

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING WORLD NARCOLEPSY DAY

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 20, 2019

Mr. SCHIFF. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of World Narcolepsy Day, which will be observed globally on September 22nd.

Narcolepsy is a chronic neurological condition that affects about 1 in 2,000 people by impairing the brain's ability to regulate the sleep-wake cycle. Symptoms of narcolepsy include excessive sleepiness during the day, sudden episodes of muscle paralysis, sleep paralysis, confusing hallucinations, and a disrupted nighttime sleep.

Due to an overall lack of public and professional awareness, accurate diagnosis of narcolepsy commonly takes between 8 and 15 years. Experts believe that the majority of people with narcolepsy are currently undiagnosed or misdiagnosed with other conditions such as epilepsy, depression, and schizophrenia. More work is needed to deliver breakthroughs for patients impacted by this debilitating sleep disorder, and we must continue to support the important funding of medical research through the National Institutes of Health and public health programs through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

World Narcolepsy Day serves to raise awareness of the experiences and healthcare needs of the approximately 3 million people living with narcolepsy across the globe, including the 200,000 people with narcolepsy and their loved ones in the United States. By raising awareness of narcolepsy, we can reduce delays in diagnosis, combat stigma and misperceptions, and improve health outcomes for affected individuals.

I ask all Members to join me in recognizing September 22nd as World Narcolepsy Day.

HONORING THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF PAJARO VALLEY LOAVES AND FISHES

HON. JIMMY PANETTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 20, 2019

Mr. PANETTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today on the behalf of Pajaro Valley Loaves and Fishes to recognize the work they have done to foster community development and collaboration as they celebrate 30 years of committed work to alleviating hunger among working class families on the central coast of California.

Loaves and Fishes was founded in 1989 as an emergency response to the Loma Prieta earthquake and served more than 20,000 meals to residents displaced by the disaster at their original location in Watsonville's St Patrick's Church. The organization has since

grown into a community-supported local kitchen and pantry to serve the people of the Pajaro Valley.

The Loaves and Fishes lunch program serves a hot, nutritious lunch every weekday, prepared on-site by certified cooks and other community volunteers. In 2018, Loaves and Fishes served between 80 and 150 hot and nutritious meals every weekday. The pantry program provides supplemental groceries to the individuals or families up to twice per month, with 76 percent of adult pantry clients being farm workers who support the Central Coast. Most of these groceries are either donated or purchased from local farmers and the Second Harvest Food Bank.

In addition to its food programs, Loaves and Fishes supports the development of the community by providing support services, including nutrition education, job trainings, resume building workshops, life skills development, and referrals to other available social services. Many of these services are provided through partnerships with other social service agencies and nonprofits.

It is an honor to recognize an organization with such a meaningful impact on the community, and I am proud to celebrate Pajaro Valley Loaves and Fishes' 30th anniversary of supporting the Central Coast. Madam Speaker, I ask my distinguished colleagues to join me in celebrating Loaves and Fishes as a pillar of strength in our community.

HONORING THE BICENTENNIAL OF PERRY COUNTY, TENNESSEE

HON. MARK E. GREEN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 20, 2019

Mr. GREEN of Tennessee. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the bicentennial of Perry County, Tennessee, which was established in November 1819. Named after Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry, a naval hero in the War of 1812, Perry County has a long and proud history in the heart of Tennessee.

Perry County is known for the scenic beauty of the Buffalo and Tennessee rivers, and it is home to several historic sites, including the Cedar Grove Iron Furnace, the Perry County Courthouse, and the Commodore Hotel.

Home to some of Tennessee's finest public servants, it is my distinct honor to represent Perry County in the United States Congress.

The citizens of Perry County exemplify the values that form the cornerstone of Tennessee and our nation, and I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them as they celebrate this momentous occasion.

HONORING MELVINDALE-DEARBORN FIRE CAPTAIN MICHAEL PREADMORE

HON. RASHIDA TLAIB

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 20, 2019

Ms. TLAIB. Madam Speaker, I rise today in tribute to Captain Michael Preadmore for his many years of service to the Melvindale-Dearborn Consolidated Fire Department, on the occasion of his retirement.

During his twenty-three years of service, Captain Preadmore has moved steadily through the ranks, garnering accolades for his dedication and bravery along the way. Preadmore joined the City of Melvindale's Fire Department as a firefighter in 1996. From there, he was quickly promoted to sergeant, lieutenant, and ultimately, captain. A consummate professional who knows safety doesn't take a day off, Captain Preadmore has been acknowledged for his perfect attendance multiple times and he has dedicated his time toward working to advanced certification, including confined space and rope rescue. Above and beyond that, Captain Preadmore has been recognized for his bravery in the line of duty, receiving the Fire Chief Life Saving Award twice, the Department Medal of Valor award, and the Fire Chief Unit Commendation.

In short, Captain Preadmore has served bravely and nobly. Please join me in saluting him for his twenty-three years of public service as we wish him well on his retirement.

HONOR FLIGHT OF OREGON

HON. GREG WALDEN

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, September 20, 2019

Mr. WALDEN. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the World War II veterans, Korean War veterans and Vietnam War veterans from Oregon who are visiting their memorials on the National Mall on Friday, September 20, 2019, through Honor Flight of Oregon. Every time I have the chance to meet one of these heroes, I am reminded of the poignant words of General Dwight D. Eisenhower. In a message to Allied troops just before D-Day, he said, "The eyes of the world are upon you. The hopes and prayers of liberty-loving people everywhere march with you."

He was right then, of course, Madam Speaker. But over seventy years later, liberty-loving people everywhere continue to owe these heroes for their extraordinary service and their incredible stories of sacrifice and bravery on behalf of our country. That's why it is my privilege to include in the RECORD their names.

The veterans on this Honor Flight from Oregon are as follows: Robert Berns, Navy; John Bromstead, Navy; Dale Coonse, Navy; William

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