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New EDMs

608 Baby Loss Awareness Week and Held In Our Hearts charity

Tabled: 2/11/21 Signatories: 1

Hannah Bardell

That this House recognises Baby Loss Awareness Week; highlights that it is an opportunity to remember the babies who are no longer with us, to support bereaved parents and families, to raise awareness about pregnancy and baby loss and to drive improvements in support for those affected and in the prevention of pregnancy and baby loss; recognises Held In Our Hearts who provide vital support for those suffering and in pain following baby loss by using a trauma-informed approach; further recognises Held in Our Hearts as part of the Baby Loss Awareness Week Alliance; recognises the work of the other baby loss charities within the Alliance who are committed to working with health professionals and services to improve bereavement care and reduce preventable deaths; encourages people to remember long ago bereaved as well as recently bereaved; and calls on the Government to enhance counselling services and other help available to families devastated by the loss of their baby, many of whom have been impacted recently by covid-19, through one of the most difficult times in their lives.

609 First anniversary of the conflict in Tigray, Ethiopia

Tabled: 2/11/21 Signatories: 2

Helen Hayes

Hilary Benn

That this House, noting the first anniversary of the conflict in Tigray, Ethiopia on 3 November 2021, deeply regrets the deaths of tens of thousands of civilians as result of airstrikes, massacres and crop destruction, and the displacement of more than 2,000,000 people; deplores the horrific sexual violence to which an estimated 10,000 women have been subjected; notes with grave concern that some 5.2 million people are now in humanitarian need; and calls on the Government to press the UN Security Council for a ceasefire with agreements on boundaries and access corridors;

immediate and full humanitarian access to all areas affected by the conflict with safety guarantees for humanitarian workers; withdrawal of all Eritrean troops from Ethiopia; a fully independent investigation of human right abuses, including the use of sexual violence, with judicial action to follow; and an inclusive national dialogue to secure a sustainable peace.

610 Heartland FM at the 2021 Community Radio Awards

Tabled: 2/11/21 Signatories: 1

Pete Wishart

That this House congratulates Heartland FM, based in Pitlochry, on their four wins at the 2021 Community Radio Awards; notes that Heartland FM were shortlisted in four categories and placed in every category they were nominated for; particularly congratulates Ashley Keenan-Bryce on winning a gold award for Best Newcomer on the Radio and Katherine Liley on winning a silver award for Best Female Presenter; congratulates them also on their silver award for Station of the Year and bronze award for Outside Broadcast for their coverage of the Scottish Parliament elections at the Bell's Sports Centre in Perth; and commends Heartland FM for the excellent radio service they continue to provide to residents in Highland Perthshire.

611 In remembrance of Malcolm Dodd

Tabled: 2/11/21 Signatories: 2

Gavin Newlands
Mhairi Black

That this House expresses its sorrow at the passing of Paisley Rugby Club stalwart Malcolm Dodd; notes that Malcolm, or Malky

as he was known to all, was a larger than life figure who had volunteered to fill the vast majority of positions on the management committee over the years; recognises that when his playing days for Paisley were over, it was in his role as a junior rugby coach in which he had the biggest impact on people's lives; understands that he helped to produce some of Paisley's best players including his own son David; acknowledges that whether it was in his role as player, coach, bar convener, referee, or simply David's dad, Malcolm was seen as Mr Paisley Rugby Club and leaves behind a legacy that will be felt for many years to come; appreciates that before the home game on Saturday 30 October Paisley players, old and new, linked arms on the sideline to honour Malcolm with a minute's silence followed by applause; further notes that Malcolm's funeral service will be held on Friday 5 November at Woodside Crematorium; and sends its very best wishes to his wife Kathy, his son David, daughter Gillian and all his grandchildren at this sad time.

