

the best in the Nation. These proud, defiant and jubilant national champions rode a public bus back to Jackson, a bus also loaded with Freedom Riders determined to change the hearts and minds of a Nation. The Lanier Basketball Team came home winners but their triumph was swallowed up by the news of the day and the rabid turmoil of the civil rights movement.

These young men, heroes to their legion of fans at Lanier High School, the city of Jackson and the entire State of Mississippi never got their due. True champions, they held their heads high with their national championship trophy in their hands and placed it in the Lanier Trophy Case where it has sat for 48 years gathering dust and forgotten. But not anymore. Thanks to the efforts of Jackson businessman Johnny Morrow that has now changed. Morrow demanded that these men be recognized and put his name and clout behind the effort. He organized and brought together city, county and State government entities, local businesses and talented individuals to help with his cause. He energized schools and local and even national media and forced this recognition ceremony which he developed to right this long overdue wrong. And now due to his efforts they will be recognized.

Now is their time to be remembered and recognized. They have been called the best team you never heard of. Well now you have. Take pride Jackson. In 1965 seven inner city young men took on the best in the Nation and won. As we salute the accomplishments of African Americans during Black History Month, let us not forget our local heroes. Help us to remember, congratulate and salute the 1965 Lanier High School Basketball Team, the only Mississippi high school basketball team to ever win a NATIONAL championship.

We invite everyone to come out and show your love, support and admiration for what these men accomplished. On January 23rd at 6 p.m. at the Mississippi Sports Hall, the State will finally salute and give their due to the 1965 Lanier High School Basketball team. Come and meet the men who accomplished this amazing feat and learn of their daring, their courage and of their basketball dominance in 1965. Come and meet the only Mississippi High School Basketball Team to ever win a national championship. Come and meet the men who were and are the Lanier High School Basketball Team Bulldogs of 1965. The National Champions.

Joe Usry Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram is sponsoring the National Championship Rings to be presented to the surviving team members. Please join us on January 23rd at 6 p.m. at the Mississippi Sports Hall of Fame in Jackson, Miss. Come and meet the Magnificent Seven and the other members of the 1965 Lanier Basketball Team!

Coach Harrison Barnes and Assistant Coach Ormond Jordan

Team Members: Marvin Scott, Cornell Warner, Larry Hayes, Eddie Clanton, James Hudson, Elliot Guinn, Mitchell Johnson, George Amerson, Louis Tucker, Arthur Brown, James Garland, Charles Dalley, Robert Mayberry, Otha Mitchell, Henry Brown Jr.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL DEBT

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 24, 2013

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, on January 20, 2009, the day President Obama took office, the national debt was \$10,626,877,048,913.08.

Today, it is \$16,738,116,336,111.15. We've added \$6,111,239,287,198.07 to our debt in 4 and a half years. This is \$6 trillion in debt our nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a balanced budget amendment.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF MR. JOHN B. BOY

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 24, 2013

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Mr. John B. Boy, the former President and C.E.O. of the U.S. Sugar Corporation, who died on July 16, 2013 at the age of 96. He spent 41 years at U.S. Sugar, serving as its President for 17 years until his retirement.

John held a degree in mechanical engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology. Under his leadership, the Bryant Sugar House was built in Canal Point, Florida. Additionally, John acquired the South Bay Growers vegetable and sugar cane operations, where he began growing oranges and producing orange juice. Among his lasting contributions while serving as an engineer in his company's agricultural equipment shop, are the many important mechanical advancements in Glades agriculture that are still used today.

During World War II, John served in the U.S. Navy, becoming captain of three ships. After the war, he moved from Ohio to Clewiston, Florida, where he began his employment in the sugar industry. John contributed immeasurably to his community, and encouraged employees at U.S. Sugar, as well as those around him, to do the same.

As a measure of their appreciation for all that he did for the sugar industry, Clewiston's civic auditorium, located within sight of the U.S. Sugar plant, is named after him.

