power to “lay and collect Taxes, Duties, Imposts and Excises” in order to “provide for the . . . general Welfare of the United States.”

By Mrs. LURIA:
H.R. 2987.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Clause 5 of Section 8 of Article 1 of the Constitution

By Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York:
H.R. 2988.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the Constitution of the United States grants Congress the power to enact this law.

By Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York:
H.R. 2989.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. MCHENRY:
H.R. 2990.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. McPAPPAS:
H.R. 2991.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

The Congress enact this bill pursuant to Article I, Section 8, Clause 7 and Article I, Section 8, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. PASCRELL:
H.R. 2992.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution.

By Mr. ROCAN:
H.R. 2993.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

By Ms. PORTER:
H.R. 2994.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8 of the United States Constitution

By Miss RICE of New York:
H.R. 2995.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. ROY:
H.R. 2996.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18 of the United States Constitution to make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or any Department or Officer thereof.

By Mr. RUSH:
H.R. 2997.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. RUSH:
H.R. 2998.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. SCOTT of Virginia:
H.R. 2999.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. PANETTA:
H.R. 3000.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8, Clause 18

By Mr. SMITH of New Jersey:
H.R. 3001.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I Section 8 of the US Constitution

By Mr. TORRES of New York:
H.R. 3002.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

By Mr. WALBERG:
H.R. 3003.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8, Clause 3 states that Congress shall have the power to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian tribes.

By Ms. WILSON of Florida:
H.R. 3004.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article I, Section 8

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:
PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 3 of rule XII, petitions and papers were laid on the clerk's desk and referred as follows:

PT-20. The SPEAKER presented a petition of the City and County of San Francisco, California, relative to Resolution No.: 87-21, supporting the United States Senate Bill 4865, introduced on October 26, 2020, by United States Senator SHERROD BROWN (D-OH), which would increase funding for the federal full-service Community School Program from its current level of $30 million to $1 billion per year by fiscal year 2025, as well as add a grant program for states, enhance technical assistance, and promote best practices in Community Schools; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor.

PT-21. Also, a petition of the City and County of San Francisco, California, relative to Resolution No. 100-21, urging the United States Congress to introduce and pass a Resolution calling for peace and respect for human rights in Tigray; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

PT-22. Also, a petition of the City of Miami, Florida, relative to Resolution R-21-0077, urging President Joseph R. Biden, Jr., the leaders of the 117th Congress of the United States, the Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States Senate, Governor DeSantis, the Speaker of the Florida House, the President of the Florida Senate, and all Mayors of the United States Conference of Mayors to encourage all federal agencies to do everything in their power to bring to justice all of those responsible for the shooting down of the Brothers to the Rescue civilian aircraft on February 24, 1996; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

PT-23. Also, a petition of Derek Schmidt, Attorney General of Kansas, Topeka, Kansas, relative to a letter sent in regards to H.R. 1; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration.

PT-24. Also, a petition of the City and County of San Francisco, California, relative to Resolution No. 117-21, urging the United States Congress to support the Appointment of a National Director of Gun Violence Prevention, and the creation of an Interagency Task Force on Gun Violence Protection; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PT-25. Also, a petition of the Town Commission of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea, Florida, relative to Resolution No. 2021-14, urging the Florida Legislature and the Florida Governor to oppose legislative changes prohibiting the local regulation of vacation rentals; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

PT-26. Also, a petition of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relative to Resolution No. 2021-30, urging the United States Congress to enact the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act; which was referred jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means, Energy and Commerce, and Foreign Affairs.
**EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS**

**HONORING THE REMARKABLE LIFE OF PASTOR PHILLIP AQUILLA BROOKS, II**

**HON. BRENDA L. LAWRENCE**
**OF MICHIGAN**
**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**
**Tuesday, May 4, 2021**

Mrs. LAWRENCE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the remarkable life of Pastor Phillip Aquilla Brooks, II, a man who dedicated his life to public service and to his church community for nearly seven decades.

Pastor Brooks was born on December 21, 1931, after his older brothers, Jesse and Cecil, and followed by his little sister, Barbara Jean. In 1949, he moved from Chicago, Illinois, to Detroit, Michigan, to pursue his religious calling and after meeting the love of his life. Phillip Brooks married Doris Brooks on February 2, 1952, and they enjoyed an astounding 68 years of marriage. With his wife and mother-in-law, Pastor Brooks established the New St. Paul Tabernacle Church Of God In Christ in Detroit, which he would go on to lead for 66 incredible years.

Under Pastor Brooks’ guiding hand, the New St. Paul Tabernacle Church Of God In Christ grew in both membership and expanded its evangelical reach. Pastor Brooks purchased the church’s first building in April 1969. He later established the March of Faith Telecast and Radio Ministry, which operated for more than four decades, and ministered to millions across the nation in homes, hospital rooms, and prisons. Adding to an already impressive career of service, Pastor Brooks was consecrated Jurisdictional Prelate of the Northeast Michigan Jurisdiction in 1975 following a recommendation by his mentor, the late Pastor C.J. Johnson, Sr. He served 45 years as jurisdictional Prelate—the longest serving Pastor in both the Northeast Michigan Jurisdiction and in the history of the Church of God in Christ in Michigan. In 1984, Pastor Brooks was once again recognized for his service and elected to the General Board of the Presidium of the Church of God in Christ, where he served for 36 years. His tenure on the Presidium was the longest of any Board Member, past or present, and he held multiple leadership positions with grace.