612 Carol Thomas, England football captain

Tabled: 2/11/21 Signatories: 1

Emma Hardy

That this House celebrates the achievements of Carol Thomas as a pioneer of modern women's football in England; notes she was the first captain to lead out an England Women's side on a Football League First Division ground; further that she was the first captain to lead an England Women's team outside of Europe; recognises her role in leading the England team in winning the unofficial world cup Mundialito in 1985, two third places in 1981 and 1984 and a runners up position in the 1984 UEFA Women's Championship; notes that she remains the most successful captain of the England women's national team in terms of tournament successes; notes she is a

proud daughter of Hull and Ambassador for Hull City Ladies FC; and calls for the recognition of her achievements by her inclusion in the English Football Hall of Fame.

613 Decarbonising Welsh Housing Stock

Tabled: 2/11/21 Signatories: 1

Ben Lake

This House notes with concern that energy use in homes accounts for 14 per cent of the UK's greenhouse gas emissions; recognises that 63 per cent of energy used in homes is used for space heating; is deeply concerned that 12 per cent of Welsh households live in fuel poverty, with 6 per cent of Welsh households already in arrears with their fuel bills before the ongoing energy crisis; recognises that decarbonising the Welsh and UK housing stock must be a key policy priority of both the Welsh Government and Government in their collective efforts to achieve net-zero; congratulates the work of the Future Generations Commissioner and her team for producing the Homes fit for the Future - The Retrofit Challenge as a welcome assessment of the financial challenges of decarbonising Wales' housing stock; notes the importance of ensuring that sufficient support is available for those properties which may not be suitable for heat pumps, such as some older and hard-to-decarbonise homes in off-grid rural areas; is concerned that the Budget failed to introduce measures to aid with home insulation; and urges the Chancellor of the Exchequer to increase the borrowing capabilities of the Welsh Government to further Wales' green transition and net-zero efforts.

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.

539 Positive Aging Month

Tabled: 19/10/21 Signatories: 8

Jim Shannon
Sir Jeffrey M Donaldson
Sammy Wilson
Margaret Ferrier
Sir Mike Penning
Marion Fellows

Andrew Gwynne

That this House notes the Belfast Health Development Unit's Positive Aging month; highlights the aim of this month-long festival of events and activities to suit all tastes, from movies to walks, from chocolate tasting to disco dancing; further notes the emphasis on meeting safely and building up relationships; and urges each Council and public health agency in the UK to promote positive aging and the benefit of communities coming together.

543 Black History Month 2021

Tabled: 19/10/21 Signatories: 30

Bell Ribeiro-Addy
Caroline Lucas
Clive Lewis
Liz Saville Roberts
Hywel Williams
Ben Lake

Andrew Gwynne

Wendy Chamberlain

Carol Monaghan

That this House notes that this month we celebrate Black History Month 2021 and welcomes the many events and initiatives across the UK that highlight the successes and contributions of Black British people to British history; gives special thanks to all teachers and education staff who are taking steps to put Black history on the curriculum this month and all-year round; notes the theme of this year's Black History Month, Proud to Be; recognises the significance of such a theme and the importance of ensuring that Black and Brown people are made to feel proud of their ethnic heritage, cultural history and the language of their ancestors; and further notes that teaching about Black history is integral to this; and calls on the Government to take steps to ensure that Black history is acknowledged, taught and celebrated all year round and not restricted to just one month in the year.

545 DVLA waiting times

Tabled: 19/10/21 Signatories: 26

Sarah Olney
Layla Moran
Sir Mike Penning
Jim Shannon
John McDonnell
Kenny MacAskill

Marion Fellows

Andrew Gwynne

That this House is dismayed by the growing backlog of licence applications at the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Agency; recognises that the ability to drive is vital to many people's capacity to work and pursue the life of their choice; understands that the pandemic has caused unprecedented disruptions to the work of the DVLA; notes that over 125,000 paper licence applications are waiting to be processed, while 1.4 million items of correspondence by post remain unopened; further notes the sharp increase in the size of the backlog since the beginning of the pandemic; acknowledges that licence and licence renewal applicants are currently facing processing delays of up to 10 weeks; highlights with concern the unique burden placed on those with medical conditions who require their medical forms to be physically processed, whose processing times are up to six months; calls upon the Government to mobilise the resources necessary to clear the backlog at the DVLA, and supports the return of reliable, efficient, and covid-safe services to all British drivers.

