

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN RECOGNITION OF KENT
CORNISH

HON. SHARICE DAVIDS

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 26, 2020

Ms. DAVIDS of Kansas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Kent Cornish, who is retiring from the Kansas Association of Broadcasters after serving as the President and Executive Director for 12 years.

Kent, a graduate of the University of Kansas, has nearly 25 years of broadcasting experience in Kansas and is a tireless advocate for the local broadcasting community. He started his career as news reporter, anchor and assistant news director at WIBW until serving as executive director of the Kansas Manufactured Housing Institute in 1980. Kent returned to WIBW a few years later and was named program director/operations manager. He also spent 10 years at KTKA TV in Topeka before becoming vice president/general manager at KSAS/KMTW in Wichita.

Kent has left a lasting mark on Kansas. He has earned numerous broadcast awards including the Grover Cobb award from the University of Kansas and General Manager of the Year from the Broadcast Professionals of Wichita.

Madam Speaker, please join me in congratulating Kent Cornish on his years of dedication and outstanding service to Kansas. On behalf of Kansas' Third District, we are so proud of Kent's hard work and wish him the best in the next chapter of his life.

THANKING ALEXANDRA CASTILLO
FOR PROVIDING FOOD TO THOSE
IN NEED

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. OLSON. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the incredible effort to feed our community that is being done by Alexandra Castillo, a nine-year-old girl from Friendswood, Texas.

As we continue to weather the economic impact of the coronavirus, some in our community face a choice between shelter and food. Alexandra is helping some avoid making that choice.

Alexandra was already sewing masks and giving them to those in need, but knew she could do more to help those around her. Seeing her neighbors go hungry, Alexandra had the idea of opening up a food pantry so that they could get the groceries they need.

When her mom heard about the idea, she got the word out on social media. Soon after, their neighbors came together to give their supplies and their time to make Alexandra's idea a reality.

Alexandra's ingenuity and compassion illustrate how one person can help an entire community in tough times. On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, we thank Alexandra—a young girl providing an example of selfless leadership to people of all ages.

RECOGNIZING A BEAUTIFUL RE-
MEMBRANCE OF NATIVE AMER-
ICAN AND APACHE VETERANS

HON. TOM O'HALLERAN

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 26, 2020

Mr. O'HALLERAN. Madam Speaker, it is my honor to include in the RECORD the below piece, by Chairman Terry Rambler of the San Carlos Apache Tribe, which appeared in Indian Country Today in remembrance of Memorial Day. Chairman Rambler's piece is an excellent example of how we should honor Native American Veterans, and all Veterans, on Memorial Day.

Hello everyone. I will share with you some thoughts about Memorial Day. It is a day to honor our fallen heroes, a day to look at the flag and to remember the sacrifices made by our military members, to honor their place of final rest. For some, this is a day for picnics, family gatherings, and barbeques, but it is so much more.

For the past two months, we all have been consumed with the coronavirus. These are dark, fearful times. Congress has spent more than \$6 trillion on mitigation and economic recovery. Some 38 million Americans are unemployed. One in four businesses have closed temporarily, another 100,000 have gone out of business or declared bankruptcy, and some 7.5 million small businesses are at risk of closing permanently. Over 1.5 million Americans have been infected by this virus, and over 98,000 have died.

We have lived with a fear of a kind not known in our lifetimes. We wash our hands, sanitize, avoid crowds and keep everyone 6 feet or more away. Some liken this to a war. But it is not.

War happens when countries fight over ideals with known enemies. War happens on a battlefield. War brings a different sense of fear than this virus.

War happens when presidents and kings make their citizens warriors. Warriors put their lives at risk for what their flag stands for—God and country, patriotism, nationhood, protection of the homeland.

The smell and sound of war create horror and shock. In war, blood is spilled, lives are shattered, people are traumatized, many are maimed for life; others are permanently scarred mentally and spiritually, and lives are blown apart. Through it all, warriors fight to the death.

That is what our military forces do—they do as they are ordered; they fight to the death, for their flag, for their homeland, for the ideals of their country. Many fight with courage. Many fight with fear wrapped tightly around their heart.

Today, this Memorial Day, without question, every American must honor those who

died fighting for our great country and its ideals of democracy, freedom, equality and liberty. Our fallen warriors are our heroes, after all. They fought and sacrificed themselves for our greater good when we could not.

