

# EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF MOORE COUNTY SHERIFF LANE CARTER

**HON. RICHARD HUDSON**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Mr. HUDSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of former Moore County Sheriff Lane Carter. A strong and exemplary leader, Sheriff Carter served the Moore County Sheriff's Office for over thirty-five years.

Sheriff Carter passed away on May 14, 2020 and left behind a legacy of extraordinary accomplishment. He started his law enforcement career in 1978 and rose through the ranks of patrol and investigations. After being elected Sheriff in 2002, he faithfully served and protected the people of Moore County until his retirement in 2013.

Sheriff Carter was a compassionate public servant who was revered for the respect he afforded to all people. He treated the entire community as one big family and is credited with transforming public relations and community outreach within the Moore County Sheriff's Office.

The greatest test to Sheriff Carter's leadership came on one of the darkest days in North Carolina history. On March 29, 2009, eight people were killed and two others wounded in a shooting at a Moore County nursing home. Sheriff Carter's courage, strength, and his humanity helped lead a brokenhearted community through the pain and the grief.

My thoughts and prayers are with Sheriff Carter's wife, Anita; his children, Dana, Brent, Seth, and Ethan; and all who loved him. Sheriff Carter will live on in the hearts and minds of all who felt his kindness and I join the entire community in honoring his extraordinary life.

Madam Speaker, please join me today in honoring the life and legacy of Sheriff Lane Carter.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. JACKIE WALORSKI**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Mrs. WALORSKI. Madam Speaker, on May 28, I was unavoidably detained and unable to make it in time to vote.

Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 115.

PROCLAMATION: CERTIFICATE OF CONGRESSIONAL RECOGNITION

**HON. AL GREEN**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Mr. GREEN of Texas. Madam Speaker, I include in the RECORD the following Proclamation.

CERTIFICATE OF CONGRESSIONAL RECOGNITION PRESENTED TO THE FLOYD FAMILY IN REMEMBRANCE OF THE LIFE OF MR. GEORGE PERRY FLOYD, JR.

Whereas, Mr. George Perry Floyd, Jr. was born on October 14, 1973, to George Perry Floyd, Sr. and Larcenia Jones Floyd, in Fayetteville, North Carolina, was reared in Houston, Texas, and most recently resided in St. Louis Park, Minnesota, until his untimely passing;

Whereas, Mr. George Perry Floyd, Jr. was well-known as a "gentle giant" by his community, revered for his kindness and athleticism having been a star football and basketball player at Jack Yates High School where he was a proud member of the class of 1993;

Whereas, Mr. George Perry Floyd, Jr.'s athleticism allowed him to play both sports at the collegiate level—a rare but commendable accomplishment for any athlete, playing basketball at South Florida Community College and then football at Texas A&M Kingsville;

Whereas, Mr. George Perry Floyd, Jr. met his tragic demise on May 25, 2020 while in police custody, and the events that led to his death have sparked a global demand for justice for George Floyd, a call to action against police brutality, and an end to systemic racism; and

Whereas, Mr. George Perry Floyd, Jr. leaves to cherish his memory his five children, two grandchildren, three sisters, three brothers, as well as a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, and close friends.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that, on behalf of the constituents of the Ninth Congressional District of Texas, I take great pride in joining the City of Houston, the United States of America, and the entire in remembering the "Gentle Giant"—Mr. George Perry Floyd, Jr. I extend my heartfelt condolences to the Floyd Family during this time of remembrance. His legacy will stand the test of time.

June 9, 2020.

AL GREEN, Member of Congress.

REMEMBERING CHAIN SINGH SANDHU

**HON. HALEY M. STEVENS**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in memory of the great Chain Singh Sandhu, who passed away on May 16th at his

home in Northville, Michigan, after a courageous, four-year battle with cancer at the age of 78.

When Chain was five, his father was murdered during the partition of India. His mother was illiterate and raised him on a small farm in Punjab. Despite his modest upbringing, Sandhu had big dreams.

He came to the U.S. in 1969 with his wife, child, and eight dollars in his pocket. Though there were few opportunities for foreign engineers, he found a job on the assembly line at General Motors and eventually earned a position as a development engineer. At the time of his promotion, he was the first Indian ever to achieve a senior engineering title at General Motors.

In 1986, Mr. Sandhu took the opportunity to run a small company named NYX with declining revenues and a cash crisis. By 1989, he had purchased NYX. His dream was to create a company where people of all backgrounds, religions, and languages would be welcome. Today, the Livonia-based automotive supply company is a multinational organization with 17 locations and 4,200 employees in five countries.

For decades, Mr. Sandhu assisted hundreds of students and families immigrating to the U.S. He worked to provide an immediate community landing spot and professional growth opportunities, taking pride in watching the children of his employees become valued members of their communities and citizens of this country that he dearly loved.

Chain spent his final days at home on his farm in Northville surrounded by family. He was preceded in death by his brother, Raghbir Sandhu, and his daughter, Ramandeep Sandhu. He is survived by his wife Satwant, his brother Ram, his sons and their spouses: Jay (Roop) and Mick (Jessica); his four grandchildren who were the apples of his eyes: Nirvair, Naveen, Rajan, and Rohan; as well as the 4,200 employees of NYX he considered his family, and the indelible mark he left in a circle of people far and wide.

He will be remembered for being a fiercely loyal companion, father, grandfather, and friend, and for his positive outlook on life. "Every day is a good day" was a phrase he said each day, which is a memory that will continue to inspire everyone who knew him.

KUDOS TO THE HOUSTON CHRONICLE ON BEING NAMED NEWSROOM OF THE YEAR

**HON. PETE OLSON**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Mr. OLSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Houston Chronicle on being named the Texas Associated Press Managing Editors' Newsroom of the Year for the second year in a row.

