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New EDMs

1031 Big Yellow Friday 2022

Stewart Malcolm McDonald

That this House notes that 4 March 2022 is Big Yellow Friday; congratulates the Children's Liver Disease Foundation on its work in raising awareness, promoting research and providing information and support for people affected by a life-threatening liver disease; further notes with concern that every week 20 children in the UK are diagnosed with a life-threatening childhood liver disease that can mean a lifetime of care; commends the work of the Children's Liver Disease Foundation for working tirelessly and investing to support families and fund research projects, which helps to understand and treat childhood liver diseases; further congratulates all those taking part in Big Yellow Friday 2022 and showing support for children affected by childhood liver disease and their families; and calls on the Government to work closely with all national liver-disease charities to help ensure that childhood liver diseases are understood, prevented and treated effectively, ensuring that babies, children, young people and adults diagnosed in childhood achieve their full potential.

Tabled: **7/03/22**

Signatories: 1

1032 Retirement of Margaret McIntyre at Citizens' Advice Bureau

Tabled: 7/03/22 Signatories: 1

Chris Stephens

That this House congratulations Margaret McIntyre on her retirement as Bureau Manager of the Greater Pollok Citizens' Advice Bureau after two decades in the post; notes Ms McIntyre took on the role as Bureau Manager when the Pollok Citizens' Advice Bureau opened to the community in 2001; recognises Margaret has been with the CAB service for over 30 years, dedicating 22 years to the community of Greater Pollok; applauds the leadership that Ms McIntyre has shown in her time as Bureau Manager; further recognises the tremendous work done by Citizens Advice and Ms McIntyre over the course of the Covid-19 pandemic to assist those most in need; thanks Ms McIntyre for her outstanding service to service users and the Greater Pollok community over the years; and wishes her the best in retirement and future endeavours.

1033 Retirement of Sir Jason Kenny

Tabled: 7/03/22 Signatories: 1

Yasmin Qureshi

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That this House wholeheartedly congratulates Sir Jason Kenny on an unprecedented career in cycling and wishes him all the best in his future retirement plans as Coach for Team GB; notes that Sir Jason, a proud Boltonian, is this country's most decorated Olympian ending his career with an amazing seven Gold medals; and further notes that he will go down in history as one of the greats of world cycling, alongside his wife Dame Laura Kenny, who is also the most successful female Olympian this country has ever seen.

1034 World Kidney Day 2022

Tabled: 7/03/22 Signatories: 1 Daisy Cooper

That this House notes that World Kidney Day takes place on Thursday 10 March 2022 on the theme of education and awareness of kidney health; recognises that 250,000 people living with stage 4 and 5 chronic kidney disease are at higher risk of hospitalisation or death following COVID-19 infection than any other group and have faced difficulty protecting themselves due to challenges accessing additional vaccine doses, and guidance that excluded them; welcomes the rollout of COVID-19 treatments but encourages the Government to consider their use prophylactically to prevent infection in those for whom vaccines are less effective; commends the important work charities, such as Kidney Care UK, have done to protect, support and advocate for clinically extremely vulnerable kidney patients from all ethnic and cultural backgrounds, as well as people who are immunocompromised or immunosuppressed; and calls on the Government to acknowledge all late-stage chronic kidney disease patients' vulnerability to COVID-19 and ensure this group are included in and protected by COVID-19 guidance.

1035 Exclusion of women members from The Garrick Club

Tabled: 7/03/22 Signatories: 1

Daisy Cooper

That this House congratulates the Women At The Garrick Club campaign on collecting more than 300 signatories from the legal profession, including more than 100 Queens Counsel barristers, for their petition to members of the Garrick Club; notes that they urge the club membership to behave ethically by holding a vote on, and voting in favour of, admitting women as members; regrets that currently The Garrick affords men opportunities through their membership to form connections with senior legal practitioners and members of the judiciary, which may support their professional aspirations, and that these opportunities are not available to women; calls on all private members clubs to immediately abolish archaic rules preventing women from being admitted as members; and encourages those at the Garrick and other clubs to reflect on their commitment to equality and diversity in the approach to International Women's Day on 8 March.