546 The Shetland Bus

Tabled: 19/10/21 Signatories: 8

Mr Alistair Carmichael
Layla Moran
Jim Shannon
Alan Brown
Douglas Chapman
Christine Jardine

Marion Fellows

That this House recognises the passing of Jakob Strandheim, the last surviving crew member of the Shetland Bus operations during the Second World War; notes that the Shetland Bus operations comprised almost 200 missions, transporting hundreds of refugees out of occupied Norway to Shetland and moving agents, supplies and equipment into Norway to support resistance actions; further acknowledges that such resistance operations may have kept as many as 350,000 Axis troops diverted during the War, providing invaluable benefit to the Allied cause; and further recognises that with Jakob's passing, there is a still-greater need to commemorate and learn from the events of the War as it passes from living memory.

549 Broadcasting of Wales' rugby Autumn Internationals

Tabled: 20/10/21 Signatories: 6

Ben Lake
Douglas Chapman
Jonathan Edwards
Hywel Williams
Chris Stephens
Marion Fellows

That this House expresses its concern following the announcement that live coverage of Wales' rugby Autumn International fixtures will not be available on terrestrial television for the first time ever; notes that sport should belong to everyone, not just those who can afford it; further notes the significant role that Welsh language broadcasting of live sport plays in promoting the language and in particular as a gateway for learners; and calls on the Government to address the disappearance of culturally significant live sporting events from free to air television by granting the Autumn Internationals, Six Nations Championship and international football matches Category A status, under the Broadcasting Act 1996.

551 Categorising misogyny as a hate crime

Tabled: 20/10/21 Signatories: 30

Wera Hobhouse
Christine Jardine
Kim Johnson
Claire Hanna
Mohammad Yasin
Layla Moran

Tony Lloyd

That this House expresses deep concern about the prevalence of violence against women and girls in our society; notes that, according to the 2021 UN Women UK YouGov survey, 71 per cent of women have experienced some form of sexual harassment in a public space and that this figure rises to 86 per cent among women aged 18 to 24; further notes that, although 59,000 women reported

being raped to the police last year, only 1,439 rapists were convicted; deeply regrets that, on average, a woman is killed by a man every three days, according to data from the Femicide Census; recognises that preventing violence against women and girls requires a culture change within the police, the criminal justice service and society as a whole; believes that recording misogyny as a hate crime would help identify trends in crimes motivated by gender, and support survivors to report incidents of rape and sexual assault; and calls on the Government to send a strong message that it is taking violence against women and girls seriously, by making misogyny a hate crime.

553 Violence in Bangladesh

Tabled: 20/10/21 Signatories: 23

Mr Virendra Sharma
Mohammad Yasin
Navendu Mishra
Paula Barker
Stephen Timms
Bob Blackman

Andrew Gwynne

Wendy Chamberlain

That this House notes the concerning rise in attacks on Hindus and other religious minorities in Bangladesh during the festival of Durga puja; is concerned by the violence that has left at least seven dead of Muslim and Hindu faith; observes the deployment of paramilitary forces to 22 districts in Bangladesh; urges the Government of Bangladesh to act to ensure religious minorities can worship safely and in peace; and calls on the Government to support the safety of religious minorities and to work with regional allies and partners to support freedom of religion for all in South Asia and the world.

561 Cambuslang COP26 Campaign

Tabled: 21/10/21 Signatories: 4

Margaret Ferrier
Chris Stephens
Patricia Gibson
Carol Monaghan

That this House recognises both Cambuslang and Halfway Community Councils for their joint initiative, the Cambuslang COP26 Campaign; commends their work to clean up the local environment, collecting 26 bags of litter for 26 days in the run up to COP26; notes the importance of this work in protecting natural habitats and keeping Cambuslang and Halfway clean; and gives particular recognition to the staff and students at Cathkin High School, Trinity High School, West Coats Primary School, James Aiton Primary School, St Bride's Primary School, St Cadoc's Primary School, Cairns Primary School, Park View Primary School, Hallside Primary School, St Charles Primary School and Newton Farm Primary School.