From the Declaration of Independence to now, freedom of the press has been at the

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core of the American ideal. This inalienable, undeniable right is enshrined as the First Amendment of our Constitution. A free press keeps government in check and our communities informed.

The Houston Chronicle provides critical information to our community. This award reflects their commitment to a free press. Through their stellar reporting and top-notch writing, the people that make up the ranks of the Chronicle have made Houston home to the best newsroom in the entire state.

On behalf of the 22nd Congressional District of Texas, congratulations to the Houston Chronicle on receiving this well-earned and deserved distinction.

HONORING DR. CLINTON VASSETT  
TURNER, SR.

**HON. A. DONALD McEACHIN**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Mr. McEACHIN. Madam Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to honor and recognize the esteemed Dr. Clinton Vassett Turner, Sr., a public servant and educator who dedicated his life to promoting the welfare of others.

Dr. Turner left a lasting legacy, and the Commonwealth of Virginia is indebted to him for his years of service to our institutions of higher education. I greatly admire his dedication to academia, and the capable leadership that he brought to the roles he assumed, including at Virginia State University, Virginia Tech, and the Virginia state government.

As the first African-American in the nation to hold a cabinet-level position in a state department of agriculture, Dr. Turner succeeded in the face of adversity and became a role model for young people across our Commonwealth. Dr. Turner was recognized countless times for his remarkable achievements, including receiving the 1994 Virginia Man of the Year Award, and the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University Agricultural Alumni Organization Distinguished Service Citation. I am especially pleased to see his name memorialized as the first Virginian in the George Washington Carver Public Service Hall of Fame.

Dr. Turner challenged us to work with humble devotion to improve the lives of those around us, and I have no doubt that his legacy will continue to inspire generations of young men and women to pursue a life of service through academic excellence.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in expressing our deepest condolences to Dr. Turner's family, and in honoring his life's work.

CELEBRATING 140 YEARS OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ROMANIA

**HON. DEVIN NUNES**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Mr. NUNES. Madam Speaker, I rise along with Representatives MIKE CONAWAY, MICHAEL TURNER, BRAD WENSTRUP, CHRIS STEWART,

RICK CRAWFORD, ELISE STEFANIK, and WILL HURD, to celebrate 140 years of diplomatic relations between the United States and Romania.

Whereas, the United States established diplomatic relations with Romania in June 1880;

Whereas, the United States regards Romania as an important ally in Central and Southeast Europe, which is setting an example of steady commitment to democratic leadership, national and transatlantic security, and economic development;

Whereas, the United States and Romania have developed a strategic partnership built on longstanding friendship, historical ties and a joint promise to advancing the security and prosperity of their citizens and communities;

Whereas, the United States recognizes and appreciates Romania's lasting efforts to modernize its armed forces and meet its NATO burden-sharing commitments as one of the leading NATO members to allocate 2 percent of its gross domestic product (GDP) for defense spending;

Whereas, the Romanian Armed Forces have supported NATO and United States operations in Iraq, Afghanistan, and other theatres for almost two decades, contributing more than 30,000 total combat and support personnel to those missions, fighting alongside U.S. service members, and helping to protect vital security interests;

Whereas, Romania as a member of the Global Coalition to Defeat ISIS has deployed military trainers to train Iraqi Security Forces, provided humanitarian assistance to the people of Iraq and Syria, and is making remarkable efforts to support combatting international terrorism, including through critical intelligence sharing with Coalition partners;

Whereas, Romania has been a leading nation in providing cybersecurity support to NATO and its partners, and the first country to have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the U.S. Government on the secure implementation of fifth generation wireless communications (5G) technology aimed at protecting critical security infrastructure from disruption and interference;

Whereas, Romania has been a driving force leading to the establishment of the Three Seas Initiative, and one of the first countries to invest in the Three Seas Initiative Investment Fund, which aims at increasing energy independence and infrastructure connectivity across Central Europe thereby strengthening the United States and European security;

Whereas, Romania has been a champion of energy security in Europe, supporting the U.S. Government's Partnership for Transatlantic Energy Cooperation (P-TEC) initiative as leading partner on civil nuclear energy, helping to develop the next generation of nuclear technologies, and entering into a Memorandum of Understanding with the U.S. Government on strategic civil nuclear cooperation;

Whereas, the United States and Romania have been deepening their economic relationship through increased bilateral trade and investment, and Romania in 2017 hosted the tenth annual U.S. Commercial Service Trade Winds Forum and Trade Mission, helping American companies boost exports across Southeast Europe;

Whereas, the Governments of the United States and Romania are working closely together to develop an ambitious bilateral economic, trade, and investment agenda, includ-

ing through driving a record attendance over the past three consecutive years by more than 50 Romanian companies to the United States SelectUSA Summit;

Whereas, in 2018, as Romania celebrated its Unification Centennial, Governors from almost all 50 U.S. States issued Proclamations to congratulate Romanians and Romanian-Americans on that historic milestone, illustrating the close ties and friendship that exist between our nations and our people;

Whereas, during the first half of 2019 Romania conducted its first Presidency of the Council of the European Union and promoted a successful agenda advancing important U.S.-EU goals such as energy security, intellectual property, human rights and regional cooperation across the Balkans and the Black Sea area;

Whereas, in 2019 Romanians all across America commemorated 30 years since Romania's liberation from the former communist regime, a powerful reminder of the fall of the Iron Curtain in 1989 and a celebration of the triumphant call of freedom, liberty and dignity;