1036 Scotland Board of the Gaelic Athletic Association 125th Anniversary

Tabled: 7/03/22 Signatories: 1

Martin Docherty-Hughes

That this House is delighted to acknowledge the 125th anniversary of the establishment of the Scotland Board of the Gaelic Athletic Association (GAA), also known as Scotland GAA; believes that Scotland GAA has been instrumental in maintaining and strengthening the links between the

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sport, Ireland and the Irish diaspora across Scotland over the last century and that the organisation continues to grow with strength; wishes to extend its thanks to those involved in the organisation for their dedication and hard work; and believes that a positive long term future of the sport is built on strong foundations with their Sports Community Hub based in Clydebank.

1037 Leuchie House National Lottery Community funding

Kenny MacAskill

That this House congratulates national respite centre Leuchie House on receiving £117,000 from The National Lottery Community Fund to help improve their facilities; understands that the charity located near North Berwick provides care for people with neurological conditions and has now fully reopened following closure during the Covid-19 pandemic, and the money will fund a new occupational therapist to join the team for three years, help fun a new digital skills coordinator for one year, and provide guests with smart technologies that will assist them in their daily life which will help them live more independently and feel less isolated; welcomes Mark Bevan CEO of Leuchie House's comments when showing delight for the funding to be awarded to the charity and the positive impact this funding will have for Leuchie House; and wishes the staff, guests and all involved at Leuchie House the very best for their futures.

1038 Muirfield Riding Therapy gift from Knox Academy pupils

Tabled: 7/03/22 Signatories: 1

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Kenny MacAskill

That this House congratulates Olivia Dale, Kirsty Dee and Ellen Davidson, pupils at Knox Academy in Haddington, on securing £3000 for the Muirfield Riding Therapy through the school's Youth and Philanthropy Initiative (YPI) competition; understands that after groups of pupils had to research a social issue and deliver a presentation on Muirfield Riding Therapy, which provides pioneering life-changing equine therapy and since their founding 1989 have opened and indoor arena, physiotherapy room, play area, meeting room, and full length viewing gallery, was named the successor thanks to the groups' research and presentation; and wishes Olivia, Kirsty, Ellen, and everyone involved in the Muirfield Riding Therapy the best of luck with their future.

1039 North Berwick gardeners representation of Scotland in Britain in Bloom

Tabled: 7/03/22 Signatories: 1

Kenny MacAskill

That this House congratulates keen gardening group North Berwick in Bloom on being selected to represent Scotland in this year's Britain in Bloom contest organised by the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS), which is making its return for the first time since 2019 due to the Covid-19 pandemic; understands that North Berwick in Bloom have been chosen thanks to the group's efforts to deliver environmental improvements to the town, work which saw it win gold at the Beautiful Scotland awards in 2021; notes that in partnership with RHS, the awards are run by Keep Scotland Beautiful who aims to combat climate change, reduce litter and enhance the beauty of the nation's towns; and wishes the best of luck to all those involved in North Berwick in Bloom.

1040 Gosford House Winter Wonderland fundraising for ill children

Tabled: 7/03/22 Signatories: 1

Kenny MacAskill

That this House commends the fundraising efforts of those at Gosford House who held the first of its kind Winter Wonderland in East Lothian on raising thousands of pounds to grant the wishes of children living with life-threatening illnesses; understands that Gosford House welcomed thousands of visitors last festive period over the course of a week to support local businesses and raise money of When You Wish Upon a Star, a Scottish charity granting special wishes to children between the ages of four and sixteen; congratulates those involved in the Winter Wonderland on their fundraising success; and wish those at Gosford House and When You Wish Upon a Star the best of luck with any future fundraising efforts.

1041 Gullane Day Centre National Lottery Community funding

Tabled: 7/03/22 Signatories: 1

Kenny MacAskill

That this House congratulates Gullane Day Centre on receiving a funding of £6,000 from The National Lottery Community Fund; understands that this funding will go towards the group's outreach wellbeing project which was developed during lockdown to support older people who were isolated and vulnerable; commend Gullane Day Centre for their efforts in the community; and wishes everyone involved the best of luck with the future.

1042 MADE In East Lothian CIC National Lottery Community funding

Tabled: 7/03/22 Signatories: 1

Kenny MacAskill

That this House congratulates MADE in East Lothian CIC on receiving a funding of £9,272 from The National Lottery Community Fund; understands that the group, who support artists and creators throughout East Lothian, will carry out a community consultation into the future of the arts hub based in Haddington with a view to buying the property and re-developing it based on feedback from the community; commends the group's efforts in the community; and wishes everyone involved the best of luck with the future.