John is survived by his daughter, Betsy Terrill (Jim); sons, John Boy, Jr. (Connie) and H. Lane Boy; grandchildren, Jamie Terrill, Christopher Smith, Jennifer Price, Suzanne Boy, Stephanie Crawford, and Rachael Boy; and 10 great grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, words cannot express how deeply sorry I am for John's passing. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family, friends, and all of those in the sugar community. I was privileged to know him and call him my friend. He will be dearly missed.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ANN M. KUSTER

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 24, 2013

Ms. KUSTER. Mr. Speaker, on July 22, 2013, I was unavoidably detained and missed the following rollcall votes: Nos. 375 for H.R. 1542 and 376 for H. Con. Res. 44. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye" on these two rollcall votes.

Additionally, on July 23, 2013, I was also unavoidably detained and missed rollcall vote 377, on ordering the Previous Question on H. Res. 312. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay" on this vote.

IN MEMORY OF DAVID G. RICH

HON. TOM REED

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 24, 2013

Mr. REED. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of David G. Rich, who left a lasting impact on the 23rd District of New York. After fighting a courageous battle against cancer, David, of Falconer, New York, passed away July 11, 2013, in the presence of his beloved high school sweetheart and wife, Cindy, as well as his friends and family.

Following graduation from Falconer Central School in 1961 and the completion of bachelor's, master's, and superintendent's degrees at the State University of New York at Fredonia, David enlisted in the U.S. Army. He served as a first lieutenant in Vietnam, First Air Cavalry Division, until he suffered critical wounds in action in 1968. After his honorable discharge, David taught Social Studies at Cassadaga Valley Central School from 1970 to 1998. During this period, he volunteered as an adviser for the student council, the junior and senior classes, the chess club, and he contributed to the production of school plays. David's long tenure at Cassadaga allowed him to positively impact the lives of generations of students.

David's community involvement stretched beyond his devotion to Cassadaga students. He served as a Distinguished President of the Kiwanis Club of Falconer and went on to work as the Lieutenant Governor and Foundation Coordinator of the Southwestern Division of New York Kiwanis. David also volunteered in other clubs and organizations including the Falconer American Legion, the Eastern Star, the Travel Club of Herons Glen, and the Vietnam Veterans of America. With an exceptional affection for animals, David was also considered a "Legacy of Love" member of the Chautauqua County Humane Society.

Through his dedication to others, David G. Rich made his community a better place. Although David will be greatly missed, his legacy will continue for generations to come. I am proud to honor him here today.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 24, 2013

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 381, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "no."

MD ANDERSON CANCER HOSPITAL
HOUSTON, TEXAS

HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 24, 2013

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I am always pleased to see my fellow Texans succeed. Today, I want to take a moment to recognize yet another accomplishment by the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Hospital. MD Anderson has been ranked as the top cancer treatment center by the latest US News & World Report's "Best Hospitals" study. Of course this should not come as a surprise considering that the hospital has been ranked number one by the study for the last six years in a row.

The accomplishments of MD Anderson do not stop there. In several subspecialties, the hospital has been ranked highly. In particular, the Ears, Nose, and Throat subspecialty is ranked third. MD Anderson Hospital succeeds because of the dedicated people that labor tirelessly every day with one shared purpose: fighting cancer. Under the direction and leadership of President Ronald DePinho, 20,000 employees and 1,100 volunteers help countless individuals through their expertise, research and simple compassion.

MD Anderson has had a huge impact on many children and gave them the hope of life despite adversity. For Joey Nichols, he received a diagnosis of lymphocytic leukemia at the young age of three. He couldn't understand what that meant or why he felt ill. Today, Joey acknowledges that he has no clear memories during his time at MD Anderson, but he sees it as a defining moment in his life. MD Anderson saved his life, and because of its work, Joey has aspirations to become a pediatric oncologist and to work at MD Anderson one day.

MD Anderson's dedication to fighting children's cancer should be acknowledged and celebrated. In a separate survey, the MD Anderson Children's Cancer Hospital was ranked 21st in the nation. MD Anderson's services go beyond the well-being of the patient. The children's hospital provides support groups, activities, and camps for families of children with cancer. In a difficult time for a family, there is some comfort in knowing that we have such knowledgeable and compassionate people to fight cancer alongside them.

