

I say to my colleagues that Republicans across our Nation seek to criminalize abortion nationwide with no exceptions, not for rape, not for incest, and they are very determined.

But while they seek to control women and their personal choices, President Biden and House Democrats firmly stand with women. We trust women.

Just last Friday, President Biden signed an executive order aimed at protecting access to reproductive health services. This week, House Democrats are passing legislation to protect a woman's ability to travel freely and voluntarily throughout the United States, including for reproductive health.

We trust women because that is who we are as Democrats. We are the party that stands by women and their human rights. We trust women.

RISING INFLATION HURTS EVERYONE

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

Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to address the record-high inflation hurting working families in Iowa caused by the Biden administration.

When President Biden took office in January 2021, inflation was at 1.4 percent. As of May 2022, inflation is 8.6 percent, the highest in 40 years. President Biden has been exclaiming that the rise in inflation would be a temporary problem, but the data does not reflect his claims.

Inflation is hurting families in Iowa and all across the country. With food and housing prices increasing, families are having to make sacrifices to make ends meet. It is unacceptable for the Biden administration to advocate for more government spending that caused inflation rather than addressing these pertinent issues, such as rising prices.

This rising inflation in fuel prices is hurting rural farmers in Iowa. Gas and diesel prices are now expected to cost farmers an extra \$900 a year, and \$500 to families, as well.

I call upon the Biden administration to take necessary steps to address inflation, such as increasing domestic energy production and stopping wasteful government spending. The Biden administration's policies are hurting the families it is meant to serve.

I would also like to take this time to wish a happy birthday to Michael Pinette, and I wish my sister Mari-Eleanor Martino a very happy birthday.

PRESIDENT BIDEN MUST DO BETTER

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

Mr. ROSE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today as middle Tennesseans struggle to af-

ford record-high gas prices caused by the Biden administration's antienergy prices.

If you recall, in April of this year, President Biden announced he would be raiding the Strategic Petroleum Reserve to help "ease the pain American families are facing at the pump."

Since then, the average price of a gallon of gasoline has risen from \$4.20 a gallon to over \$5 a gallon, while putting our national security at risk as the Strategic Petroleum Reserve is now at its lowest level since 1985.

What is even more alarming is a new press report stating that 950,000 barrels of the oil Mr. Biden took from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve were sold to a state-owned Chinese company. If this is true, it is difficult to find the words to adequately describe how utterly outrageous it is.

President Biden must do better, and he must answer questions associated with this apparent sale of oil from our Strategic Petroleum Reserve to our most dangerous geopolitical adversary, China.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JEANNE WOOD

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

Mrs. KIM of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of the late Jeanne Wood, who reached age 100, in our Chino Hills community.

Jeanne dedicated herself to serving others. During World War II, she enlisted as a second lieutenant Army nurse and was quickly promoted to first lieutenant. She worked 18 to 24 hours per shift, with bombings and air raids around her, to care for injured and starving servicemembers.

After the war, Jeanne continued her career as a registered nurse and became the only female commander in the history of American Legion Post 299 in Chino.

I am so glad Jeanne was able to celebrate her 100th birthday in Chino Hills with her family and friends before she passed. My heart is with her loved ones as we mourn this loss and celebrate a life well lived.

RELEASE OUR ENERGY

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

Mr. CARL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to address the situation that President Biden has us in right now on fuel.

On April 27, according to his texts, he is going to help bring the price of fuel down. The price of fuel has gone up since April 27.

In his texts, he is going to release fuel from our reserves. All it did was put money in Chinese pockets—950,000 barrels of oil—and someone has got to be answerable for that.

This gentleman pictured on the end, Mr. Seals, is an offshore oil producer, and Mr. Seals wants his job back.

Let's spend our time trying to get our energy released.

Don't go to Saudi Arabia, Mr. President. Let's stay here and let our people, Mr. Seals, get and drill. Release our energy.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members are reminded to direct their remarks to the Chair.

DEPLETING THE STRATEGIC PETROLEUM RESERVE

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

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, our Strategic Petroleum Reserve is meant to be preserved for an actual emergency, such as in the case of catastrophic weather or in times of war. But President Biden has started the largest ever loan from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve.

From that loan, we have seen he has shipped 5 million barrels of oil, not for lowering the prices, as they thought that putting some of that oil on the market might affect the price. No, they are actually shipping it to foreign countries, including China. A million barrels of oil is allegedly going to China out of our Strategic Petroleum Reserve, which is supposed to be for us in case of emergency, not playing markets, not trying to make some money.

It is unreal. Since day one, President Biden walked into office and started shutting down our energy industry, the pipeline, exploration permits and leases. They have gone this direction.

That makes our fuel more expensive for everybody on the whole supply chain: Farmers, manufacturers, people taking their kids to school, people going to the store. It is hurting everybody.

They are sending it now to China.

Whose side is President Biden on?

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PROTECTING ALL LIFE

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

Mr. GOOD of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, finally, mercifully, the most destructive Supreme Court decision in history has been reversed, something many of us believed we would never live to see, after decades of disappointment.

Not only was the Roe decision without constitutional merit, but no other decision in the history of the Court caused so much destruction, so much carnage, so much devastation, with 63 million lives lost.

Sixty-three million lives, about the population of France, more than the population of Italy, Ukraine, or Canada. Sixty-three million lives, 1.4 million a year, more than the 2-year amount attributable to the China virus, for every year for nearly 50 years, all of them 100 percent attributable and 100 percent preventable.

Thank God for the hundreds of thousands of relentless pro-life activists, for millions of pro-life marchers, for tens of millions of pro-life voters, and thank God for the courage of six Supreme Court Justices who withstood the pressure, the threats, and the intimidation to do the right thing morally and constitutionally.

