

Officer Parker has made a lasting impact on the Plano community and although he will be missed, we know the future has wonderful things in store for him. I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in congratulating Officer Art Parker on his successful career and wishing him luck as he begins his next chapter.

TRIBUTE TO SERGEANT FIRST
CLASS JAVIER J. GUTIERREZ

HON. JOAQUIN CASTRO

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 10, 2020

Mr. CASTRO of Texas. Madam Speaker, today I rise in honor of United States Army Sergeant First Class Javier J. Gutierrez who died on February 8, 2020, in Nangarhar Province, Afghanistan, in support of Operation Freedom's Sentinel. Sergeant First Class Gutierrez is from my hometown of San Antonio, Texas and is survived by his wife Gabriela Gutierrez, four children, and parents Sylvia and Javier Gutierrez. I am deeply saddened by his passing but also confident that his memory will live on through his many loved ones and our entire community.

Javier Jaguar Gutierrez was born in Jacksonville, North Carolina, on August 12, 1991. At an early age he demonstrated an interest in joining the military and following in his father's footsteps. His father, Javier S. Gutierrez, served in the United States Marine Corps as an enlisted combat engineer during the Gulf War. His great-grandfather, Thomas Ortiz, served in the Army Air Forces as a bombardier during World War II. He was a prisoner of war, taken by the Nazis after his plane was shot down.

Shortly after graduating from Luther Burbank High School in 2009, Gutierrez enlisted in the United States Army, where he was stationed at the 2nd Battalion, 504th Parachute Infantry Regiment at Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He later went on to attend Special Forces assessment and selection, graduating in 2015 as a Communications Sergeant and assignment at the 3rd Battalion, 7th Special Forces Airborne Group at Eglin Air Force Base of Florida.

Sergeant First Class Gutierrez was a person of high quality whose humility was only matched by his commitment to service. During his 11 years of remarkable service, he received several awards, which included the Army Commendation Medal; Army Achievement Medal; Good Conduct Medal; National Defense Service Medal; Iraq Campaign Medal; Global War on Terrorism Service Medal; Non-commissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon; Army Service Ribbon; Expert Infantry and Parachutist Badges; and the Special Forces Tab. Sergeant First Class Gutierrez was posthumously awarded the Bronze Star Medal, the Purple Heart, and promoted to the rank of Sergeant 1st Class.

Madam Speaker, I am proud to recognize the life and service of a person who dedicated themselves to family and country above all else. The entire San Antonio community mourns the loss of an American hero. We will be forever indebted to this true patriot whose sacrifice cannot be measured. I thank Sergeant First Class Gutierrez for his service, his

bravery, and for his unending commitment to our great country.

HONORING RANDY ROUTON

HON. VAN TAYLOR

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, February 10, 2020

Mr. TAYLOR. Madam Speaker, today, I rise to recognize Mr. Randy Routon for his nearly thirty-four years of dedicated service as the Executive Director of LifePath Systems.

Created in 1986 as the community MHMR for Collin County, LifePath Systems serves as the Local Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Authority and Local Behavioral Health Authority for Collin County. Under Mr. Routon's steadfast leadership, the organization provides community-based services for over 1,100 infants, toddler, and families in Collin, Rockwall, Kaufman, Grayson, and Fannin Counties through their Early Childhood Intervention program. Further, each month the organization provides Behavioral Health services to approximately 3,800 Collin County residents and Intellectual and Developmental Disability Services to over 1,700 individuals.

As the CEO for LifePath, Randy supervises over 450 hardworking employees and over 350 private contractors stationed in 11 facilities and homes, tasked with interfacing with state and local agencies.

Mr. Routon previously served as the Executive Director of Mental Health Services in Collin County, as a former administrator at Children's Hospital of New Orleans, and as an instructor at Texas Women's University in Denton. Randy also served multiple terms as an elected Regional Representative and Treasurer on the Board of Directors for Texas Community Solutions, as a Regional Director for the National Therapeutic Recreation Society Board, and is currently serving as the Texas Council of Community Centers Executive Directors Liaison to Texas Early Childhood Intervention Providers.

Randy has helped shape Collin County through his work on the Advisory Board for the Health Care Committee, the Collin County Special Task Unit for Adult Protective Services, the Executive Board of the Coalition for Behavioral Health, and as a grant writer for various public and private organizations. Additionally, Mr. Routon has inspired countless others as a Paul Harris Fellow and Community Services Director for the McKinney Rotary Club.

Randy and his wife, Diane, are the proud parents of six children and six grandchildren, with whom he looks forward to enjoying a restful retirement with.

As Randy prepares to begin a new season of life, I ask my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in recognizing Mr. Randy Routon for his selfless and dedicated career as the Executive Director for LifePath Systems and to wish him well in his future endeavors.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all

meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, February 11, 2020 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's record.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

FEBRUARY 12

9 a.m.

Special Committee on Aging

To hold hearings to examine home health care in rural America.

SD-366

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine protecting the United States from global pandemics.

SD-G50

10 a.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the Semi-annual Monetary Policy Report to the Congress.

SD-538

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings to examine space missions of global importance, focusing on planetary defense, space weather protection, and space situational awareness.

SH-216

Committee on the Judiciary

To hold hearings to examine the nominations of John Leonard Badalamenti, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, Anna M. Manasco, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama, Drew B. Tipton, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, and Kathryn C. Davis, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims.

SD-226

10:15 a.m.

Committee on Foreign Relations

To hold hearings to examine United States-Libya policy.

SD-419

1 p.m.

Committee on Finance

To hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2021 for the Department of the Treasury.

SD-215

FEBRUARY 13

9:30 a.m.

Committee on Armed Services

To hold hearings to examine United States Northern Command and United States Strategic Command in review of