

the dozens of tons of industrial toxic substances released into surrounding neighborhoods and waterways following Harvey's torrential rains.

In addition, NPDES will study and develop recommendations to improve the availability of public and private sources of funding for stormwater infrastructure.

The EPA Administrator will ensure that these programs promote the use of innovative stormwater control infrastructure in and coordinate the integration of innovative stormwater control infrastructure into permitting programs, planning efforts, research, technical assistance, and funding guidance.

Mr. Speaker, a stronger investment in stormwater prevention programs allows for the implementations of cutting edge solutions and puts our communities in a path to healthier waters.

I urge my colleges to join me in voting for H.R. 3906.

RECOGNIZING JUSTIN HERSH AND ANUSHKA SCUDDER

HON. LOIS FRANKEL

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 23, 2018

Ms. FRANKEL of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Justin Hersh and Anushka Scudder, Palm Beach County's Do the Write Thing Ambassadors for 2018.

The Do the Write Thing challenge invites middle school students to submit essays and stories about their personal experiences with violence, bullying, and racism in school or throughout their community. These brave students share their stories to educate others about the need for more compassion and understanding in the world.

Justin and Anushka visited my office in Washington, D.C. last week and I heard their compelling stories. I commend them for their passion for making Palm Beach County a safer place for all students and hope that more will follow their stellar examples.

IN RECOGNITION OF JOHN FRANCIS AYLMER

HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 23, 2018

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the life of John Francis Aylmer, a resident of Centerville, Massachusetts and dedicated public servant.

John was born in Barnstable and raised in the villages of Osterville and Centerville, graduating from Barnstable High School in 1953. Following his graduation from Admiral Billard Academy in New London, Connecticut, he received a bachelor's degree from the Massachusetts Maritime Academy and joined the United States Navy. Upon his honorable discharge, John served as a Merchant Marine Officer on oil tankers. He was later commissioned in the U.S. Navy Reserve for twenty-three years.

Within this same time span, John also served two terms as a Barnstable Selectman.

He went on to earn his master's degree in education from Bridgewater State College. Then, in 1970, he successfully ran for election as a Massachusetts State Senator, where his commendable leadership resulted in his appointment as Assistant Senate Minority Leader. While in office, John also obtained his law degree from Suffolk Law School.

In 1981, John was appointed as Rear Admiral, U.S. Maritime Service. He also became the president of the Massachusetts Maritime Academy, holding this position for the following decade and presiding over a period of critical expansion. Upon his retirement, John continued to give back to his community through his long-time involvement in the Cape Cod Baseball League.

John married his wife Ann M. McLean in 1957, and over the sixty-one years they spent together they had four sons, and now three grandchildren. Unfortunately, John passed away on July 8, 2018. His commitment will live on through his growing family and the legacy of his activism in our community.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to honor the life of John Francis Aylmer. I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing his many years of dedication to his community and his country.

HONORING CHIEF BRET SACKETT

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 23, 2018

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Chief Bret Sackett, on his retirement as the longest tenured police chief in Sonoma County, California.

Born in Los Angeles, California, Chief Sackett moved to Sonoma County and earned an Administration of Justice degree from Santa Rosa Junior College. He also graduated from Sonoma State University with a Bachelor's Degree in Business Management.

Chief Sackett has served 28 years with the Sonoma County Sheriff's Department and 14 years with the City of Sonoma. For the last 11 years he has been Sonoma's Chief of Police. Throughout his time as a law enforcement officer, Chief Sackett has been a correctional officer, academy training officer, field training officer, background investigator, SWAT team member and detective in the Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault unit.

When the City of Sonoma began contracting with the Sonoma County Sheriff's Department to provide law enforcement services in 2004, Chief Sackett joined the transition team as a patrol sergeant. In 2007, he was promoted to the Chief of Police for the City of Sonoma. Under Chief Sackett's leadership, the Sonoma Police Department enhanced community relations while approaching public safety compassionately. He also oversaw law enforcement services for the unincorporated areas of Sonoma Valley. He created a K-9 program and advanced a financial partnership with the City of Sonoma and Sonoma Valley Unified School District that established a School Resource Officer at Sonoma Valley High School. Chief Sackett's leadership and emergency management skills were crucial in responding to the 2017 October fires.

Chief Sackett has received honors from the Consul General of Mexico, the Sheriff's Office

and the Optimist Club. He has been recognized for his service to the Hispanic community and his exceptional work and commitment to law enforcement and our Sonoma community.

Mr. Speaker, Chief Sackett is an admirable leader who is dedicated to serving our community. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor Chief Bret Sackett here today.

IN HONOR OF MR. JAMES EDWARD WILEY, SR.

HON. PETE SESSIONS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, July 23, 2018

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. James Edward Wiley, Sr., who passed away peacefully on Sunday morning of July 8, 2018, surrounded by his loved ones.

Mr. James Edward Wiley, Sr., the second son of A.P. and Florence Wiley, was born in Dallas, Texas on September 16, 1925. In 1942, he graduated from Adamson High School and entered the Corps of Cadets in August later that year, upon enrolling at The Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, now The Texas A&M University. After completing Armor Officer Commissioning School at Fort Knox, KY, James went to the Pacific Theater with the Army Corps of Engineers and assumed command of a Japanese POW Camp before he was even twenty years of age. Once he returned to College Station, he successfully completed his engineering degree in May of 1948 and he was awarded Texas A&M's highest honor as a Distinguished Alumnus in 1990 for all his hard work and dedication to the school.

Immediately following graduation from Texas A&M, James obtained a job with Robert E. McKee in their Dallas office. He helped construct many prominent additions to Dallas after the war, including the Federal Reserve Bank, Moody Coliseum, in addition to the "new" Parkland Hospital, just to name a few. However, in 1960, he left McKee to join his loving father and brother at Wiley Brothers General Contractors and Investment Builders where they adopted the popular model of building long-block warehouses and subdividing them for multi-tenant occupancy in the fast-expanding industrial parks in what became the Stemmons Corridor.

When the gift of grandchildren arrived, James embraced that role wholeheartedly. James used to invite his grandchildren to accompany him into Downtown Dallas to tour them through bank lobbies, and over Christmas break, he would treat them to lunch at the rotating Antares in Reunion tower. Throughout his life, James touched the hearts of many and always led by example, and his family will continue to thrive from his leadership.

James is survived by his wife Virginia; his 4 sons and their wives, Jim (Karen), Alan (Melinda), Don (Julia), and Glen (Ann); 8 grandchildren, and 17 great-grandchildren. Although no words can really help to ease the loss, his life was truly a blessing and he is held very close in thought and prayer. In honor of his memory, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr. James Edward Wiley, Sr. for his service to our country and his dedication to the city of Dallas.