

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

CITIZEN COSPONSORS OF THE
GEORGE FLOYD JUSTICE IN POLICING ACT**HON. STENY H. HOYER**

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 14, 2020

Mr. HOYER. Madam Speaker, on June 25, the House passed the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act to address systemic racism and police misconduct, increase accountability and transparency, and change the culture of law enforcement. Since passage, thousands of Americans have visited the website JusticeinPolicing.us to learn about the bill, weigh in with their support, and sign on as citizen cosponsor in support. I would like to to include in the RECORD the following names of citizen cosponsors:

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HONORING SPC. VANESSA
GUILLEN

HON. SYLVIA R. GARCIA

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 14, 2020

Ms. GARCIA of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor my constituent, Specialist (Spc.) Vanessa Guillén—a daughter, a sister, and a beloved member of the Southeast Houston community. She was a beautiful, talented, and intelligent 20-year old Latina soldier who tragically went missing on April 22, 2020 after she was brutally murdered by another soldier at Fort Hood.

Spc. Vanessa Guillén was born on September 30, 1999 to her loving parents Rogelio and Gloria Guillén, and was one of six brothers and sisters. Her father Rogelio likes to recount the story of how Vanessa dreamed of joining the U.S. Army since she was 12 years old. She would often tell him, “Papá yo me quiero inscribir en el Army. I want to enlist in the Army.” She felt a deep sense of love for America and the Army represented an opportunity for a better life—her shot at achieving the American Dream. She worked really hard towards this goal and in 2018 she graduated in the top 15 percent of her class from César E. Chávez High School where she loved playing soccer. Shortly after her graduation, Vanessa fulfilled her dream to serve our country by enlisting in the Army where she was trained as a 91F, small arms/artillery repairer.

Unfortunately, her dream turned into a true nightmare. Before her murder and disappearance, Vanessa confided in her family that she felt unsafe at Fort Hood due to experiences with sexual harassment. She did not file a report out of fear of retaliation. The Army failed her and the Guillén family, and all those responsible for this failure must be held responsible.

Vanessa did not deserve to die the way she did, and her story has hit so many of us in our hearts, especially in the Latino community of Houston. We mourn with the Guillén family because Vanessa was one of us. So many of us have sisters, daughters, nieces, cousins, and friends who could have easily been Vanessa because so many Latinas have answered the call to serve our country.

Unfortunately, Vanessa’s story is not unique. In response to this case, current and former Latina servicemembers have demonstrated incredible bravery in sharing their experiences with sexual harassment and assault in the military. Their stories reinforce the troubling reality that too often female servicemembers do not report their sexual trauma because they fear how their chain of command will respond. This is not only wrong,

but Vanessa’s story has galvanized efforts across the country to put an end to a culture that perpetuates sexual assault and harassment in the military. We must seize this opportunity to ensure this never happens again to another soldier or their family.

Madam Speaker, the Guillén family, current and former female servicemembers, and everyone in the Houston region, myself included, ask that we make sure that what happened to Vanessa Guillén never happens again, so not one more family has to suffer like the Guilléns have.

We want justice for Vanessa Guillén. Nosotros queremos justicia para Vanessa Guillén.

TO RECOGNIZE EVA BENEDICT
UPON RECEIVING THE NEW
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WOMEN OF DISTINCTION HONOR

HON. TOM REED

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 14, 2020

Mr. REED. Madam Speaker, today I rise to recognize Eva Benedict upon her receiving the New York State Senate 2020 Women of Distinction Honor.

Eva Benedict has served the Wellsville community for almost forty years in healthcare, starting as a Critical Care Staff Nurse in 1981 at Jones Memorial Hospital. She held various positions in administration and management and was ultimately appointed as President and Chief Executive Officer in 2007.

In 2015, Eva was instrumental in the hospital’s affiliation with the University of Rochester Medical Center. To this day, she serves both Jones Memorial and the University as a member of the affiliate leadership team.

In 2018, her leadership earned the 2018 Grassroots Champion Award from the American Hospital Association in partnership with the Healthcare Association of New York State. Throughout her years at the hospital, Eva has dedicated her time and energy to helping this rural hospital navigate through difficult areas, providing the best medical services possible and giving community members reliable, trusted care that they need.

