

NOT VOTING—12

DesJarlais	Morelle	Schneider
Hunt	Peters	Scott (VA)
Kelly (PA)	Ross	Turner
Mfume	Salazar	Watson Coleman

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Mr. JACKSON of Illinois changed his vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Mr. CARTER of Texas changed his vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So the joint resolution was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated against:

Ms. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, I missed votes today due to a family medical situation. Had I been present, I would have voted “nay” on rollcall No. 202.

Mr. PETERS. Mr. Speaker, due to a long-standing family obligation, planned well before the congressional schedule was available, I could not be present for votes today. Had I been present, I would have voted “nay” on rollcall No. 202.

ADJOURNMENT FROM FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2023, TO TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2023

Mrs. KIM of California. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, May 2, 2023.

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

There was no objection.

COMMEMORATING THE 48TH ANNIVERSARY OF BLACK APRIL

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

Mrs. STEEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 48th anniversary of Black April.

I am proud to represent Orange County's Little Saigon, which is home to the largest population of Vietnamese in the world outside of Vietnam itself.

During Black April, we remember the fall of Saigon, those who served in Vietnam, and those who lost their lives fleeing communism.

The fall of the Republic of Vietnam is one of the greatest tragedies in modern history. It reminds us that freedom is not free. It reminds us that we are blessed to live in the greatest country in the world.

Today, I invite all of my colleagues to join me and stand with the Vietnamese community in Orange County and across the country during Black April.

IMMIGRANTS MUST BE TREATED HUMANELY

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

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to discuss the importance of treating immigrants in a humane way.

In a hearing in the Homeland Security Committee recently, we discussed an incredibly offensive collector's coin called a challenge coin being sold online.

It depicted a Border Patrol agent on horseback chasing a Black Haitian migrant with a whip. The coin celebrated the incident, and it was claimed to be circulating with Border Patrol agents.

It disgusted almost everyone in the hearing, except for a prominent MAGA Republican who laughed about it. No one should find the abusive treatment of human beings funny.

It is a national embarrassment. These migrants are trying to better their lives and the lives of their families.

We need to have an effective immigration policy in this country, but we also need to make sure all migrants, regardless of status, are treated humanely and fairly.

RECOGNIZING GENNARO JEWELERS

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

Mr. D'ESPOSITO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Gennaro Jewelers of Bellmore, New York, as they celebrate 100 years of service to Long Islanders.

This renowned, local small business has been a cornerstone of the community for one century, helping generations of New York neighbors provide wonderful gifts to their loved ones during good times and, unfortunately, bad.

Not only is Gennaro Jewelers known for its fine wares, but under the leadership of my good friend Gary Hudes, the business also continues to give back to the Bellmore community and beyond.

They are staunch supporters of law enforcement, firefighters, and first responders, and they are dedicated to keeping those New Yorkers safe each and every day.

With this long history of quality service in mind, I congratulate Gennaro Jewelers as they celebrate their 100th year serving the Fourth Congressional District.

New York's Fourth Congressional District is enriched by the presence of great businesses like Gennaro Jewelers, and I wish my good friend Gary Hudes and the entire team there much success in the future.

Congratulations on 100 years.

QUALITY EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION IS NEEDED

(Ms. WILD asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. WILD. Mr. Speaker, I am a mother myself. My children are now 27 and 30 years old, but I distinctly remember how challenging it was to have children in a two-parent working family.

I was a lawyer before I came to Congress, and I distinctly remember the panic when I had to bring my very active toddler son to court with me because his preschool was suddenly closed.

I really feel for people who have ongoing issues finding affordable, reliable childcare.

More than 38,000 children in Pennsylvania are waitlisted; 1,600 classrooms have closed; and hundreds of childcare positions remain unfilled. In my district in the Lehigh Valley, more than 1,500 children are waitlisted, and Carbon County is classified as a childcare desert.

The childcare crisis isn't just hard on parents. It is hard on childcare providers, too. Early childcare workers in my district make just \$28,000 to \$32,000 compared with their elementary school peers making \$52,000.

The Childcare for Working Families Act introduced yesterday on a bicameral basis would help open more care providers and lower costs for parties, capping costs at 7 percent of a family's income.

Putting money back in parents' pockets, raising wages for hardworking care providers, and giving kids more quality early childhood education—that is working for people.

CELEBRATING ERNESTO MENDOZA

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

Mrs. KIM of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to thank and celebrate the 50th birthday and retirement of Ernesto Mendoza for his dedicated service to our community, to protect and to serve the people of Los Angeles.

Ernesto served our great country in the United States Army overseas in Germany and then came home to serve in the Los Angeles Police Department, with a combined total of 30 years of service.

He consistently operates with integrity and honesty and has established strong, trusted leadership, retiring as a detective III through various LAPD departments, including the 77th Division and, most recently, South Bureau.

Mr. Speaker, I thank Ernesto for all that he has done for our community, and I thank him for his service to our country. I hope Ernesto enjoys his 50th birthday with his family, and I wish him a joyful retirement.

CELEBRATING COACH TY WHITE

(Mrs. MCCLELLAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. MCCLELLAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the incredible work of John Marshall High School's boys' basketball head coach, Ty White.

Coach White recently received the Naismith High School Boys Coach of the Year award after leading his team

to an undefeated season and the State title in Virginia.

The Naismith Awards are presented annually to the most outstanding men's and women's basketball players and coaches who have achieved tremendous success on and off the court.