568 Remembrance Day Bank HolidayTabled: **22/10/21** Signatories: **12**

Jamie Stone
Paula Barker
Mr Alistair Carmichael
Layla Moran
Jim Shannon
Daisy Cooper

Marion Fellows

That this House remembers the sacrifice and service of all those personnel who have served and are serving in the British armed forces; acknowledges the huge sacrifices made by all those individuals and in particular those who were injured or lost their lives during the course of their service; and calls on the Government to commemorate UK service personnel by making the day after Remembrance Sunday a public holiday.

572 Clean air actionTabled: **25/10/21** Signatories: **25**

Mr Barry Sheerman
Jim Shannon
Jonathan Edwards
Dan Carden
Paula Barker
Richard Burgon

Marion Fellows

Andrew Gwynne

That this House recognises the health impacts of poor road air quality; notes that long-term exposure to air pollution can cause chronic conditions, a reduced life expectancy and contributes to 40,000 early deaths in the UK each year; further notes that nine out of ten adults and children now breathe polluted air; believes that urgent action is required to reduce the proportion of particulate matter in the air due to vehicle emissions; and calls upon the Government to invest greater resources into improving road air quality and to consider making reference to the inalienable right to breathe clean air in future legislative proposals.

577 Gordon Reid and Alfie HewettTabled: **25/10/21** Signatories: **11**

Alison Thewliss
Chris Law
Jim Shannon
Brendan O'Hara
Anum Qaisar-Javed
Peter Grant

Allan Dorans

That this House extends its congratulations to Great Britain's most successful ever tennis doubles partnership Gordon Reid and Alfie Hewett, from Alexandria and Cantley, for becoming the first ever wheelchair tennis pair to complete the calendar Grand Slam in men's doubles; acknowledges how Reid and Hewett's commitment, athleticism and teamwork will have inspired so many people across the UK to pick up a racket and play tennis; and wishes both players all the best for the future.

578 Over 100 days of Dr AlSingace's hunger strike in Bahrain

Tabled: 25/10/21 Signatories: 21

Paula Barker
 Jim Shannon
 Rebecca Long Bailey
 Charlotte Nichols
 Kim Johnson
 Mick Whitley

Andrew Gwynne

Tommy Sheppard

Wendy Chamberlain

That this House is deeply concerned by the ongoing hunger strike of 59-year-old human rights defender and academic Dr Abduljalil AlSingace, in Bahrain; raises alarm that his hunger strike began on 8 July 2021 and has exceeded 100 days; expresses concern that Dr AlSingace has been hospitalised since 18 July 2021 and has lost at least 20kg; notes that AlSingace is protesting Jau Prison authorities' ill-treatment and confiscation of four years' worth of his apolitical research; decries Dr AlSingace's life sentence for his peaceful leading role in Bahrain's 2011 pro-democracy uprising; unreservedly condemns Dr AlSingace's torture in 2011 by Bahraini officials, as documented by the Bahrain Independent Commission of Inquiry; further condemns that Dr AlSingace has spent over a decade unjustly imprisoned, throughout which mistreatment and medical negligence against him has been reported by UN experts; further recalls the Government's 2012 expression of deep dismay at Dr AlSingace's conviction; echoes calls from UN experts, the EU Parliament, 101 academics and 77 cross-party UK parliamentarians, trade unions, lawyers and rights groups for Dr AlSingace's release; calls upon the Government to urgently secure the return of Dr AlSingace's research, impose Magnitsky Act Sanctions on those responsible for his unlawful imprisonment; and to call for his immediate and unconditional release; and further calls upon the Government to urge for the release of all political prisoners in Bahrain, including Hassan Mushaima, Sheikh Ali Salman, Abdulhadi Alkhawaja and Ali Alhajee.

