

coming from China. I understand the concerns about potential civil penalties that could be imposed if USPS fails to meet terms of compliance. But with the updated language added to the final version, I am confident this legislation provides sufficient flexibility allowing USPS to avoid those penalties as long as it is making a good faith effort to institute AED collection in a meaningful way. I will closely follow the implementation of this policy and will work to make sure USPS can comply without leading to cost-saving actions such as reductions of service, consolidation or closing of post offices, or cuts to the employee workforce. We must stop these dangerous shipments to help save the lives of those who are addicted to opioids. Although there is more to be done to tackle the opioid crisis, this is one step forward that I support.

IN RECOGNITION OF MR. JOHN
CARLOS MARTINS

HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 22, 2018

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, along with my colleagues, Representatives DEVIN NUNES and JIM COSTA, to honor the life of Mr. John Carlos Martins, who sadly passed away on June 16, 2018.

Mr. John Carlos Martins was born on April 21, 1964 in the parish of Altares, on the Portuguese island of Terceira. Just two years later, in 1966, John and his family immigrated to the United States and settled in Artesia, California. At a young age, John developed an interest in carpentry. After graduating from Cerritos High School in 1982, Mr. Martins attended Los Angeles Trade-Technical College where he advanced and honed his craft further, enabling him to build a successful development company with his father and brother.

In 1997, Mr. Martins was appointed to the City of Artesia Planning Commission and in 2001, he was elected to serve on the Artesia City Council. Following his service as city councilman, John continued working for the people of Artesia as Mayor of the city from 2004 until his retirement in 2010.

Although John and his family left the Azores Islands of Portugal early in his childhood, he remained deeply connected to his roots, as seen through his steadfast involvement in the Portuguese-American community. John participated in, and held positions on, many local and statewide Portuguese-American organizations. Mr. Martins was a Board Member of the California Portuguese American Coalition, President of the Artesia DES Portuguese Center in 2006 and 2013, Board Director of the Luso-American Fraternal Federation for eight years, and in 2000, he became President of that same Federation. Additionally, in 2015, Mr. Martins was appointed Honorary Consul of Portugal in Los Angeles.

While John dedicated the majority of his free time to his community, he also pursued his musical passions. John began playing guitar when he was only ten years old, and throughout his time in school he learned to play various other instruments. In 1979, he and his siblings formed the group Aquarius and travelled the world playing music for over twenty-five years. In 2012, John teamed up

with his son Cole and his old bandmate David to establish the band 562. The talented group performed throughout California at various events and festivals and to many sold out shows.

Mr. Martins' tireless and selfless dedication to his community was truly inspiring. Although he left us too soon, John made a lasting, positive impact on the people he met. John is survived by his wife Karen and their three children.

Mr. Speaker, today we ask our colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join us in honoring the life of Mr. John Carlos Martins. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family, friends, and community during this difficult time.

HONORING THE DILLARD CENTER
FOR THE ARTS JAZZ BAND IN
WINNING THE 2018 ESSENTIALLY
ELLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ
BAND COMPETITION

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 22, 2018

Mr. HASTINGS. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to rise today and recognize the Dillard Center for the Arts Jazz Band on their May 12, 2018 first place win at the 2018 Essentially Ellington High School Jazz Band Competition in New York City.

Dillard High School, located in Fort Lauderdale, Florida has a long history of excellence in the arts. In 1948, Dillard's well-known jazz program attracted one of the greatest musicians in history, Julian Edwin "Cannonball" Adderley.

Under the leadership of Director Christopher Dorsey, Dillard's Jazz Band performed on stage at Lincoln Center for the Essentially Ellington Competition. They were judged by an esteemed panel of jazz musicians, lead by composer and trumpeter Mr. Wynton Marsalis, and deemed to be worthy of the first place prize out of fifteen band finalists. Additionally, Ms. Summer Camargo, a member of the band, won the Composition/Arranger Contest.

Mr. Speaker, I am so proud of the Dillard Center for the Arts Jazz band. I wish Director Dorsey and the entire jazz band ensemble a hearty congratulations.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JARED POLIS

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 22, 2018

Mr. POLIS. Mr. Speaker, I was absent for the vote on passage of H.R. 6082, the Overdose Prevention and Patient Safety Act (Roll Call vote No. 278), had I been present I would have voted NO.