1043 Natural Connections National Lottery Community funding

Tabled: 7/03/22 Signatories: 1

Kenny MacAskill

That this House congratulates Natural Connections in Tranent on receiving a funding of £9,896 from The National Lottery Community Fund; understands that the group, who support local community and causes in East Lothian, will use the funding to run an outreach project to help people in the local area to develop their gardens to grow food; commends the efforts of the group's help in the community; and wishes everyone involved the best of luck with the future.

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1044 Volunteer Development East Lothian National Lottery Community funding

Tabled: 7/03/22 Signatories: 1

Kenny MacAskill

That this House congratulates Volunteer Development East Lothian on receiving a funding of £200,00 from The National Lottery Community Fund; understands that the group will build on its existing befriending project (Engage) supporting young people who are vulnerable, and the befrienders will meet the young people weekly in an activity or session chosen by the young person to help address isolation, loneliness, mental health issues and disadvantages that the young people is experiencing; commends the group for their efforts in the community; and wishes everyone involved the best of luck with the future.

1045 Endometriosis Awareness Month 2022

Tabled: 7/03/22 Signatories: 3

Jim Shannon Carla Lockhart Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson

That this House notes Endometriosis Awareness Month 2022; further notes that it is estimated that one in 10 women have endometriosis which frequently presents with the symptom of pain and which can cause infertility in up to 40 per cent of sufferers; highlights this awareness month to promote a greater awareness and understanding of endometriosis among the medical profession, education sector, employers, politicians and society in general; and reaffirms the right of women to access best practice and consistent care and treatment for everyone regardless of where they live.

1046 50th anniversary of the bombing of the Abercorn Restaurant in Belfast

Tabled: 7/03/22 Signatories: 3

Jim Shannon Carla Lockhart Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson

That this House notes the 50th anniversary of the bombing of the Abercorn Restaurant in Belfast; highlights the loss of innocent life with the death of Anne Owens and Janet Bereen with the bomb detonation a mere two minutes after the warning was phoned in and expresses our continued sympathy; further expresses support for the 130 victims who were maimed and live with the physical and emotional scars; and also remembers those first responders on the scene of that atrocity who dealt with images that can never be forgotten perpetrated by those who have never been charged or arrested and into which an historical investigation has not been carried out.

1047 Thameslink service frequency and fares

Tabled: 7/03/22 Signatories: 1

Daisy Cooper

That this House notes with concern that Thameslink service frequencies remain substantially reduced compared to pre-pandemic levels, notably including the St Albans to London commuter route; further notes the frustrations expressed by many passengers that peak time services can be crowded as a result of the reduction in services, compounded by the sometime use of shorter trains at peak commuting times; understands that Govia Thameslink Railway are constrained by the Department for Transport requirement that service schedules and expenditure must be approved by the Government under the current model of operating the railways; regrets that the Secretary

of State for Transport approved a substantial increase in rail fares despite the current reduction in rail services available to commuters; and calls on the Secretary of State for Transport to reverse the annual fare increase for 2022, work urgently with Train Operating Companies to support the recruitment and training of train staff in order that a full timetable can be reinstated at the earliest opportunity, and to provide appropriate compensation to season ticket holders and regular commuters, while these measures are introduced, on the basis that their travel options continue to be considerably reduced and their journeys uncomfortable and overpriced.

1048 Environmental impact of planned Luton Airport expansion

Tabled: 7/03/22 Signatories: 1

Daisy Cooper

That this House deplores the announcement by Luton Council that they intend to pursue an expansion of Luton Airport which would see annual passenger numbers increase from the current permitted figure of 18 million passengers per annum, to a total of 32 million; recognises the widespread community opposition to the plans from groups such as the Luton and District Association for the Control of Airport Noise, Stop Luton Airport Expansion, St Albans for Quieter Skies, St Albans and District Friends of the Earth, Extinction Rebellion, and St Albans Wilderhood Watch; notes with alarm that Luton Borough Council has approved the plans to significantly increase aviation passenger numbers whilst also declaring a climate emergency; notes with concern the Climate Change Committee recommendation in their sixth carbon budget that there should be no net expansion of UK airport capacity unless the sector is assessed as being on track to sufficiently outperform a net emissions trajectory that is compatible with achieving Net Zero; further notes that the nuisance, disruption and suffering endured by residents in Hertfordshire as a result of aircraft noise is likely to be exacerbated by expansion of operations; calls on Luton Council to enforce promises made by Luton Airport on aircraft noise reduction; and calls on the Government to drop its support for airport expansion unless the sector is assessed as being on track to sufficiently outperform a net emissions trajectory that is compatible with achieving Net Zero.