588 Occupation of the Channel Islands during the Second World War

Tabled: 26/10/21 Signatories: 7

Andrew Rosindell
 Margaret Ferrier
 Layla Moran
 Richard Burgon
 Carol Monaghan
 Chris Stephens

Sir Mike Penning

That this House remembers the generation of people who lived on the Channel Islands during their occupation by the Nazis from 1940 to 1945; recognises the importance of erecting a civilian memorial to the individuals that lived through this awful period in the history of the islands; thanks the Jersey Occupation Civilian Campaign for reporting the names of the 2000 Channel Islanders that were deported to Germany to be interned; remembers those Channel Islanders that died during this period due to the inhumane conditions in which they were kept; and believes that it is right that information regarding the occupation is accessible to the public so that the horrors of what was inflicted on the Channel Islanders is known by future generations.

591 Scout District of Ross, Skye and Lochalsh

Tabled: 27/10/21 Signatories: 8

Ian Blackford
Chris Stephens
Marion Fellows
Allan Dorans
Kirsten Oswald
Patricia Gibson

Carol Monaghan

Chris Law

That this House thanks the work of volunteers within the Scout Association and in particular those in the Scout District of Ross, Skye and Lochalsh; acknowledges Scouting provides a fun and safe activity, open to all our young people regardless of background and that this has been especially important to Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers over the last 18 months, helping them keep in touch with friends, even if just virtually, while still taking part in scouting activities and learning vital skills for life; notes that all this would not be possible without the dedicated work of adult volunteers; and recognises Hilary Cameron, District Commissioner, and Samantha Blyth, Deputy District Commissioner, have been a huge support to leaders across the district and that their leadership has meant groups across the area are starting to meet face to face again while putting in place COVID measures, ensuring that Scouts are firmly part of this Highland Community.

592 Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe

Tabled: 27/10/21 Signatories: 13

Mr Barry Sheerman
Chris Stephens
Andrew Gwynne
Wera Hobhouse
Claire Hanna
Hywel Williams

Kenny MacAskill

Paula Barker

That this House believes that there should be an urgent national all-faith delegation to Tehran to petition for the immediate release of British citizen Nazanin Zaghari Ratcliffe and other political detainees currently being held in Iran; condemns the continued unjust detention of Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe and other dual citizens and political prisoners within the Islamic Republic and stands in solidarity with them and their loved ones; and urges the Government to renew its vigour in negotiating the release of Nazanin Zaghari Ratcliffe and to appraise all options available to ensure that she returns home as soon as possible.

593 25 years of Green Flag Awards

Tabled: 27/10/21 Signatories: 5

Kirsten Oswald
Chris Stephens
Marion Fellows
Allan Dorans
Chris Law

That this House applauds the success of the Green Flag Award scheme, which this year celebrates 25 years of recognising those who help create some of the best parks in the world and recognises and rewards well managed parks and green spaces; welcomes that the principal aims of the scheme are to ensure everybody has access to quality green and other open spaces, irrespective of where

they live, and that these spaces are appropriately managed and meet community needs; welcomes news that 2,127 parks and green spaces received an award in 2021, including Rouken Glen Park in East Renfrewshire, which opened in 1906 and is one of the west of Scotland's most popular and best loved parks, which has achieved Green Flag Status in each of the last five years and was recently voted the second best free visitor attraction in Scotland; further welcomes news that the 2021 winners include Whitelee Windfarm, located on Eaglesham Moor and operated by ScottishPower Renewables, where the hugely popular visitor centre is enjoyed by families looking for fresh air on a day out, and where dog walkers can enjoy a slice of peace and quiet and cyclists and horse riders can explore the dedicated network of tracks and trails; and looks forward to the continued success of the Green Flag Scheme which is operated so successfully in Scotland by Keep Scotland Beautiful.

