

His commitment to Hoosier common sense and his tireless efforts to advance opportunities for future generations have made our state a better place to live and work.

I am grateful to have served alongside him in the Statehouse and to have worked together to improve the lives of our fellow Hoosiers. Speaker Bosma's strong conservative values and outstanding leadership have helped bring Indiana's economy and infrastructure into the 21st century. Thanks to Speaker Bosma, Indiana is one of the only states in the nation to pass a 20-year, fully-funded roads plan to improve state-maintained and local roads. Throughout his time as speaker, he never stopped fighting for Indiana businesses and workers. Speaker Bosma helped secure the strong economic climate in which Hoosiers are able to start and grow businesses, including maintaining a AAA credit rating, large budget reserves, and a low unemployment rate. He is also a fierce defender of the unborn and has worked to ensure that every human life in our state is treated with dignity and respect.

In addition to the positive impact of his legislative accomplishments, Brian Bosma's passion for helping others goes unmatched. His family's impressive work through Bosma Industries for the Blind is a testament to the power of one person determined to make a difference. Speaker Bosma brought those same values with him to the Statehouse each and every day. His dedication and passion exemplify the progress our society can make toward greater opportunities and brighter futures through innovative thinking and perseverance. I have no doubt his legacy will last far into the future.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking Indiana Speaker of the House Brian Bosma for his lifelong commitment to serving Indiana communities. On behalf of 2nd District Hoosiers, I wish him the best as he embarks on this next chapter in life.

HONORING THE LEGACY OF
JONATHAN WOLMAN

HON. RASHIDA TLAI

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 17, 2020

Ms. TLAI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the memory of Mr. Jonathan

Wolman, a man who spent forty-six years of his life tirelessly dedicated to pursuing the truth and reporting on the stories that have shaped modern-day America.

Following in his father's footsteps, Mr. Jonathan Wolman began his career in journalism as a newperson for the Associated Press's (AP) Wisconsin bureau in 1973. His talent for reading the political currents coursing through the hallways of Congress and the state capitals was readily evident to his coworkers and readers from the very beginning. Later that same year the AP sent him to Detroit for the first time, where he would cover the election of Coleman Young, the first African American mayor in a majority minority city.

Mr. Wolman also reported about Fannie Lou Hamer's voting rights campaign. Hamer's effort led to thousands of African Americans gaining the right to vote. His career soon brought him to Washington D.C., where he would cover events that shook the nation like the Three Mile Island nuclear disaster and the No Gun Ri massacre, the latter of which would go on to earn the AP the Pulitzer Prize for Investigative Reporting in 2000. After a two-year stint as senior vice president of the AP, Mr. Wolman moved back west in 2004, working for the Denver Post for three years until his return to the Motor City as the editor and publisher of the Detroit News in 2007. There he would spend the rest of his life reporting on some of our great city's most uncertain years, asking the tough questions and holding our leaders to account until his passing on April 15, 2019.

We owe a debt of gratitude for the hard work and dedication of Mr. Jonathan Wolman. His objectivity and journalistic integrity will be forever remembered. It is with great honor that I ask you to join me in honor of his memory and upon his recognition at Rainbow Push's Let Freedom Ring Awards.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. TOM MCCLINTOCK

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 17, 2020

Mr. MCCLINTOCK. Madam Speaker, due to a family medical emergency, I was unable to be in Washington for the week of January 13.

Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 14, NAY on Roll Call No. 15, NAY on Roll Call No. 16, NAY on Roll Call No. 17 and NAY on Roll Call No. 18.

RECOGNIZING THE ROTARY CLUB
OF BOCA RATON'S OPAL AWARD
HONOREES TOBY AND LEON
COOPERMAN

HON. THEODORE E. DEUTCH

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, January 17, 2020

Mr. DEUTCH. Madam Speaker, I am honored to rise today in recognition of the important work done by the Rotary Club of Boca Raton and to congratulate two recipients of their Outstanding People and Leaders (OPAL) awards, Toby and Leon Cooperman.

The Coopermans' story exemplifies the American Dream. As a first generation American and son of a plumber, Leon worked hard to receive a quality public education before earning his MBA from Columbia University. His hard work continued as he entered the professional world, leading to a remarkably successful career.

Due to the success achieved through their hard work, Toby and Leon feel a moral imperative to give others the opportunity to pursue the American Dream that they have enjoyed. This led them to take The Giving Pledge, a commitment to give the majority of their wealth to address societies most pressing needs.

Through their philanthropy and service, the Coopermans have touched countless lives and made a lasting impact on our South Florida community. The work they do and the time they have put in is truly deserving of these awards.

I extend my most sincere congratulations to the Coopermans and to all of tonight's honorees. As we begin this new year, I am confident that the Rotary Club of Boca Raton will continue to be a cherished institution in South Florida that betters our community. I greatly appreciate the Club's work and am pleased to honor their OPAL and Lifetime Legacy Award honorees.