Added Names

Below are EDMs tabled in the last two weeks to which names have been added. Only the first 6 names and any new names are included.

997 150 years since the founding of Glasgow Rangers FC

Tabled: 22/02/22 Signatories: 5

Mr Gregory Campbell Jim Shannon Scott Benton Carla Lockhart Paul Girvan

That this House notes the fact that March 2022 marks one hundred and fifty years since four young lads had a dream to start a football team; further notes that in the period since its founding Glasgow Rangers Football Club has won the Scottish top tier league title a world record breaking fifty five times and countless other Cup competitions; commends all those responsible for the history, traditions and continuing success of the Club; and looks forward to many more years of trophy winning in the future.

998 International Mother Language Day

Tabled: 22/02/22 Signatories: 20

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Apsana Begum Richard Burgon Zarah Sultana Bell Ribeiro-Addy Claudia Webbe Owen Thompson

Mary Kelly Foy

That this House pays tribute to International Mother Language Day 2022 which was the initiative of Bangladesh and was approved at the 1999 UNESCO General Conference; notes that it has been observed on 21 February throughout the world since 2000 and commemorates the Bangladeshi university students martyred for the Bangla language in 1952; and believes that valuing linguistic diversity helps provide people with an understanding of language and culture, raises educational attainment, and celebrates the plurality and richness of multicultural communities.

999 La Mon Bombing

Jim Shannon
Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson
Sammy Wilson
Carla Lockhart
Gavin Robinson
Sir Mike Penning

Paul Girvan

That this House notes the 46th anniversary of the La Mon atrocity through which 12 innocent people lost their lives in the most horrific of circumstances in a burning inferno and in which 30 people were horrifically injured; notes the pain of those that live with the injuries to their bodies and minds and those who live without loved ones who were murdered with a callousness that retains the ability to bring tears to people's eyes; and reiterates the promise not to allow history to forget those lives that mattered so much and who are still grieved to this day.

1000 Bloody Friday Remembrance

Jim Shannon
Carla Lockhart
Sammy Wilson
Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson
Gavin Robinson
Sir Mike Penning

Paul Girvan

That this House welcomes the decision by Belfast City Council to work with victims and families of those who lost loved ones during the Bloody Friday events of 21 July 1972 to commemorate and suitably mark the 50th anniversary of this atrocious day; notes the sincere desire to engage in a programme of commemoration and also education, designed to build positive relationships for the future; further notes divisive politicking by those who defend the indefensible to derail this appropriate memorial will not succeed as families remind children of the events that have shaped

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the city in an effort to ensure that the horror of the Troubles are never repeated; and extends sincere sympathies to families of the victims of the Troubles who continue to suffer, mourn and grieve the loss of loved ones and the lives that could have been.

1002 Pension triple lock and pensioner poverty

Tabled: 22/02/22 Signatories: 16

Patricia Gibson
Allan Dorans
Jim Shannon
Chris Law
Douglas Chapman
Stewart Malcolm McDonald

Mary Kelly Foy

That this House acknowledges the 5.5 per cent rise in inflation which saw the cost-of-living soar to a 30-year high in January, with energy, fuel and food prices all being impacted; recognises that more than two million older people are already living in poverty in the UK, up 31per cent since 2013-14 according to Age UK; is concerned that the removal of the triple lock, the link between earnings and pensions, is already set to see many pensioners approximately £520 worse off over the next 12 months; is concerned that many older people will not be able to afford to keep their homes adequately heated this winter as they struggle with the cost-of-living crisis; is dismayed by the Government's abandonment of a key manifest pledge to protect the pension's triple lock, which has seen pensioners' incomes detrimentally impacted in recent years; notes that inflation may rise above 7 per cent with the price cap on energy prices set to rise again in the coming months; opposes this latest attack on pensioners who have already seen free TV licences removed for the over 75s, suffered cuts to Pension Credit, women born in the 1950s hit by pension changes for which they were unable to financially prepare; and urges the Government to urgently review the State Pension increase for 2022 with a view to restoring the triple lock forthwith.