Coach White has spent 13 years coaching the boys' basketball team and has served as an invaluable mentor and community leader in the John Marshall High School family.

I commend Coach White on his determination, leadership, and grit. He and the John Marshall boys' basketball team, the Justices, have made Richmond, our district, and their Congresswoman proud.

Go Justices.

MODERN AMERICAN WORKERS WANT FLEXIBILITY AND CHOICE

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

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. Speaker, the modern American worker wants flexibility and choice. However, President Biden and Washington Democrats would rather force their radical labor agenda on the American people.

That is why Senator TIM SCOTT and I introduced the Employee Rights Act, which represents the Republican vision for the future of the modern American workforce.

Our bill updates our Nation's labor laws by expanding workforce protections for independent contractors, entrepreneurs, franchises, and anyone else looking to earn a living on their own terms and live the American Dream.

This bill also offers political protections to employees by preventing heavyhanded union leaders from abusing membership dues, as well as ensuring the union election process is conducted by secret ballot, a right guaranteed to every American, so employees are not intimidated or harassed for the way they vote.

Supported by dozens of national, State, and local organizations, I am proud to introduce this commonsense legislation that ensures workers' rights are protected from partisan union leaders and the heavy hand of this administration.

Republicans stand with the 21st century worker, and it is time our labor policies do, as well. Every American deserves the freedom to hold a job and not be forced to pay union dues.

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HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF HARRY BELAFONTE

(Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and

legacy of Harry Belafonte, who passed away this week at age 96. This is a hole in the soul of goodness.

He broke barriers in Hollywood, becoming one of the first Black faces on-screen. His unique sound led him to success in the music industry, with classics like "Day-O," "Banana Boat," and "Jamaica Farewell."

His artistry spoke to the soul of many Black Americans who did not see themselves represented in music or on-screen. He touched the West Indies diaspora of New York and lent that island sound to his top hits.

He had great success with his "Calypso" album when it topped the charts for 31 weeks straight before a man known as Elvis Presley came on the scene.

He also took up the mantle of civil rights to work alongside Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Stokely Carmichael, and others to promote racial equity. He will be remembered as a multitalented entertainer who shattered barriers while continuing to battle racial prejudice and help clear the way for those who came after him.

May we remember his powerful legacy and his remarkable efforts to progress justice, equality, and civil rights.

CONGRATULATING JENNY GENTRY

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

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Jenny Gentry, who has been selected as the 2023 recipient of the Legacy of Leadership Award from the Girl Scouts of Historic Georgia.

The Legacy of Leadership Award honors a woman who is a Girl Scout alum and has made a significant impact in the local community.

A native of Atlanta, Jenny made Savannah her home after graduating from college. She joined JPMorgan Chase in May 2019 on the commercial banking team covering the Savannah area and surrounding communities.

Since moving to Savannah, Jenny has been active in the community, serving on a number of civic and non-profit boards. She is currently the board chair for Goodwill Southeast Georgia and has previously served as the board chair of the Savannah Area Chamber of Commerce, YMCA of the Coastal Empire, and United Way.

Jenny also serves on the Savannah Community Foundation Board, as well as the Chatham-Savannah Homeless Authority.

I thank Jenny for her continued dedication to the Savannah community and congratulate her on the well-deserved honor.

OUR COUNTRY NEEDS A GREEN NEW DEAL

(Mr. ROBERT GARCIA of California asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. ROBERT GARCIA of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of the Green New Deal, which I am proud to cosponsor with Senator MARKEY and Representative OCASIO-CORTEZ.

We are in a climate emergency, and we must work together to fight back and build an economy for everyone, an economy that just doesn't meet the threats of climate change but also directly invests in our communities.

Everyone deserves safe water to drink, clean air to breathe, and a healthy place to live. Right now, we are not just failing the next generation; we are failing Americans today.

This impacts all of us, from low-income communities that have been victims of environmental injustice to the millions of people whose livelihoods depend on agriculture. We must be prepared to lead and understand the link between housing and climate justice.

Our cities need active and green public transit and walkable neighborhoods. We can build a sustainable future and create good union jobs.

Our country needs a Green New Deal, and I pledge to keep fighting for those values every single day.

REMEMBERING PATRICIA SUTHERLIN MCREE

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

Mr. MILLS. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to recognize and remember Patricia Sutherlin McRee.

Patricia Sutherlin McRee, a 30-year resident of Oviedo, and a constituent of mine, passed from us earlier this week.

Patricia moved to the Space Coast in 1960 to teach at Melbourne High School, where she met a young Army officer who had been mobilized and sent to Florida during the Cuban Missile Crisis.

Patricia took her charm and commitment to service with her all over this Nation and overseas as an Army spouse. She organized support for families whose husbands were serving in Vietnam alongside her beloved Army husband, Marshall McRee.

She mobilized love and comfort for new widows and fatherless children traumatized by the sudden loss of a serviceman killed in action. At every military base that the Army sent Patricia and Marshall to, she was a leader, a servant, and an essential part of the fabric of that community.

In my district of Oviedo, Patricia served as leader of the Oviedo Women's Club and, for many years, organized the Great Day in the Country Festival to fundraise for that organization.

She made every duty station a better place through her service, and she made central Florida a better place.

My heartfelt condolences to her son-in-law, Congressman BRANDON WILLIAMS, and his wife in this loss.

May God bless her. Rest in peace.