Whereas, over more than a century successive generations of Romanian-Americans have contributed their resources of talent and entrepreneurship to American progress, and their rich cultural heritage represents a most precious feature of the American society;

Whereas, during these times of unprecedented challenge caused by the Covid-19 pandemic crisis the United States and Romania are strengthening their partnership, helping each other in meaningful ways such as U.S. assistance with targeted funds and medical emergency equipment, and Romanian support for the swift repatriation of U.S. nationals overseas, and working together to enhance their mutual security and economic recovery and prosperity;

Whereas, as a sign of solidarity and friendship between the Romanian and the American people, Romania has sent its first medical and expert support and advisory mission to the State of Alabama, assigning 15 Romanian doctors, medical staff and chemical and biological risk experts to exchange best practices and assist local Covid-19 efforts in care facilities, nursing homes and hospitals across Alabama, thus strengthening our mutual capabilities to fight the virus pandemic and protect the health and lives of our citizens;

Whereas, 2020 marks the 140th anniversary of diplomatic relations between the United States and Romania: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

(1) celebrates the 140th anniversary of diplomatic relations between the United States and Romania and congratulates Romania and the Romanian people for their historic achievements as a nation and their steadfast pursuit of democratic, political, social and economic progress;

(2) reaffirms the close bonds between the United States and Romania, based on their common commitment to the values of freedom, liberal democracy, rule of law and economic prosperity;

(3) recognizes and appreciates Romania's principled standing for transatlantic unity and solidarity, and its leadership and contribution to advancing close U.S.-EU relations;

(4) calls on the Executive Branch of the U.S. Government to continue to strengthen the strategic partnership between the United

States and Romania and to find new ways to leverage, support and develop the friendship and cooperation between our two nations.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. JACKIE WALORSKI**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Mrs. WALORSKI. Madam Speaker, on May 15, and May 27, I was unavoidably detained and unable to make it in time to vote. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 105; NAY on Roll Call No. 106; YEA on Roll Call No. 110; NAY on Roll Call No. 111; and NAY on Roll Call No. 112.

IN CELEBRATION OF JEFF ZIARKO

**HON. HALEY M. STEVENS**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in celebration of the fortieth birthday of an exceptional policy advisor and advocate, Mr. Jeff Ziarko.

Jeff has spent over a decade of his life designing and advocating for economic policy initiatives on Capitol Hill and in the private sector. He is a respected member of the economic and tax policy communities in Washington, and he has a record of effectively working with both sides of the aisle to advance sound public policy.

Jeff served as Senior Economic Policy Advisor for the House Ways & Means Committee and its former Ranking Member, Representative Sandy Levin. During his time on Ranking Member Levin's staff, Jeff led successful initiatives to promote access to capital for small businesses and communities, promote domestic manufacturing, support the deployment of alternative energy technologies and improve the fairness of the tax code. Jeff has had a hand in so many of the policies that improve the lives of hardworking Americans today.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in reflecting on the forty years of life Jeff Ziarko has spent contributing to his community, and to our country at large.

RECOGNIZING BUSINESSMAN AND INDIANA UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL PLAYER, CHRIS BEATY

**HON. ANDRÉ CARSON**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor and recognize Chris Beaty, beloved businessman and former Indiana University football player who was killed in Indianapolis on Saturday, May 30th, 2020, at the age of 38.

Chris lost his life during a heroic act of bravery after witnessing a robbery in downtown Indianapolis. Intervening in the hope of saving the two victims, Chris was shot and killed.

Known as 'Mr. Indianapolis', Chris grew up in the Circle City and was loved by all who

knew him. He was described as a passionate, caring, and happy man with a giant heart. Chris loved his community and worked tirelessly to break down racial barriers.

He played offensive line at Indiana University from 2000 to 2004 and on three state championship-winning teams during his high school years at Cathedral High School.

As a businessman, Chris managed several nightclubs in Indianapolis and owned his own events promotion, company, Fresh Marketing, LLC.

Chris is survived by his mother, Debra A. Beaty-Cooper; father, Robert E. Beaty; sisters, Rhonda Cooper and Tracee Cooper, as well as seven nieces and nephews.

Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Chris Beaty. His impact on our community will not soon be forgotten. We lost a Hoosier Hero to a senseless act of violence, and our city mourns.

IN HONOR OF FRANK JOHN HENDRICKS, JR.

**HON. ANDY BARR**

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Mr. BARR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Frank John Hendricks, Jr. Mr. Hendricks lives in Lexington, Kentucky and celebrates his 101st birthday on July 6th.

Mr. Hendricks joined the United States Army during World War II. He served with the 550th Army Airborne Glider Battalion and attained the rank of Sergeant First Class. He flew gliders and fought in battles in North Africa, Sicily, Burma, Normandy, and all across Europe. He was a part of the D-Day invasion. He participated in the Battle of the Bulge and the invasion of Germany, leading to the end of the war in Europe. As a glider pilot, he flew and fought behind enemy lines to drive the enemy into the U. S. Army front lines. He led a reconnaissance team to identify the enemy positions and determine the terrain for future glider missions.

It is my honor to recognize Mr. Hendricks, celebrate his 101st birthday, and thank him for his service and sacrifice to our nation during World War II. As a part of "The Greatest Generation", Mr. Hendricks and his fellow soldiers fought to preserve the freedoms that we enjoy today, and we can never thank them enough. I am forever grateful for Americans like Frank John Hendricks, Jr.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JASON NORTON

**HON. DAN BISHOP**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Mr. Jason L. Norton, who sadly lost his battle against cancer last Wednesday.

Jason was a native of Hamlet, North Carolina and learned of his passion for helping others and athletics early in his life.