For these reasons Memorial Day is the day when we honor our fallen military warriors, our heroes. This day is thus a solemn day, one that was created out of respect for the more than 1 million soldiers who have died in the field of combat over the history of the United States.

As President Obama once said, Memorial Day is the day "when we recall all those who gave everything in the darkness of war so we could stand here in the glory of Spring."

Apaches, too, have served with valor and distinction. Many did not come home. They made the ultimate sacrifice for our country.

Of the many, many Apache warriors who died in the field of combat, the late United States Army PFC Ernest Stanley comes to mind. Private Stanley served with the 333rd Infantry Regiment and 84th Infantry Division. He was killed in action during the Battle of the Bulge. In December 1944, 410,000 German troops surged into Belgium, France and Luxembourg. During the 40 day battle, there were 89,000 American casualties and 19,000 killed.

Private Stanley died over 5,000 miles from home on a severely cold, winter day. He was a volunteer, a lone Apache warrior. He joined the Army to fight for our country. He fought for what was right. He fought against the tyranny of fascism and the racist hatred that the Nazis stood for. And, Private Stanley did so willingly and with his brothers at arms, because theirs was a fight for peace and humanity itself—that is the true irony of war; to fight for peace and security.

I thought of Private Stanley when I visited the American Indian Veterans National Memorial located at the Heard Museum. The Memorial honors the service and sacrifice of tribal members spanning more than 300 years. In the Memorial stands a sculpture known as Unconquered II, by Chiricahua Apache sculptor Allan Houser. It shows two Apache Scouts, one standing, holding a rifle; the other kneeling, holding a spear—both look out in the same direction, their eyes fixed on something in the distance. They are ready—ready to fight. These two bronze figures stand for all warriors, past and present.

Looking at that sculpture, one word comes to mind, Ahi'yi'é (thank you). Join with me and give thanks to all our fallen Apache warriors. Give thanks to those Apache warriors that died fighting for our Tribe and America, because they did so for our freedom and our liberty. We must all provide our deep, deep respects to our fallen warriors who, like Private Stanley, exemplify bravery, honor, courage, and service.

Barbeques and family picnics are a good thing. Many do this on Memorial Day. But this Memorial Day, I urge you to take a moment, honor our fallen heroes. Give thanks for those who you can name, and for those whose names have been forgotten to time. Their lives were sacrificed for an ideal—the American dream. They gave everything up for their homeland, so that our Reservation and all of America remains safe and protected. They gave their lives so that we can be here on this clear, beautiful Spring day.

May our Creator God bless our fallen warriors. God bless you and your families. God bless America. Ahi'yi'é.

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COOPERATION WITH TURKEY IN
FIGHTING COVID-19

HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 26, 2020

Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois. Madam Speaker, the U.S. received two shipments of medical supplies from the Republic of Turkey to assist with our coronavirus response. On April 28, Turkey provided us with 500,000 surgical masks and 400 N95 masks, as well as protective clothing, disinfectant, goggles, and face shields. Two days later on April 30, a second shipment including personal protective equipment, masks, hazmat suits and disinfectants also arrived from Turkey. In a show of solidarity, our U.S. Ambassador to Turkey David Satterfield and the Turkish Deputy Foreign Minister, Selim Yavuz Kiran, were together watching as the second plane departed Turkey.

We are grateful to our strong ally Turkey for its generosity and leadership, and look forward to continued close cooperation into the future in fighting COVID-19 and also working together on many important issues of mutual concern.

RECOGNIZING THE BROOKWOOD
COMMUNITY FOR FEEDING OUR
FRONT LINE MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 26, 2020

Mr. OLSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the hard-working and dedicated Brookwood Community citizens who have stepped up to help our hospital heroes fighting COVID-19.

The Brookwood Community has been serving adults with disabilities since 1985, providing them with opportunity and the dignity that comes with work. Unfortunately, social distancing and quarantining has prevented many of them from traveling to their jobs and supporting their community.

But the Brookwood citizens didn't let COVID-19 stop them from finding a way to help. Through the Brookwood Café, these heroes have sold "Boxes for the Brave" to make sure our doctors and nurses are well-fed as they treat coronavirus patients. They also have been selling to-go meals and family meals to make sure the TX-22 community is nourished as well.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, I offer a Texas-sized thank you to these wonderful people for the important work they do and their continuing support for our doctors, nurses and healthcare community.

