

Born in Havana, Cuba, Major Doce spent his childhood in Miami. He is a graduate of Barry University. In 1984, he joined the Virginia Gardens Police Department. Five years later, he transitioned to the Miami Beach Police Department.

Major Doce has worked to serve and protect the Miami Beach community in various capacities, including undercover work and work with the Police K9 Unit. He has been instrumental in supervising and training junior staff, and, for the past ten years, he has helped organize the Department's Memorial Weekend Planning.

Major Doce has been named Officer of the Month eight times during his 30 years with the Miami Beach Police Department. He won the Hispanic Heritage Award in October 2016 for his service as a Hispanic Public Safety Officer.

I'm deeply grateful for Major Doce's commitment to our community and for his outstanding work over the past three decades. Miami Beach is stronger and safer because of his service.

CONGRATULATING LINDA MILLER ON HER RETIREMENT

HON. DANIEL MEUSER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 19, 2019

Mr. MEUSER. Madam Speaker, it is with great respect and appreciation that I rise today to honor Linda Miller of Tamaqua, who is retiring after serving the good people of Pennsylvania for 38 years in the House of Representatives.

Mrs. Miller has left her mark on our great Commonwealth as the longest-serving district office employee in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. Mrs. Miller began as a staffer in Rep. Klingaman's office on January 16, 1981 and has since worked in other Representatives' offices including Rep. Dave Argall, and most recently, Rep. Jerry Knowles. She is a pillar of her community and has committed nearly two decades to supporting and serving her friends, neighbors, and fellow citizens. The fabric of our Pennsylvania communities is strengthened by the selflessness, compassion, and integrity of our public servants like Mrs. Miller. She will surely be missed by the constituents she served and those who she served alongside.

Although she is culminating an impressive and impactful career, I am confident that as she begins this new chapter, she will continue to be a positive influence and a dedicated member of our great community.

On behalf of the U.S. House of Representatives and the citizens of Pennsylvania's Ninth Congressional District, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Mrs. Miller on her retirement and thank her for her many years of dedicated service to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LUCY MCBATH

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 19, 2019

Mrs. MCBATH. Madam Speaker, during the second vote on November 18, 2019, my vote was not recorded.

Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 626.

RECOGNIZING THE KEISER UNIVERSITY SEAHAWKS ON AN UNDEFEATED FOOTBALL SEASON

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 19, 2019

Mr. HASTINGS. Madam Speaker, it is with great pride that I rise today to honor the Keiser University Seahawks on securing a 9–0 undefeated football season.

Led by local seniors Seth Freeman, Ronnie Bennett, and Tremane Gabriel, the Seahawks won their regular season finale game, after defeating Ava Maria University on Saturday, November 16th. Under the leadership of Head Coach Doug Socha, Keiser will now head into the 2019 National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) postseason, beginning with a home game against University of the Cumberland in the first round of the 16-team playoffs.

