

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

CONGRATULATING THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA CYBER DEFENSE TEAM

HON. DENVER RIGGLEMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 5, 2019

Mr. RIGGLEMAN. Madam Speaker, congratulations to the University of Virginia Cyber Defense Team on their national championship victory at the 2019 National Collegiate Cyber Defense Championship.

The students won the Alamo Cup by defeating 139 other teams over the course of the competition. The NCCDC is a competition built to simulate the defense of cyber security networks. Each student team assumes administrative and protective duties for an existing "commercial" network and is responsible for protecting the network and responding to outside threats. I am proud that these UVa students are taking the lead to protect our economy and keep our nation safe and I look forward to what they will accomplish in their blossoming careers.

These future leaders showcased their determination, ingenuity, and teamwork to bring home their second national title in as many years. Congratulations to the University of Virginia students for their continued leadership.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TOM EMMER

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 5, 2019

Mr. EMMER. Madam Speaker, on June 27th, I attended my son's induction to the U.S. Naval Academy and was therefore unable to cast my vote on one piece of legislation and approval of the Journal. If present, I would have voted YEA on Motion to Concur in the Senate Amendment to H.R. 3401 (RC No. 429) and YEA on Approving the Journal (RC No. 430).

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE EAST ST. LOUIS AMERICAN LEGION POST 53

HON. MIKE BOST

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 5, 2019

Mr. BOST. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the 100th anniversary of East St. Louis American Legion Post 53. During the last century, this post has provided countless local veterans with services, support, and fellowship. Such commitment to our heroes has helped the American Legion become one of the largest non-profit organizations in the United States.

After World War I ended with the signing of the Armistice in November 1918, veterans came back to America wanting to remain a close-knit community. After Congress chartered the American Legion later that year, Post 53 in East St. Louis became a pillar of the national organization. As a Marine and the father of a Marine, I am so grateful for all of the work the American Legion at Post 53 has done over the years to bring our heroes together and ensure they receive the benefits they deserve.

Madam Speaker, please join me in recognizing this momentous occasion and commend the East St. Louis American Legion Post 53 for the great achievements they have achieved over the last 100 years.

HONORING DALE DERR ON HIS RETIREMENT AS DIRECTOR OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR BERKS COUNTY

HON. DANIEL MEUSER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 5, 2019

Mr. MEUSER. Madam Speaker, it is with great respect and admiration that I rise today to honor Berks County Director of Veterans Affairs, Dale Derr. After 43 years serving our country and making an impact in our community, Dale is retiring this July.

Dale's commitment to service is remarkable. Beginning his military service in 1976 in the Marine Corps, Dale would spend 24 years in uniform, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel in the Air Force in 2000. As Director of Veterans Affairs for the last nine years, Dale has earned a reputation for his commitment to community and for getting things done for veterans and their families. He has touched countless lives in this capacity, helping veterans access benefits, supporting families, and organizing the nation's oldest Armed Forces Day Parade. Dale leaves an incredible legacy in Berks County and an unmatched example of public service for our community.

Dale, his wife, Susan, and their family represent the very best in community service. I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing Dale Derr for his decades of dedicated service to our country, to our veterans, and for his many contributions to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Berks County. I wish him the best as he enters this next chapter in life.

REMEMBERING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF DAVID MARCUS

HON. KEVIN MCCARTHY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, July 5, 2019

Mr. MCCARTHY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to remember the life and legacy of Mr.

David Marcus, a larger-than-life personality, passionate supporter of our community, and a great friend to many, who passed away on June 28, 2019 after his seventh battle with cancer. A resident of Bakersfield, California, David will be remembered throughout our community for his contagious positive attitude, his dedicated faith in God, and his ubiquitous presence—he was known locally as "Mr. Bakersfield."

David was born on December 22, 1958 in Passaic, New Jersey, and later moved to Bakersfield. He developed his job skills working at the Bakersfield Association of Retarded Citizens and quickly found a career working at Albertson's, where he inspired everyone he met. David was often seen cheering on different high school sports teams, like his niece's Centennial Golden Hawks. With his can-do spirit and positive attitude, David quickly became known for being their biggest supporter, cheering on our community's student-athletes as they competed for championships. Despite his cancer diagnosis, David was constantly at games, events, and community celebrations, sharing the power of positivity with everyone he came in contact with. In recognition of this, he was announced as the winner of the 2018 Greatest Community Supporter Award, which was presented to him by the Kern High School District.

David, a loud supporter of everything Bakersfield, would make friends anywhere he went as he cheered on and championed different events in the community. From welcoming home veterans as they returned from an Honor Flight to cheering on players with disabilities during the League of Dreams to attending our community's annual Relay for Life, David was someone our community united around. In fact, in just a few days, members of the Bakersfield community came together to raise money to ensure that he received a star on the historic Fox Theatre's Walk-of-Fame in downtown Bakersfield.

For those of us lucky enough to call him a friend, it was not surprising to see that David never lost his vision of the power of positivity and prayer. David prayed for everyone in his family, our community, and even for the members of this legislative body, asking that we be given the wisdom to make the right decisions for our country. Despite battling cancer seven times, David never became angry or bitter. Instead his warm, positive personality shined brighter than ever as the battles got longer and tougher. He will be remembered as a warrior who never gave up and fought valiantly until the end. On behalf of California's 23rd Congressional District, I want to extend my most heartfelt condolences to David's family, including his sister Arlene and husband Virgil; his sister Debbie and husband George; his nieces Bee, Alexandria, and GloriAnn; and his nephews George, Gino, and Guy.

David's life, actions, and love for his community will undoubtedly continue to inspire us, as will his words: Thumbs Up, Cancer Down.

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