HONORING THE HEROIC SERVICE
AND SACRIFICE OF IMPD OFFICER
BREANN LEATH

HON. SUSAN W. BROOKS

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 26, 2020

Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana. Madam Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I rise today to honor the life of an outstanding public servant, Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department Officer Breann Leath, who served her city and country with principle and integrity. Tragically, Officer Leath was killed in the line of duty on April 9, 2020, while responding to a domestic violence call.

Breann was born on December 30, 1995 in Hinesville, Georgia. Her family moved to Indiana and she graduated from Southport High School in 2014, where she served as captain of the dance squad. She was always a shining light in the eyes of her classmates and peers. She had a passion for public service, following in her father's footsteps who is also a police officer. After graduation, Breann enlisted in the Indiana Army National Guard and became a member of the military Honor Guard. Upon completing her service in the National Guard, Breann pursued her passion for service and protection by becoming a corrections officer at the Indiana Women's Prison.

During her time at the Women's Prison, Breann recognized her true calling and passion for law enforcement. This prompted her to join the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department, known as IMPD. Officer Leath graduated the police academy in 2018, going on to serve and protect the people of Indianapolis for two and a half years.

On April 9, Officer Leath pinned on her badge and went to work on what she thought would be an ordinary day on the job. She responded to a domestic disturbance call on the far east side of Indianapolis where she was fatally shot. Officer Leath laid down her life to protect her community from a dangerous individual. Her service demonstrates the bravery and commitment that she and her brothers and sisters in uniform display every day while her last moments reflect the ultimate sacrifice law enforcement officers can make.

On April 16, I attended an historical event at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway (IMS) to honor the life and legacy of Officer Leath. Due to the Public health recommendations surrounding the pandemic of COVID-19, fellow officers and Hoosiers around the state took unprecedented actions to properly and safely lay Officer Leath to rest. As many as 1,900 people joined to watch a live broadcast of the 11 a.m. services across local media websites and on YouTube, tuning in to view the first funeral held at IMS in its 105-year history. The multiple suites at the Speedway were also used for officials and officers to pay respects at a safe social distance Just below the suites, four rows of patrol cars lined the 2.5-mile track, comprised of her shiftmates at IMPD's East District, her classmates in the department's recruiting class and other officers from across the state. Just over the horizon hung the Indianapolis skyline—a silhouette of the city that Leath spent her shortened life serving.

Officer Leath was only 24 years old. A leader with an infectious smile and positive atti-

tude, a veteran who served her country and a public servant who loved her community, Officer Leath is a shining example of the commitment to the oath of protection our men and women in uniform take, paying the ultimate price to protect the citizens of Indiana. She leaves behind her young son Zayn, her parents Tom and Jennifer, her sisters Jayla and Tiana, her aunt Sherry, uncles Yuri, Timothy Patrick and her grandparents David and Susanne Malone.

Officer Leath will forever be missed by family, friends and her colleagues at the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department. The people of Indiana's Fifth Congressional District are eternally grateful for Breann's contributions to our Hoosier community and it is my privilege to honor her today. On behalf of all Hoosiers, I salute Officer Breann Leath for her impact and service to our community. I extend my deepest condolences to Breann's family, her friends, the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department, and the fellow officers who mourn her loss.

RECOGNIZING JEANETTE MAUK

HON. TIM RYAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 26, 2020

Mr. RYAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Jeanette Mauk, who is retiring on June 5, 2020 after 25 years working tirelessly in the labor movement.

Over the past 13 years at the Ohio AFL-CIO, Jeanette always fought for her members and the hardworking men and women of Ohio. She knows that strong labor is essential to our nation's economic success and to our ability to raise wages and provide family-supporting jobs.

Back in 2018, Jeanette was awarded the Union Sportsmen's Alliance Conservation Steward of the Year. This award recognizes volunteers from each of the USA's charter unions who have made exceptional contributions to organize union volunteers to donate their time and unique trade skills in the preservation of North America's outdoor heritage.

Even with well-deserved accolades, Jeanette knew the real rewards of being involved in the labor movement were giving back to our communities, fostering solidarity among union members, and building bridges between unions and the public.

I thank Jeannette for standing shoulder to shoulder with us in our fight for strong organized labor. Her work has not gone unnoticed. All my best to her in her next chapter.

IN HONOR OF HELEN HORLACHER
EVANS

HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 26, 2020

Mr. BARR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mrs. Helen Horlacher Evans. Mrs. Evans was born in Fortville, Indiana on June 11, 1920 and will soon be celebrating her 100th birthday.