

the key to destroying the West, including the United States, was getting rid of the American family.

More recently around here, we had the Black Lives Matter group. I realize not everybody who had a sign in their yard agreed with this, but the founders of the group did. They wanted to get rid of what they referred to as “the Western-prescribed nuclear family.” In other words, they viewed a family with a husband at home as being a problem.

I recently ran across a quote in a book that somebody gave me, and I just opened the book, and I came to a few lines which I think everybody in Congress ought to be aware of. The lines were from a woman by the name of Kate Millett, who, if you are my age, you frequently remember she was a very prominent feminist in the 1960s, the decade which really began to result in the decline of America. Her sister quoted her as saying that a goal of feminism should be destroying the American family.

Therefore, one more time, we run across not a huge number of people, but disproportionately influential people saying that a goal should be to weaken the family. Then you look at, one more time, President Biden proposing increases in programs, be it low-income housing programs, be it the earned income tax credit programs, be it the Pell grant programs, all of which are really made for families without a husband earning a decent salary at home. All these programs are being increased by President Biden.

In fact, what we ought to be doing is we ought to be doing the opposite. Right now, it is not surprising if a man is not in the house because, in some cases, his family would be materially better off without him being in the house.

In particular, some of the low-income housing projects, particularly section 42 projects, are new buildings which are superior to the buildings or superior to the rental units that American families are sometimes living in.

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Of course, the healthcare programs designed for the poor people don't have sizable deductibles in them. In that regard, they are, in many ways, superior to the healthcare plans the working poor get.

There are programs, like I said, for college scholarships. I will recite, again, a quote from a gal I ran across when I talked about the marriage penalties in Wisconsin. I recited all the benefits that people were able to get if they didn't marry a man with a decent income, and I asked her what she thought about my speech. She told me: Well, I am married and have a child, but none of my friends are getting married. They get free college.

Here was another program, the Pell Grant Program, designed to encourage the breakdown of the American family.

It is important that when we go into the budget negotiations and the appro-

priations negotiations for the year beginning October 1, that our appropriators and leaders go to bat and say no more special benefits for making sure there is a man not in the house.

As a matter of fact, we should go backward because, not surprising after Lyndon Johnson—in my opinion, the worst President of the United States until Joe Biden came along. It is not surprising that what used to be called the out-of-wedlock rate has skyrocketed since the 1960s and with it a variety of problems that come with not having a father in the household.

It is time to look at these programs again and, rather than pay people to keep the husband out of the house, encourage people to have the father at home.

This is not just a material matter. It is a matter of it is better for the children to have a father at home, and it is better for the father himself to be at home.

As George Gilder points out, an author that I think we all ought to be reading, the number one person hurt by the war on the American family, be it Karl Marx's war or Lyndon Johnson's war, whatever you want to say, the number one problem is to men who now don't have a function in life.

If you look at certain areas of our society, it is the men who are more likely to do the drugs or commit the crimes. If they were a father with responsibilities at home, I think these crimes would happen a lot less. I think there would be less drinking. I think there would be less drug abuse. I think America would slowly work its way back to the more wholesome, less crime-ridden, less drug-ridden time of the 1960s.

I hope both parties pay attention to the impact of incentives or disincentives that their programs have on having men in the household.

In any event, there are three issues that we have dealt with today.

We have dealt with the border, where we hit record numbers and the fact that it has become apparent that we are not getting the best people. Apparently, other countries are emptying out their prisons.

We have dealt with what is going on in Israel and what a wonderful country it is as people from all around the world, including people who aren't Jewish, try to get into Israel. It is kind of like people from all around the world trying to get into our country, but ignoring this, they are still subject to criticism by people like the protesters outside or my predecessor here in Congress who just got done talking.

Finally, I hope the press and the Republican Party pay attention to the increase in benefits to families without a father at home that he wants to put in this budget, which I am sure if it was enacted would, again, push up the number of families in which, sadly, there is not a father at home to help raise the children.

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

SENATE ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The Speaker announced his signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 382.—An act to take certain land in the State of Washington into trust for the benefit of the Puyallup Tribe of the Puyallup Reservation, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. GROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 51 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Friday, April 19, 2024, at 9 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

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

EC-3825. A letter from the Chief, Legislative and Regulatory Staff, Farm Service Agency and Commodity Credit Corporation, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Pandemic Assistance Programs and Agricultural Disaster Assistance Programs [Docket ID: USDA-2021-0012] (RIN: 0503-AA75) received April 9, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-3826. A letter from the Chief, Legislative and Regulatory Staff, Farm Service Agency and Commodity Credit Corporation, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Supplemental Dairy Margin Coverage Payment; Conservation Reserve Program; Dairy Indemnity Payment Program; Marketing Assistance Loans, Loan Deficiency Payments, and Sugar Loans; and Oriental Fruit Fly Program [Docket ID: FSA-2021-0003] (RIN: 0560-AI59) April 9, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-3827. A letter from the Chief, Legislative and Regulatory Staff, Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Agricultural Disaster Indemnity Programs [Docket ID: FSA-2020-0011] (RIN: 0560-AI55) received April 9, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-3828. A letter from the Chief, Legislative and Regulatory Staff, Natural Resources Conservation Services, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honey Bees, and Farm-Raised Fish Program (ELAP) Programs [Docket ID: CCC-2022-0001] (RIN: 0560-AI63) received April 9, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-3829. A letter from the Chief, Legislative and Regulatory Staff, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Agricultural Conservation Easement Program [Docket ID: NRCS-2019-0006] (RIN: 0578-AA66) received April 9, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-3830. A letter from the Chief, Legislative and Regulatory Staff, Commodity Credit Corporation, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Regional Conservation Partnership

