

I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

RECOGNIZING MRS. MARY NELL CHEW

**HON. MIKE BOST**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 12, 2019*

Mr. BOST. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mrs. Mary Nell Chew of Carbondale, Illinois, for her significant contribution to the Veterans Honor Flight of Southern Illinois, a program that honors veterans with a free trip to Washington, D.C. to visit their monuments and memorials.

As a testament to her dedication to the brave men and women who have served our country, Mrs. Chew made the gracious decision to help fund the travel of many Southern Illinois heroes on their trip to Washington.

The daughter and wife of veterans herself, she understands what it means for veterans to visit the nation's capital and honor all the brave men and women who have served our country. By sponsoring an entire flight herself, Mrs. Chew has allowed 90 veterans from across generations to make this trip.

Madam Speaker, please join me honoring Mrs. Mary Nell Chew for her generosity and dedication to our nation's veterans.

IN RECOGNITION OF MATHEWS COUNTY'S HERITAGE 2019 SPRING FESTIVAL

**HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 12, 2019*

Mr. WITTMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Mathews County's Heritage 2019 Spring Festival. This year's event will include a "Salute to the Military," which will feature a daylong tribute to those men and women of Mathews who served and now serve in our nation's military. The event will also honor American Legion Post 83 on its 100th anniversary year.

This year's festival will include military displays and memorabilia from each of the services. Mathews Historical will include displays of the USS *Mathews*, which served time in World War II and the Vietnam War. In addition to the many great displays, the festival will also include musical tributes to our military, arts and crafts competitions, and the traditional May Pole Dance.

I am extremely proud to say that this year's festival will have six Mathews' World War II veterans, who will share their memories and experiences during the war. A Wall of Remembrance will also be present at the Mathews Historical Museum, which includes over 400 photographs of local residents who have served and currently serve in our nation's military.

Madam Speaker, I ask you to join me in recognition of the Mathews County Heritage 2019 Spring Festival. Words cannot express our gratitude for our military men and women, as they have made immeasurable sacrifices

for our great nation. May God bless Mathews County and I hope to see their excellence continue into the future.

RECOGNIZING AND CELEBRATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF GOOSE CREEK CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

**HON. BRIAN BABIN**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 12, 2019*

Mr. BABIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate the centennial anniversary of Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District in Baytown, Harris County, Texas.

Goose Creek ISD was created by an act of the Texas Legislature in February 1919. On July 26, 1919, the first Goose Creek School Board was organized and hired John F. Crawford as the district's first superintendent. Many of the first students to attend Goose Creek schools were children of employees of the nearby Humble Oil and Refining Company, later known as ExxonMobil. In 1922, the first school bond election provided the necessary funding for building Anson Jones Elementary School, Baytown Elementary, and Goose Creek High School.

Goose Creek experienced tremendous growth during the mid-twentieth century with the annexation of Highlands in 1936 and the unification of the Tri-Cities of Goose Creek, Pelly, and Baytown in 1948. Cedar Bayou ISD merged with Goose Creek ISD on March 6, 1954, forming the Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District.

Today, Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District is the largest employer in the community. With nearly 24,000 students and twenty-eight schools, Goose Creek is the fifty-eighth largest school district in the State of Texas.

Madam Speaker, it is my distinct honor to recognize and celebrate the 100th anniversary of Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District. May God continue to bless the students, faculty, and communities the district serves.

IN HONOR OF DANA KERVIN AND HER 25 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE HOUSTON ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS

**HON. KEVIN BRADY**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 12, 2019*

Mr. BRADY. Madam Speaker, I rise in recognition of Dana Kervin and her 25 years of service to the Houston Association of Realtors. Over the past quarter of a century, Dana has spent countless hours serving and improving our community.

Though not a native Texan, Dana made her way to Houston as soon as possible. Dana grew up in Rayville, Louisiana, and later attended University of Louisiana at Monroe, earning a bachelor's degree in Business Administration and Management. After graduation, Dana moved to Houston to embark on a

career in public affairs. In the Harris County Attorney's Office, she served as the Executive Assistant to the late Mike Driscoll for 12 dedicated years. In 1994, Dana transitioned to a new career with the Houston Association of Realtors (HAR), where she currently serves as the Chief Political Strategist.

During her 25 years at the HAR, Dana has served the group in a variety of ways, holding diverse positions such as the Director of Products and Services and Government Affairs Director. In each position she held, Dana led HAR with bold forethought and keen leadership. As all who had the privilege of working with her can attest, her tenure at HAR has made the organization the best it can be.

Outside her work with HAR, Dana has been a prominent figure in the Greater Houston community. She was the Founding Board Chair of the Greater Houston Women's Chamber of Commerce and also served as the President of the River Oaks Place Home Owners Association. As a Mayoral appointee, Dana currently serves as Director on the Houston Housing Finance Corporation, a position that combines her passion for public service and her deep knowledge of real estate finance.

Dana was awarded the Governmental Affairs Outstanding Achievement Award in 2015 by the Texas Association of Realtors—an award that is truly well-deserved. Dana was also named one of the 50 most influential women in Houston in the Houston Woman Magazine, a title no doubt reflective of her years of professional success and personal public service.

Dana's genuine love of her peers and dedication to making a difference has touched not only her colleagues, friends, and family, but our entire community. I thank you for your years of friendship and dedication to the Greater Houston area, and I wish you all the best as I have no doubt you will find new ways to be at service to the community.

HONORING THE 2019 OHIO MILITARY HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

**HON. JIM JORDAN**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 12, 2019*

Mr. JORDAN. Madam Speaker, the Ohio Military Hall of Fame will hold a ceremony at the Statehouse in Columbus on May 3 to mark the induction of its 2019 class. Selection for the Hall of Fame is a high honor that has been accorded to only a few hundred Ohioans since 2000. To be considered for induction, individuals must have been decorated for heroic actions in a combat situation.

I am honored to commend to the House this year's 23 inductees:

Corporal William J. Archinal (posthumously), recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor, Army veteran of the Civil War.

Corporal Milton A. Blickensderfer (posthumously), recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor, Army veteran of the Civil War.

Corporal William Campbell (posthumously), recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor, Army veteran of the Civil War.

Sergeant Freeman Davis (posthumously), recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor, Army veteran of the Civil War.