

Central Valley, who dedicated his life to helping others.

Tony was born in Santa Paula, California, and grew up in Hanford, where he graduated from high school, and then went on to pursue higher education at Bakersfield College, San Jose State, and Porterville College.

A selfless leader, Tony proudly served in the California National Guard and the United States Air Force.

Among his many jobs in life, Tony managed a Thrifty Drug Store, but then, with the support of his wife, Pat, accomplished a lifelong dream by opening the renowned Tony's Pizza in Delano and also founded the Anthony Martinez Farmers Insurance Agency.

During his impressive 40-year business career, Tony volunteered countless hours to his community and served in elected roles as both a city council member and as mayor.

Tony passed away on June 20, 2019, but he leaves behind a legacy that will live on.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Anthony "Tony" Martinez. May he rest in peace, and may we always remember his dedication to Delano, the Central Valley, and our great Nation.

AUGUST 2019 JOBS REPORT

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, in the August jobs report, job numbers were once again strong. Over 570,000 people joined the labor force, and the unemployment rate remained at its 50-year low of 3.7 percent. In addition, 130,000 jobs were added in the United States and wages were increased.

I am grateful for this consistent change for the better and for President Donald Trump's policies in continuing to create jobs. By creating jobs, lowering unemployment, and increasing wages, President Trump is continuing his effective record of keeping his promises. With more jobs created, there has been also an impressive increase in wages.

One number that specifically stood out in this past August's report was the number of women employed. Currently, the number of employed women is at the highest level since 2002.

I am grateful that the Trump administration will continue to focus on American families and the creation of jobs.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September the 11th in the global war on terrorism.

I am grateful to recognize today is Constitution Day.

HONORING EAGLE SCOUT SEAN DUFFY

(Mr. VAN DREW asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. VAN DREW. Madam Speaker, thank you for allowing me to honor a remarkable young man of South Jersey.

Recently, Scout Sean Duffy of Egg Harbor Township in South Jersey earned the outstanding honor of becoming an Eagle Scout. For his Eagle Scout project, Sean decided to beautify the nature reserve in Egg Harbor Township.

Sean led his fellow scouts in the construction of the gazebo and oversaw the project from the very beginning to the very end. Because of this exceptional young man, the community of Egg Harbor Township can enjoy a new place of recreation and gathering at the nature reserve for many years to come.

At times, we must all take initiative and assume a role of leadership. We continue to be inspired by brave and passionate young people like Sean Duffy who step forward and guide their peers in order to better their own community. We are proud of him. He is a true leader.

Congratulations, Sean. We wish you the best going forward and thank you for your contribution to our community. South Jersey, New Jersey, and the United States of America are proud of the work that you have done.

Good luck.

APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUAL TO HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to section 4003(e) of the 21st Century Cures Act (Pub. L. 114-255), and the order of the House of January 3, 2019, of the following individual on the part of the House to the Health Information Technology Advisory Committee to fill the existing vacancy thereon:

Dr. Jim Jirjis, Nashville, Tennessee

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. MAST (at the request of Mr. MCCARTHY) for today through final votes on September 18 on account of a death in the family.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REFERRED

A concurrent resolution of the Senate of the following title was taken

from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. Con. Res. 25. Concurrent resolution recognizing September 11, 2019, as a "National Day of Service and Remembrance"; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Cheryl L. Johnson, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a bill of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 1200. An act to increase, effective as of December 1, 2019, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. VAN DREW. Madam Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 7 o'clock and 51 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, September 18, 2019, at 10 a.m. for morning-hour debate.

OATH OF OFFICE MEMBERS, RESIDENT COMMISSIONER, AND DELEGATES

The oath of office required by the sixth article of the Constitution of the United States, and as provided by section 2 of the act of May 13, 1884 (23 Stat. 22), to be administered to Members, Resident Commissioner, and Delegates of the House of Representatives, the text of which is carried in 5 U.S.C. 3331:

"I, AB, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter. So help me God."

has been subscribed in person and filed in duplicate with the Clerk of the House of Representatives by the following Member of the 116th Congress, pursuant to the provisions of 2 U.S.C. 25:

GREGORY F. MURPHY,
Third District of North Carolina.
DAN BISHOP,
Ninth District of North Carolina.