Pastor Brooks’ service did not end at the Michigan border. He spearheaded and assisted in raising funds for people affected by the 9/11 World Trade Center terrorist attack in New York and Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans. Additionally, he also established the nation’s first Blue Cross/Blue Shield Program for local pastors, which created the first life insurance programs for local pastors and their spouses. Pastor Brooks was also the first African-American pastor to broadcast on television in Detroit, Michigan—a broadcast that aired on WGPR 62, the first Black-owned television station in the country.

Pastor Brooks will be sorely missed, but his decades of service in the Church of God in Christ in Michigan will never be forgotten.

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**HONORING NATASHA LEWIS**

**HON. JOHN JOYCE**
**OF PENNSYLVANIA**
**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**
**Tuesday, May 4, 2021**

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mayor Richard “Dick” Starliper for his outstanding service to the Waynesboro community.

For decades, Mayor Starliper has demonstrated his dedication to the people of Waynesboro. Currently, he is serving in his 16th year in office. Prior to his tenure as Mayor, he served as a Waynesboro Borough Councilman for 14 years. During this time, worked to promote small businesses, expand Waynesboro’s historic downtown, cut taxes, and ensure the safety of Waynesboro residents.

In addition to his official duties, Mayor Starliper is an active participant in the...
Waynesboro community and other civic organizations. He is a member of the Greater Waynesboro Chamber of Commerce, the Waynesboro Beneficial Fund, the Pennsylvania State Mayors Association, and the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs, as well as the president of the Bums Hill Cemetery Association. Mayor Starliper also founded the Franklin County Mayor’s Association, which encourages communication between county leaders.

Mayor Starliper is an incredible asset to the Waynesboro community. His steadfast dedication to our community has made Waynesboro a better place to live, work, and raise a family. It is my privilege to serve the people of Waynesboro alongside Mayor Starliper, and I wish him continued success in this vital work.

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QUINNIE MOFFAT
HON. ED PERLMUTTER
OF COLORADO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Quinne Moffat for earning the “Best in Show” Award and third place recognition for her creative and unique drawing as part of the 2021 Congressional Art Competition.

As a first-time participant in the art show and a student at Golden Senior High School, Quinne created a work of art entitled, “Adoration”. This artwork used oil paint and is a hyperrealistic oil painting of man looking down at his son who is wrapped in a knitted purple blanket.

Quinne spent countless hours and used numerous tools to learn new techniques and refine her drawing skills and education in the arts. I appreciate her participation in the competition and the support provided by her teacher at Golden Senior High School.

Congratulations to Quinne Moffat for her hard work and participation in the 2021 Congressional Art Competition. I am certain she will exhibit the same dedication and character in her future accomplishments, and I wish her the best of luck going forward.

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HONORING LAURIE SCHIPPER AS IOWAN OF THE WEEK
HON. CYNTHIA AXNE
OF IOWA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Mrs. AXNE. Madam Speaker, as Women’s History Month comes to an end, I rise today to recognize a strong woman who is a pillar of our community. Laurie Schipper is retiring from her position at Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence. She was nominated by her coworkers because of the significant impact on their lives as a mentor and supervisor and has changed the lives of many Iowans and survivors of domestic violence.

Laurie Schipper joined the Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence (ICADV) in 1993 as its only staff person. Much has changed since 1993 and in the following 28 years, Laurie has changed her community, ICADV, and the state for the better. ICADV is now in strong hands with a diverse multigenerational staff of 12.

Laurie received her Bachelor of Science in Social Work degree in 1985 from Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa. Laurie has worked within the Battered Women’s Movement for nearly 40 years, prior to Ms. Schipper’s work with the Coalition, Iowa was home to a battered women’s shelter and rape crisis center in Ames, Iowa for 10 years. Over the years Laurie provided technical assistance and training to domestic violence advocates and other professionals who interface with battered women and their children, served on the Iowa STOP Violence Against Women State Coordinating Council, participated in national training and curriculum development, and consulted on public policy as it relates to domestic violence.

In thirty years of work, Laurie strengthened our domestic violence laws and protections, regionalized the state service delivery network, and made Iowa a national leader in responding to survivors’ economic and housing needs. Laurie’s leadership style at ICADV was one in which she surrounded herself with brilliant people and did her best to both challenge and support them and always had their backs when the going got tough. Ms. Schipper empowered and inspired the people around her to be the best of themselves.

It is clear from the praise Laurie has received from her parents and coworkers that her hard work with Iowa Coalition Against Domestic Violence will continue long past her tenure with the organization, which is why I am proud to name her Iowaan of the Week. Please join me in congratulating Laurie Schipper for her 40 years of service to our community.

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HONORING THE SERVICE OF STEWART GREGG, SENIOR COUNSEL TO ALLIANZ LIFE UPON HIS RETIREMENT
HON. DEAN PHILLIPS
OF MINNESOTA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Mr. PHILLIPS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize the retirement of Stewart Gregg, Senior Securities Counsel at the Allianz Life family.

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Stewart has achieved recognition as a leading expert on U.S. federal securities laws and has represented Allianz Life Insurance Company of North America following a legal career of almost 35 years including the last 20 with Allianz. Allianz Life, which is headquartered in Golden Valley, Minnesota, is one of the largest writers of annuities in the United States. Mr. Gregg is currently the company’s leading attorney specializing in variable insurance products and has in the past led the General Counsel’s team for all of the firm’s securities business, focusing on the development of annuity products which offer lifetime protection for individuals and couples who seek to ensure that they can both enjoy their retirement years, and leave something to their heirs upon their passing.