After graduating from Richmond Senior High School in 1990, Jason earned a Bachelor of

Arts degree in Sociology from Catawba College and a Master's Degree in School Administration and Curriculum from the University of North Carolina at Pembroke. Jason served as a role model to many young people in Richmond County, where he taught mathematics while coaching football, baseball, and basketball.

Jason would later become the Assistant Principal and Athletic Director for Pine Forest High School in Fayetteville, where he remained dedicated to the academic and athletic success of his students. He served as a mentor to all and was always eager to lend a helping hand. Jason led the Educational Based Athletics program at Pine Forest and coordinated the annual Play for Kay basketball fundraiser, which has raised thousands to advance research for women's cancer. While Jason loved to train student athletes, he instilled values of teamwork, perseverance and commitment in all his students.

Before starting his career in education, Jason served as the Assistant Parks and Recreation Director for the City of Hamlet for over a decade. He served as a referee, a scheduler, and anything else that was needed, living out the principles of service and dedication he spent his life teaching.

Jason was a pillar in his community and was loved by all who knew him. He fought until his very last day with us. He is survived by his wife, Lauren, and his three children.

While Jason left us far too young, he had a lasting impact on the lives of young people and created a community of folks connected by his leadership.

Jason's passing represents a grave loss in Hamlet and across North Carolina. May his selfless dedication and passion be an example for us all.

WELCOME JULIAN WINTER GERMAN

**HON. HALEY M. STEVENS**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I am happy to congratulate Aaron and Kristi German on the birth of their new baby boy, Julian Winter German. Julian Winter German was born on May 9, 2020, at Sentara RMH Medical Center in Harrisonburg, Virginia. Julian weighed eight pounds and three ounces and measured 20 inches long.

I would also like to congratulate Julian's grandparents, John and Barbara German of Harrisonburg, Virginia, and Montie and Karen Armentrout of Harrisonburg, Virginia. Congratulations to the entire family as they welcome their newest addition of pure pride and joy.

HONORING THE SCOUTS, SEA SCOUTS AND VENTURERS OF THE ALOHA COUNCIL OF THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

**HON. ED CASE**

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Mr. CASE. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor the Scouts, Sea Scouts and Venturers

of the Aloha Council of the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) as they undertake the BSA Mapathon.

Headquartered in Hawaii's First Congressional District, the Aloha Council prepares young people in Hawai'i to make ethical and moral choices throughout their lifetime by instilling in them the traditional Hawaiian values of responsibility (kuleana), helpfulness (kōkua) and taking of the land (mālama i ka 'āina) with aloha.

The BSA launched the BSA Mapathon on May 8, 2020. This national effort encourages Scouts to contribute to the Missing Maps Project. This project will update and improve the Red Cross' maps for regions at the greatest risk of humanitarian crises. The Missing Maps Project enables anyone with access to a computer to participate in humanitarian mapping by crowdsourcing volunteer efforts using a free and open-source mapping software.

In Hawai'i, the Aloha Council has embodied the values of responsibility (kuleana) by advancing the mission of humanitarian mapping. Their helpfulness (kōkua) in this noble national effort and their taking care of the land (mālama i ka 'āina) with their act of aloha will be remembered in Hawai'i and our nation, especially if there is new crisis.

I am proud to join with the Scouts in promoting humanitarian mapping, especially in Hawai'i where we have done so while promoting Hawaiian cultural values. I urge the House of Representatives to recognize the work of the Aloha Council and other councils throughout our nation who have joined in on this important endeavor.

HONORING EAGAN RESIDENT RICK  
KLEVEN

**HON. ANGIE CRAIG**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Ms. CRAIG. Madam Speaker, I rise together with my Minnesota colleague Representative EMMER to honor my Eagan constituent, Richard "Rick" Kleven, on the incredible milestone of his retirement from Thrivent this month after more than 39 years of dedicated service. It has been a great experience working with Rick through the years and knowing his passion for Thrivent's unique mission as a fraternal benefit society connecting financial security and community impact.

A lifelong Minnesotan and proud "Iron-Ranger" who grew up in Grand Rapids, MN, Rick is a true Minnesota sports team fan, particularly a diehard for our Vikings. He received his J.D. from the University of Minnesota Law School and his B.A. from the University of Minnesota—Duluth. Rick has led Thrivent's Government Affairs activities for more than 17 years, and served previously in a number of roles as legal counsel and manager of corporate legal functions within the organization through his long arc of service which began in 1981 when Thrivent was Lutheran Brotherhood.

Rick has been a great advocate on policy matters on Thrivent's behalf, but also walks the walk of Thrivent's mission of service—something he learned from both of his parents, including his Dad who was awarded Itasca County's Outstanding Senior Volunteer

of the Year in 2018. Rick has volunteered as a Big Brother, served as a board member for multiple nonprofit organizations, and epitomizes the ubiquitous Thrivent t-shirt that says "Live Generously." Recently, he served as Chairman of the Board of Gilda's Club Twin Cities, and played a crucial role in helping to raise money to build the organization's clubhouse that provides support for people with cancer as well as their families and friends. Rick also served for 8 years on the board of Person to Person, a charitable organization that operates Meals on Wheels and various other programs to help the needy in the Twin Cities area. He also was part of the original start-up board of FINNEGANS, the first beer company in the world to donate 100 percent of profits back to local food shelves. Rick currently sits on the board of the American Fraternal Alliance, the nationwide coalition of not-for-profit fraternal benefit societies.

I know that Representative EMMER and I speak for many of my colleagues on both sides of the aisle from Minnesota and beyond when I say that Rick's presence will be missed here in DC. However, I hope to see Rick back home most likely either walking his dogs or still Living Generously helping our neighbors in need. We wish Rick the best in retirement. Congratulations.

RECOGNIZING TODD SPANGLER OF  
WHITEFISH

**HON. GREG GIANFORTE**

OF MONTANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Mr. GIANFORTE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Todd Spangler of Whitefish for providing his community with personal protective equipment during the COVID-19 outbreak.

In March, Todd read about how a group in Billings created a 3D printer design for the "Montana Mask." The developers released the design and free open-source software to the public so others could produce the mask.

Around that time, Todd's wife, who works with a local ophthalmologist, told him the practice had about a week's supply of masks. Todd, a chemistry teacher at Whitefish High School, contacted people he knew with 3D printers. In no time, an informal group of educators, physicians, and dentists started making the needed masks.

Using a 3D printer from Todd's classroom as well as others from Flathead Valley Community College, they got to work. In no time, the group produced 600 masks. Todd delivered the masks throughout the Flathead Valley, including to independent health care practices, providers at Kalispell Regional Healthcare, and first responders throughout the region.

Todd says the effort helped him find purpose during the crisis. He admits being under quarantine was challenging for him and many Montanans but identifying a need and taking the initiative to help fulfill that need have guided him. When your families and friends need masks, Todd says, you must find a way to protect your loved ones and coworkers. For Todd, this crisis, while devastating for a lot of people, has brought out the best in so many.

Madam Speaker, for taking the initiative and leading a project to protect Montanans in a

time of crisis, I recognize Todd Spangler of Whitefish for his Spirit of Montana.

WELCOME MILES BENJAMIN ROSE

**HON. HALEY M. STEVENS**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I am happy to congratulate the Honorable MAX ROSE and his wife Leigh on the arrival of their new baby boy, Miles Benjamin Rose. Miles Benjamin Rose was born on March 14, 2020, weighing seven pounds and seven ounces and measuring in at 21 inches long.

I would also like to congratulate Miles' grandparents, Lisa and Hal Rose, Luke Byrne and Carol Westermann, and Dr. Linda Marsanico. Congratulations to the entire family as they welcome their newest addition of pure pride and joy.

CELEBRATING CHRISTIAN  
GUZMAN'S ENTREPRENEURIAL  
SPIRIT

**HON. PETE OLSON**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Mr. OLSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize an incredible entrepreneur in Stafford, Texas that is sharing his love of fitness with our community.

Christian Guzman does not view his job as simply work—to him, it's his passion. Building his "playground" is his American Dream, and he is passionately pursuing it.

At only 27 years old, Mr. Guzman has used social media to build up his business, starting from an online-only presence to being in charge of his own physical gym. Mr. Guzman has built up an immense following, not only in TX-22 but around the world, drawing an audience of more than one million fitness enthusiasts online.

Now, thanks to his hard work and entrepreneurial spirit, Mr. Guzman's business, Alphaete Gym, will be expanding into a complex of gyms that will eventually feature a hotel and restaurant.

Madam Speaker, Mr. Guzman's incredible accomplishment shows that through determination, hard work and perseverance, any person can build their own "playground" and find success while doing it.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, I'd like to congratulate Mr. Guzman on his continued success.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF SER-  
GEANT MAJOR JAMES O.  
SCHMIDT, U.S. ARMY, RETIRED

**HON. DON YOUNG**

OF ALASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Mr. YOUNG. Madam Speaker, I am deeply honored to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation to Sergeant Major James O.

Schmidt, U.S. Army, Retired, of Anchorage, for his years of dedicated service to the United States of America.

SGM Schmidt's military career spanned 22 years, over three decades, and three wars. What is even more remarkable than his years of dedicated military service, is how it began. In 1942, at the age of 14, SGM Schmidt lied about his age, joined the Army, and was sent off to training. He would go on to jump into Sicily with the 82nd Airborne Division during the war at just 15 years old. Subsequently, he was wounded and discharged once his true age was discovered after his mother wrote a letter to President Franklin Roosevelt regarding her underage son fighting in the war. Undeterred, SGM Schmidt would once again lie about his age and join the Navy. However, after several months in the Navy, they would also find his age and remove him from service.

Thankfully, his determination to serve did not stop at the end of World War II. In 1946, at the age of 18, he would rejoin the Army and eventually fight in the Battle of the Chosin Reservoir in the Korean War. He would later go on to be accepted into, and serve in, Special Forces. As a member of the 7th Special Forces Group, SGM Schmidt would fight in Vietnam and Laos during the Vietnam War. Eventually, he became the Sergeant Major for all 7th Group's A Teams in Vietnam before moving to the 5th Special Forces Group. In 1965 SGM Schmidt would return to Fort Bragg and retire after 22 years of honorable service.

However, retirement clearly did not sit well with the Sergeant Major. He returned to Vietnam, for a few years as a member of Air America, a passenger and cargo airline that was secretly owned and operated by the Central Intelligence Agency. SGM Schmidt is one of very few soldiers who has two stars on his Combat Infantryman Badge; he was also the recipient of the Silver Star with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Bronze Star Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, and the Purple Heart Medal with one Oak Leaf Cluster.

It is my honor to recognize the selfless service and sacrifice of SGM Schmidt on behalf of a grateful Nation.

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REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF  
LEWIS FARMER REEVES, JR.

**HON. DOUG COLLINS**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the remarkable life of Lewis Farmer Reeves, Jr., of Clayton, Georgia, who went to be with the Lord just last month. For 82 years, Lewis stood as a pillar of the community.