I was absent for the vote on passage of H.R. 5797, the Individuals in Medicaid Diverse Care that is Appropriate and Responsible in its Execution Act (Roll Call vote No. 276), had I been present I would have voted NO.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JOYCE BEATTY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 22, 2018

Mrs. BEATTY. Mr. Speaker, I was absent from the House Chamber between June 5, 2018, and June 19, 2018, during my medical recovery. Had I been present, I would have voted: Yes on Roll Call No. 231, Yes on Roll Call No. 232, Yes on Roll Call No. 233, No on Roll Call No. 234, No on Roll Call No. 235, No on Roll Call No. 236, No on Roll Call No. 237, Yes on Roll Call No. 238, Yes on Roll Call No. 239, No on Roll Call No. 240, No on Roll Call No. 241, No on Roll Call No. 242, No on Roll Call No. 243, Yes on Roll Call No. 244, Yes on Roll Call No. 245, No on Roll Call No. 246, Yes on Roll Call No. 247, Yes on Roll Call No. 248, No on Roll Call No. 249, Yes on Roll Call No. 250, No on Roll Call No. 251, No on Roll Call No. 252, No on Roll Call No. 253, No on Roll Call No. 254, Yes on Roll Call No. 255, Yes on Roll Call No. 256, No on Roll Call No. 257, Yes on Roll Call No. 258, Yes on Roll Call No. 259, No on Roll Call No. 260, No on Roll Call No. 261, No on Roll Call No. 262, Yes on Roll Call No. 263, Yes on Roll Call No. 264, Yes on Roll Call No. 265, No on Roll Call No. 266, No on Roll Call No. 267, No on Roll Call No. 268, Yes on Roll Call No. 269, Yes on Roll Call No. 270, No on Roll Call No. 271.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 22, 2018

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call Votes No. 269, No. 270 and No. 271 I am not recorded because I was absent from the House of Representatives. Had I been present, I would have voted in the following manner.

On Roll Call No. 269. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA.

On Roll Call No. 270. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA.

On Roll Call No. 271. Had I been present, I would have voted NO.

SUPPORTING PASSAGE OF H.R. 6
AND URGING FURTHER ACTION
TO PREVENT ADDICTION

HON. TERRI A. SEWELL

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 22, 2018

Ms. SEWELL of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank all of the Members who have worked across the aisle on the opioid bills we've passed over the past two weeks. The bipartisan work that has gone into these bills is exactly what our constituents sent us to Congress to do. I have enjoyed working with Rep. PETER ROSKAM on H.R. 5773, the Preventing Addiction for Susceptible Seniors Act, which passed on Tuesday as a suspension. Since our committee has jurisdiction over the Medicare program, we found it necessary to

work on legislation that helps the seniors impacted by the opioid crisis across this country.

The bill included another bill I worked on with Rep. RENACCI, H.R. 5715, the Strengthening Partnerships to Prevent Opioid Abuse Act. The bill encourages greater data sharing between CMS and insurers.

All the bills passed in recent weeks represent the first step in addressing a crisis that has impacted millions of Americans and their families. In 2016, we lost 64,000 American lives from drug overdoses. Drug overdoses are now the leading cause of death among Americans under the age of 50.

After today, we must continue to focus on policies that lift our constituents out of the conditions that lead to addiction. Whether that results from social isolation, financial anxiety, emotional or physical trauma, inadequate access to primary or mental health care, we should consider how all of the policies we advance in this body will impact our constituents.

The lessons from past drug crises and the evidence supporting the public health approach we are taking today can guide us as we seek an end to the current opioid crisis—without revamping the failed and costly War on Drugs.

Opioid addiction is a disease that has spread to millions of Americans across the country, from our young students to our parents and grandparents, from our rural communities to our big cities. Alabama, which has the highest rate of opioid prescriptions in the country, is a battleground in our fight against this epidemic.

Millions of Americans become addicted to opioids after being prescribed opioids after surgery or to manage pain. My congressional district and state is home to many retired coal miners and men and women who have spent their lives working in physically intensive jobs in manufacturing. I have no doubt that the chronic pain they have sustained from years in physically taxing work environments is real and requires pain medication.

I also have heard from constituents with sickle cell disease and cancer, who require pain management to treat the pain that results from their conditions.

Moving forward, I am committed to working on policies that advance and encourage the development and adoption of non-opioid alternatives for pain management. From increased access to physical therapy and chiropractic care to post-surgical non-opioid alternatives, I urge CMS to take the steps they can today to change reimbursement policies that discourage providers to prescribe non-opioid alternatives.

The preventative action necessary for a crisis as such can be observed in the case of Jessica Kilpatrick, an Alabama woman in a small town in Northwest Alabama. As stated in the Washington Post, “for as long as she could remember, pills made the intolerable possible. Now, without them, she was a poor woman in a poor town with a swollen right foot from a 10-hour shift [at Burger King] and a new key tag from Narcotics Anonymous that said “Clean and Serene for Eighteen months.”

Susceptibility to relapse on this road to recovery is fueled by the lack of access to adequate treatment for both pain and addiction. I am deeply concerned about Alabamians who work hard every day but yet fall into the Medicaid gap. Workers who make more than 18 percent of the poverty line but less than the

federal poverty line do not qualify for any assistance, making prevention and treatment more expensive in non-expansion states and unaffordable for Alabamians in minimum wage jobs.

