

drew on the bottom of her mug shot signifies her status as a leader among the marchers.

Mrs. Burroughs always sought greater equality in her community and demanded to be treated equally, igniting her career and passion for advocacy. Never one to back down, she continued her efforts as an activist leading the Hale County Civic Improvement League, one of the oldest grassroots civil rights organizations in the nation. The organization was instrumental in sparking change in Greensboro and Hale County by soliciting and supporting minority candidates to run for local office, including city council, county commission, sheriff, school board and more.

She remained engaged and active in her community throughout her life and helped elect Greensboro's first African American Mayor, John Owens. Her exemplary reputation and prominence in Hale County drove many political candidates, both local and regional, to seek her council and support for their campaigns. Mrs. Burroughs also was instrumental in securing various programs for the city of Greensboro and Hale County, and led the charge to rename Depot Street to Martin Luther King Drive.

On a personal note, I am deeply honored that I got to know Mrs. Burroughs as one of the real matriarchs of the Civil Rights Movement in Alabama. Mrs. Burroughs was instrumental as the keeper of the archives surrounding the role that Greensboro, Alabama played protecting Dr. King from the KKK in 1968. As founder of the Safe House Museum, it was because of her efforts that future generations will learn about the sacrifices and bravery of so many known and unknown Foot Soldiers for justice. Mrs. Burroughs honored me by attending my first election night victory party in November 2010 in Selma, when I was elected Alabama's first black Congresswoman. I celebrated her as one of the "Black Women Pioneers in Alabama" that night. So many of us stand on the broad shoulders of Mrs. Theresa Burroughs that her bright light will always glow through the many lives that she has impacted.

On behalf of Alabama's 7th Congressional District, I ask my colleagues to join me in remembering the exemplary life of Theresa Turner Burroughs, a civil rights icon and a true American heroine, who helped change Alabama and the entire nation for the better. May we celebrate the totality of her life today and

honor her great contributions to the Civil Rights Movement.

ACKNOWLEDGING THE HONOR
GUARD OF AMERICAN LEGION
POST NO. 56 AND NO. 635

HON. DARIN LAHOOD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. LAHOOD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge the remarkable work that the Honor Guard of Bloomington American Legion Post No. 56 and Normal American Legion Post No. 635 do for our community. The Bloomington-Normal Honor Guard is an integral organization for veterans and their families in Central Illinois.

The Bloomington and Normal Posts have worked together for decades to ensure the Honor Guard Units are there to provide irreplaceable services for the veterans in our community. Over the past twelve years, the Bloomington-Normal Honor Guard has conducted over 1,000 funerals and 500 Color Guard events.

Not only do Post No. 56 and Post No. 635 serve veterans and their families, but they also work to improve the well-being of our community. Over the past 25 years, both posts have presented the colors at the Illinois Special Olympics State Track and Field competition at Illinois State University. Also, Post No. 56 and Post No. 635 Honor Guard played a significant role at the dedication ceremony for the renaming of the Normal Post Office in honor of Sgt. Joshua Rodgers, which my office and I helped to facilitate.

I would like to thank the Bloomington American Legion Post No. 56 and Normal American Legion Post No. 635 for their commitment and service to our veteran community.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the good works of the Bloomington-Normal American Legion Post Honor Guard Members. I include in the RECORD the names of the Honor Guard members.

BLOOMINGTON-NORMAL AMERICAN LEGION
HONOR GUARD MEMBERS AND SUPPORT PERSONNEL

Jim Allen, Thomas Asis, Derek Bishop, David Brown, Roger Cann, Tom Crawford,

Brandon Cruz, Chuck Downs, Butch Ekstam, Mike Ellsworth, Milt Emmerson, Tom Fatten, Howard Hallstein, Mike Hammons, Bob Handley, Roy Hanks, Jill Henry, Clayton James, Royden Jones, Gina Keller.

Kevin Keller, Ken Kemp, Ted Kern, Tom Laskowski, Bob Littel, Dan Maffeo, Denny Meeks, Jack Menssen, Gus Miller, Clarence Mitchell, Jerry Monical, Rich Moran, Carl Powell, Kirby Reese, Steve Riesenber, Chris Riley, Mike Rimshas, Rick Ross, Thomas Rutherford, Bob Sable.

Denis Sackett, John Schroeder, Mike Scott, Larry Stokowski, Greg Struve, Keith Throop, Roger Troxel, Steve Turbett, Jim Ulbrich, Jerry Vogler, Bill Warren, Paul Whittmer, Roger Wilke, Bill Zimmerman.

IN RECOGNITION OF BRYNN
BROWN AND ELI STOWERS

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 30, 2019

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, today I rise to congratulate Guyer High School sophomores Brynn Brown and Eli Stowers, who recently won gold medals at the 2019 UIL Texas State Track and Field meet.

The students' victories are well-earned. Following her regional meet, Ms. Brown was a self-proclaimed underdog. At the beginning of her mile run, Ms. Brown was seeded fourth in a competitive array of runners. Despite these circumstances, she finished first with a mile time of 4.48 minutes. Impressively, Ms. Brown won a second gold medal in the 3,200-meter run.

In the high jump competition, Mr. Stowers reached a remarkable 6 feet and 10 inches to claim the gold medal. Persevering through inclement weather, he rose to the challenge—a testament to his hard work and diligent preparation.

I commend Guyer High School track and field coaches Jonathan Ponsonby, Megan Hardesty, and Aaron Roberts for their leadership and dedication. It is a privilege to represent Guyer High School in the U.S. House of Representatives. I am pleased to recognize the achievements of Brynn Brown and Eli Stowers, and I wish them continued success in their athletic and academic endeavors.