

Millions of them, from the first generation of Americans until the present time.

Louise Epting was one of these. She was a beloved mother, daughter, sister and grandmother. Born in New York City, the former bobbysoxer and Frank Sinatra devotee became a nurse before settling down to raise her three children with her then-husband. Following their divorce in the 1970s, Louise continued to work hard to support her children and ensure their needs were met. Later in life, Louise followed her children to California in order to be closer to them and her future grandchildren. Louise embraced her role as the family's matriarch.

Known by her nickname "Sugar," Louise was also a dedicated volunteer for many Republican causes. She worked tirelessly for everything she believed in, dedicating time and energy to a wide variety of candidates and issues. Working to better her community, she spent countless hours volunteering at the schools her grandchildren attended in Huntington Beach, California.

A fiercely proud American, Louise "Sugar" Epting represents true patriotism, and is among the best our country has produced. A devout Catholic, she departs this world to enter the realm of heaven where we know she joins so many of her loved ones. Compassionate, caring, and cherished by many, Louise leaves behind a lasting legacy of love for her faith, family, friends, and country.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. SCOTT TAYLOR

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 2, 2017

Mr. TAYLOR. Mr. Speaker, due to my attendance of the dignified transfer ceremony of Chief Special Warfare officer Ryan Owens at Dover AFB, I was unable to vote yesterday. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 72; and YEA on Roll Call No. 73.

TRIBUTE TO THE DALLAS CENTER-GRIMES MIDDLE SCHOOL MOCK TRIAL TEAMS IN THE FIRST SESSION OF THE 115TH CONGRESS

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 2, 2017

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate the members of the 2016 Dallas Center-Grimes Middle School Mock Trial teams on their success at the 33th Annual Iowa Middle School Mock Trial State Competition in Des Moines, Iowa, which took place from November 14 through November 16, 2016.

The state competition featured 34 teams from around the state of Iowa. The two teams representing Dallas Center-Grimes defied expectations when both teams placed among the top ten. The members of the Green team, which placed 8th, were Garrett Bond, Audrey Frett, Dante Chittenden, Megan Grimes, Rachel Becker, Madison Stone, Josh Ward, and

Huston Halverson. The members of the Purple Team, which placed 10th, were Molly Patterson, Sierra Sonberg, Alex Romig, Cale Schmitz, Elizabeth Vance, Sierra Mason, Emma Wagner, and Jordan Smith. The coaches of the two teams were Shannon Wallace, Jill Altringer, Kim Cross, Kathryn Pagel, and Jessica McCartan.

Mr. Speaker, the success of these students and coaches exemplifies the rewards of determination, commitment, and team work. I am proud to represent these young leaders in the United States Congress. I ask my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in congratulating them for their success in the state competition and in wishing them nothing but continued success in school and beyond.

FINANCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE RULES

HON. BRAD SHERMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 2, 2017

Mr. SHERMAN. Mr. Speaker, on Thursday, I voted for the Rules Improvement Package suggested by the Ranking Member even though there are elements of the package that would not be needed by the Committee in normal circumstances.

TRIBUTE TO TERI HUYCK

HON. GWEN MOORE

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 2, 2017

Ms. MOORE. Mr. Speaker, Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin (PPWI) President and CEO Teri Huyck will retire on February 3, 2017, after leading Wisconsin's largest most trusted non-profit health care organization for nine years.

Teri Huyck came to Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin during a difficult time as interim director in 2008. She had been the Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Planned Parenthood Chicago. Upon her arrival, the morale and financial stability of the Wisconsin Chapter of Planned Parenthood improved and eight months later, Teri Huyck dropped "interim" from her title and officially took over as president and CEO. She began an aggressive fundraising campaign that raised an additional \$500,000 and reorganized the organization.

Currently, Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin employs about 200 people and has a \$21 million annual budget that comes from state and federal funding, Medicaid and private-pay patients and private donations. Planned Parenthood provides health care to about 70,000 men and women a year across the state providing services that include: annual exams, cancer screening, colonoscopies, pregnancy testing and counseling, sexually transmitted disease testing and treatment, and abortions. Family planning and prevention accounts for more than 95 percent of the services Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin performs. The organization gives out 200,000 cycles of birth control pills per year. The majority of the women and men who come here are not seeking an abortion.

Ms. Huyck has made it her mission to be transparent and tells the unvarnished truth to everyone she meets. A self-proclaimed "farm girl from Ohio," she joined the Planned Parenthood organization following a career as a hospital administrator in Ohio and Illinois who wanted to combine her skills in the health care field with her passion for women's issues. Teri remembers when *Roe v. Wade* was decided and learned her passion for women's issues from her mother. Teri's childhood friend was raped and as a result became pregnant in the mid-1970s. The friend chose abortion and was treated poorly. This incident left a lasting impression on her as well.

Teri has a Bachelor's degree in Psychology with high honors from Ohio State University and a Master's degree in Hospital and Health Administration from Xavier University in Cincinnati.

I am grateful to have had the opportunity to know and work with Teri since she assumed her role at Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin. We have stood together on many issues to ensure both women and men in Wisconsin have access to health care. I join with her family, friends and colleagues to congratulate her on her retirement. I wish her much success as she transitions into a different phase of her life with her husband, Perry who recently retired, as well. Mr. Speaker, I am proud to honor Teri Huyck. The citizens of the Fourth Congressional District and the State of Wisconsin are privileged to have someone of her ability and dedicated service working on their behalf for so many years. I am honored for these reasons to pay tribute to Ted Huyck.

IN RECOGNITION OF JEFF DUBÉ

HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 2, 2017

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to acknowledge Lieutenant Jeff Dubé who recently departed from the Leesburg Police Department after 23 years of service. Throughout Lt. Dubé's impressive career at the department, he always maintained a strong attitude and a willingness to embrace new roles and responsibilities. Additionally, before joining the Leesburg Police Department, Lt. Dubé served eight years on active duty in the U.S. Marine Corps.

During his tenure at the Leesburg Police Department, Lt. Dubé served in many roles, including field training officer, shift supervisor, training officer, civil disturbance unit commander, recruitment and hiring, property and evidence and the accreditation manager. Additionally, Lt. Dubé enjoyed liaising with the media, as he tried to keep the community informed about human interest stories as well as emergencies as they unfolded.

Police officers come from all walks of life to serve and protect their fellow citizens. Officers, like Lt. Dubé, place their lives in jeopardy so that the rest of us may rest easy and the constituents of the 10th District are indebted to their dedication. The work he has done to selflessly serve our community and our country is an inspiration, and it is an honor to represent him.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in applauding Lt. Jeff Dubé for his dedication to

...serving our community and country for so many years. I wish him the best in retirement and in all of his future endeavors.

BOND COUNTY'S HEALTH DEPARTMENT 50TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. RODNEY DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 2, 2017

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, this year, Bond County's Health Depart-

ment celebrates fifty years of serving the community.

For five decades, healthcare professionals at Bond County Health Department have provided citizens with important health services such as immunizations, dental clinics, maternal and child health education, and much more. Their mission to promote good health, safety, and sanitation has helped thousands of people across the area.

The Bond County Health Department has excelled at meeting the needs of the population it serves. Whether it be assisting seniors with home healthcare, inspecting the food

safety of community restaurants, or helping new parents with infant and child resources, Bond County Health Department has been an important part of southwestern Illinois. For half a century, they have worked to improve public health in the region and have provided valuable education to the citizens of Bond County.

I understand the important role of institutions like Bond County Health Department and I commend its staff for all of their hard work over the years. Congratulations on your 50th anniversary, and I wish you all the best in the years to come.