After graduating from Rabun County High School and attending the Georgia Institute of Technology, Lewis committed his life's work to his family's business, Reeves Hardware. During his 55 years serving as President, he expanded the company to additional locations in Dillard and Clayton, creating countless jobs across our community in northeast Georgia. Now, three generations of the Reeves family have followed in his legacy of carrying on the family business.

Beyond his family business, Lewis further dedicated himself to his community by serving in a number of capacities. He served on the Rabun County School Board of Education from 1966 to 1984 and continued to give back to the next generation through his involvement with Future Farmers of America and Livestock Shows teams. A lifelong member of the Clayton First United Methodist Church, founding member of the Walnut Flat's Hunting Club, and an active member of the Clayton Volunteer Fire Department, there is hardly a facet of community life where Lewis has not left a positive impact.

The loss of Lewis Reeves is a loss that will be felt by our entire community. I can tell you firsthand that his spirit of service is apparent each time I visit one of his stores, and his legacy will continue to live on through his family business. On behalf of the people of Northeast Georgia, I join his family in mourning the loss of a life well lived, and I thank Lewis for leaving this world better than he found it. May he rest in peace.

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REMEMBERING AJAIB KAUR  
DHADLI

**HON. HALEY M. STEVENS**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in memory of Ajaib Kaur Dhadli, who passed away on May 12th at the age of 94.

Born in Pakistan on March 26, 1926, Ajaib Kaur Dhadli was the oldest of five sisters of Ajit Singh and Sant Kaur. Ajaib Kaur was married to late Sardar Harchand Singh Dhadli in 1946, until his passing in 2015. Throughout the course of her life, she worked tirelessly throughout the house, while also raising her three children, Raminder Singh, Baljinder Kaur and Raminder Kaur. She was instrumental in molding her children which helped them find success in their careers and lives. As they grew older and had children of their own, Ajaib helped raise her grandchildren with pride. Those closest to Ajaib Kaur Dhadli would describe her as hard working, nurturing, and a woman of faith.

Ajaib Kaur Dhadli is survived by her sisters Inderjit Kaur, Narinder Kaur and Kanwaljit Kaur, son, Raminder Singh, daughters Raminder Kaur, and Baljinder Kaur, five grandchildren including Shamsher Singh, Harleen Kaur, Amneet Kaur, Tejveer Singh and Harraj Singh, as well as four great grandchildren Kiran, Jasleen, Arjun and Tegvir.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in reflecting on the special life of Ajaib Kaur Dhadli.

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RECOGNIZING CENTER TOWNSHIP  
CONSTABLE, MARK ANTHONY  
'TONY' DUNCAN

**HON. ANDRÉ CARSON**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor and recognize our friend,

Mark Anthony "Tony" Duncan who passed away on Saturday, June 6, 2020.

Tony was a lifelong public servant, engaged civic leader, and activist. He dedicated himself to service for decades, first as Center Township Deputy Trustee to my grandmother, the late Congresswoman Julia Carson, when she served as Township Trustee. He later served when he was elected as the Center Township Constable in Marion County, a position he held until his passing, where he was legendary for serving justice with compassion.

As a lifelong Democrat, Tony advocated for the Democratic Party, holding all accountable for their actions and changing the electorate of Marion County, Indiana. He served as the Treasurer for the Marion County Democratic Party and worked tirelessly to elect local Democratic candidates. His passion and knowledge of our community will not soon be forgotten.

On a personal note, Tony served as my lifelong mentor, confidant, and friend. Beginning at a young age, Tony took me under his wings, imparting political wisdom. He was part of my family, and always there if you needed him.

Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Tony Duncan, a dear friend, fellow Democrat, and public servant who will be dearly missed by me, as well as his family, friends, and community.

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CELEBRATING THE 100TH  
BIRTHDAY OF WILMA WILSON

**HON. DAN BISHOP**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mrs. Wilma H. Wilson of Charlotte, North Carolina on her 100th birthday.

Mrs. Wilson is a long time native of Charlotte, and currently resides in the South Park neighborhood. She and her husband spent their lives spreading God's word as devoted Christians. And—as all who know her can attest—she embodies what she believes and sets an example for us all.

Mrs. Wilson and her husband, Grady, were close friends of evangelist Billy Graham early in his life. The two quickly became involved in the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association (BGEA), and Grady became a top associate from its founding to his death in the late 1980s. Mrs. Wilson had extensive involvement in the BGEA television and radio broadcasting department, where she was integral in making Billy Graham's famous Crusades accessible to thousands.

Wilma's work stretched the reach of the message of Christ and helped spread the news of God's love to many for the first time. Mrs. Wilson is the last surviving member of the founding generation of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association. Her commitment to spreading God's word has impacted millions of people in the United States and made our world a better place.

It is an honor to wish Wilma Wilson a very happy 100th birthday.

RECOGNIZING TEACHERS AND  
STAFF OF STAGECOACH ELE-  
MENTARY SCHOOL

**HON. J. FRENCH HILL**

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Mr. HILL of Arkansas. Madam Speaker, today, I recognize the teachers and staff at Stagecoach Elementary School in Cabot, Arkansas for going above and beyond for their students during the current public health crisis due to COVID-19.

They have adapted their teaching process to ensure they are meeting the academic needs of their students, but they are also finding creative ways to maintain relationships with students, their families, and the community.

The teachers and staff have gone above and beyond by delivering groceries to families in need, continuing to offer breakfast and lunch for their students, providing supplies like laptops to families who may not have the necessary equipment for at-home learning, and conducting parades throughout the student's neighborhoods to lift spirits, and bring the community together.

This initiative has shined a light on how adapting to the situation at hand and responding with positivity can unite a community even amidst a public health crisis.

I congratulate the teachers and staff at Stagecoach Elementary School for their creative way of continuing education for Arkansas students and for ending the year on a strong note.

