

IN MEMORY OF BRETT WILSON

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

Mr. GONZALEZ of Ohio. Madam Speaker, on November 2, 2019, the communities of Olmsted Falls and Columbia Township of northeast Ohio mourned the loss of firefighter Brett Wilson.

Brett was off duty the morning of October 27 when a car struck a nearby utility pole, causing power lines to fall onto the roadway. Brett and his girlfriend, without hesitation, ran to help the victims of the accident.

Brett was electrocuted after coming into contact with the electrified ground near the accident and passed away immediately. Both his girlfriend and the driver were injured but, luckily, survived.

Our community honored Brett's heroism and life on Saturday, November 2, with a funeral procession held in his honor. Unsurprisingly, the community lined the streets, waving American flags and holding their hands over their hearts to honor the 2015 Olmsted Falls High School graduate.

We are heartbroken by the loss of the Olmsted Falls resident and Columbia Township firefighter, Brett Wilson. Brett, the son of an Olmsted Township police officer, was a true hero and public safety servant.

Brett will be deeply missed by his friends, family, and the community. We thank him and his family for their service, and we keep them in our prayers.

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RECOGNIZING CIVIL RIGHTS
LEADER CLAUDETTE COLVIN

(Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. OCASIO-CORTEZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Claudette Colvin, a Parkchester resident and American civil rights pioneer who, on March 2, 1955, at the age of 15 years old, was arrested in Montgomery, Alabama, for refusing to give up her seat to a young passenger, becoming one of the many to be arrested for challenging Montgomery's bus segregation policies.

Nine months after Claudette Colvin, Rosa Parks was famously arrested for a similar act of civil nonviolence.

Claudette's heroic story was nearly forgotten by history. Her actions led to monumental progress in our Nation's history. Not only that, her heroic actions amplified and set the stage for other great African American civil rights leaders and their actions.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Ms. Claudette Colvin's courage to stand in the face of injustice and demand recognition of her inalienable rights. Because, in her

courage to fight for her freedom, she paved a path for millions of others to do the same.

WE MUST NEVER FORGET
LESSONS OF THE PAST

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

Mr. BACON. Madam Speaker, in an anti-Semitic attack this last week, cowards desecrated over 75 headstones of the Temple Israel Cemetery in Omaha. Countless headstones were pushed from their bases, with many broken in the process. It is vile. It is reprehensible. It is disgusting.

This hateful action toward the Jewish community causes great pain in my heart. As Rabbi Abraham of Beth El Synagogue in Omaha recently reminded us, cemeteries are one of the most holy places, and the Talmud teaches us that "gravestones are fairer than royal palaces."

This attack happened around Veterans Day, which provided a dark reminder that the cause of defending freedom and combating hate never rests.

On that note, I call upon the leadership of Congress to move H.R. 943, the Never Again Education Act by Congresswoman CAROLYN MALONEY.

Education is a powerful weapon combating anti-Semitism, and this bill will provide valuable tools in that fight.

As we near the 75th anniversary of the end of World War II, one of the darkest chapters in human history, we must never forget the lessons of the past so that we never again repeat those horrors in the future.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG PRICING

(Ms. SCANLON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. SCANLON. Madam Speaker, every day I hear from constituents who are going broke trying to pay for their prescriptions, and more often than not they are seniors—seniors like Cheryl, who often has to decide whether to forgo one of her monthly medications or to pay a \$600 pharmacy bill.

Stories like Cheryl's are becoming both all too common and unacceptable.

We are committed to lowering the cost of prescription drugs so that Americans can afford their lifesaving medications.

That is why I have introduced legislation to eliminate some of the barriers that seniors and people with disabilities have to getting the medications they need.

The Better Tools to Lower Costs Act, which has been included in H.R. 3, would eliminate the asset requirement for CMS's Extra Help program.

As a result, low-income Medicare recipients with modest retirement savings or a small rainy-day fund would

get help to pay for deductibles, premiums, and copays.

Families should not have to drain their life savings or sell their homes to afford lifesaving medication. Common-sense solutions like this and others in H.R. 3 will address the prescription drug crisis, and I look forward to voting for it.

RECOGNIZING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF OKLAHOMA INTERCOLLEGIATE LEGISLATURE

(Ms. KENDRA S. HORN of Oklahoma asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. KENDRA S. HORN of Oklahoma. Madam Speaker, today I rise to recognize the 50th anniversary of the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature, a student run and led mock-government organization.

OIL has brought together thousands of young people from every corner of my State to learn how to effect change and to make their voices heard in our democracy.

OIL replicates every part of Oklahoma's State government, from our legislative branch to the Governor's office to the judiciary.

The college students who participate in this program draft their own legislation, build lifelong and often bipartisan friendships, and learn what it takes to move an idea from concept to reality. They learn how to craft policy, negotiate and compromise, and how to lead.

I know because, as a young college student, I was a member of OIL and learned these lessons myself, as have so many of Oklahoma's current leaders in government, civic, and business communities.

So, today, please join me in celebrating OIL's 50th anniversary and the impact it has and will have on Oklahoma's students and future leaders.

NATIONAL RECYCLING DAY

(Ms. SCHRIER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. SCHRIER. Madam Speaker, today is National Recycling Day.

As a Nation and world, we are accumulating single-use plastics at an alarming rate. By 2050, there will be more plastic than fish in the world's oceans.

This is why recycling is critical, and we need more education for all of us about how best to recycle.

We also need help from industry to either avoid plastic altogether or package their goods with the most desirable and recyclable types of plastic.

As consumers, though, our standard should be "Made from 100 percent recycled materials" and not "Made from recyclable materials." There is a vast difference.

We all know the three Rs: reduce, reuse, recycle. But we can't just recycle. That is the third choice. Our top