I would also like to take this opportunity to recognize the entire Seahawks football team, which include: Traionn Jones, Sage Chen-Young, Tyler Foster, Eli Mathews, Maurice Murphy Jr., Ronnie Bennett, Kade Glenn, Alex Taylor, Coby Golden, Logan Good, Da'Shawn Bostic, Tremane Gabriel, Seth Freeman, Cade Socha, Rodney Green Jr., Dylan Inman, Carlos Silenciúx, Jamarquios Autry, Jaylen Arnold, Asfunso Elam, Payton Burke, Lucas Matias, Shawn O'Gorman, Shaw Pomianowski, Trevor Phillips, Deandre Henderson, Caleb Walls, Luckaad Dorsainvil, Jamian Lovett, Marques Burgess, Schneider Louis, Troy Sloan, Cordell Wiley, Isaiah Rappart, Jermaine Wilson, Osner Valmeus, Carl Barrow, Taeon Holte, Austin Cha, Austin Carr, Amari Hayes, Brendan Parr, Preston Hays, Wesley Scott, Marc Laureore, Jordan Grant, Treykevan Gilbert, Victor Alvarez Jr., Mitchel Desulme, Byron Fraley, Joseph Irlbeck, Davion Cross, Robenson Laffleur, Christopher Hart, Tommy Richemond, Logan Wakefield, Camron Allen, Edward Krajewski, Alessandro Cantillo, Jeremiah Guillaume, Cedrick Dervil, Zach Shahin, Okevious Hinds, Rashad Harris, William Bell, Mikhail Hanson, Juwan James, Logan Robinson, Dalton Barbara, Donovan Hinds, Justin Thomas, Shelby Langen, Mike Altenor, Austin Sherrill, Nicholas Sierra, Jerson Jacques, Michael Robinson, Samuel Snell, Donavyn Martin, Thomas Waldron, Mohammad Shatara, Shavon Taylor, Luke Sharkey, Dante Trott, Markel Finney, Khalil Absolu, Joshua Norzea, Corey Lamy, Zachariah Istvan, Eddie Adams, Ruben Alexis, Matthew Barber, Balitan Celestin, Alec Charland, Claude Charles, Corey Cola, Owen Connell, Dakota Cox, Damon Daniel, Gabriel Davenport, Akarri Davis, Amari Davis, Cory Hamilton, Earnest Johnson, Adreal Johnson, Trusteb Johnson, Angerlyns Julceus, Amari Kindred, Jamari Kindred, Judah Martin, Qwad Martin, Gage McNellis, T-Jay Mitchell, Ki-Mani Olivacce, Alex Saint-Jean, Benjamin Serrano, Isaiah Silva, Tristan Simmons, Duane Simon, Ty Smith, Shea Spencer, Andy St. Hillaire, George Swain, Garrison Swain, Joseph Villano, Chris Webber, and Ian Willhoite.

Madam Speaker, I am so very proud of the Keiser University Seahawks for their exceptional season. I wish the team and their entire athletic program many more years of continued success.

CONGRATULATING THE YURCONIC AGENCY ON RECEIPT OF THE MILESTONE AWARD

HON. DANIEL MEUSER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 19, 2019

Mr. MEUSER. Madam Speaker, it is with great admiration that I rise today to congratulate the Yurconic Agency of Allentown, Pennsylvania on receiving the Milestone Award from the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce.

The Milestone Award is presented to a member of the chamber that has reached a significant landmark in business, a high point of superior commitment to the community and brings a notable measure of pride to the Chamber and the entire Lehigh Valley. For 50 years, the Yurconic Agency has been an outstanding insurance agency, serving the Lehigh Valley. From vehicle registration to driver's license services the Yurconic Agency has been providing a wide array of insurance options to the greater Lehigh Valley since 1969. The high quality customer service the Yurconic Agency has offered has made it a cornerstone of communities throughout Eastern Pennsylvania.

On behalf of the U.S. House of Representatives and the citizens of Pennsylvania's Ninth Congressional District, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the Yurconic Agency on this great honor and thank them for their 50 year commitment to the betterment of our community.

CALLING FOR THE IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF AUSTIN TICE

HON. JAMIE RASKIN

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 19, 2019

Mr. RASKIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to join my colleagues in calling for the immediate release of award-winning journalist and veteran Austin Tice. I thank the gentlelady from the District of Columbia, ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON, and the gentleman from Texas, AL GREEN, for their moving words and their unflagging efforts to secure Austin Tice's release.

Austin has been held captive in Syria for over seven years. He traveled to Syria as a freelance journalist to cover the war in May 2012. Few journalists were working in Syria at this time, and his vital reporting and images appeared in major news sources, including the Washington Post, Agence France Presse, and McClatchy Newspapers. Three months later, he was detained at a check point south of Damascus on his way to Lebanon.

Austin has been missing ever since. Five weeks after he was taken captive, a 43-second video titled "Austin Tice is Alive" emerged, showing a group of unidentified