Stewart has achieved recognition as a leading expert on U.S. federal securities laws and has represented Allianz Life as a witness before the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, and individual state insurance departments across the country. His knowledge and passion to do that which is right for Allianz Life’s clients and to protect their needs deserves praise as does the education that he provided to regulators on complicated issues, which greatly helped them successfully understand and regulate annuities.

A graduate of the University of Iowa, Mr. Gregg received his Juris Doctorate from the University of South Dakota and his Masters of Law in Finance and Economics from New York University. Early in his career he spent two years working at the General Counsel’s office of the Securities and Exchange Commission where he provided legal counsel on more than 170 enforcement cases.

Stewart and his wife, Kristine, live in Minneapolis and have two adult children, Chamberlin and Ada. He is an avid gardener and household chef who is also a wine connoisseur and coin collector. Stewart is also doing his part to support the newspaper industry as he reads at least three papers a day and is an expert on any range of subjects that emanate from his prodigious memory.

Stewart’s friends and colleagues say that his kindness comes across in all aspects of his life, especially in mentoring younger attorneys and other professionals within the Allianz Life family.

I ask that the Congress praise Stewart Gregg for his professional and personal contributions and for his previous government service. Both he and Kristine enjoy traveling and in the future, I hope that Church Connect brings with it good health and happiness that would make more adventures possible.

HONORING DELANCY ANDERSON
HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON
OF MISSISSIPPI
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a tenacious and ambitious young woman, Ms. Delancy Anderson. Delancy has shown what can be done through hard work, dedication, and a desire to achieve her goals.

Yazoo City, Mississippi native, Delancy Anderson is a pre-veterinary medicine major who has been on the President’s List every semester. She is also a Dean’s ACT Scholarship recipient, Cheerleading Scholarship recipient, Freshman Cheer Award recipient and winner of the Scholar Athlete Award for 2019-2020. Anderson was voted a Class Favorite as both a freshman and a sophomore. She is active on campus as a cheerleader, Phi Theta Kappa member, MOSAIC member and Baptist Student Union member. Anderson is also part of Ebenezer Baptist Church Connect.

Her plans upon graduating from Holmes Community College are to transfer to Mississippi State University to complete her undergraduate studies in pre-veterinary medicine. Anderson plans to apply to MSU’s Doctor of Veterinary Medicine program with the hopes of being selected as 1 of the 31 students accepted. To ensure she has chosen the right field for her, Anderson has shadowed her local veterinarians in Yazoo City and Flora, Mississippi.

In the community involvement/service includes: Deep South Cheer Competition staff, MOSAIC Student Support Services tutor, math and chemistry tutor/work-study, Holmes Cheer Stunt Clinic staff, Special Olympics staff, Major
Experience volunteer, Freshman Friday volunteer and volunteering for the Goodman Tobacco Free Coalition—College Chapter.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Ms. Delancy Anderson for her passion and dedication for success and desire to make a difference in the community.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE AND COMMEMORATING THE PASSING OF FORMER CONGRESSMAN CARLOS ROMERO BARCELÓ

HON. JENNIFER GONZALEZ-COLÓN
OF PUERTO RICO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Miss GONZALEZ-COLÓN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the life of a former member of this House who defined an epoch in Puerto Rican Politics.

On Sunday May 2nd, Carlos Romero Barceló died, ending an outstanding career in Puerto Rico's political environment, as Mayor of San Juan, Governor, State Senator, and Resident Commissioner, and even after leaving elected office as an active leader in his party and in the cause of Puerto Rican Statehood to his very last days. He was one of the figures that marked indelibly the last 50 years of our political scene.

In his younger years he was part of a group of leaders who saw the need for a vision of the cause of equality of rights for the American citizens of Puerto Rico. He, a Democrat, joined Luis Ferré, a Republican, to refocus the statehood movement towards bringing an answer to the needs of the people for prosperity and security and affirmation of their rights.

In was this group that after many decades of virtual one-party rule in Puerto Rico established a balance of competitive elections, that expanded the use of primaries from local to national; that made it a goal to whenever possible attain equality in the rights and benefits of working families. And above all, to promote the essential step to equality and prosperity: the attainment of Statehood for Puerto Rico.

That quest brought him repeatedly to the halls of this Congress, as a party leader, as a governor, and as a participant in the hearings processes for the Status Bills of 1989 to 1991. Finally, as part of this House from 1993 to 2001 where he stood out in this effort, including his work with Congressman YOUNG on the last Puerto Rico status bill to pass the full House in 1998.

Carlos was characterized for his energetic presence, for never being timid in expressing what he felt or believed, for demanding much of himself and of those who worked with him. His character was fiery, passionate, and inspiring in return strong passion both from supporters and opponents. You could not be neutral about him and he did not want you to be. But he also knew the value of teamwork and of giving an opportunity to those with potential. It was a privilege to know Carlos Romero, to work with him, to have followed and, yes, to have differed from him—if you had solid and respectful arguments, he returned that respect.

Carlos was part of a family who lent many figures to Puerto Rico’s politics for over a century, and whose members we now embrace in solidarity in this trying time. It was not always easy and public opinion was often cruel, but that is the price of service.

It is the end of an era, and as we celebrate the achievements of a former member of this House it is also time to reflect and to reaffirm our commitment to the cause he stood for. It is now up to those who follow in his footsteps to continue the journey towards that cause of equality for all, for which he worked throughout his life.

May the light perpetual shine on Congressman Carlos Romero Barceló.