1004 O2 tariff price increase

Mr Gregory Campbell Jim Shannon John McDonnell Paula Barker Carla Lockhart Paul Girvan Tabled: 23/02/22 Signatories: 6

That this House notes the recent decision by O2 to increase their mobile phone tariff for recent customers by 11.7 per cent from April 2022; further notes O2's failure in customer correspondence to highlight the total increase, instead choosing to reference their annual 3.9 per cent rise and indicate the additional RPI figure increase, which is 7.8 per cent; acknowledges that this is the latest substantial increase to hit hard pressed working families along with rising fuel costs, mortgage increases, energy costs, increasing National Insurance Contributions and rising food bills; and calls on the Government to revise plans for increases over which it has control to help deal with this series of impending financial setbacks that will be faced by millions of UK citizens.

1006 Accommodation for children in care over the age of 15

Tabled: **24/02/22** Signatories: 25

Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck Ian Mearns Kim Johnson **Mohammad Yasin** Mr Virendra Sharma John McDonnell

Robert Halfon

Mary Kelly Foy

That this House notes with grave concern the introduction of secondary legislation by the Department for Education which guarantees care and regulated accommodation to vulnerable looked-after children only to the age of 15; and is further concerned by the disproportionate impact this policy has on boys and children from black, Asian and minority ethnic communities; further adds that between 2018 and 2020, 22 children in care aged 16 and 17 died while living in this type of unregulated setting which is devoid of care and consistent adult supervision; further champions the charity Article 39 and the delegation of care experienced people who handed over a 10,700 signature-strong #KeepCaringTo18 petition to Downing Street on this issue; and urgently calls on the Government to change this legislation to ensure all looked after children, no matter what their age, live in accommodation that has carers and provides care.

1011 Sir Alex Ferguson statue at Pittodrie Football Stadium

Tabled: **28/02/22** Signatories: 6

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Signatories: 14

Kirsty Blackman Allan Dorans Marion Fellows Jim Shannon **Chris Stephens Patrick Grady**

That this House congratulates Sir Alex Ferguson, Aberdeen Football Club's most successful manager of all-time, on the unveiling of a statue in his honour at Pittodrie Football Stadium; celebrates the monumental success he brought to Aberdeen FC, including winning the European Cup Winners Cup in 1983; and recognises the enormous positive contribution and influence Sir Alex has had on Aberdeen and Scottish football during his trophy-laden career.

1013 World Seagrass Day

Douglas Chapman Rachael Maskell Allan Dorans **Marion Fellows** Sir Mike Penning Jim Shannon

Patrick Grady That this House celebrates World Seagrass Day and recognises the important role of seagrass restoration as a nature-based solution to the climate and biodiversity crisis; further recognises the vital role of seagrass meadows as marine powerhouses in terms of increasing biodiversity, as a blue carbon store, as a way of enhancing coastal defences and a habitat for a huge variety of life in our shallow, sheltered waters; understands the great threat to these habitats, with an estimated

loss of the size of two football pitches an hour across the globe; and calls for the UK Government to support these important marine habitats and celebrate some of the incredible community-led projects around Scotland such as Restoration Forth in the Dunfermline and West Fife constituency, which aims to restore and sustainably manage seagrass habitats in the Firth of Forth.

1015 Ovarian Cancer Month 2022

Tabled: 28/02/22 Signatories: 16

Jim Shannon Rachael Maskell Sir Mike Penning Gavin Robinson Jonathan Edwards Paula Barker

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Mary Kelly Foy

Paul Girvan

That this House notes Ovarian Cancer Month in March; highlights the campaign by Target Ovarian Cancer to highlight the major symptoms of Ovarian Cancer acknowledging that four in 10 women wrongly believe their cervical screening also detects Ovarian Cancer and that knowing the symptoms is a key for early detection; thanks all of those who, in recognition of the 11 women per day who die in the UK from Ovarian Cancer, have pledged to walk 11,000 miles each day in March to raise money for the charity; and calls upon the Government to train more GPs in symptom spotting for Ovarian Cancer as well as to shorten the diagnostic pathway by carrying out CA125 blood test along with ultrasounds as standard practice.