I urge all Members of Congress to support H.R. 6 today because it marks a positive step in the right direction as we work to improve the lives of the millions of Americans impacted by the opioid and addiction crisis.

HONORING THE CAREER OF LEGENDARY SPECIAL FORCES VETERAN MAJOR GENERAL MICHAEL D. HEALY

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 22, 2018

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and legacy of Major General Michael D. Healy who passed away on April 15, 2018 at the age of 91. During his 35 years of dedicated service, Maj. Gen. Healy served valiantly, made history and showed us all how to be a family man.

After enlisting in the United States Army in 1945, Maj. Gen. Healy began an illustrious career with deployments in both the Korean and Vietnam Wars. After evading enemy machine gun fire in the Korean War, Maj. Gen. Healy was given the nickname “Iron Mike” and it has stuck with him throughout his entire life. His nerves of steel and unparalleled courage led him to become one of the first Green Berets to achieve the rank of General.

Deployed on numerous operational assignments all over the globe and through some of our nation’s toughest times, Maj. Gen. Healy stood ready to answer the call to serve our nation. Throughout these operations, he delivered on the promise to keep America safe and confront our enemies under the most difficult conditions. Maj. Gen. Healy received numerous medals and recognitions for his service, including the Distinguished Service Cross, Bronze Star Medal, Distinguished Service Medal, two awards of the Silver Star, four awards of the Legion of Merit, and the Distinguished Flying Cross. He was truly a man of humility, bravery, and dignity.

While fighting our nation’s battles overseas, Maj. Gen. Healy most important commitment remained to his family back home. He was married to his lovely wife, Jacklyn, for 69 years, and they raised six sons, ten grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. This country cannot repay the debt we owe to Maj. Gen. Healy and his family—the Healys are true American heroes.

Mr. Speaker, please join me today in commemorating the career of the Major General Michael D. Healy.

IN RECOGNITION OF GIACOMAZZI DAIRY

HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 22, 2018

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Giacomazzi Dairy as it celebrates

its 125th year of continuous operations producing milk in Kings County, California.

Founded by Luigi Giacomazzi, an immigrant from Moghegno, Ticino, Switzerland, Giacomazzi Dairy opened on property acquired from Southern Pacific Rail Road Company in 1893, the same year Kings County was formed. Mr. Giacomazzi developed the land and founded the dairy with just ten cows producing butter and cheese that he sold to locals and Chinese railroad workers.

After marrying his wife, the former Gilia Pincini, Mr. Giacomazzi built their farm and dairy with the help of their four children: Florinda, Louis, Jr., Stephen, and Fred.

In 1923, Giacomazzi Dairy became the first dairy to install milking machines in the region. These revolutionary machines simultaneously milked four cows. By 1937, Giacomazzi Dairy constructed their third Grade A barn in Kings County. Technological advances enabled the Giacomazzis to milk forty-two cows at a time.

Louis, Jr., Stephen, and Fred formed a new partnership—Giacomazzi Brothers—with each sibling handling a distinct aspect of operations. Once considered the largest dairy operation in the southern Central Valley region, Giacomazzi Brothers dissolved the partnership in 1969, however, Fred Giacomazzi continued to operate the dairy, purchasing land from the partnership.

Joined by his son, Donald in 1974, Fred increased the dairy’s herd to 350 cows with approximately 300 acres of farmland. In 1985, the Giacomazzi Dairy herd grew to 600 cows and its farming operation expanded to 500 acres.

Don and his wife Jackie, had four children: Gina, Dino, Cara, and Mia. In 2003, Dino returned to the farm after working thirteen years in the music and internet industries. Two years later, Dino married his wife, the former Julie Friebe, and took over day-to-day management and operations of the farm. Since assuming operations, Dino has expanded the herd to 1,000 cows on 1,000 acres, including 375 acres planted with almond trees.

Beginning with its first milking machine in 1923, Giacomazzi Dairy has established itself as a leader in agriculture innovation.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in congratulating the Giacomazzi Dairy, Kings County’s longest, continuously-operating dairy, on its 125th year of producing milk.

HONORING DAVID FOUNTAIN AND LEADERSHIP NORTH CAROLINA

HON. DAVID E. PRICE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 22, 2018

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the leadership of David Fountain, North Carolina President of Duke Energy, as he completes his successful term of service as chair of the Leadership North Carolina Board of Directors.

Leadership North Carolina is an independent, nonpartisan, nonprofit organization that engages current and emerging leaders from across the state. Its mission is to inform, develop, and engage committed leaders by broadening their understanding of and involvement in issues and opportunities facing the