PAMELA LOPEZ ARREOLA

HON. ED PERLMUTTER
OF COLORADO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Pamela Lopez Arreola for earning the Top Drawing Award for her creative and unique drawing as part of the 2021 Congressional Art Competition.

As a first-time participant in the art show and student at Westminster High School, Pamela created a work of art entitled, “Pyramid Within Women”. This artwork used acrylic paint on glass and is meant to represent the differences in how women are treated in society.

Pamela spent countless hours and used numerous tools to learn new techniques and refine her drawing skills and education in the arts. I appreciate her participation in the competition and the support provided to her by her teacher at Westminster High School.

Congratulations to Pamela Lopez Arreola for her hard work and participation in the 2021 Congressional Art Competition. I am certain she will exhibit the same dedication and character in her future accomplishments, and I wish her the best of luck going forward.

RECOGNIZING THE UNITED HEALTH CENTERS OF THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

HON. DAVID G. VALADAO
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Mr. VALADAO. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of the United Health Centers of the San Joaquin Valley’s 50th Anniversary of service to the Central Valley.

In 1971, concerned citizens identified the need for accessible and quality healthcare in the Valley’s rural communities and formed committees to find solutions. Their advocacy work established the foundation for what would become United Health Centers of the San Joaquin Valley (UHC), incorporated later that year.

UHC is a nonprofit organization providing comprehensive medical, dental, and community health services to underserved communities in the San Joaquin Valley. Their mission is to provide accessible, comprehensive quality health care to everyone with respect and compassion regardless of their ability to pay.

Today, UHC operates a total of 24 health centers in Fresno, Kings and Tulare Counties, improving access to care for over 150,000 patients. During the COVID–19 pandemic, they have led local efforts in the fight to limit the devastating effects of the coronavirus by conducting 200,000 COVID–19 screening tests and providing 55,000 vaccinations in the first year of the pandemic.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in recognizing the United Health Centers of the San Joaquin Valley and their 50 years of committed service to the region’s healthcare community.

HON. NORMA J. TORRES
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Mrs. TORRES of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor my constituent from the City of Chino, Council Member Mark Hargrove. It is with more than a heavy heart that I share that Mark Hargrove passed away on March 28, 2021.

Mark Hargrove served his country in the U.S. Air Force from 1983 to 1987, where he acquired the ranking of Sergeant. Following his service, Mark worked for the next thirty years at the California Department of Corrections. Twenty of those years were spent at the California Institute for Men in Chino, from which he retired as a Lieutenant.

Mark also played an important role in local policymaking. Mark served on the Planning Commission for the City of Chino and was then elected in 2018 to sit on the City Council. Mark became sick shortly after taking office but continued to fight for his community: he served as the City of Chino’s representative in the Santa Ana Watershed Advisory Council, the Citizen’s Advisory Committee to the California Institute for Men and Women, the Chino Valley Unified School District Measure G Oversight Committee, and the Chino Valley Chamber of Commerce board. Such unyielding commitment to improving the lives of the residents of our community, even in the face of adversity, is just one reason we will miss Mark.

Along with being dedicated to his civic employment, Mark gave his time to supporting youth sports and education programs. He coached several youth sports and served as Chino High’s sports booster president and basketball boosters club president, which he also founded. In 2018, Mark received the Frank Elder Award, which honors individuals who have devoted their lives to the Chino community and the student-athletes of Chino High.

Today, Madam Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Mark Hargrove for his unmatched commitment and civic dedication to the City of Chino and to the contributions he has made to the greater community of the Inland Empire. May he rest in peace.
As a first-time participant in this art show, this student from Golden Senior High School created a work of art “Lost in the Madness of Uncertainty”. This artwork is a portrait using acrylic paint, prism color pencil, and gel pen, marker.

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Congratulations to Sheea Sau for her hard work and participation in the 2021 Congressional Art Competition. I am certain she will exhibit the same dedication and character in her future accomplishments, and I wish her the best of luck going forward.
Month. My district is home to more than 50 miles of beautiful California coastline, which includes some of the most incredible marine and sea life. Sightings of whales and dolphins off the beach and marina have brought tourists and locals alike to Dana Point for decades. Making this local phenomenon more accessible, Donna and Gisele collaborated as co-directors of the Dana Point Whale Watching Company for sightseers to experience the magic up-close.

Their advocacy for local cetacean brought joy to all who frequent the city, but Donna and Gisele thought bigger, believing the world also deserved to know just how special the marine life experience in Dana Point is. With their combined effort to put the city’s name on the map by showcasing the exceptional 450,000 “dolphin stampede” and year-round sightings of rare whales, Donna and Gisele worked together to earn Dana Point well-deserved international recognition.

In order to make that happen, the women formed a steering committee composed of civic, scientific, academic, business and community leaders to overcome challenges posed by the COVID–19 pandemic, and competed internationally to achieve the title that honors Dana Point’s tradition as a pioneer in marine conservation. Due to their diligent work with the World Cetacean Alliance (WCA), Dana Point is officially recognized as the first and only Whale Heritage Site in the Americas and one of only four in the world. Better yet, they took the extra step to legally trademark Dana Point as the Dolphin and Whale Capital of the World.

As a native Southern Californian, I know first-hand how incredibly special our coastline and marine life are to the community. I’m grateful to Donna and Gisele for leading the charge in also letting the world know just how blessed we are to have these incredible creatures right here in our backyards. As leaders in the community, I thank them both for their advocacy and trail blazing efforts of bringing global attention to the United States of America being home to the most amazing populations of dolphins and whales like nowhere else in the world, especially in Dana Point. I’m honored to recognize them both as my April Constituents of the Month.

