

OVERDOSE PREVENTION AND PATIENT SAFETY ACT, H.R. 6082, AND IMD CARE ACT, H.R. 5797

HON. TOM EMMER

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2018

Mr. EMMER. Mr. Speaker, today I was unable to vote for two important bills that add to the House's ongoing efforts to combat the opioid and substance abuse crisis in America. Had I been present, I would have voted Yes on H.R. 6082, the Overdose Prevention and Patient Safety Act, to align 42 CFR Part 2 with HIPAA privacy regulations, allowing doctors to provide the best medical care for patients who suffer from the crippling disease that is substance use disorder. Doctors cannot treat a whole patient with half a medical record. I would also have voted Yes on the IMD Care Act, H.R. 5797 to expand treatment options for patients.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BOB GIBBS

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2018

Mr. GIBBS. Mr. Speaker, due to inclement weather conditions, my flight from Columbus, OH to Washington, D.C. was canceled and I was unable to arrive in time for 6:30 p.m. votes.

Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 269; YEA on Roll Call No. 270; and YEA on Roll Call No. 271.

HONORING THE IOVANNE FAMILY AND FUNERAL HOME ON 90 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2018

Ms. DeLAURO. Mr. Speaker, it is with a warm heart that I rise today to congratulate the Iovanne family on the 90th Anniversary of Iovanne Funeral Home—a remarkable milestone for this New Haven institution. Now run by the third generation of the family and located in the heart of Wooster Square, the neighborhood of my own childhood, Iovanne's is a bedrock of our community.

Founded in 1928 by E. William Iovanne and his wife, Angelina, the Iovanne Funeral Home was established in a time when wakes and funerals were held in family homes. As time passed and traditions changed, they found a new home at 11 Wooster Place where they continue to operate today. With the unexpected passing of his father, Bill Sr. took the helm of the family business and has served his profession with honor and distinction for more than forty years. Today, Bill Iovanne, Jr., better known in the neighborhood as simply Billy, is the family's third generation to serve as President. Having learned at the feet of his grandmother and father, Billy keeps his grandparents' original motto of "always treat a per-

son the way you want them to treat you" close at heart as he and his staff help guide families through the loss of those closest to them.

The Wooster Square neighborhood has always been the heart of New Haven's Italian-American community and is home to many iconic businesses and cultural institutions—Sally's and Pepe's Pizza, St. Michael's Church, Columbus Park, Libby's, the St. Andrew's Society, the Santa Maria Maddalena Society, and, of course, Iovanne's. Each has played a role in the community's rich history and continue to help shape its future. The Iovanne family, particularly Bill Sr. and Billy, are not only neighborhood business owners, they are dedicated and devoted members of the community. They have both long devoted their time and energies to ensuring the preservation of the Wooster Square neighborhood and its Italian-American roots. That is why they were honored by the Greater New Haven Columbus Day Parade Committee in 2012 as that year's Grand Marshalls.

There are few that families trust more with the final celebration of life for their loved ones than the Iovannes. There are no words of thanks for the care and compassion they provide to their clients during that most difficult time. Indeed, when I lost my own mother, Luisa, last year, there was no question as to who I would entrust with her final arrangements. I have known the Iovanne family my entire life and am fortunate to call them family. It is my great honor to have the opportunity to stand today to extend my heartfelt congratulations to Bill Iovanne, Sr., Bill Iovanne, Jr. and the entire Iovanne family as they celebrate their 90th Anniversary.

TRIBUTE TO GERTRUDE AND FRED MATTHIES

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Gertrude and Fred Matthies of Walnut, Iowa on the very special occasion of their 75th wedding anniversary. They were married on June 7, 1943 at the Catholic parsonage in Avoca, Iowa.

Gertrude and Fred's lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa values. As they reflect on their 75th anniversary, I hope it is filled with happy memories. May their commitment grow even stronger, as they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 75th year together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

IN HONOR OF COACH JACK M. POWELL

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 20, 2018

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a man of purpose, sincerity,

and high character, Coach Jack M. Powell. Sadly, Coach Powell passed away on May 12, 2018. His funeral services were held on Saturday, May 19, at 2:00pm at First Baptist Church of Eufaula in Eufaula, Alabama.

The Andalusia, Alabama native was born on March 20, 1922, to the union of George Bennie and Lilla Lawson Powell as one of ten children. A graduate of Pleasant Home High School of Andalusia, Coach played basketball in the state tournament for three years before going on to play basketball at Auburn University.

Jack was a highly respected coach who also served as an educator for 40 years while at Lockhart and Eufaula High Schools (1947–1966); Livingston University (1966–1972), and Sparks State Technical College, in Eufaula, Alabama (from 1972 until his retirement). Highlights of his remarkable coaching career include several "Coach of the Year" awards and Hall of Fame inductions; numerous district, area, regional, state, and all-star championships; and the establishment of the Tri-State Basketball Try-Out Clinic and Alabama's Junior Pro Basketball League.

He dedicated his life to helping others—especially our most precious resources—young people. He used the season of his life to help others reach their full potential. He was dedicated to his craft as both a teacher and a coach. Coach Powell was well respected by his peers, players, students, and colleagues. He knew that his life would be measured not by wins and losses on a sports field, but by the difference he made in the lives of his students and players.

Jack's faith inspired him to serve through virtually every segment of church life. He served as a Sunday School Teacher for more than 50 years (with his class at First Baptist Church of Eufaula being named after him) and a Sunday School Superintendent. He also served many years as a Deacon and was Chairman of the Deacon Board for 12 years. His walk as a devout Christian was the foundation of his life.

His greatest role in life was that of a dedicated husband to his late wife, Opal, and loving father to his two sons, Doyle and John.

While I did not know Jack personally, I know his son, John, the Executive Director of the American Peanut Shellers Association, which is based in Albany, Georgia. It has been said that the tree is known by the fruit it bears. If that is true, Coach Jack M. Powell was truly a fine and exemplary man, having molded and shaped the character of his devoted and loving son—John. John was a dutiful son and throughout his dad's life, especially in his sunset years, he truly honored his father as administered by the scriptures.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join my wife, Vivian, and I, along with more than 730,000 people of the Second Congressional District in extending condolences to his family, friends and loved ones. To "God Be the Glory" for the life of Coach Jack M. Powell for his contributions to the betterment of human-kind.