

I am proud to join Congressman MASSIE on his amendment to prohibit vaccine mandates for our servicemembers and to reinstate servicemembers who have been forced out due to the mandate.

I will continue to advocate for our troops.

FOOD SAFETY IS A SECOND-CLASS CITIZEN AT THE FDA

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

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I rise in support of the Food Safety Administration Act, which I am introducing today, along with Senator DICK DURBIN.

The FDA regulates almost 80 percent of our food supply. Consumers and industry depend on the FDA to perform its regulatory role. Every year, nearly 48 million people get sick from foodborne illness, resulting in 128,000 Americans being hospitalized and 3,000 dying. This is preventable and costly.

Between inadequate responses to recalls, a failure to implement a culture of outbreak prevention, and proposed rules and initiatives that languish for years, FDA's food program has struggled in its role to protect consumers.

Food safety is a second-class citizen at the FDA. As highlighted by the infant formula crisis, there are dire consequences when food safety is not prioritized. The FDA has the authority to appoint a deputy commissioner of foods with a background in food safety but has yet to do so. This affects all aspects of FDA's food program.

That is why I am introducing this bill that will establish the Food Safety Administration under Health and Human Services and incorporate the existing food programs within the FDA into a separate agency. This will increase leadership and accountability, strengthen oversight of the food supply, and enhance the industry's ability to operate effectively.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DR. CHUCK RHEEM

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

Mrs. KIM of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Dr. Chuck Rheem, who was a leader in the Korean-American community and chairman of the U.S.-Korea Alliance Association.

Dr. Rheem had a special love for the United States and his home country of South Korea and dedicated himself to advocating for policies with numerous Presidential administrations to strengthen U.S.-Korea relations.

As a veteran of the Korean war, Dr. Rheem also had a passion for honoring our Korean war veterans and hosted numerous events to thank them and honor their sacrifices.

While Dr. Rheem is no longer with us, I know that his legacy will continue to live on through the efforts of the members of the U.S.-Korea Alliance Association.

I pray for God's peace for his family, friends, and anyone who knew him.

OVERTURNING ROE OVERTURNED OUR FREEDOM

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

Ms. CLARK of Massachusetts. Madam Speaker, overturning Roe overturned our freedom. The freedom to make our own healthcare decisions is fundamental to our humanity and our dignity. It is about the right to control our own lives.

It is about the mother of three who simply can't afford to care for another child. It is about a young rape victim who shouldn't be mandated to carry her attacker's pregnancy to term. It is about the mom who desperately wants a baby but has a miscarriage and needs abortion care to prevent a potentially lethal infection.

Government-mandated pregnancy, that is our new reality.

This week, House Democrats will protect access to abortion and secure the right to reproductive care. We will fight against the Republican's scorched earth campaign against freedom for women, freedom to practice our faith, and freedom to make decisions for our families. We will fight to let every person control their bodies, their choices, and their futures.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO MAXINE RANDALL

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

Mr. WALBERG. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Maxine Randall of Hillsdale, Michigan, who recently passed away at the age of 92.

After graduating from North Adams High School in 1948, Max played for the Fort Wayne Daisies of the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League, which was founded during World War II.

During her 6 years in the league, Max was named as an all-star five times and compiled 116 wins—fifth in league history.

Decades later, the women's baseball league that Max starred in served as a catalyst for the hit movie "A League of Their Own."

Following her pro baseball career, Max worked at Jonesville Products for many years, where she met her late husband, Bob.

As one relative described her, Max was "salt, grit, and a baseball mitt."

We send our condolences to the Randall family, and we celebrate an inspirational life lived to the fullest.

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PROTECTING WOMEN'S HEALTHCARE FREEDOM

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

Ms. BROWN of Ohio. Madam Speaker, while the decision to overturn Roe v. Wade has impacted millions of Americans, we must also acknowledge its economic and racial implications.

We live in a country plagued by generations of healthcare inequities and racial disparities. Black, Latino, indigenous, and other communities of color already face healthcare barriers and will only continue to suffer in the aftermath of a post-Roe America.

State trigger bills that restrict or ban more than half of a country from reproductive healthcare access have already stripped millions of their fundamental right to decide their reproductive care. But our fight continues.

I implore my colleagues in Congress to unite to pass legislation to protect every American's constitutional right to travel freely and voluntarily throughout the United States, including for reproductive healthcare.

RECOGNIZING THE LIBERTY HIGH SCHOOL LADY PANTHERS

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

Mr. BABIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Liberty High School Lady Panthers for winning the 2022 Texas University Interscholastic League Division 4A State championship.

This is the Lady Panthers' second consecutive State title and the third in the last 5 years. Amazing.

During their historic season, the Lady Panthers had a record of 38 wins and only 6 losses before defeating the Sweeny Bulldogs in the State championship game on June 5.

I am proud to say six Lady Panthers were named to the State UIL Softball 4A All-Tournament Team: Kylie Bishop, Kamdyn Chandler, Reese Evans, Hollie Thomas, Bryana Pantalion, and Bailee Slack. Senior third baseman Kylie Bishop was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player.

In a pregame ceremony before Liberty's State title game, Head Coach Karen Slack received recognition as the 2020-2021 National Federation of State High School Coaches' Texas State Softball Coach of the Year.

Madam Speaker, I again congratulate the Lady Panthers on their season of triumph. I am so very proud of all of them.