HON. ED PERLMUTTER
OF COLORADO
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Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Evita Carrasco for earning the First Place Award for her creative and unique digital drawing as part of the 2021 Congressional Art Competition. I am thrilled that this artwork will be on display in the United States Capitol for one year.

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At the start of the COVID–19 pandemic, Dave Peoples, also known as the “Blackjack” EMT, went above and beyond his duties. His compassion and dedication helped his colleagues feel confident and safe while working in the most dangerous environments. During the early days of the pandemic, Dave was a hero to those in the hospital by providing hope and comfort to patients and their families. He was instrumental in setting up hospital theaters, providing medical care for patients, and ensuring that all necessary medical supplies were readily available.

Dave Peoples’ dedication extended beyond his work as an EMT. He volunteered at local food banks, hospitals, and nursing homes, and helped to organize community events to provide meals and essential items to those in need. His selflessness and generosity were a source of inspiration for those around him.

Dave Peoples’ story is a testament to the resilience of the human spirit during a time of great adversity. His unwavering commitment to helping others during the COVID–19 pandemic is a shining example of the strength and dedication of the American people. His story serves as a reminder of the importance of community support and the vital role that first responders and medical professionals play in our society.

HONORING THE 2020 TEEN MISS AGRICULTURE USA, SAMANTHA HARPER

HON. KAT CAMMACK
OF FLORIDA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Mrs. CAMMACK. Madam Speaker, I am proud to honor Miss Samantha Harper, 2020 National Teen Miss Agriculture USA of Florahome, Florida. Miss Harper is a 2021–22 Florida State Fair Ambassador where she demonstrates her love for Florida’s strong agricultural heritage. She also serves as president of the Putnam County 4–H County Council and is a proud FFA student and student government participant at O.I. Roberts Jr./Sr. High School.

Congratulations to Samantha on all of her accomplishments.

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decades of service to the Huntington County community as he retires from the Juniata Valley Emergency Medical Service.

After volunteering for the fire department, Dave began his tenure as an EMT in 1979. During his time as a first responder, he has witnessed tremendous advancements in his profession. While the role of EMTs has changed over the years, the need for compassionate and capable providers has not.

Throughout his career, including the COVID–19 pandemic, Dave has remained a vital and consistent presence in the Huntington County community, mentoring new EMTs and providing outstanding patient care.

For more than four decades, Dave Peoples’ steadfast service has saved lives and benefitted the people of Huntington County. As this local hero retires following 42 years of service with the Juniata Valley and Huntington Emergency Medical Services, it is my honor to recognize his leadership, dedication, and grace under pressure. I thank Dave and his family for his many contributions to our community, and I wish him and his Peoples family every continued happiness in the chapters to come.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY OF THE KIWANIS CLUB OF YPSILANTI

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL
OF MICHIGAN
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the centennial anniversary of the Kiwanis Club of Ypsilanti. I am proud to celebrate their 100 years of service to the children, youth, and families of our Ypsilanti community.

Kiwanis International was founded in 1915 in Detroit, Michigan. In its early years, members focused on business networking but changed its focus to service, particularly service to children, by 1919. Following this admirable mission of service to local communities, the Kiwanis Club of Ypsilanti was chartered on April 13, 1921 with 86 members as the 15th Kiwanis club in the Michigan district.

One of the first projects that the Ypsilanti Club embarked on, led by a Michigan State Normal College professor, was an information campaign about the benefits of consolidating rural schools in Washtenaw County, which directly led to the establishment of Lincoln Consolidated Schools. Other projects include over a thousand volunteer hours spent paving a road, cleaning the shoreline, and beautifying Riverside Park, a project led by Andrew Smith—and finished all in one day. The Ypsilanti Kiwanis also ran the Full Circle House in the City of Ypsilanti, a home for those who need help getting on their feet after battling mental health issues. From building projects to their annual Duck Race, generations of Ypsilanti families have served in the club. Their selfless hours of service have benefited the entire Ypsilanti community.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Kiwanis Club of Ypsilanti. We are grateful for the club’s century of impactful work and wish the Kiwanis Club of Ypsilanti continued success in service in the years ahead.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DR. ALFRED ARRINGTON

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON
OF MISSISSIPPI
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of a remarkable individual, the late Dr. Alfred Arrington.

Dr. Alfred Arrington began his earthly life on Feb. 3, 1943, in Laurel, Mississippi. The son of Mr. Olen Arrington Sr. and Mrs. Johnnie Mae (Morgan) Arrington, he was the third child in a family of five children.

On March 26, 1967, he married the love of his life, Josie Howard of Cleveland, Mississippi, and to this union, four children were born.

Alfred accepted Jesus Christ as his personal savior at a very early age. He often testified to how the spiritual teachings at Pleasant Valley Missionary Baptist Church in Laurel inspired his devotion to God. On Tuesday, April 20, 2021, Dr. Alfred Arrington completed his final chapter in his earthly life journey.

In the fall of 1962, Alfred enrolled at Alcorn Agriculture and Mechanical College in Lorman, Mississippi. He graduated in 1966 with a Bachelor of Science degree in education with a minor in biology. In 1964, he was initiated into Alcorn’s Gamma Pi Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated. In 1970, Alfred continued his quest for excellence and earned a Master of Education from Tennessee State University in Nashville, Tennessee. In 1975, he proudly earned a doctorate in education from Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, Oklahoma.