1016 Parade to honour UDR soldiers Cummings and Starrett

Tabled: 28/02/22 Signatories: 7

Jim Shannon
Sir Mike Penning
Gavin Robinson
Mr Gregory Campbell
Carla Lockhart
Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson

Paul Girvan

That this House notes the annual parade and the service of remembrance for UDR soldiers Frederick Starrett and James Cummings, who were only 22 years of age at the time of their murder on 24 February 1988, passed peacefully in Belfast; further notes the massive amount people who turned out to remember and who did so in a dignified manner; and underlines to the families of these young men that grieve them still, that their sacrifice is not forgotten and is honoured to this day, and further that the sacrifice of these men and too many others like them is something to be taught to younger generations, and remembered and respected.

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1017 Royal Mail workforce reductions

Tabled: 1/03/22 Signatories: 29

Kate Osborne Grahame Morris Bell Ribeiro-Addy Paula Barker Kate Hollern Andy McDonald

John Cryer Mary Kelly Foy Jon Trickett

Chris Stephens

That this House expresses alarm at plans by Royal Mail to reduce frontline managerial jobs by 900 posts, a reduction that will further harm the postal service in this country; condemns this continued attack on the jobs of workers while shareholders receive £311 million in rewards; is appalled at the treatment of postal managers, who have been the hidden heroes of the service during the coronavirus pandemic, working excessive hours with no additional pay in order to ensure that the public receives their post and packages; calls on Royal Mail to immediately engage with the workforce and its union, Unite, to save these jobs; is concerned that Royal Mail is already failing to meet its public service obligation, with delays to post now a regular occurrence around the country; agrees with Unite that the removal of hundreds of core workers is a senseless move that will see the service worsen; and calls on the regulator to intervene immediately to prevent Royal Mail taking a death-by-a-thousand-cuts approach to a cornerstone public service.

1018 Vehicle Safety Standards

Tabled: 1/03/22 Signatories: 4

Sir Peter Bottomley Margaret Ferrier Rachael Maskell Peter Dowd

That this House supports the United Nations Decade of Action for Road Safety 2021-30 and the target to halve road deaths and serious injuries by 2030; welcomes the Global Plan for the Decade of Action and, in particular, the recommended best practice in vehicle safety technologies; calls on the Department for Transport to ensure those recommendations are included in the UK's new motor vehicle type approval system; proposes that the UK should adopt in full the fifteen proposed safety technologies included in the General Safety and Pedestrian Regulations being applied across the European Union and Northern Ireland from July 2022; notes that this package is estimated by the Transport Research Laboratory to have the potential to avoid 1,762 deaths and above 15,000 serious injuries and generate approximately £7 billion in net economic benefits in the UK; and urges the Government to ensure that UK vehicle safety regulations do not fall behind both EU and global best practice.

1020 Defibrillator fundraising by Jamie Canavan

Tabled: 2/03/22 Signatories: 6

David Linden Allan Dorans Jim Shannon Marion Fellows Chris Stephens Patrick Grady

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That this House commends Glasgow East constituent Jamie Canavan on his fundraising efforts for a defibrillator to be placed in the Shettleston community; notes that after witnessing a man receiving CPR on the side of the road, Jamie Canavan set about ensuring that the local community was equipped with a defibrillator; further notes that Jamie Canavan set up a go fund me page where he proceeded to raise the necessary £1,595 for a defibrillator; congratulates Jamie on his commitment to the local community; and thanks him for his fundraising efforts.

1025 Jive Candy and Top Tier Wedding Awards evening entertainers 2021

Tabled: 2/03/22 Signatories: 7

Chris Law Allan Dorans Jim Shannon Stewart Hosie Marion Fellows Chris Stephens

Patrick Grady

That this House congratulates Dundee band Jive Candy on being voted Evening Entertainers of the Year at the 2021 Top Tier Wedding Awards; notes that this is the second time Jive Candy have won the award having also been victorious in 2018; further notes that 120 North East of Scotland wedding suppliers were nominated across 19 categories; applauds the contribution of all wedding suppliers in Scotland; acknowledges the resilience and goodwill of the Scottish wedding industry while covid-19 protection measures were in place; and commends the role of Elite Promotions in showcasing the wedding industry in the North East of Scotland.

1026 European Geostationary Navigation Overlay Service

Tabled: 2/03/22 Signatories: 9

Angus Brendan MacNeil Allan Dorans Jim Shannon Marion Fellows Margaret Ferrier Hywel Williams

Patrick Grady

That this House calls on the Government to re-join the European Geostationary Navigation Overlay Service (EGNOS); notes that EGNOS is a Safety-of-Life service that is required across the UK for safe flight operations from the Hebrides to the Isles of Scilly; recognises airline services to be vital in many places for bringing mail and cargo, taking people to and from medical appointments, facilitating search and rescue operations and general travel and without this capability there is a risk to life; observes that since leaving EGNOS in June 2021 that the UK is the only G20 country

without any satellite-based aviation navigation capability; and urges the Government to swiftly review and reassess the decision to leave EGNOS.

