

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN HONOR OF STAFF SERGEANT
DALE BEATTY

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 23, 2018

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Staff Sergeant Dale Beatty, a husband, a father and veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom who passed away on Monday, February 12, 2018. Staff Sergeant Beatty was a true American hero and our thoughts and prayers go out to his family as they mourn the loss of this great man.

When his country needed him the most, it was Staff Sergeant Beatty who answered the call to serve our great nation. While protecting our freedom, Staff Sergeant Beatty and his future business partner, John Gallina, were severely wounded when a mine detonated near their Humvee in Iraq. Staff Sergeant Beatty lost both of his legs as the result of this terrible incident. After returning to the states and living the experiences disabled veterans face, the two veterans started Purple Heart Homes. This veteran owned and operated public charity provides housing opportunities to service-connected disabled veterans. The success of Purple Heart Homes earned Staff Sergeant Beatty the cover of Time Magazine, among many other accolades and commemorations.

His work in the community made certain that the sacrifices of those disabled in battle were not forgotten, and it is that legacy which we celebrate today. While we may have lost this great man, his legacy will live on and we will never forget the sacrifices made by Staff Sergeant Beatty and his family.

Mr. Speaker, please join me today in commemorating the life of Staff Sergeant Dale Beatty for his service to God and country.

RECOGNIZING BOB BECKER OF
SCHENECTADY

HON. JOHN J. FASO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 23, 2018

Mr. FASO. Mr. Speaker, it is with great respect and admiration that I rise today to recognize the prestigious achievements of Mr. Bob Becker for being named the recipient of the Four Chaplains Brotherhood Award. This designation recognizes those special individuals who dedicatedly serve the community without regard to the ethnicity, values, or beliefs of others. It is a true testament to Mr. Becker's continued legacy of acceptance, patriotism, and steadfast commitment to improving the lives of veterans.

A man of uncommon devotion and admirable selflessness, Mr. Becker faithfully served our country for over twenty years in the United States Marine Corps as a supply chief and platoon sergeant in the Second Marine Divi-

sion and in the USMC Reserve, retiring as a distinguished first sergeant. Having served as the New York State Commandant of the Marine Corps League and as National Commandant in the Marine Corps League, Mr. Becker is an esteemed and clarion voice for veterans' affairs, both locally and nationally.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating Mr. Becker on receiving the Four Chaplains Brotherhood Award. His lifetime of hard work and dedicated service to the United States is inspirational, and I am grateful for his contributions to New York State.

CONGRATULATING THE
CONGREGATION OF BETH SHALOM

HON. JEFF DENHAM

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 23, 2018

Mr. DENHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate and honor the Congregation of Beth Shalom on the momentous occasion of their 100th year anniversary. The Congregation, originally recognized as the First Hebrew Congregation, was established on February 14, 1918 in the heart of the Central Valley, Modesto, CA.

In 1963, the congregation moved to its existing location on Sherwood Avenue and was renamed Congregation Beth Shalom, meaning "house of peace." It became affiliated with the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism. Congregation Beth Shalom is the single Jewish congregation in Stanislaus County and the greater area.

Congregation Beth Shalom has been served by the inspiring leadership of many rabbis, and is currently served by Rabbi Shalom Bochner. The Congregation provides a plethora of cultural, educational, holiday, and social programs for the diverse Jewish population and the local community. Congregation Beth Shalom's contributions have enriched the culture and diversity of the Central Valley.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring and congratulating Congregation Beth Shalom on their first 100 years, and wish them many more successful years to come.

CONGRATULATING FIRST SER-
GEANT SHAJN CABRERA FOR RE-
CEIVING THE 2018 GREATER FAY-
ETTEVILLE CHAMBER AMBAS-
SADOR OF THE YEAR

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

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Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize First Sergeant Shajn Cabrera as the recipient of the 2018 Greater Fayetteville Chamber Ambassador of the Year Award.

With over 21 years of service in the Army as an Interrogator and Source Operator, 1st SGT Cabrera has served our country with distinction. I want to take this opportunity to thank 1st SGT Cabrera for his service to our country. It is because of men and women like him we are able to enjoy the freedoms that we have.

As an Ambassador at the Greater Fayetteville Chamber, 1st SGT Cabrera is responsible for member retention, recruitment and communication. The connections he has made through this program enable him to continue his selfless service to our community by assisting numerous nonprofit organizations. Currently, 1st SGT Cabrera is the president and Senior Broker for Centuria Insurance Group.

1st SGT Cabrera is most deserving of this award, and I wish him success as he continues to be a selfless servant to our community.

Mr. Speaker, please join me today in celebrating First Sergeant Shajn Cabrera on winning the 2018 Greater Fayetteville Chamber Ambassador of the Year.

POSTHUMOUSLY HONORING DEP-
UTY U.S. MARSHAL CHRIS-
TOPHER HILL OF PENNSYL-
VANIA ON HIS SERVICE TO THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
AND HIS CAREER IN LAW EN-
FORCEMENT

HON. SCOTT PERRY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 23, 2018

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, today I extend my heartfelt condolences to the family, loved ones and peers of my constituent, Deputy U.S. Marshal Christopher Hill, who was killed in the Line of Duty on Thursday, January 18, 2018. We grieve his passing, and are indebted for his selfless, tireless and devoted years of service as a law enforcement officer.

I've long admired the commitment of people who devote themselves selflessly to serving our Nation and communities. Christopher served our Country as a U.S. Army Ranger, and over 11 years with the U.S. Marshals Service and its Special Operations Group. More importantly, though, he was best known for his devotion to his loving family.

I joined throngs of compatriots at Christopher's memorial service on January 25, 2018, and saw firsthand the results of his tireless dedication, professionalism and sacrifice touched the lives of countless people. He set the standard for all others to follow, and though his legacy will endure in ways too numerous to count, his loss will continue to be felt in myriad and significant ways.

On behalf of Pennsylvania's Fourth Congressional District, I offer my heartfelt condolences to Deputy U.S. Marshal Christopher Hill's family, friends and colleagues on our tragic loss. I thank Christopher and Godspeed, Brother. He'll remain in my heart and prayers.

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