Alfred’s profound career as an educator spanned beyond borders, and his diligence as a public servant was immeasurable. Professionally, his exceptional background allowed him to serve as assistant principal, head football coach and director of athletics in Lake Providence, Louisiana; research assistant to the dean of education at Tennessee State University; assistant to the dean for minority affairs and instructor at Oklahoma State University; visiting professor of anatomy and physiology at Delta State University; assistant vice president for academic affairs in the Office of Provost, vice president for academic affairs in the Office of Provost and chairman of the Health, Physical Education and Recreation Department at Mississippi Valley State University; and adjunct professor and academic consultant at Alcorn State University.

Dr. Alfred Arrington leaves his cherished memories in the hearts of his many students, family, and community members. For his many contributions to our community, I wish him and the Peoples family every continued happiness in the chapters to come.

HONORING LADY NANCY NEVARAZ FOR HER SERVICE TO THE CITY OF DELANO

HON. DAVID G. VALADAO
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Mr. VALADAO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Lauryn Karis Jenkins for earning the Top Photography Award for her creative and unique photograph as part of the 2021 Congressional Art Competition.

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Congratulations to Lauryn Karis Jenkins for her hard work and participation in the 2021 Congressional Art Competition. I am certain she will exhibit the same dedication and character in her future accomplishments, and I wish her the best of luck going forward.

RECOGNIZING CHIEF ROBERT NEVARAZ FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE CITY OF DELANO

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HON. DAVID G. VALADAO
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Mr. VALADAO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to thank Chief Robert Nevarez for his service to the community of Delano, California. Chief Nevarez has worked in law enforcement for 35 years and spent his last three years as the Delano Chief of Police. During his career, Chief Nevarez served the Fresno Police Department for 32 years and worked as a teacher at Bakersfield College Delano Campus.

Chief Nevarez has helped strengthen community trust in his three years as Delano Chief of Police through several community outreach programs and events. He has been involved in Cafe Con Campeinos, Hispanic Resident Police Academy, Trunk or Treat, Shop with a Cop, Coffee with a Cop, No-Shave November, Police Trading Card Program, Autism Awareness Patch Fundraiser, Serving for a Cure, Loteria Con La Policía, Bingo and Badges, Jr. Police Summer Academy, and many other activities. He also led a lip sync challenge video that got over 1 million views and participated in a podcast series centered on ending gang activities. He also led a lip sync challenge video that got over 1 million views and participated in a podcast series centered on ending gang activities.

Chief Nevarez is beloved by the citizens of Delano and will surely be missed as their Chief of Police. Dedicated to civic service, he
is a role model to many, and his contributions to the community will continue to be felt for many years.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join the citizens of Delano and I in commending Chief Robert Nevarez for his public service and wishing him well as he embarks on the next chapter of his life.

HONORING TAMMY ROSS AS IOWAN OF THE WEEK

HON. CYNTHIA AXNE
OF IOWA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Mrs. AXNE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Tammy Ross and The East Union ASPIRE “More” Learning Center in Afton, Iowa for the tenacity and persistence they show daily to serve the people of their community. Tammy, ASPIRE More, and the town of Afton are the blueprints for what being an Iowan is all about, and what it means to support your neighbors.

ASPIRE More was opened in 2012 after they received a 21st Century Community Learning Center grant to assist with their original funding. Every morning and afternoon ASPIRE offers their services to students in transitional kindergarten through the 5th grade. It’s on an income-based tuition, and they also work with DHS childcare assistance. During this time, they offer homework assistance, general enrichment activities, and activities that help with social and emotional learning.

Tammy’s original goal was to help the parents of their community by offering before and after school support to K-5 students, but Tammy and the volunteers of ASPIRE More have adjusted their services over the years based on the needs of their community. Now, not only does ASPIRE offer before and after school care, they also provide food and clothing to their community via their food pantry and thrift store.

Recently, Union County SCIF awarded the East Union ASPIRE “More” Food Pantry $5,000 towards a crisis grant during this crisis. The East Union ASPIRE “More” Food Pantry was able to serve hundreds of people in the school district in the last seven months of 2020. With the crisis grant and the generosity of local individuals and organizations, they are able to meet the needs of the people of Afton as they all continue to work together through this pandemic.

Tammy insists that the only way they have been able to reach and help so many people in Afton is because of the support of the school district and the community. When they first started the store, there was some doubt of it being able to make a dent in the way it helped people in their small town. Through the hard work of Tammy and the volunteers, as well as the support and love from the people of their community, however, they built it up into something that genuinely reaches and helps people. 4H groups, churches, and other local organizations have all helped out through their time and donations, allowing everyone to take part in some way to give back however they can.

ASPIRE considers the work they do very rewarding, and the community of Afton is incredibly grateful for the way their neighbors have all pulled together whenever there is a crisis or a need, and the way their fellow Iowans seem to always give more than they have. I am proud to recognize Tammy Ross and The East Union ASPIRE “More” Learning Center as my Iowan of the week.

HONORING DR. MICHAEL CHIGLINSKY

HON. H. MORGAN GRIFFITH
OF VIRGINIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Mr. GRIFFITH. Madam Speaker, I rise in honor of Michael Anthony Chiglinsky, a Salem, Virginia School Board member, who died on April 13, 2021 at the age of 65. Widely and affectionately known as “Dr. Mike,” he left a memorable mark on the Roanoke Valley area through his care and service to the children and families of the region.

Dr. Chiglinsky was born on August 7, 1955 in Williamsport, Pennsylvania. He attended nearby Lycoming College and then earned a doctorate in psychology at Georgia State University. He pursued a career as an expert in children and family therapy, which brought him to Southwest Virginia.

