

kept him going. He worked closely with my office on various projects throughout the years and brought to my attention many important pieces of legislation moving through Congress that are critical to winning this battle. In 2017 Bill lead a successful effort to declare May 13th "Living Kidney Donor Day" in the State of Florida. He is also the author of three books including *More Than A Conqueror Legacy*, a spiritual healing guide for patients; *The Silver Lining*, a chronicle of Bill's journey through recovery; and *The Window Box*, a book of poetry.

I ask my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in recognizing the efforts of Bill Hahn and the many other Americans who have worked tirelessly to raise awareness about kidney disease and advocate for patients in need.

IN RECOGNITION OF PATRICK MORAN, HIBERNIAN OF THE YEAR

**HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, February 25, 2019*

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Patrick Moran, who was celebrated as the Hibernian of the Year by the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Monsignor Farrell Division on February 23, 2019. The Monsignor Farrell Division No. 2 Chapter of the Ancient Order of Hibernians and its founders exemplify the core principles of charity, concern for our fellow man, and commitment to educating students about the sacrifices and accomplishments of prior generations.

A Carbondale native, Pat was born on August 31, 1953 to Joseph and Margaret Moran. Pat is a graduate of St. Rose High School, Class of 1971. A veteran of the Navy, Pat worked at Tobyhanna Army Depot after discharge. He then moved to the greater Denver Area where he worked for Continental Air Lines before owning and operating his own business.

Upon his retirement in 2012, Pat returned to Northeast Pennsylvania and became active in several local community organizations. Today, he is a member of the Columbia Hose Co. and the American Legion in Carbondale. Pat's involvement with the AOH began when he joined the organization's Golf League. He became increasingly involved in volunteer efforts by the AOH. He is currently a member of Ring and Shuffleboard leagues, as well as a volunteer bartender every Monday evening and for many Division functions.

It is an honor to recognize Patrick Moran as he is named Hibernian of the Year by the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Monsignor Farrell Division. I thank him for his service to his country in the U.S. Navy and his continued service to our community with the AOH. I congratulate him for receiving such an honor from his fellow brothers in the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

IN HONOR OF ANDREW AND ILLA MARTINEZ

**HON. KEVIN BRADY**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, February 25, 2019*

Mr. BRADY. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor the memory of Andrew and Ila Martinez of Huntsville, Texas.

Andrew and Ila, beloved parents and lifelong Texans, spent their lives in service to others, and today, we remember all that they stood for. Andrew "Andy" Martinez was born in Galveston, Texas and later became a proud member of the Huntsville community. His multifaceted career path included time spent as a proud small business owner of Martinez Tire and Supply, a construction safety supervisor for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ), and as an ordained minister. A faithful and steadfast Christian, Andy served as the interim pastor of Faith Memorial Baptist Church, and was an active member of several other churches in the Huntsville area.

Andy's faithfulness, generosity, and love for those around him was not only evident on Sundays—it was visible every day of his life. Andy served the Huntsville community in a variety of public roles. He was an elected member of the Huntsville City Council, the Director for Trinity River Authority's Walker County Area, a member of the Board of Trustees for Huntsville ISD, and Chairman of the Republican Party of Walker County. Andy also acted as a Prison Ministry Volunteer in Huntsville—a position he held for over 30 remarkable years. Those who knew Andy will attest to his sincere selflessness. He always worked towards leaving the Huntsville community better than he found it.

Ila Martinez was Andy's wonderful wife of over 63 years and was not only a devoted partner to him, but was a loving mother and active in the community as well. A leading member of the Republican Party of Walker County, Ila was involved in the Red Hat Ladies and the Calendar Girls, a group of friends from Conroe High School that would meet once a month at lunchtime. Ila had a great love for volunteering and was often working with the Walker County Republican women or at her church library. Ila was a doting grandmother and her greatest pleasure was teaching her beloved granddaughters how to sew and bake.

Andy and Ila had two daughters, Andrea Scott and the late Debbie Martinez, and a son, Russell Martinez. Andy and Ila are survived by Andrea and her husband Wayne; their son, Russell; two beautiful grandchildren, Angela Stacks and husband Jared; Mika Spears and her husband Neal; and three great-grandchildren: Draper Stacks, Megan Anthony, and Trent Spears.

The legacy of Andy and Ila will always be a part of the Huntsville community, kept alive in the hearts of those who knew and loved them. Both were selfless servants dedicated to bettering the lives of those around them, and they will be greatly missed.

COMMEMORATING THE RETIREMENT OF DR. STEPHEN E. BASH

**HON. DARIN LAHOOD**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, February 25, 2019*

Mr. LAHOOD. Madam Speaker, today I would like to congratulate Dr. Stephen Bash on his retirement from the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Peoria.

Born in Indianapolis, Indiana, Dr. Bash decided to dedicate his life to medicine at a young age. He attended Indiana University at Bloomington before receiving his MD from Indiana University Medical School at Indianapolis. After his schooling, Dr. Bash served honorably in the U.S. Navy as a Lieutenant Commander.

In his career, Dr. Bash has made Pediatrics a top priority. In private practice and in public service, Dr. Bash has made a lasting impact at every stop. He has held Directorships at both the Regional Sleep Apnea Center and at the Pediatric Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory at the Children's Hospital of Illinois at OSF St. Francis Medical Center in Peoria, Illinois. Dr. Bash has also dedicated time to research. He has been a Principal Investigator for two clinical studies and has been the author of many articles. To give back to his community, Dr. Bash has served on the Board of Directors for the Marvin Hult Health Education Center and Heartland Community Health Center.

During his tenure, the medical community has had no better champion than Dr. Bash. He has always been a fierce advocate for the advancement of Pediatrics. Central Illinois will forever be grateful for Dr. Bash's years of service.

REINTRODUCTION OF THE RESTORING THE PARTNERSHIP FOR COUNTY HEALTH CARE COSTS ACT OF 2019

**HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, February 25, 2019*

Mr. HASTINGS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to introduce a bill to restore the partnership between the federal government and counties for the health care costs of inmates who have not been convicted of a crime. This legislation will provide some relief to our nation's local economies, while strengthening the fundamental principles of our justice system.

In almost all states, a person who is incarcerated in a county jail or juvenile detention facility loses their Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP or SSI benefits even if they have not been convicted of a crime. The U.S. Supreme Court's interpretation of the 8th Amendment requires government entities to provide medical care to all inmates. As a result, local governments are burdened with the expense of providing health care to thousands of men, women, and children currently awaiting trial.

Providing health care for inmates constitutes a major portion of local jail operating costs. Requiring county governments to cover health care costs for inmates who have not yet been convicted of a crime places an unnecessary