594 **Loanhead girl's skipping challenge for the National Deaf Children's Society**

Tabled: 27/10/21 Signatories: 8

Owen Thompson
Chris Stephens
Marion Fellows
Kirsten Oswald
Richard Burgon
Allan Dorans

Carol Monaghan

Chris Law

That this House congratulates Charlotte Hinton on completing her challenge to skip 1000 times a day for 10 days to raise money for the National Deaf Children's Society; understands that Charlotte, 10 years old, is a member of 1st Loanhead Brownies and devised the challenge to earn her Charities Badge; notes that Charlotte chose to raise funds for the National Deaf Children's Society because her cousin Ellen was born deaf and her family has been receiving ongoing support from the charity; commends the work done by the National Deaf Children's Society to support the UK's 50,000 deaf children and their families; congratulates Charlotte on beating her £50 target, raising a total of £275 so far; and sends its best wishes that a bright and happy future for Charlotte is no more than a hop, skip and a jump away.

595 **#MyBitYourBit campaign**

Tabled: 28/10/21 Signatories: 11

John McNally [R]
Douglas Chapman
Marion Fellows
Wera Hobhouse
Chris Stephens
Kirsten Oswald

Allan Dorans
Paula Barker

Carol Monaghan

Chris Law

That this House urges the Government to support the APPG on Youth Action Against Climate Change and the new campaign, led by the Hedgerley Wood Trust, called #MyBitYourBit, an initiative to elevate the voices of youth ahead of the vital COP26 summit in Glasgow; further urges the Government to support open dialogue for action on climate change between those youth campaigning organisations and politicians; that the Government recognises the importance of bringing together young people from across the country to share the action they are taking on

climate change and biodiversity loss; and calls on the Government to listen and respond to these challenges to our political leaders on what they hope to achieve at COP26.

596 Closing of Amnesty International's offices in Hong Kong

Tabled: 28/10/21 Signatories: 7

Andrew Rosindell
Wera Hobhouse
Claire Hanna
Geraint Davies
Margaret Ferrier
Andrew Gwynne

Mr Alistair Carmichael

That this House expresses its concern at the announcement that Amnesty International will close its two offices in Hong Kong by the end of the year; highlights that Amnesty International cites the impact of the national security law as the key factor behind the decision; acknowledges Amnesty International's statement that said that the regime is attempting to rid the city of all dissenting voices; praises Amnesty International for 40 years of determined campaigning for better human rights in Hong Kong and the region; notes that as well as Amnesty International, at least 35 civil society groups and unions have been forced to disband since the National Security Law was imposed; further notes that over 150 people have been arrested under the National Security Law; condemns the Hong Kong government for implementing the National Security Law; and calls on the Foreign Secretary to make a statement on the UK's response to the situation in Hong Kong.

597 Ministerial responses to hon. Members' correspondence on Afghanistan

Tabled: 28/10/21 Signatories: 38

Helen Hayes
Wera Hobhouse
Claire Hanna
Richard Thomson
Dan Carden
Chris Stephens

Colum Eastwood
Carol Monaghan

Bell Ribeiro-Addy
Paula Barker

Wendy Chamberlain

That this House is extremely concerned by the extensive delays in hon. Members receiving responses on the resettlement of Afghan nationals to the UK; notes the Minister for Safeguarding and Afghan Resettlement's statement of 13 September 2021 on the Government's progress in providing specific updates on people within Afghanistan and is concerned that that contradicts advice given to hon. Members that they should contact the Home Office, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office and Ministry of Defence on any cases their constituents raise which may be eligible for support; is concerned that the Minister's statement also contradicts the Prime Minister's response of 6 September 2021 pledging that every single email from colleagues is being responded to by close of play today; and calls on the Government to ensure that substantive responses are provided to all cases raised by hon. Members in correspondence.