Dr. Chiglinsky and his wife Joanne founded ACA Counseling Services, offering support to local youth and families. He had a passion for helping children and families, which he further fulfilled as a member of the Salem School Board. His service on the board began in 2009, and he rose to vice chairman in 2013. Professional expertise, a friendly demeanor, and an interest in helping people characterized his service.

Dr. Chiglinsky’s service extended far beyond Salem schools and his private practice. He often testified as an expert witness in juvenile and domestic relations court, assisting in evaluating their needs for services. His testimonies were always regarded with great value and his professional judgement was held in the highest esteem in the courts.

Dr. Chiglinsky is survived by his wife Joanne; his children, Brian, Katherine, and Peter; his daughter-in-law, Crystal; his sister, Ann; and two brothers, Joseph and Vince. I offer my condolences on the loss of this selfless and service-minded community leader.

HONORING CHIEF JEFF RASCHE

HON. GREG PENCE
OF INDIANA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Mr. PENCE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the service of Greenfield Police Chief Jeff Rasche. Chief Rasche is retiring from law enforcement in Hancock County after 4 decades of service to his community.

First hired as a dispatcher in 1984, Chief Rasche served Hancock County as a Sheriff’s deputy and detective before becoming the Greenfield Police Chief. Jeff has a passion for helping people and is a pillar of the community. I want to wish Chief Rasche good luck with all his future endeavors and thank him for serving his community with honor.

PAUL M. FOSTER

HON. ED PERLMUTTER
OF COLORADO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Paul M. Foster of Denver, Colorado who will turn 100 years old on May 5, 2021.

Paul was born in 1921 in Waynesburg, Ohio. He served bravely in the U.S. Army during World War II and was honorably discharged on July 26, 1944, after serving for more than a year as a Corporal.

Paul married his first love, Lola, and they have been together for 63 years. After Lola’s passing, Paul married his second love, Beverly, 15 years ago. He has two daughters, Janice and Beth. Paul is a devoted husband and loving father, and most enjoys playing the piano in his home. Even though he never learned to read music, he is very good at playing by ear and memory and particularly enjoys playing religious hymns.

Celebrating 100 years of age is a tremendous milestone and should be celebrated. It is my privilege to wish Paul a very happy birthday and wish him all the best in the future.
Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action
The Senate was not in session and stands adjourned until 4 p.m., on Thursday, May 6, 2021.

Committee Meetings
No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action
Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 52 public bills, H.R. 2953–3004; and 5 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 33; and H. Res. 360–370, were introduced. Pages H2139–41

Additional Cosponsors: Pages H2142–44

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows: H.R. 1065, to eliminate discrimination and promote women’s health and economic security by ensuring reasonable workplace accommodations for workers whose ability to perform the functions of a job are limited by pregnancy, childbirth, or a related medical condition, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–27, Part 1). Page H2139

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Wexton to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H2137

Senate Referral: S. 321 was held at the desk. Page H2137

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H2137.

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:03 a.m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing on the Department of Justice. Testimony was heard from Merrick B. Garland, Attorney General of the United States, Department of Justice.

APPROPRIATIONS—U.S. NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a budget hearing on the U.S. National Guard and Reserves. Testimony was heard from Lieutenant General David G. Bellon, Commander, Marine Forces Reserve; Lieutenant General Jody J. Daniels, Chief of the Army Reserve; General Daniel R. Hokanson, Chief of the National Guard Bureau; Vice Admiral John B. Mustin, Chief of the Navy Reserve; and Lieutenant General Richard W. Scobee, Chief of the Air Force Reserve.

REVIEWING DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE STRATEGY, POLICY, AND PROGRAMS FOR COUNTERING WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Intelligence and Special Operations held a hearing entitled “Reviewing Department of Defense Strategy, Policy, and Programs for Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction for Fiscal Year 2022”. Testimony was heard from the following Department of Defense officials: Jennifer Walsh, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Homeland Defense and Global Security, Performing the Duties of Under Secretary of Defense for Policy; Brandi C. Vann, Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for Nuclear, Chemical and Biological Defense Programs; Vice Admiral Timothy G. Szymanski, Deputy Commander, U.S. Special Operations Command; and Rhys M. Williams, Acting Director, Defense Threat Reduction Agency.
NEGOTIATING A BETTER DEAL: LEGISLATION TO LOWER THE COST OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS
Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Negotiating a Better Deal: Legislation to Lower the Cost of Prescription Drugs”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BUILT TO LAST: EXAMINING HOUSING RESILIENCE IN THE FACE OF CLIMATE CHANGE
Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing, Community Development, and Insurance held a hearing entitled “Built to Last: Examining Housing Resilience in the Face of Climate Change”. Testimony was heard from Rodney Ellis, Commissioner, Harris County, Texas; and public witnesses.

THE UNFOLDING CRISIS IN BURMA
Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Unfolding Crisis in Burma”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Transportation and Maritime Security held a hearing entitled “Twenty Years of Workforce Challenges: The Need for H.R. 903, the Rights for the TSA Workforce Act of 2021”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURE
Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife held a hearing on H.R. 160, the “Restoring Resilient Reefs Act of 2021”. Testimony was heard from Jennifer Koss, Director, Coral Reef Conservation Program, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and public witnesses.