Program [Docket ID: NRCS-2019-0012] (RIN: 0578-AA70) received April 9, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-3831. A letter from the Regulation Coordination, Administration for Community Living, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Adult Protective Services Functions and Grant Programs (RIN: 0985-AA18) received April 10, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

EC-3832. A letter from the Legal Counsel, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting the Commission's Major final rule and interpretive guidance — Implementation of the Pregnant Workers Fairness Act (RIN: 3046-AB30) received April 15, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

EC-3833. A letter from the Assist General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Petroleum-Equivalent Fuel Economy Calculation [EERE-2021-VT-0033] (RIN: 1904-AF47) received April 11, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3834. A letter from the Regulatory Policy Analyst, Regulation Policy Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Medical Devices; Quality System Regulation Amendments [Docket No.: FDA-2021-N-0507] (RIN: 0910-AH99) received April 9, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3835. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Air Plan Approval; Virginia; 1997 8-Hour Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standard Second Maintenance Plan for the Fredericksburg Area [EPA-R03-OAR-2023-0629; FRL-11261-02-R3] received April 12, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3836. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Cycilaniliprole; Pesticide Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2023-0077; FRL-11855-01-OCSP] received April 12, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-3837. A letter from the Regulatory and Policy Counsel, U.S. AbilityOne Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — Supporting Competition in the AbilityOne Program (RIN: 3037-AA14) received April 11, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability.

EC-3838. A letter from the Division Chief, Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Update of the Communications Uses Program, Cost Recovery Fee Schedules, and Section 512 of FLPMA for Rights-of-Way [BLM—HQ—FRN—M04500175819] (RIN: 1004-AE60) received April 15, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-3839. A letter from the Division Chief, Regulatory Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Waste Prevention, Production Subject to Royalties, and Resource Conservation [BLM—HQ—FRN—M04500174370] (RIN: 1004-AE79) received April 11, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-3840. A letter from the Manager, Branch of Listing and Policy Support, U.S. Fish and Wildlife, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Listing Endangered and Threatened Species and Designating Critical Habitat [Docket No.: FWS-HQ-ES-2021-0107, FXES1111090FEDR-245-FF09E23000; Docket No.: 240325-0088] (RIN: 0648-BK47; 1018-BF95) received April 11, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-3841. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule — Expanding the Fair Housing Testing Pool for FHIP and FHAP Funded Entities [Docket No.: FR-6355-F-02] (RIN: 2529-AB07) received April 8, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3842. A letter from the Chief Counsel, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's Major interim final rule — Individual Assistance Program Equity [Docket ID: FEMA-2023-0003] (RIN: 1660-AB07) received April 9, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-3843. A letter from the Chief Counsel, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's Major interim final rule — Individual Assistance Program Equity [Docket ID: FEMA-2023-0003] (RIN: 1660-AB07) received April 9, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-3844. A letter from the Attorney-Advisor, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule — Train Crew Size Safety Requirements [Docket No.: FRA-2021-0032] (RIN: 2130-AC88) received April 10, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

EC-3845. A letter from the Regulation Writer, Office of Regulations and Reports Clearance, Social Security Administration, transmitting the Administration's Major final rule — Expansion of the Rental Subsidy Policy for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Applicants and Recipients [Docket No.: SSA-2023-0010] (RIN: 0960-AI82) received April 16, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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 Mr. VAN ORDEN (for himself, Mr. CRENSHAW, Mr. ARMSTRONG, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. TIFFANY, and Mr. MAST):

H.R. 8060. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to require the notification of appropriate elected officials prior to the placement of refugees in a State; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. WAGNER (for herself, Mr. MORAN, Mrs. DINGELL, Mrs. BICE, and Mr. COSTA):

H.R. 8061. A bill to temporarily provide additional deposits into the Crime Victims Fund; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BEYER:

H.R. 8062. A bill to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to strengthen control of the environmental impacts of surface coal mining, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. BROWNLEY (for herself and Mr. SCHIFF):

H.R. 8063. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Army to posthumously award the Distinguished Service Cross to William D. Owens for his valorous actions from June 6, 1944, to June 8, 1944, during World War II at La Piere Bridge in Normandy, France, while serving with the 505th Parachute Infantry; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. CARTWRIGHT (for himself, Mr. LAWLER, Mr. GRJALVA, Ms. DEAN of Pennsylvania, Mr. CÁRDENAS, Ms. MCCOLLUM, Mr. TAKANO, and Mr. THOMPSON of California):

H.R. 8064. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage under the Medicare program of hearing aids and related hearing services; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. COSTA (for himself and Mr. KILEY):

H.R. 8065. A bill to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, to carry out a program under which the Secretary requires each regulated seller of a highly infectious agent to comply with certain logbook requirements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. EMMER (for himself, Mr. STAUBER, Mrs. FISCHBACH, Mr. FINSTAD, Mr. CRAWFORD, and Mr. WESTERMAN):

H.R. 8066. A bill to require a report on the United States supply of nitrocellulose; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. FEENSTRA (for himself and Mr. SCHNEIDER):

H.R. 8067. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require additional information on math and clerical error notices; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GROTHMAN (for himself, Mr. CLOUD, Ms. MACE, Mr. NORMAN, Mr. OGLES, Mr. WEBER of Texas, and Mr. CASE):

H.R. 8068. A bill to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to exclude resources designated as an emergency requirement or any resources provided in supplemental appropriations laws from CBO baseline projections for discretionary appropriations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. GUEST (for himself and Mr. CLEAVER):

H.R. 8069. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to encourage qualified individuals to enter the forensic pathology workforce, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and