598 Community SponsorshipTabled: **28/10/21** Signatories: **30**

Helen Hayes
 Mr Virendra Sharma
 Wera Hobhouse
 Claire Hanna
 Chris Stephens
 Joanna Cherry

Tommy Sheppard
 Wendy Chamberlain
 Paula Barker

Colum Eastwood
 Carol Monaghan

Bell Ribeiro-Addy
 Ian Lavery

That this House pays tribute to the hard work of over 100 community sponsorship groups who have welcomed more than 500 refugees to the UK; notes that community sponsorship has played an integral role in resettling Syrian refugees since 2016; further notes that research has found that community sponsorship creates a warmer welcome for refugees and contributes to more inclusive communities than other routes; recognises that communities across the country stand ready to support the resettlement of Afghan refugees and welcomes the Government's commitment to extend the Community Sponsorship scheme to include Afghan refugees; notes extensive delays in the processing of community sponsorship applications; and calls on the Government to provide the funding and resources to speed up the administration of that scheme.

599 Rett Syndrome Awareness MonthTabled: **28/10/21** Signatories: **28**

Marion Fellows
 Chris Stephens
 Joanna Cherry
 Stuart C McDonald
 Allan Dorans
 Hywel Williams

Andrew Gwynne
 Colum Eastwood
 Wendy Chamberlain
 Paula Barker

Rebecca Long Bailey
 Mrs Emma Lewell-Buck
 Carol Monaghan

Sir Mike Penning
 Apsana Begum
 Chris Law

That this House recognises Rett Syndrome Awareness Month from 1-30 October; notes its importance for raising awareness of the rare genetic disorder as the second most common cause of severe disability in women and girls; commends the charitable organisation, Rett UK, for their outstanding work in providing information, support and advocacy services for people impacted by the condition across the UK; and recognises the importance of their campaign this Rett Syndrome Awareness Month to inform, educate and engage people who can help improve the lives of people living with Rett Syndrome and their families.

600 National Road Safety WeekTabled: **28/10/21** Signatories: **14**

Mr Barry Sheerman
Wera Hobhouse
Chris Stephens
Hywel Williams
Ben Lake
Liz Saville Roberts

Andrew Gwynne
Paula Barker

Sir Mike Penning**Carol Monaghan**

That this House celebrates the tireless work of countless individuals and organisations, including community groups, schools, emergency services, businesses, fleet operators, road safety campaigners and charities, road victim support services and road safety professionals, to champion road safety and reduce deaths and serious injuries on roads; highlights the 23,529 people killed or seriously injured on roads in Great Britain in 2020, and 6,543 in Northern Ireland, despite the pandemic reducing traffic, and the fact that no level of casualties is acceptable; welcomes Government plans to publish a Road Safety Strategic Framework; congratulates Brake, together with sponsors Arval, DHL and openreach on coordinating Road Safety Week from 15 to 21 November 2021, as a focus of community efforts to raise awareness; and notes that thousands of local groups, schools, emergency services, hospitals, voluntary sector organisations and leading companies will be holding events as part of the week to raise awareness about road safety and the steps we can take to stop these avoidable tragedies.

601 30th anniversary of Garnethill ParkTabled: **28/10/21** Signatories: **9**

Alison Thewliss
Marion Fellows
Chris Stephens
Stuart C McDonald
Allan Dorans
Kirsten Oswald

Carol Monaghan**Chris Law**

That this House notes that the 26th of October marks the 30th anniversary of the opening of Garnethill Park in Glasgow; appreciates that this was a Scottish-German project initiated by the City of Glasgow and the Goethe Institute as a lasting contribution to the Glasgow 1990 European Capital of Culture celebrations; understands that the park was formed around a tiled mural created in 1978 by local artists John Kraska, Irene Keenan and Tommy Lydon, which was part of the creative renewal of the Garnethill area; welcomes the addition in 2005 by the artist Ulrike Enslein of cast concrete slabs which immortalise the memories of members of the Garnethill community; further notes that the park features a community bread oven; appreciates the ongoing work of Garnethill Community Council to maintain and champion the park they helped to create; thanks local businesses for contributing to the raffle which is part of the 30th anniversary celebrations; and hopes the park will continue to be a well cared for and integral part of community life in Garnethill for many years to come.

