

Neurological and neurodegenerative disorders are among the leading causes of disability in the United States and around the world—greater than heart disease and cancer put together. As society ages, this number will increase exponentially as will the cost to the healthcare system and to the economy. Yet, the underlying causes of most neurological diseases remain unknown.

Neuroscience is the next great frontier. Research and work being done in this field needs to be front and center in both the private world and Congress.

The bipartisan Congressional Neuroscience Caucus' mission is to build awareness of the intrinsic role brain research plays in understanding ourselves and our society. As the co-founder and co-chair, I am committed to working on these important issues and hope my colleagues will join our efforts as members of the Congressional Neuroscience Caucus.

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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF  
STEPHEN ROBERT SULENTIC

**HON. PETE OLSON**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 11, 2019*

Mr. OLSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Stephen Robert Sulentic, of Houston, who lost his twenty-month long battle with Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) on December 18, 2018.

Stephen was born in Omaha, NE on May 3, 1958 to Phyllis Ann Sulentic and Stephen John Sulentic. As a member of the Society of Jesus, he strengthened his faith and devotion to God. Stephen graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts from St. Louis University and later acquired a Master of Arts from the University of Michigan and a Juris Doctorate degree from Harvard Law School. He held many positions in his life ranging from attorney and teacher, to school bus driver and door-to-door salesman. Stephen served as a member of the Mount Lebanon Volunteer Fire Department from 1998 to 2007, where he received the Medal of Valor, the highest honor given by the Mount Lebanon Volunteer Fire Department, for going above and beyond the call of duty. Stephen left a legacy behind in his service to community and commitment to family.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, we mourn the loss of Stephen Robert Sulentic. We wish him fair winds and following seas in heaven.

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PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. ERIC A. "RICK" CRAWFORD**

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 11, 2019*

Mr. CRAWFORD. Madam Speaker, on Friday, I had a family commitment that caused me to miss votes. Had I been able to vote, I would have opposed H.R. 1.

CELEBRATING GINNY TAYLOR'S  
100TH BIRTHDAY

**HON. VIRGINIA FOXX**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 11, 2019*

Ms. FOXX of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, I rise to wish Mrs. Ginny Taylor a happy 100th birthday. It has been a delight getting to know Mrs. Taylor and her family since they began splitting their time between homes in Greensboro and Land Harbor in North Carolina's Fifth District.

Mrs. Taylor is a mother of two, grandmother of three, great-grandmother of six, and beloved by all of them. Shortly after moving to North Carolina, her husband, Delmer, started Delta Plating, and she went back to school to learn how to keep books and even helped in the plant and driving trucks for the company.

Mrs. Taylor remains an engaged citizen to this day, especially in bridge circles and First Baptist Church, where everyone enjoys her pies.

At 100, I hope to be as full of life as Mrs. Taylor, and I wish her a wonderful birthday and many, many more to come.

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RECOGNIZING AMERICAN LEGION  
POST 159

**HON. BILL FLORES**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 11, 2019*

Mr. FLORES. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize American Legion Earl Graham Post 159 for the 100th anniversary of their organization.

The American Legion was founded on March 15, 1919 at the American Club in Paris by members of the American Expeditionary Forces. The organization was chartered by Congress on September 16, 1919 as a patriotic veteran organization.

American Legion Post 159 was also first organized in Brazos County in 1919 and invitations to join were published in the Bryan Eagle newspaper beginning on February 6, 1920. The post was formally chartered in Bryan, Texas on February 13, 1920.

Post 159 is named in honor of 1st Lieutenant Cyrus Earl Graham, a member of the Texas A&M Class of 1916 who served in the Army Air Corps during World War I.

Lieutenant Graham was born in Brazos County and attended Texas A&M where he was a member of the Ross Volunteers, and graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree. He volunteered for service in the Army Air Corps and died in a plane crash in France in 1918, two days before the Armistice ending the war. Several years later, his remains were returned to the United States and he was buried in the Bryan City Cemetery. Every November 9th, the Post 159 Honor Guard pays their respect to his memory at a ceremony at his gravesite.

Since its inception, American Legion Post 159 has been a service and community minded organization. Post 159 committed 10,000 dollars to the Brazos Valley Veterans Memorial to assist with the creation of a permanent World War I memorial in Veterans Park. Every

month the Post sends 10 to 15 care boxes to active duty service members who are overseas. They provide emergency financial assistance to veterans in need, sponsor a veteran's resource fair, and host a weekly coffee for our community's veterans. Post 159's Honor Guard also provides services including a rifle salute and the playing of TAPS for over 70 veteran funerals each year.

Additionally, Post 159, and its Auxiliary, sponsor at least 20 high school seniors yearly to the American Legion's Boys and Girls State conference. They also sponsor Boy Scout Troop 159 and the Junior Shooting Sports Program.

Madam Speaker, American Legion Earl Graham Post 159 has had a deep impact in the Brazos Valley since their organization in 1919. Their service to current members of the armed forces, veterans, and youth of the community cannot be overstated.

I have requested that a United States flag be flown over our Nation's Capitol to honor the work and legacy of Earl Graham Post 159 and its members.

As I close today, I urge all Americans to continue praying for our country, for our veterans, for our military men and women who protect us, and for our first responders who keep us safe at home.

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WARREN PHILLIPS NAMED SUGAR  
LAND EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR

**HON. PETE OLSON**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 11, 2019*

Mr. OLSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Warren Phillips for being named the 2018 Sugar Land Employee of the Year.

Warren is a firefighter and paramedic with the Sugar Land Fire-EMS Department and also serves on the West Fort Bend Regional SWAT Team. He was nominated and awarded this high honor by his peers for his unwavering commitment to our Sugar Land community and its citizens. Working with the Sugar Land—Ironman Sports Medicine Institute, Warren implemented a "Tactical Athlete Program" for the SWAT team and teaches a combat casualty care class for local police departments. Warren is also a U.S. Army veteran. His service and dedication to both the United States and Texas help keep us safe and free.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, congratulations to Warren Phillips on being named the 2018 Sugar Land Employee of the Year. I thank him for his service to our Sugar Land community.

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REMEMBERING MORGAN NELSON

**HON. XOCHITL TORRES SMALL**

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, March 11, 2019*

Ms. TORRES SMALL of New Mexico. Madam Speaker, I rise today to remember and honor the life of an important and respected member of the southern New Mexico community, Morgan Nelson, who on March 1, 2019 passed away at the age of 99. Morgan