RECOGNIZING ALLAN HURSIG, THE  
BEARDED BAKER OF TX-22

**HON. PETE OLSON**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Mr. OLSON. Madam Speaker, we often tell our children that, when life gives you lemons, you make lemonade. When life gave Allan Hursig lemons, he made cookies and created a thriving business.

After being "unfortunately, but fortunately laid off" from his job as an oil and gas landman, Mr. Hursig turned to baking as a hobby. His elaborately decorated cookies found fame on the Internet, and he launched The Bearded Baker in 2016 to take his hobby to the next level.

Mr. Hursig's sweet treats garnered so much popularity that he even competed on the Food Network's "Christmas Cookie Challenge."

Mr. Hursig is living proof of that creativity, artistry and perseverance are tools for success in our great nation. On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, he has made our community very proud.

WELCOME KITTRIDGE CHARLES &  
ADLER ELNORA LOPATA-PAGAN

**HON. HALEY M. STEVENS**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I am happy to congratulate State Representative Kristy Pagan and Karl Lopata of Canton, Michigan, on the birth of their babies, Kittridge Charles and Adler Elnora Lopata-Pagan. Kittridge Charles was born on Martin Luther King Jr. Day on January 20, 2020, weighing six pounds and fourteen ounces and measuring in at 19.7 inches long. Adler Elnora was born on January 21, 2020, weighing five pounds and twelve ounces and measuring in at 18.9 inches long. Kittridge and Adler were born at Von Voigtlander Women's Hospital at the University of Michigan.

I would also like to congratulate Kittridge and Adler's grandparents, Nick and Kathy Pagan of Plymouth, Michigan, and Karl and Judy Lopata of Canton, Michigan, as well as aunts and uncles Jenna and Bill Pagan-DeYoung of Kalamazoo, Michigan (cousin Evelyn Pagan-DeYoung, cousin Elliot Pagan-DeYoung), Kimberly Pagan of Arlington, Virginia, and K.C. Lopata of Ann Arbor, Michigan. Congratulations to the entire family as they welcome the new loves and lights of their lives.

INTRODUCTION OF THE NATIONAL  
DEFENSE NET ZERO REVIEW  
ACT OF 2020

**HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Mr. HASTINGS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to introduce the National Defense Net Zero Review Act of 2020, legislation that will refocus the Defense Department's (DoD's) efforts on Net Zero initiatives and require the Secretary to establish the first integrated master plan for achieving Net Zero energy benchmarks.

The DoD consumes more energy than any other federal agency, spending nearly \$12 billion on energy in FY2017, approximately two percent of the Department's total budget. Since the early 2000s, the DoD has made commendable progress in implementing Net Zero projects. These initiatives have generally focused on efforts to produce more energy from renewable sources on installations, limit consumption of water in order to not deplete the local watershed, and reduce, reuse, and recover waste to prevent unnecessary additions to landfills.

Unfortunately, Madam Speaker, while progress has been made, it simply isn't enough. In fact, many of the energy benchmarks established by previous acts of Congress have never been achieved by the DoD, and many of the goals announced by senior DoD leaders over the past decade are no longer being pursued. To quote from the findings from a 2016 Government Accountability Office (GAO) study—the most systemic review of Net Zero with the DoD—the Department has "not established an integrated net zero

strategy or policy for achieving Net Zero," and "none of the military departments have established Net Zero as a funded program". Further, the DoD has not fully identified the potential costs of implementing net zero initiatives, due at least in part to insufficiently defined statutory goals.

On the operational side of energy usage, DoD emissions for all military operations between 2001 and 2017 are estimated to be 766 million metric tons of carbon dioxide. The FY2017 Operational Energy Annual Report found that the Department used roughly 87 million barrels of fuel per year, which comes out to some 240,000 barrels per day. These findings paint a clear picture, that absent Congressional interest and oversight, pursuing and achieving Net Zero will not be prioritized in the way that it should be.

The legislation that I am introducing today will get us back on track with a wholesale review of Net Zero initiatives under the DoD. First, my bill commissions two studies from the Comptroller General of the United States—a follow-up to the 2016 study and a second examining options for increasing efficiency and resilience on the operational side of the DoD's energy usage—that will analyze the extent to which these types of initiatives have been implemented, and the associated costs, benefits, challenges, and opportunities that exist for moving forward. These studies also solicit new information from the DoD, including anticipated funding and infrastructure needs to get serious about achieving Net Zero, and options for achieving specific benchmarks. Once this information is at hand, my legislation requires the Secretary of the DoD to present Congress with a master plan outlining an integrated strategy for achieving these initiatives in a manner that continues to prioritize military readiness.

Importantly, Madam Speaker, my bill does not impose any arbitrary deadlines or requirements of the DoD. Rather, this legislation focuses on gathering the data we need to know what is feasible, what we'll need to get it done, and how much time it will take, so that Congress can make informed decisions in the future. This is the right way to move forward, and I urge my colleagues to support this measure.

INTRODUCTION OF THE COVID-19  
MEMORIAL QUILT ACT OF 2020

**HON. ANDRÉ CARSON**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, June 11, 2020*

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Madam Speaker, I am pleased to introduce the COVID-19 Memorial Quilt Act of 2020 to honor all the victims of this pandemic with a national memorial quilt.

The horrors of the COVID-19 pandemic have touched every corner of our country, wreaking unprecedented devastation on Americans' lives. As I introduce this legislation today, COVID-19 has infected at least two million Americans. Tragically, this disease has quickly robbed our country of at least 112,000 of our fellow citizens. We need to remember that these numbers are not just statistics: they are people. They are our moms, dads, children, grandparents, neighbors, teachers, religious leaders and fellow Americans who have been taken from us due to this pandemic.