May our legislative bodies in Washington now match that courage. The responsibility passes to us now, the people's elected representatives, to pass laws protecting all life in the womb.

HONORING THE KIWANIS CLUB OF WARREN, PENNSYLVANIA

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

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, as co-chair of the Service Organization Caucus, which highlights the great work of service organizations across our country, I rise to recognize and honor the Kiwanis Club of Warren, Pennsylvania.

This month, the Kiwanis Club of Warren is celebrating 100 years of service. Since July 12, 1922, Kiwanis of Warren have worked toward fulfilling the mission of Kiwanis International “to improve the world one child and one community at a time.”

Their work not only in Warren, but internationally, has made a positive impact for children and families everywhere.

The Kiwanis Club of Warren has raised funds for a joint effort between UNICEF and Kiwanis International to eliminate iodine dependency disorder and maternal neonatal tetanus worldwide.

In addition to the club's global impact, the Warren Kiwanis Club also makes a difference at home. In efforts to engage the next generation of service-minded leaders, the Kiwanis Club sponsors three service leadership programs where participants focus on leadership and character building.

The Kiwanis Club of Warren also sponsors a variety of community building events, like the Salvation Army bell ringing and annual blood screenings.

I congratulate the Kiwanis Club of Warren for 100 years of service.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, July 11, 2022.

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 July 11, 2022, at 3:42 p.m.

That the Senate passed S. 3157.

That the Senate passed S. 3846.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,

CHERYL L. JOHNSON,
Clerk.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The House will resume proceedings on postponed questions at a later time.

REAFFIRMING THE ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE CARIBBEAN NATIONS AND RECOGNIZING THE NEED TO STRENGTHEN TRADE AND INVESTMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE CARIBBEAN NATIONS, OUR “THIRD BORDER”

Ms. PLASKETT. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 1168) reaffirming the economic partnership between the United States and the Caribbean nations and recognizing the need to strengthen trade and investment between the United States and the Caribbean nations, our “Third Border”, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

H. RES. 1168

Whereas Congress commits to strengthening economic ties and cooperation with the Caribbean people to promote equitable economic growth and development across the region;

Whereas the Caribbean region has a population of approximately 44,000,000 people, millions of people have emigrated between the Caribbean and the United States, and approximately 13,000,000 people in the United States, or 4 percent of the United States population, share Caribbean ancestry;

Whereas it is in the national interest of the United States to support the economic development of sovereign Caribbean nations and territories;

Whereas greater opportunities for mutually beneficial trade and investments promote economic growth, development, poverty reduction, democracy, the rule of law, civil rights, and overall stability;

Whereas regional and global integration with our Caribbean neighbors should be strengthened to create decent jobs, boost economic growth in the Caribbean and the United States, and eliminate barriers to trade and investment in the Caribbean;

Whereas it remains the goal of the United States to support diversification of Caribbean exports to the United States;

Whereas, in 1983, Congress launched the Caribbean Basin Initiative (CBI) through the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act

(CBERA) and expanded it in 2000 with the United States–Caribbean Basin Trade Partnership Act (CBTPA);

Whereas the United States shares a history of struggle with Caribbean neighbor countries, including with our courageous sister nation of Haiti;

Whereas Haiti suffered destabilizing events in 2021, including severe insecurity, a deadly earthquake, widespread democratic protests, continuation of the COVID–19 pandemic, and the assassination of President Jovenel Moïse, all of which have contributed to a governance and humanitarian crisis that requires immediate further attention and support from the United States and the global community;

Whereas specialized United States trade preferences with Haiti, including the Haiti Economic Lift Program (HELP) and Hemispheric Opportunity through Partnership Encouragement Act (HOPE II) programs, aid Haiti's growing textile and apparel manufacturing industry and are a critical source of steady jobs for many Haitian people to support their families;

Whereas trade preference programs for the Caribbean and Caribbean Community (CARICOM) countries, such as the Generalized System of Preferences, CBI, and CBTPA have provided important economic benefits for Caribbean Basin country economies, including by facilitating niche production and more diversified exports, while also benefiting United States businesses and workers, including by helping to add value for customers and supporting United States jobs;

Whereas Caribbean people and their island nation economies have led globally by exploring innovative economic strategies to produce collective benefits for their communities, such as through the Caribbean Catastrophe Risk Insurance Facility, to reduce the economic impact of major disasters;

Whereas the United States seeks to prioritize and promote a worker-centered trade agenda that facilitates trade and protects freedom of association, fosters a sustainable environment and climate path, advances racial equity and supports underserved communities, addresses unfair economic trade practices, supports domestic producers, and promotes growth and development around the world;

Whereas the COVID–19 pandemic has negatively impacted the public health and economies of the Caribbean and the United States, which has also contributed to inequality within and between nations, and further excluded vulnerable groups from the benefits of trade and economic development;

Whereas the COVID–19 pandemic has highlighted the need to strengthen supply chain resilience and increase near-shoring in global trade;

Whereas the United States believes that free and fair trade practices, economic growth, and stable domestic employment foster democratic principles of good governance;

Whereas United States and Caribbean economic ties, including through Caribbean services and manufacturing sectors, produce critical goods and services for consumers and jobs for workers that strengthen their economies;

Whereas such economic ties serve strategic purposes by providing an alternative to potentially predatory economic practices of other foreign governments, including non-market economies, in the Caribbean that harm national and regional interests in the Western Hemisphere;

Whereas climate change and natural disasters pose acute risks for Caribbean people and island economies; and

Whereas the United States signed a Trade and Investment Framework Agreement in