Mr. Speaker, these remarks only scratch the surface of the accomplishments achieved by the MD Anderson Cancer Hospital. I am confident that the hospital will continue to exceed expectations and to remain as one of the top cancer centers in the United States. I am proud to see such a prestigious hospital in the great State of Texas—and the great City of Houston.

And that's just the way it is.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TOM COLE

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 24, 2013

Mr. COLE. Mr. Speaker, on July 23, 2013, I was unavoidably detained and was not present for rollcall vote No. 389. Had I been present, I would have voted "no."

CELEBRATING THE 24TH ANNUAL
BRONX DOMINICAN DAY PARADE

HON. JOSÉ E. SERRANO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 24, 2013

Mr. SERRANO. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to pay tribute to twenty-fourth annual Bronx Dominican Day Parade, La Gran Parada Dominicana del Bronx, which will take place on Sunday, July 28, 2013. This celebration of heritage and culture is one that is eagerly anticipated by the Dominican and Bronx communities each year.

Under the leadership of Felipe Febles and Rosa Ayala, the Bronx Dominican Day Parade has grown exponentially in size, scale, and significance over the years. It has morphed into the extraordinary cultural celebration that it is today. For years the United States has largely recognized the Dominican-American community for its success on the baseball diamond, however, there are thousands of Dominican professionals and students that serve as community leaders in the fields of government, law, media, science, and technology.

As the second largest Latino community in New York City, Dominicans have made invaluable contributions to the city, as well as to the entire nation. Although the highest concentration of Dominican New Yorkers live in Northern Manhattan, a significant, and growing, number have enriched The Bronx with their unique culture, spirit, and drive to live the American Dream. I am grateful that so many have chosen to make The Bronx their home.

The Bronx Dominican Day Parade is a unique event that celebrates the diversity of New York City, the distinct heritage of one of its most important communities, and the strong sense of unity that can be found in celebrating our different cultures. As a New Yorker, I am very pleased to see this event grow every year, and extremely proud to march alongside everyone celebrating the accomplishments and contributions of Dominican men and women in our community.

Mr. Speaker, I look forward to marching in the twenty-fourth annual Bronx Dominican Day Parade, and I am confident that this event will exist as a cultural landmark celebration for many years to come.

RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE OF
SGT. JUSTIN R. ROGERS

HON. TOM REED

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 24, 2013

Mr. REED. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Sgt. Justin R. Rogers, a brave soldier and devoted family man who served our country for the past five years in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Sgt. Rogers was only 25 years old when he passed away in Bagram, Afghanistan on June 28, 2013. He leaves behind his wife, Stefanie, daughter, Nateli, and his mother and stepfather, Teresa and Stan Vicki, who reside in Sgt. Rogers' hometown of Barton, New York.

Sgt. Justin Rogers enlisted in the Army in 2008 following his graduation at Tioga Central High School. While attending Tioga Central, Rogers was a standout athlete and leader, captaining both the football and wrestling teams. He utilized these leadership skills in his career as a soldier, earning multiple awards during his service including, two Army Achievement Medals and an Army Good Conduct Medal.

Sgt. Rogers was devoted to his country and planned on making the Army a career. A few weeks before his death, he had reenlisted to serve another three years as a horizontal construction engineer with the 101st Airborne Division based in Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

Today we remember the commitment and dedication of Sgt. Justin Rogers. He selflessly served his country to protect our freedom and it is imperative that we honor his sacrifice.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 24, 2013

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 383, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "no."

A TRIBUTE TO CIVILIANS WHO
HAVE SERVED IN DIFFICULT RE-
GIONS AROUND THE WORLD

HON. FRANK R. WOLF

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 24, 2013

Mr. WOLF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to personally thank and honor the civilians who faithfully serve in war zones and high threat security environments alongside our military in so doing further our national security and peacefully advance American interests.

I am especially grateful to those civilians who served side-by-side with members of our armed forces in Iraq and Afghanistan.

These civilians, as well as contractors and former military who return as civilians work for and with the U.S. military and varied U.S. government agencies, deploy into conflict zones such as Iraq and Afghanistan and into high threat security posts.

Dr. Peter R. Mansoor, the Raymond E. Mason Jr. Chair in Military History and the