

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF DR.
JAMES HAROLD BOWLES

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

Ms. SPANBERGER. Madam Speaker, today I rise to celebrate the life of Dr. James Harold Bowles. Dr. Bowles was born in June 1921, and raised on the Pea Ridge in Goochland County, Virginia.

Dr. Bowles served in the U.S. Army and graduated from Virginia Union University before attending medical school and returning home to Goochland to open his medical practice. As he began his career serving his patients, Dr. Bowles continued his service as the first African American to serve on the Goochland County Board of Supervisors where he worked to strengthen our community for 32 years.

He was a lifetime member of the NAACP, a trustee of Emmaus Baptist Church, and an active member of community organizations across central Virginia. Above all, he was a beloved husband, father, brother, uncle, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He left an indelible mark on our community.

Madam Speaker, I leave you with the advice Dr. Bowles frequently gave. May it guide our work here in this Chamber.

SMILE. S, seek to understand before being understood; M, make others feel important; I, it is not about me; L, listen twice as much as you speak; E, emphatically, enthusiastically, and quickly admit it when you are wrong.

When you do this, dialogue can be easily achieved.

HONORING THE LEGACY OF
WILLIAM R. CARTEAUX

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

Mr. BUCSHON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the legacy of a great Hoosier, William R. Carteaux, the President and CEO of the Plastics Industry Association, and a dedicated supporter of the U.S. plastics industry which employs nearly 1 million Americans.

Mr. Carteaux passed away on December 10, 2018, after bravely fighting leukemia. Having worked with Bill, his passion for the U.S. plastics industry, which employs more than 50,000 Hoosiers and more than 10,000 in my district alone, was unmatched.

Bill pushed the entire industry to focus on recycling and sustainability, bringing together industry leaders and innovators to find effective market-based solutions to our environmental challenges.

Bill was first diagnosed with leukemia in 2016, and he set out to beat the disease for himself and others. He eventually chaired the Washington area Leukemia & Lymphoma Society

and raised hundreds of thousands of dollars.

The U.S. plastics industry is stronger today because of Bill's efforts, and he will be sorely missed.

Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Daniele, and his two daughters, as we honor his legacy and impact here in the House today.

RECOGNIZING NEW MEXICO ORGANIZATIONS THAT SUPPORTED FEDERAL EMPLOYEES DURING THE SHUTDOWN

(Ms. TORRES SMALL of New Mexico asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. TORRES SMALL of New Mexico. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the food banks and organizations across New Mexico that supported Federal employees, contractors, and their families during the shutdown.

I especially want to thank Arlene Murillo and the Border Patrol Agent Family Network in Sunland Park, New Mexico. It was an honor to witness their collaborative work, to feed their neighbors who were affected by the shutdown, or otherwise fighting hunger for other reasons.

New Mexicans were among the hardest hit when the government stopped paying its bills, but these organizations showed what it is to be New Mexicans, and embody the value to always have your neighbor's back.

Now that the damage and disruption of the shutdown is over, we as a Congress have a responsibility to ensure it never happens again. That is why I joined fellow freshman and signed on to the Shutdown to End All Shutdowns Act yesterday, to keep hardworking Americans from paying the price for Washington's brokenness.

Madam Speaker, I invite my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to do the same.

HONORING THE LIFE OF FIRE
CHIEF JOHN WEAVER

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

Mr. SMUCKER. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor one of Lancaster County's most honored public servants and a true hero, former Denver Fire Company Chief, John Weaver, who passed away on January 26.

John served our community for 50 years. He became a junior fireman when he was just 14 years old. He later joined the Denver Fire Company when he was 18, in 1969.

He held every officer position, including fire chief. He became a fire instructor, and most recently, he was one of the primary drivers for the fire department. He was a brave man who helped make the fire department what it is today.

John was also an entrepreneur who founded a manufacturing company,

Weaver Industries. Beyond working for the fire company and saving lives there, John was also involved in our community. He believed in giving back and serving others.

He served on the Cocalico School Board for 12 years, and coached golf and bowling. John found great joy in helping people and set a wonderful example for all of us.

He leaves behind a wife, three sons, and four grandchildren. May we remember his giving spirit and may he rest in peace.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JACK
SHIFREL

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

Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ. Madam Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I rise to honor the life of Jack Shifrel, a distinguished Army veteran, former Broward County Public Schools school board member, fierce veterans' advocate, and most importantly, my friend for 30 years.

Mr. Shifrel served as president of the Broward Veterans Coalition and was always on the front lines in responding to the critical needs of our community. He worked tirelessly to make sure the men and women who served our Nation maintained their dignity and well-being.

Jack was an indomitable civic force and had a lifelong passion for politics, serving 10 4-year terms as a Democratic Party committeeman in Broward County.

He was a passionate advocate for the underserved, a defender of civil rights, and someone who helped make Broward County a kinder, more compassionate community.

He was a dear friend and embodied the best of what it means to give back to your country and your community.

Although Jack is no longer with us, his legacy lives on through veterans that he served with, and the countless individuals whose lives he changed for the better.

Jack Shifrel was one of a kind, a selfless, compassionate, and tireless advocate for others in Broward County. He was a patriot in the truest sense, and will be profoundly missed, but never forgotten.

RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE
OF SCHOOL CHOICE

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

Mr. SPANO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the importance of school choice. Last week was National School Choice Week when individuals from all over the country gathered to raise awareness of different education options available to parents and their kids.

