I will continue to fight to uphold the Hyde amendment and make sure not one dollar of taxpayer dollars goes to destroy the life of an unborn child. These children are the future of our country.

Life is too sacred, and we must respect the millions of Americans who believe everyone has a right to life.

In God we trust.

HELP IS ON THE WAY

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

Ms. BROWNLEY. Madam Speaker, many families across the country have felt the crushing economic burden of the pandemic, but additional help is on the way.

The American Rescue Plan is delivering on President Biden's promise to help working families make ends meet. This once-in-a-generation investment includes an expanded child tax credit, and many American families are eligible for a refund of up to $3,600 per child, with $300 monthly payments beginning on July 15.

This direct assistance to families will help parents put food on the table, buy clothing for their children, or pay for other expenses while building better lives for their families. These tax credits will also help lift millions of families and children out of poverty, including more than 145,000 children in my district of Ventura County in California.

Ending childhood poverty will help increase educational attainment and lifetime earnings, allowing for a prosperous future for America's families and children. The expanded child tax credit also ensures families can keep more of their hard-earned money and keep our Nation on the path to recovery.

ABORTION IS NOT HEALTHCARE

(Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, I rise today in strong support of the Hyde amendment and stand to denounce President Biden's budget that proposes the most radical pro-abortion budget in decades.

For nearly 45 years, the Hyde amendment has saved millions of lives by ensuring no taxpayer dollars are appropriated to support abortion services. This amendment has been included in every single government funding bill with widespread support since 1976. Even President Biden himself voted in favor of the amendment for decades.

What has changed? Who is running the show at the White House?

The Democrats love to talk about the big lie. The biggest lie in the country right now is President Biden's promise to be bipartisan.

The good people of eastern North Carolina do not want their hard-earned tax dollars paying for abortions, like done with Planned Parenthood. We must put faith and family back in the center of our lives and promote policies that support our innocent unborn.

I am a physician. Abortion is not healthcare. It is murder. The Constitution is clear on our right to life, and the Hyde amendment protects that. I believe the Hyde amendment should be included in every budget.

WHEN FAMILIES DO WELL, OUR NATION DOES WELL

(Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Madam Speaker, with each passing week, we are seeing the tremendous impact of the American Rescue Plan on our Nation, in New York State, in New York City, and in my own district of New York 12.

Included in the American Rescue Plan is the 1-year expansion of the child tax credit. Next month, families will begin to receive credits of up to $300 per month to help with food, to help with rent, to help with the cost of childcare.

It is estimated that this funding will cut childhood poverty in half. Let me repeat that. It will cut childhood poverty in half. In my district alone, New York 12, this will help 54,000 children and lift nearly 5,000 children out of poverty.

Knowing the impact this tax credit will have on our families, I am asking all of my colleagues to join me in working to make it permanent.

When families do well, our Nation does well.

WE DESERVE ANSWERS ON COVID–19'S ORIGINS

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

Mr. PFLUGER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to demand answers and call for all intelligence into the origins of the COVID–19 virus to be declassified.

The United States should not rely on the World Health Organization, the same organization that covered for the Chinese Communist Party in the early days of the pandemic, to deliver answers to the American public about the origins of a virus that wrecked our economy and tragically claimed hundreds of thousands of American lives.

In April of last year, President Trump and Secretary Pompeo raised concerns of a COVID–19 lab leak. These concerns were completely ignored and censored by social media companies and traditional news outlets due to their vitriol and hatred for the former President. Now Speaker PELOSI and House Democrats are stonewalling House Republicans' efforts to deliver answers.

It is our responsibility to keep this country safe. If the CCP is indeed found responsible for the leak and cover-up, they must be held accountable for the needless loss of life and for our economy.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to immediately join Republicans in our call for answers. The American people, and all those around the world who have lost loved ones, deserve answers.

CHILD TAX CREDIT BRINGS MUCH-NEEDED RELIEF

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

Ms. UNDERWOOD. Madam Speaker, on Monday, I had the privilege of joining my colleagues, Representatives BILL FOSTER and SEAN CASTEN, and three incredible working mothers from my community, to speak about the importance of the expanded child tax credit.

We heard from these working moms how the child tax credit will deliver much-needed relief for their families after an incredibly difficult year. They will no longer have to worry about how they will afford their mortgage, childcare, and putting food on the table for themselves and their kids.

It is estimated that the expanded credit will cut child poverty in half, lifting 5,400 kids in my district out of poverty and benefiting thousands more.

We must sustain this investment in our kids and working families by making the child tax credit permanent to ensure millions of children have the resources they need for a brighter future.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2062, PROTECTING OLDER WORKERS AGAINST DISCRIMINATION ACT OF 2021; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 239, EQUAL ACCESS TO CONTRACEPTION FOR VETERANS ACT; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 1443, LGBTQ BUSINESS EQUAL CREDIT ENFORCEMENT AND INVESTMENT ACT; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF S.J. RES. 13, PROVIDING FOR CONGRESSIONAL DISAPPROVAL OF THE RULE SUBMITTED BY THE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION RELATING TO ''UPDATE OF COMMISSION'S CONCILIATION PROCEDURES''; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF S.J. RES. 14, PROVIDING FOR CONGRESSIONAL DISAPPROVAL OF THE RULE SUBMITTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY