

individual. It is an attack on a party. It is an attack on our representative government and the ideals that underpin our democracy.

I believe our Nation can chart a new course. Where there has been division, there can be unity. Where there has been hatred, there can be understanding. Where there has been vitriol, there can be civil discourse.

In the aftermath of the 2011 shooting, Tucson united to support the grieving, honor the victims, and commend our first responders. Just this morning, my hometown dedicated the January 8 Memorial in downtown Tucson.

Tonight, we remember those we lost: Christina-Taylor Green; Dorothy Morris; Judge John Roll; Phyllis Schneek; Dorwan Stoddard; and congressional staffer, Gabriel "Gabe" Zimmerman.

Mr. Speaker, I would now ask that the House rise and observe a moment of silence in remembrance of the victims.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The House will rise for a moment of silence.

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EL SALVADOR TEMPORARY PROTECTED STATUS

(Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to express my disappointment with the administration's decision to terminate temporary protected status—TPS—for hundreds of thousands of Salvadorans. This decision comes just after it terminated TPS for Haiti and Nicaragua.

In 2001, El Salvador was struck by a 7.1 magnitude earthquake that left destruction and tragedy in its wake, resulting in 250,000 Salvadorans coming to the U.S. seeking safety. Since then, they have been key parts of our communities and important contributors for our economy. It is cruel and inhumane to tell them that they will no longer be afforded temporary status here in the U.S. and that they have to go back to unsafe and uncertain conditions.

Mr. Speaker, I urge the administration to reverse the decision to terminate TPS for El Salvador, Nicaragua, and Haiti. I ask my colleagues to join me in a letter to the administration asking it to right this wrong and to also extend this status for Honduras.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

(Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY. Mr. Speaker, each January, we honor the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., for all he did to help us live out the true meaning of our creed.

Dr. King dedicated his life to justice and equality, and he died for it. But even with his ideals, Dr. King would have never had the impact he did if it weren't for his willingness to dedicate his life to service. That path of service is open to us all.

As Dr. King said: "You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to have to make your subject and your verb agree to serve. You don't have to know about Plato and Aristotle to serve."

Dr. King knew that service isn't about your education or your background. It is about much more than that. He taught us all that all you need to serve is "a heart full of grace, a soul generated by love."

That path is not an easy one, but it is one we can all take, and we should.

NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT DAY

(Mr. PAULSEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, tomorrow, January 9, is National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day. It is a time to celebrate everything that our law enforcement men and women do for our communities. While it is important to appreciate their courage and bravery, it is also a time to honor them and thank them for their service.

Every single day, police officers go to work not knowing what dangers may lie ahead of them while on the job. They put their lives on the line with a mission to both serve and protect. By the way, these law enforcement personnel are our friends, our neighbors, and even family members.

Last year, 128 police officers lost their lives defending the thin blue line. One of them was Officer Bill Mathews of Wayzata, Minnesota. He was certainly well known and part of the fabric of the community. He is missed not only by a loving family—his wife, Shawn, and son, Wyatt—but also by those he worked with and the residents he served while on patrol in neighborhoods.

Mr. Speaker, those who serve in law enforcement will often say it is a calling, and we honor that calling of service on National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day.

REMEMBERING DEPUTY SHERIFF DANIEL MCCARTNEY

(Mr. HECK asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HECK. Mr. Speaker, last night, after many of us went to bed, one of my constituents called 911. It was everyone's worst nightmare: an intruder in the house.

But then a superhero appeared, in the dark and in the cold, in the form of Pierce County Deputy Sheriff Daniel

McCartney: a husband, a father of three, and a son.

His bravery last night was just one of thousands of times he protected us, having served 10 years in uniform as a police officer and 7 years in the Navy. His bravery last night cost him his life, as he was gunned down by the intruder.

We are all shocked and saddened by his loss. We share our grief with his family, friends, and his brothers and sisters in blue. Some of them will do Deputy McCartney's patrol tonight, in the dark and in the cold, and they will come running when we need them.

Not everyone can do what they do. These are special people with special skills and with special abilities.

May the life of Deputy Sheriff McCartney remain special to all of us.

CONGRATULATING MANVEL MAVERICKS

(Mr. OLSON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. OLSON. Mr. Speaker, sometimes life matters by the inch. Last month, for the Manvel Mavericks, their dream came down to 12 inches—1 foot. That is how close they came to winning every football game they played in 2017, including the Texas 5-A Division 1 State Championship.

Was Manvel disappointed when they lost?

Heck yes.

Did we shed some tears?

Heck yes.

Are we more proud than ever of our guys?

Hell yes.

That pride comes from how they played, win or lose. An example of our pride is next to me. That is our team listening to our senior quarterback, Kason Martin's final words as a member of the Mavericks. Kason's words rang true then, and they ring true for all eternity.

He said: I'm forever Manvel. I don't care what the scoreboard says. We are the champions. Hoka Hey.

FREEDOM IS NOT PARTISAN

(Ms. JACKSON LEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, freedom is not partisan.

Yesterday, on the corner of Post Oak and Westheimer in Houston, Texas, I stood with Iranian Americans, linking arms with them as they protested and petitioned for a free and democratic Iran. I told them that the cries of hunger and economic needs, and the cries of young people who wanted freedom in Iran were my cries, and that we believed in democracy, freedom, and peace, and that we would not leave them alone.

So, again, I say to them: We stand not as Democrats and Republicans, but as Americans, wanting for a free government that allows the people's voices