

about the horrendous treatment of immigrants at detention facilities. A community-based organization in my district, Immigrant Families Together (IFT), has been helping immigrant families settle in the United States. They have provided legal aid, food, shelter, clothing, household goods and other assistance. In the course of their work, they have collected some horrific stories from the people they have helped.

The stories range from inadequate medical treatment to sexual abuse to refusal to provide food, water and blankets. There are reports of adults and children being denied necessary medication, including a girl who suffered seizures who was put on a bus without her medication. Women at a facility in Elloy, Arizona were reportedly given one meal a day and ten minutes to eat. There are also reports that women at this facility were denied water for 3 days. Women at this facility also claim that their laundry was done in unsanitary conditions that allowed lice to infest their clothing.

One four-year-old boy was held in Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) custody in Dallas, Texas for roughly two months during the summer and fall of 2018. On his way to the U.S. border he had broken a femur and dislocated a hip. Although the boy was clearly injured and ICE took him to the hospital for examination, ICE refused to pay for his surgery. Reportedly, ICE simply gave him Tylenol for two months until he was released. Following his release, IFT paid for his surgery.

In Texas, a mother and her one-year-old infant were held first in the 'icebox' for two days and later in the 'Dog Pound' for four days. The mother and child were given one aluminum blanket for the two of them. When the mother asked for a second blanket, an ICE officer screamed at her. The infant became very sick on their third day in the 'Dog Pound,' with vomiting, diarrhea and dehydration. An ICE doctor examined the child. Rather than prescribing treatment, he recommended release. IFT believes that they were released so that the baby's condition would not be ICE's responsibility. The mother and child were put on a bus for New York City, but the baby nearly died in New Jersey and was taken to an emergency room where he was given fluids that enabled him to survive.

A pregnant teenager was released from Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) custody in California one week before giving birth. After she gave birth, it was discovered that she had a urinary tract infection that was so severe that she had a kidney infection.

One father related that his six-year-old daughter was sexually assaulted by a boy at an ORR facility in Casa Glendale, Arizona. She reportedly was told it was her responsibility to stay away from him and was told to sign a document asserting that she understood her obligation. A couple of weeks later, the same boy assaulted her again and hit her.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in condemning a system that treats immigrants with such brutality and lack of compassion.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JOSH
HARDY

HON. ELAINE G. LURIA

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 11, 2019

Mrs. LURIA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize the late Josh Hardy, who was senselessly murdered in the Virginia Beach Municipal Center shooting. Virginia Beach lost Josh far too soon.

Josh worked as an engineering technician for the Department of Public Works for the City of Virginia Beach for over four years. Josh was a fun coworker, was never too stressed to crack a joke, and always wore a smile. Loved ones described Josh as a father figure and as a kind-hearted man. He was dedicated to his faith and shared it with others. Josh's life of hard work and service to the community, as well as his kind heart, will forever be remembered.

Josh will be missed by all his loved ones. Hampton Roads significantly benefited from his presence; he made our community a better place. Today we remember and honor his life.

RECOGNIZING MEMPHIS MATH
TEACHER BERNELL JONES

HON. STEVE COHEN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 11, 2019

Mr. COHEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commend Bernell Jones, a seventh grade mathematics teacher at the White Station Middle School in Memphis for the last 16 years, who was recently nationally recognized as an inspiring educator.

Before he became a math teacher, Mr. Jones was a computer specialist in the Marines, which explains his effectiveness in keeping discipline in his classroom. "Classroom management from a military perspective is fairly easy," Mr. Jones told The Commercial Appeal newspaper. "You're just so used to telling people what to do. These are young kids, and at school they will do the right thing."

Mr. Jones earned a master's degree in teaching at Christian Brothers University he began teaching at White Station Middle School. An innovator in the classroom, he said he seeks to make mathematics fun with "pi" days and a waffle festival. He has changed the minds of many students who didn't initially like math—one became a math teacher herself.

Mr. Jones is an inspiration to his students and to our whole community, and I congratulate him for this recognition.

INTRODUCTION OF THE RECOVER
ACT

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 11, 2019

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, I rise to introduce the Reducing the Effects of the

Cyberattack on OPM Victims Emergency Response Act of 2019 (the RECOVER Act), which would require the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) to make permanent the free identity protection coverage that Congress required OPM to provide for 10 years to individuals whose Social Security Numbers were potentially compromised during the OPM data breaches. In 2015, OPM reported that the personally identifiable information of as many as 25.7 million current, former and prospective federal employees and contractors was stolen in two data breaches. I appreciate that Representative C.A. DUTCH RUPPERSBERGER is co-leading on this bill.

After OPM announced that it would offer identity protection coverage of limited duration and value, Senator BEN CARDIN and I introduced the RECOVER Act in July 2015, which would have provided affected individuals lifetime protection and at least \$5 million in identity theft insurance. Congress subsequently included a version of our bill in an enacted appropriations bill, but limited the duration of the protection. Under current law, OPM is only required to provide identity protection coverage through fiscal year 2026. Under the bill we are introducing today, OPM would be required to provide coverage for the remainder of the lives of affected individuals.

The current coverage is inadequate, particularly considering that there is no limit to when the thieves (or those they have shared the stolen data with) may exploit the data. Therefore, there should be no limit on the duration of the coverage provided to affected individuals. This bill would give current, former and prospective federal employees and contractors who were affected both some peace of mind and protection. OPM failed to protect these people. It follows that the government must do the right thing to make up for its mistake.

I urge my colleagues to support this important bill.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 85TH
BIRTHDAY OF MR. PAUL ROJAS

HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 11, 2019

Mr. CLEAVER. Madam Speaker, I proudly rise today to celebrate the 85th birthday of the Honorable Paul Rojas and to recognize his numerous contributions to Missouri's Fifth Congressional District. Mr. Rojas' life has been dedicated to the betterment of those around him and it is an honor to have the opportunity to recognize his service.

Paul Rojas was born in 1935 in the Westside Neighborhood of Kansas City, Missouri. Mr. Rojas is the youngest of six boys and a son of immigrant parents. Growing up, he and his family frequented Guadalupe Centers and relied on their services after the death of his mother. Their kindness and generosity showed Mr. Rojas the effect that a community organization such as Guadalupe Centers can have on a person's life. Community organizations provide not only tangible assistance, but they also teach the importance of helping one's neighbor.

After attending Guadalupe Grade School, he attended De La Salle High School. He worked in the fields, as a busboy, on the railroads, in