

I know that everyone in this Chamber came here to make their mark, to better their communities, to strengthen our Nation. We must seize this moment. We must seize it for Trisha and Jed. We must seize it for their children. We must seize it for their children's children.

We must show the Nation that Congress is up to the task that is before us now. We must and will act now.

RECOGNIZING INDEPENDENT COMMUNITY BANKERS ASSOCIATION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Arkansas (Mr. HILL) for 5 minutes.

Mr. HILL of Arkansas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Independent Community Bankers Association and Little Rock's Venture Center. Together, they have renewed their partnership and commitment to the ThinkTECH Accelerator program for an additional 3 years.

The ThinkTECH Accelerator brings community banks and fintech innovators together to develop new technologies specifically for community banks and the customers they serve. Not only has it received high praise from local government and top business leaders, but this renewal will keep tech entrepreneurs coming back to Arkansas for mentorship and much-needed capital.

I look forward to working alongside the ICBA, the Venture Center, State leaders, and our entrepreneurs to continuously aid our small banks and enhance our economy here at home.

RECOGNIZING KAYLE BROWNING

Mr. HILL of Arkansas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ms. Kayle Browning's great achievement of representing Arkansas and the United States of America at the Tokyo Olympics as a part of Team USA's Olympic trap team.

Kayle is from Wooster, Arkansas, and graduated from Greenbrier High School. She went on to attend the University of Central Arkansas.

Kayle started shooting at the young age of 8 in the yard with her dad, who is also an avid sporting clay shooter.

She began her target shooting career in sporting clay and then made the All-America Team at the age of 12. Kayle also represented Arkansas and Team USA as an alternate in the 2012 Olympics in London.

Kayle has shown dedication and determination over the years, and I am proud to have her represent our State on the national stage as an Olympian.

I congratulate her on her achievement of joining Team USA's Olympic trap team.

RECOGNIZING COACH MARCUS DAVIS

Mr. HILL of Arkansas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Coach Marcus Davis on his recent retirement from the Little Rock School District.

Coach Davis has been an integral member of the Little Rock School Dis-

trict for 36 years, 33 of which were spent at Cloverdale Middle School.

In his tenure in the Little Rock District, Coach Davis has served as the head boys basketball coach, head girls volleyball coach, and the head girls track coach. In addition, Coach Davis taught both physical education and health education.

The lasting connections Coach Davis made with his athletes and students over the course of nearly four decades is truly inspirational.

On behalf of all Arkansans, I thank Coach Davis for his devotion to educating and coaching our youth, and I congratulate him on a terrific career and a well-deserved retirement.

CONGRATULATING LITTLE ROCK ON BICYCLE FRIENDLY AWARD

Mr. HILL of Arkansas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate the city of Little Rock, Arkansas, for being awarded the Bronze-level Bicycle Friendly Community Award from the League of American Bicyclists.

As a biker and former board member of Bicycle Advocacy for Central Arkansas, I am pleased that my hometown was honored for its commitment to improving biking and safer streets for everyone.

The Bronze-level Bicycle Friendly Community Award recognizes the city of Little Rock for creating transportation and recreational resources that benefit its residents of all ages and abilities while encouraging healthier and more sustainable transportation choices.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the League of American Bicyclists for highlighting Little Rock's efforts to make biking a safe, accessible option for people whether they are commuting to essential jobs or simply enjoying our growing, amazing network of trails.

SUPPORT STRUCTURAL CHANGE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. FOSTER) for 5 minutes.

Mr. FOSTER. Mr. Speaker, on Thursday of last week, I was proud to join my colleagues to vote for the historic George Floyd Justice in Policing Act.

This legislation represents the first of many steps we need to take to achieve structural change in our criminal justice system, our police, and our society. The American people are demanding action, and they are not interested in more studies or talking points or half measures.

I have been inspired by what I have seen in the Illinois communities that I represent, in places like Naperville, Aurora, and Joliet, where people of all backgrounds have come together to say enough is enough. I have been proud to stand with those in my district and across the country who are calling for change, and I am proud to help amplify their voices.

We are all frustrated that prior action was not taken to prevent the hor-

ror that we have witnessed far too often of Black Americans being unjustly killed at the hands of law enforcement.

For a lot of people, the video of George Floyd being killed when a Minnesota police officer knelt on his neck for nearly 9 minutes was shocking and put this problem front and center, as did the senseless and brutal killing of Breonna Taylor in Louisville.

But for Black Americans, this is not a new problem. It is just more of the same, more senseless, unjust killings of Black Americans by abusive police officers, who often seem to be protected by law enforcement systems plagued by structural racism.

Black Americans shouldn't have had to wait this long for Congress to take action. They deserve a Congress that is responsive to this longstanding crisis, and they deserve a President who wants to lead our Nation to a more just place for people of color instead of the opposite.

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No, Mr. President, white power is nothing to celebrate.

So I am proud that the House took action and a step in the right direction with the Justice in Policing Act, which includes key reforms like banning chokeholds and no-knock warrants, mandating the use of body cameras, ending racial and religious profiling by the police, demilitarizing the local police departments, and strengthening accountability measures to hold abusive police officers accountable for their actions.

Most Members of this House can share stories of similar incidents in their own districts, often leading to the deaths of their constituents that should have been prevented. And I know that my colleagues join me in honoring the memory of Black lives that have been unjustly lost to police brutality.

As I cast my vote, I carried with me with one of Naperville's very own, Sandra Bland. Sandra grew up in Naperville before moving to Texas to pursue her education and earn a degree in agriculture. She then returned to Illinois, where she was a brave activist who worked for social justice and community engagement.

A few days after celebrating the Fourth of July with her family back in Naperville, Sandra went back to Texas to begin a job at her alma mater, Prairie View A&M, a historically Black State university.

On July 10, 2015, she was pulled over on an empty suburban street for failing to signal a lane change. She was arrested and 3 days later found hanged to death in her jail cell.

Sandra Bland should never have been arrested. She should be alive today and looking forward to celebrating another Fourth of July with her family this weekend, just like George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, and the countless Black Americans who have been the