THE URGENT NEED TO REFORM THE ORGAN TRANSPLANTATION SYSTEM TO SECURE MORE ORGANS FOR WAITING, AILING, AND DYING PATIENTS
Committee on Oversight and Reform: Subcommittee on Economic and Consumer Policy held a hearing entitled “The Urgent Need to Reform the Organ Transplantation System to Secure More Organs for Waiting, Ailing, and Dying Patients”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CLIMATE AND ENERGY SCIENCE RESEARCH AT THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing entitled “Climate and Energy Science Research at the Department of Energy”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES
Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Full Committee held a markup on the Budget Views and Estimates Letter; H.R. 234, the “Korean American VALOR Act”; H.R. 1948, the “VA Employee Fairness Act”; H.R. 958, the “Protecting Moms Who Served Act”; H.R. 239, the “Equal Access to Contraception for Veterans Act”; H.R. 2545, to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the role of doctors of podiatric medicine in the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; H.R. 2093, the “Providing Benefits Information in Spanish and Tagalog for Veterans and Families Act”; H.R. 2441, the “Sgt. Ketchum Rural Veterans Mental Health Act of 2021”; H.R. 2195, to amend title 38, United States Code, to clarify the scope of procedural rights of members of the uniformed services with respect to their employment and reemployment rights, and for other purposes; H.R. 293, the “VA Hospitals Establishing Leadership Performance Act”; H.R. 2704, the “Improving VA Accountability to Prevent Sexual Harassment and Discrimination Act”; H.R. 2788, the “VA Equal Employment Counseling Modernization Act”; H.R. 2429, the “VA Police Improvement and Accountability Act”; H.R. 2726, the “VA FOIA Reform Act of 2021”; H.R. 290, to amend title 38, United States Code, to render an individual, who transfers certain educational assistance, to which the individual is entitled because of an agreement by such individual to serve in the Armed Forces, to a dependent of that individual, and who fails to complete such agreement, solely liable for the overpayment of such educational assistance; H.R. 2419, the “Affordable Housing for Homeless Veterans Act”; H.R. 2494, to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department the Veterans Economic Opportunity and Transition Administration, and for other purposes; H.R. 711, the “West LA VA Campus Improvement Act of 2021”; H.R. 1510, the “Veterans Camera Reporting Act”; H.R. 2167, the “GI Bill NEED Act”; H.R. 2878, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a Native VetSuccess at Tribal Colleges and Universities Pilot Program; H.R. 2082, the “VA Supply Chain Resiliency Act”; H.R. 2911, the “VA Transparency and

Joint Meetings
No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2021
(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate
No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House
Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, hearing entitled “TSA: Pandemic and Post-Pandemic Implications for Budget and Operations”, 10 a.m., Webex.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Department of Education, 10 a.m., Webex.

Subcommittee on Defense, budget hearing on the U.S. Army, 12 p.m., Webex.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled “Related Agencies—The Year Ahead”, 2:30 p.m., Webex.

Committee on Armed Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Member Day”, 11 a.m., 2118 Rayburn and Webex.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces; and Subcommittee on International Development, International Organizations and Global Corporate Social Impact of the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, joint hearing entitled “Creating a Framework for Rules Based Order in Space”, 3 p.m., Webex.


Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Europe, Energy, the Environment and Cyber, hearing entitled “Reaffirming the Good Friday Agreement”, 11 a.m., Webex.


Committee on the Judiciary, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight of the U.S. Copyright Office”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn and Zoom.

Committee on Natural Resources, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 443, the “Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Land Transfer Act”; H.R. 1029, the “Free Veterans from Fees Act”; H.R. 1505, the “Bonding Reform and Taxpayer Protection Act of 2021”; H.R. 1506, the “Transparency in Energy Production Act of 2021”; H.R. 1517, the “Ending Taxpayer Welfare for Oil and Gas Companies Act of 2021” and H.R. 2348, the “Advancing Conservation and Education Act”, and continue markup on H.R. 1503, the “Restoring Community Input and Public Protections in Oil and Gas Leasing Act of 2021”, 11 a.m., Webex.

Committee on Oversight and Reform, Subcommittee on Civil Right and Civil Liberties, hearing entitled “Pipe-lines Over People (Part II): Midship Pipeline’s Disregard for Landowners in Its Pathway”, 10 a.m., Zoom.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 1273, the “Vietnam Veterans Liver Fluke Study Act”; H.R. 1355, the “K2 Veterans Care Act of 2021”; H.R. 1585, the “Mark Takai Atomic Veterans Healthcare Parity Act of 2021”; H.R. 1972, the “Fair Care for Vietnam Veterans Act of 2021”; H.R. 2127, the “TEAM Act”; H.R. 2268, the “Keeping Our Promises Act”; H.R. 2368, the “COVENANT Act”; H.R. 2372, the “Presumptive Benefits for War Fighters Exposed to Burn Pits and Other Toxins Act”; H.R. 2436, the “Veterans Burn Pits Exposure Recognition Act of 2021”; H.R. 2530, the “Ennewetak Atoll Cleanup Radiation Study Act”; H.R. 2569, the “Veterans Agent Orange Exposure Equity Act”; H.R. 2580, the “Palomares Veterans Act of 2021”; H.R. 2607, the “FASTER Presumptions Act”; H.R. 2742, the “PFAS Registry Act of 2021”; and H.R. 2825, the “Fort McClellan Health Registry Act”, 10 a.m., Zoom.

Committee on Ways and Means, Full Committee, markup on Views and Estimates Letter to the Committee on the Budget; and H.R. 2954, the “Securing a Strong Retirement Act of 2021”, 11 a.m., 1100 Longworth and Webex.
Next Meeting of the SENATE
4 p.m., Thursday, May 6

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
10:30 a.m., Friday, May 7

House Chamber

Program for Friday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 10:30 a.m.

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