

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ADRIAN SMITH

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 15, 2016

Mr. SMITH of Nebraska. Mr. Speaker, on roll call no. 146, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted yea.

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF FUTURE PHYSICIANS AND MEDICAL SCIENTISTS—SUNGMIN CHO

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 15, 2016

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Sungmin Cho from Katy, TX for being accepted into the National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists to represent the state of Texas at the Congress of Future Medical Leaders.

Sungmin is one of eight high school honor students selected from the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas. These students were selected as Texas delegates at the Congress of Future Medical Leaders, a program for high school students to be recognized for their hard work in school and supported to continually strive toward their aspirations of working in the medical field. The National Academy was founded by Richard Rossi and Dr. Robert Darling; Mr. Rossi currently serves as president. The Congress is being held at the Tsongas Center at the University of Massachusetts, Lowell from June 25th through the 27th. Sungmin was selected by a group of educators to be a delegate for the Congress because of his dedication to his academic success and goals of pursuing a medical science. We are proud of Sungmin and all of his hard work, and know he will make Katy proud.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations again to Sungmin for being accepted into the National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists. Keep up the great work.

IN HONOR OF THE NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 15, 2016

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the importance of the National Domestic Violence Hotline, and the critical work they do to save lives and provide support for victims of domestic violence.

For nearly 20 years, the National Domestic Violence Hotline has been operating as a 24/7 lifeline for victims and survivors of domestic violence nationwide.

In 1994, the Violence Against Women Act authorized the creation of the National Domestic Violence Hotline.

On August 17, 1995 the Texas Council on Family Violence received a \$1 million federal grant that established The Hotline.

On February 21, 1996 the Hotline took its first call.

The Hotline's approximately 130 dedicated advocates receive almost 35,000 monthly contacts and have managed this high contact volume while ensuring quality services.

Marketed to millions through public outreach, the Hotline has assembled a comprehensive database with thousands of referral resources, influenced policies and practices in victim services.

The Hotline helps survivors see options for next steps and connects them to immediate sources of practical help.

In 2007, the Hotline partnered with Liz Claiborne Inc. to launch the "loveisrespect" which is a program aimed to mobilize parents, educators, peers, and victims to raise awareness about healthy dating behaviors and unhealthy and abuse patterns in relationships.

In addition to the availability of 24/7 phone, chat, and SMS text helplines designed to meet the specific needs of young adults, "loveisrespect" works to grow the next generation of anti-violence advocates.

Nationwide nearly 3 in 10 women and 1 in 10 men in the U.S. have experienced rape, physical violence and/or stalking by a partner and report a related impact on their functioning.

In 2014, in Texas alone 132 women were killed as a result of domestic violence, along with 185,817 reports of family violence incidents, while there were 185,373 hotline calls answered.

As the ranking member on the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations, I know the importance of protecting victims of crime and providing the vital support they need.

Mr. Speaker, I stand here as Mother, Wife, and Member of Congress to acknowledge the important work of those who staff the National Domestic Violence Hotline, they provide a comfort to those Americans who are in abusive relationships.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 15, 2016

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I am unavoidably absent for today's consideration of the No Rate Regulation of Broadband Internet Access Act (H.R. 2666) as I am speaking at the funeral for Ms. Fannie Fitzgerald, a Civil Rights pioneer who helped integrate the Prince William County Public Schools in my district in the early 1960s. She was a courageous and inspiring woman, and I was proud to feature her first-hand recounting of that experience the Northern Virginia Civil Rights Archive project, which my office produced to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the Civil Rights Act.

On the Yarmuth/Lujan/Pallone/Clarke Amendment, I would have voted "yes," in support of preserving the FCC's authority to require broadcasters provide their public inspection files in an online, searchable format for public review. I also would have voted "yes" on the McNerney Amendment to preserve the Commission's authority to act in the public interest, convenience, and necessity. Finally, I

would have voted "no" on final passage as the scope of this bill extends far beyond its simple-sounding title.

RECOGNIZING MR. CHARLES SKIPPER

HON. EARL L. "BUDDY" CARTER

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 15, 2016

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Charles Skipper for his 30 years of dedication and hard work for Glynn County Schools.

One of his most passionate endeavors, Mr. Skipper coached the Brunswick High School baseball team for 28 years, 5 of them as head coach. Brunswick High Baseball won 314 games during the time he was on the coaching staff for a win percentage of 60 percent. In total, Coach Skipper coached Brunswick High School in 12 playoff appearances, including sub-region championships in 2004 and 2007. He was named to be a coach on the Georgia Dugout Club All-State team in 2007 and 2011 and has received the Quarter Century Award for service to the game of baseball by the American Baseball Coaches Association.

In the course of 30 years, Coach Skipper's dedication to the Glynn County School system also included coaching football and teaching Physical Education as well as health and fitness courses.

After many years of impacting young lives, Coach Skipper is retiring. I rise today to thank him for his work with the Glynn County school system, thank him for the lives that he shaped, and to congratulate him on his coaching successes.

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF FUTURE PHYSICIANS AND MEDICAL SCIENTISTS—HAYLEY WISNIESKI

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 15, 2016

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Hayley Wisnieski from Richmond, TX for being accepted into the National Academy of Future Physicians and Medical Scientists to represent the state of Texas at the Congress of Future Medical Leaders.

Hayley attends William B. Travis High School and is one of eight high school honor students selected from the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas. These students were selected as Texas delegates at the Congress of Future Medical Leaders, a program for high school students to be recognized for their hard work in school and supported to continually strive toward their aspirations of working in the medical field. The National Academy was founded by Richard Rossi and Dr. Robert Darling; Mr. Rossi currently serves as president. The Congress is being held at the Tsongas Center at the University of Massachusetts, Lowell from June 25th through the 27th. Hayley was selected by a group of educators to be a delegate for the Congress because of her dedication to her academic success and goals of pursuing a