In my home State of Florida, we are blessed to have access to traditional public schools, charter schools, magnet schools, private schools, online learning, and home schooling. These diverse programs provide kids with different opportunities to excel in the learning environment that works best for them.

I think specifically of Hunter Frost, a young man with autism who I have gotten to know very well. Hunter attended Pepin Academies, a tuition-free charter school in our district that specializes in teaching students with learning and learning-related disabilities.

Hunter thrived at Pepin Academies, graduating third in his class. He went on to receive his associate's degree from Hillsborough Community College with an A average and has been accepted by my alma mater, the University of South Florida, where he plans to begin this fall.

Madam Speaker, I am proud to have Hunter as an intern in my office, and I look forward to his success and to seeing him excel in college and beyond.

SOLIDARITY IN SALARY

(Mr. ROSE of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. ROSE of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of the Solidarity in Salary Act, which would withhold paychecks from Members of Congress, the President, and the Vice President during a shutdown.

Everyone right now is trying to figure out who won the shutdown and who lost it. Well, here is the deal: Nobody won this thing, but the American people lost. We failed them. We turned our back on them, and they suffered.

Keeping the government open and running is our most basic responsibility. It is what our constituents ask of us. In just 3 weeks we managed to make them question whether Members of Congress were born without common sense, or whether we just get a frontal lobotomy after we are sworn in. And what did we get out of putting them through this misery? Nothing.

All that happened is we arrived at the same basic truth that we knew 5 weeks ago: that we had a deal. In these Halls we love to kiss up to vets, and cops, and firemen. All we do is thank them for their service, and rightfully so, because they put it all on the line each and every day.

But it is time that we actually try to emulate their service here. Because what they do, what they have to endure is that when they fail at their job, people die. People get hurt, and they have to live with that for the rest of their lives.

All this bill is talking about is us having skin in the game and not getting paid. We, as Members of Congress, should be feeling the same pain that we just inflicted on the American people.

SHUTDOWN TO END ALL SHUTDOWNS

(Mrs. CRAIG asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. CRAIG. Madam Speaker, like many of my colleagues, I came to Washington to work across the aisle and create economic opportunities for Minnesota families.

Since I have gotten here, I have regularly met with Democrats and Republicans to discuss the issues so many Americans talk about around the kitchen table: better schools for their children, a fair shot at economic security for their family, and healthcare they can afford.

We have also discussed over the last several weeks the shutdown. This must never happen again. Yesterday, I joined many of my colleagues, freshman colleagues, to introduce a bill to prevent another shutdown, the Shutdown to End All Shutdowns Act.

This would prevent Federal workers from being used as pawns in future political negotiations. Our bill creates strong incentives to prevent another shutdown from occurring by withholding pay from Members of Congress and the executive branch, while forcing lawmakers to remain in Washington until a deal is reached.

Additionally, the bill ensures that the government will continue running, even if we can't get to an appropriations bill.

Americans deserve better. We can do better for them. I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting the Shutdown to End All Shutdowns Act and take a stand to never put politics over the American people again.

VIETNAMESE LOC HUNG GARDEN EVICTION

(Mr. CORREA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, today I rise to bring attention to the Vietnamese Government's violence and oppressive attacks on its own citizens in Loc Hung garden. For generations, families have thrived in this farming community, Loc Hung garden. They raised their children and care for their elders.

These citizens are law-abiding citizens, yet, the Vietnamese Government sent over 1,000 officers to destroy this community and displace over 200 families.

There was no due process, no day in court, and no compensation. Instead, the Vietnamese Government took land by force from its own citizens.

These tactics cannot go unnoticed, and the world must call this out for what it is: tyranny. I ask the Vietnamese Government to allow these families to return to their homes.

On behalf of the thousands of Vietnamese citizens living in Orange Coun-

ty, I ask the Vietnamese Government to cease its behavior, cease these oppressive tactics, and let the Vietnamese people live in peace and return to their land where they have been living for generations.

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ETHICS IN PUBLIC SERVICE INCLUDED IN THE FOR THE PEOPLE ACT

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

Mr. SCHNEIDER. Madam Speaker, the American people sent us here to clean up corruption and make Washington work for them. Restoring public trust in our system of government has to be one of our top priorities.

I am proud that the very first legislation I introduced this Congress is aimed at strengthening ethics rules and slowing the revolving door between industry lobbyists and executive branch agencies.

We need to bolster the firewall between public service and corporate lobbying to ensure public servants are putting the needs of the people first, not the industries they regulate.

I am very pleased the Ethics in Public Service Act was included in H.R. 1, the For the People Act, the first major government reform package we will consider this Congress. This bill will go a long way toward elevating the people's voice in our politics by restricting the influence of dark money in campaigns, defending voting rights protections, and limiting corporate influence.

Working together, we can build a government more responsive and effective in making progress for the American people.

THE SHUTDOWN TO END ALL SHUTDOWNS

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

Ms. SLOTKIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to speak about the bill that I introduced called the Shutdown to End All Shutdowns, or SEAS, Act, along with 21 of my fellow freshmen.

This bill will stop the use of government shutdowns as a tool in political debate and ensure that our Federal workers are never again held hostage when Congress and the President's office cannot agree.

Under this act, if a deal cannot be reached, Members of the House, the Senate, the Executive Office of the President, and his political appointees will have their pay suspended and their travel from D.C. curtailed.

To my fellow Michiganders: This bill was because of you. You asked me why the average TSA workers, Customs and Border Patrol employees, FAA employees, and FDA employees were punished