603 Centenary of Kirkintilloch Male Voice Choir

Tabled: 29/10/21 Signatories: 10

Amy Callaghan
Stuart C McDonald
Allan Dorans
Marion Fellows
Kirsten Oswald
Richard Thomson

Carol Monaghan

Chris Law

That this House congratulates Kirkintilloch Male Voice Choir on their 100th Anniversary; understands the Choir celebrated this milestone by hosting a virtual concert in aid of the Glasgow Children's Hospital Charity; commends the Choir on raising £3,821.50 through this event; recognises their efforts to adapt their performance over the course of the pandemic to ensure the safety of its members; and thanks everyone at the Choir for all they do in the wider community.

604 Highland Disabled Ramblers

Tabled: 1/11/21 Signatories: 5

Drew Hendry
Marion Fellows
Allan Dorans
Carol Monaghan
Chris Law

That this House congratulates the Highland Disabled Ramblers on 20 years of activity in the Highlands; recognises that the provision of robust scoters enables those with mobility issues to access the outdoors offering guided rambles throughout various locations in the Highlands; notes the importance of the welcome return of in-person rambles in June 2021 following the covid-19 pandemic and the move to indoor services throughout the winter months to ensure those in need will still have contact; and thanks to the team of volunteers for providing safe and enjoyable outdoor activities for those with mobility issues.

605 25th Anniversary of Glasgow's West End Festival and retirement of Director Michael Dale

Tabled: 1/11/21 Signatories: 4

Patrick Grady
Marion Fellows
Allan Dorans
Chris Law

That this House congratulates all those involved in the celebrations and events marking 25 years of Glasgow's West End Festival throughout 2021; notes that over the years the festival has attracted tens of thousands of visitors, artists and performers from across Scotland and around the world to take part in a wide range of entertainment, educational and cultural activities; further notes that for many years these included a Mardi-Gras style parade along the city's Byres Road, and that in recent years a popular Torchlight Parade has been held on St Andrew's Day; particularly congratulates the Festival's Director, Michael Dale, for his many years of dedication to the Festival as he prepares to retire; and looks forward to the community of Glasgow's West End continuing to celebrate the arts, culture and entertainment in festival formats for many years to come.

606 Support for autism diagnosis

Tabled: 1/11/21 Signatories: 15

Mr Barry Sheerman
Rosie Cooper
Mick Whitley
Dr Lisa Cameron
Andrew Gwynne
Jonathan Edwards

Emma Hardy
Mr Virendra Sharma
Paula Barker

Sir Mike Penning
Kenny MacAskill
Helen Hayes

Jeremy Corbyn
Mohammad Yasin
Kate Osborne

That this House has considered the Westminster Commission on Autism's third report entitled Support Surrounding Diagnosis; recognises that the period surrounding an autism diagnosis is often stressful and uncertain; notes that access to the right support is vital; further notes that many people seeking an autism diagnosis do not have their needs met; understands that focused clinical diagnostic services with a single accessible pathway to diagnosis is essential to providing those seeking an autism diagnosis with the correct support; and urges the Government to review the recommendations of the report and provide greater funding to the health services to reduce pressure on diagnostic services and waiting times.

607 UK Disability History Month

Tabled: 1/11/21 Signatories: 8

Dr Lisa Cameron
Marion Fellows
Andrew Gwynne
Jonathan Edwards
Sir Mike Penning
Allan Dorans

Carol Monaghan

Chris Law

That this House recognises 18 November to 18 December is Disability History Month which is now in its 12th year of being celebrated in the UK; notes that Disability History Month is a month to celebrate disabled people and champion their abilities and rights; further notes that this year's joint themes are Hidden Impairment and Sex and Relationships; commends UKDHM Organiser Richard Rieser and the many disability activists for their dedication and efforts to bringing Disability History Month to the UK; recognises that more than half the 14.5 million people currently identified as disabled in the UK have hidden impairments; further recognises that due to discrimination that many who can pass as non-disabled have chosen not to identify, even though this has caused them many difficulties; calls for the wider promotion and protection of disability rights; understands the importance of combatting the stigma surrounding disability; and urges Parliamentarians to work for an inclusive, accessible and sustainable society for disabled people in the UK.