Moreover, these numbers do not capture the depth of this disease's devastation. While our television screens are often filled with images of empty streets and packed hospitals, we often don't see the private isolation and loneliness of the individual struggles against COVID-19. In order to slow the spread of this disease, our hospitals, nursing homes, funeral homes, and businesses have had to impose strict social distancing and protective measures. While necessary for our public health, these restrictions come at a great human cost and deepen the private pain caused by this disease.

For the thousands of brave patients fighting COVID-19, including the hospitalized patients, nursing home residents, and individuals at home in quarantine, the struggle against COVID-19 is a lonely, scary, and isolating fight. In hospitals and nursing homes, often a patient's only human contact is a health care worker in full personal protective equipment (PPE). Family, friends, and loved ones can't be there to provide comfort, to hold their hands, or to pray with them in this terrifying time. At best, loving words and support might be shared over the telephone or video call. At worst, there is only an isolating silence where a loved one should be. These scars need to be acknowledged and hopefully healed.

The death toll from COVID-19 is even more wrenching. At least 112,000 Americans—whether in the hospital, the nursing home, or at home—have met the end of their lives without the comfort of their family, friends, or loved ones. Yesterday, more than 1,100 Americans died from this disease, and many were forced to close their eyes without the support of their loved ones nearby.

We know that at least 40,600 deaths from COVID-19—close to 40 percent of all deaths—have occurred in a nursing home, where restrictions are especially tight, and visitations curtailed. In my home state of Indiana, we have lost at least 1,011 Hoosiers to COVID-19 at nursing homes.

We also know that African Americans are dying at disproportionate rates from COVID-19. African Americans in Indiana, despite representing 9.8 percent of the state's population, account for 15.1 percent of deaths from COVID-19. Institutional racism, compounded by environmental and economic injustices, have made COVID-19 particularly devastating for African Americans. My heart grieves for my

fellow Americans who took their last breath, because of this terrible disease, without the loving comfort and support they deserved.

For the family, friends, and loved ones of those who died from COVID-19, the isolation and loneliness brought by this disease only grows after their loved one's passing. Social distancing and the isolating fear of this disease prevent us from adequately honoring and memorializing the many victims of COVID-19. Large memorial services are not possible. Family gatherings to celebrate lost loved ones are curtailed, with supportive hugs replaced by six feet of distance and protective masks. Private funeral services—if not cancelled or postponed altogether—have often had to take place with only 10 people or less.

In addition to its sickness, death, and disruption, COVID-19 has robbed us of traditional ways of honoring our lost loved ones. Holding smaller funerals or forgoing them entirely because of social distancing measures has denied us the opportunity to fully celebrate the lives of the deceased. Our ability to publicly grieve together, and to adequately honor and celebrate the lost has been largely denied due to this isolating and frightening disease.

Many Americans will also remember another isolating and frightening disease: the AIDS epidemic. Ryan White, a brave and remarkable Hoosier, faced isolation and many frightening obstacles because of his AIDS diagnosis. However, Ryan's courage, bravery, and advocacy for AIDS research galvanized many in support of AIDS treatment, research and recognition of this disease's horrific impact. Since no official commemoration existed, concerned Americans decided to celebrate and honor the lives of those who died from AIDS—often isolated and alone—by creating a memorial quilt. As a result, in 1987, the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt was displayed and stretched the length of the National Mall. This remarkable quilt allowed us to honor and celebrate the lives of those tragically lost to a frightening disease, which at that time, had no cure, vaccine or effective treatment. More than 105,000 individual lives are commemorated through this quilt's 50,000 individual panels that contain photographs, correspondence, and news clippings to remember those who died from AIDS. In these panels, the memory of the victims were able to live on in public view.

Inspired by the brave advocacy and powerful legacy of the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt, I am proud to introduce the COVID-19 Memorial Quilt Act of 2020. This legislation honors and celebrates the lives of those we have lost to the COVID-19 pandemic through the creation of a memorial quilt. Like the AIDS quilt, creating a memorial quilt to remember the lives lost due to COVID-19 will allow Americans to publicly grieve our lost loved ones, but also commemorate their lives in permanent, visible, and dignified way.

The COVID-19 Memorial Quilt Act of 2020 authorizes the design, creation, and display of a memorial quilt and other commemorative programming and exhibits to honor the victims of the COVID-19 pandemic. My legislation does this by creating a Congressional Advisory Panel which will submit plans to the Smithsonian Institution and the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress for how the quilt should be developed and displayed. Once complete, this memorial quilt will be displayed on the United State Capitol Grounds with a subsequent display on the National Mall and other locations, continuing the legacy of the AIDS quilt. This legislation also supports the powerful creativity of artists around the country by providing them with grants from the National Endowment of the Arts (NEA) to help design and prepare panels for the memorial quilt.

All Americans have been affected by COVID-19. All have felt the disruption wrought by this pandemic to our families, our workplaces, our businesses, our places of worship, and our social lives. But that is nothing compared to the Americans who have not only faced disruptions, but also the wrenching loss of loved ones from this disease. Because of social distancing and protective restrictions, we have been denied the ability to adequately honor, commemorate, and publicly celebrate those we have lost. And unfortunately, as more Americans continue to die in isolation from this disease, this deficit in our collective grief will only grow. As a result, my legislation builds on the powerful legacy of the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt and will help our country to collectively grieve and appropriately honor the victims of COVID-19.

Madam Speaker, I hope my colleagues will join us in supporting the COVID-19 Memorial Quilt Act of 2020, and I urge the House to support this legislation.