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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Congress needs to act on child tax credit, drug costs

With the Biden administration having finished its first year, many are pointing at the failures. I want to reinforce President Joe Biden's accomplishments. And remember, a president does not pass legislation. Congress does.

Congress should consider and send to the president's desk:

- › Renewing the child tax credit as found in the American Rescue Plan. This will improve the health and well-being of our most vulnerable population, giving food security and a better quality of life to thousands of Northeast Ohio children.
- › Managing the cost of prescription drugs. As a registered nurse, I see patients who are unable to afford prescriptions. They share, cut or miss doses, resulting in poor health outcomes and higher medical costs. Nurses like me want Congress to end exploitive pharmaceutical practices, especially regarding a life-saving drug like insulin.

Ohio voters, before the May 3 primary, look at the candidates critically and ask, "Are they looking after our concerns and needs?" In the 14th Congressional District, I support Matt Kilboy, who is unopposed in the Democratic primary. As a Navy veteran, soon to receive his Ph.D. in nursing, and with a master's degree in public administration, Kilboy has the tools to get the work done.

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Cleveland casinos should close for part of Good Friday

As we approach Good Friday, I would like to address the disrespect shown to local Christians when Cleveland casinos continue to remain open on this sacred day. I have written to the casino managers the

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