1027 Russia and the Intelligence and Security Committee's report

Tabled: 3/03/22 Signatories: 27

Caroline Lucas Chris Bryant Dame Margaret Hodge Alyn Smith Layla Moran Hywel Williams

Tommy Sheppard Mary Kelly Foy Sarah Olney

Chris Stephens

That this House unequivocally condemns the Russian invasion of Ukraine and decision of President Putin to start a brutal war in Europe; notes that the Intelligence and Security Committee of Parliament report, entitled Russia, published 21 July 2020, HC 632, is of critical importance to UK national security and particularly so at this time of war in Europe; further notes the Report's damning conclusion that insufficient attention has been paid to Russian state-linked infiltration in British politics and public life; notes paragraphs 47 and 48 on the lack of retrospective assessment and believes Ministers in effect turned a blind eye to allegations of Russian disruption in UK elections; further notes the finding that credible open source commentary that Russia undertook influence campaigns appears not to have been investigated; notes the words of the Prime Minister on 23 February 2022 that he had seen no evidence of successful Russian interference in any electoral event; calls on the Prime Minister to publish details of the unsuccessful Russian interference he has seen and criteria used to judge success; believes Kremlin-linked interference in British politics through financial dealings at multiple levels, including connections in the House of Lords, are a corrupting force in British public life that must be addressed to protect our democracy and national security; and calls on the Government to undertake a full investigation of the security threat posed to UK democracy by Russia as set out in the Intelligence and Security Committee of Parliament's Russia Report.

1028 South Lanarkshire's Provost Awards 2022, Hamilton and Hillhouse

Tabled: 3/03/22 Signatories: 3

Margaret Ferrier Jim Shannon Chris Stephens

That this House congratulates the winners of this year's Provost Awards in Hamilton and Hillhouse, South Lanarkshire; commends the impressive and excellent community focused work of Lorraine Young in her eight years as secretary to Hillhouse Community Council, Mark Rouse and his involvement in Supporting Our Communities and food provision in the community, Marie McNab for her volunteer and event organisation work, Pauline Condie for her long service caring for the community as a nurse, Dianne McQuilter for her work with Link Resident Group, Chris Hatton for forming the successful Blantyre and Hamilton Litter Pickers, Alexander Wilkie MBE for his fundraising efforts with local groups and charities; looks forward to hearing of the upcoming winners for other South Lanarkshire communities; and wishes them the very best in their future voluntary works.

1029 Step Count Challenge

Tabled: 3/03/22 Signatories: 4

Mr Alistair Carmichael Margaret Ferrier Jim Shannon Chris Stephens

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That this House congratulates Twisted Blisters for winning the autumn Step Count Challenge, organised by Paths for All, Scotland's national walking charity; notes that the five-strong team, which also won in 2019, is made up of Shetland Islands Council employees; believes that they fended off stiff competition from over 480 teams from across Scotland; understands that one of the group achieved one million steps in the four-week period that the walking challenge took place and that each member walked on average three times each day in order to get their steps in; notes the benefits of walking to both mental and physical health and its help in work towards the goal of a happier, healthier and greener Scotland; looks forward to the launch of the next Step Count Challenge in May 2022; and encourages other organisations and individuals to get their boots on and take part.

1030 Property seizures in Iran

Tabled: 3/03/22 Signatories: 4
Mr Alistair Carmichael

Bob Blackman Jim Shannon Chris Stephens

That this Houses notes reports from Iran of the seizure of six properties owned by members of the Baha'i faith in the town of Semnan; further notes that ownership of these properties has been transferred to a parastatal organisation, the Execution of the Imam Khomeini's Order (EIKO), by the order of the Special Court for Article 49 of the Iranian constitution; and observes that Hamid Ahmadi, a provincial manager for EIKO, is reported to have initiated the court action, resulting in the expropriations of the properties of members of the Baha'i community from which his own organisation is the direct beneficiary; and calls on the Government to make representations to the Iranian Embassy, calling on the authorities to rescind those unjust seizures of the lawful property of members of a religious minority community.