During my time in office, I have appreciated building a trusted relationship with Eva and I have greatly valued her expertise in the healthcare field. My office has regularly called on her for honest, educated feedback, and we continue to rely on her for that today.

Given the above, I ask that this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations and join me to recognize Eva Benedict upon her receiving the New York State Senate 2020 Women of Distinction Honor.

HONORING NEIGHBORS IN NEED
OF SERVICES (NINOS), INC.

HON. FILEMON VELA

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. VELA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the Neighbors In Need of Services (NINOS), Inc. as the organization celebrates 30 years of service to the community.

Since its foundation in August 1990, NINOS Head Start and Early Head Start programs have ensured that low-income South Texas families have access to needed educational, medical, and nutritional support for children from birth to four years old. In addition to preparing children to begin pre-school, NINOS provides pre- and post-natal education to expectant mothers.

The NINOS mission statement is “Creating a brighter future for the children and la familia.” In the past 30 years NINOS has served approximately 50,000 children, an incredible accomplishment that no doubt has had a lasting impact for these children and their families. This organization and its dedicated staff help the next generation of Rio Grande Valley residents reach their potential by ensuring that every child, regardless of economic status, has access to the resources that will help them succeed in school and beyond.

I am proud of NINOS and the contributions they have made to the Rio Grande Valley for the past 30 years. I look forward to seeing how they continue to help our community grow stronger.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me and the people of the 34th District of Texas in honoring an organization that is committed to the selfless and important work of educating our children and ensuring families have the help and support they need to thrive. NINOS serves as an outstanding example of how we all should serve our neighbors and community.

INTRODUCTION OF THE STEM
EDUCATOR AWARDS EQUITY ACT

HON. GREGORIO KILI CAMACHO
SABLAN

OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SABLAN. Madam Speaker, today, I introduce the STEM Educator Awards Equity Act to ensure educators from the Northern Mariana Islands, Virgin Islands, Guam, and American Samoa are represented in the annual Presidential Awards for Excellence in Math and Science Teaching.

Established by Congress in 1983, the Presidential Award is the highest recognition that an elementary or secondary school mathematics or science teacher may receive in the United States. Over 4,800 teachers have been recognized for their contributions in the classroom and to their profession.

Unlike the fifty States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and Department of Defense schools, each of which may recognize a STEM educator, no more than two awards in total can go to teachers from the four insular areas: the Northern Mariana Islands, the Virgin Islands, Guam, and American Samoa. This limitation has resulted in many years in which no teacher from one of those four areas is selected. No teacher from the Marianas, for instance, was selected this year. And this lack of recognition defeats the purpose of the program, which is to inspire excellence within each area and provide a role model for other

local STEM educators to emulate. These statutory limits, also, unfairly deny deserving educators in the insular areas the national recognition and professional development opportunities we provide to STEM educators elsewhere in our nation.

My bill provides a more equitable process by requiring awards to at least one teacher from each of the four areas. By ensuring teachers from all parts of America are represented, more students and schools will benefit from the expert-led training programs and collaboration opportunities available to awardees during their visit to our nation's capital.

The gentlewoman from American Samoa, Mrs. RADEWAGEN and the gentleman from Guam, Mr. SAN NICOLAS, are original cosponsors of the bill.

I urge my colleagues to support this bipartisan legislation.

MAJOR JAMES CAPERS, JR.

HON. RALPH NORMAN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 14, 2020

Mr. NORMAN. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor one of the greatest heroes our country has ever seen in combat—my constituent, and Lee County's very own, Major James Capers, Jr.

Many may not know who Major Capers Jr. is, but he became the first black Marine officer nominated for the Medal of Honor and ultimately received the Silver Star.

He is not only a hero in the Marine Corps, but also for his unwavering service in the Special Operations community, as well. Born in Bishopville, South Carolina, in the era of Jim Crow, Major Capers willingly enlisted in the military to serve a nation that did not have his interest at heart. That, in itself, is heroism.

Regardless, after finding a home in the Marine Corps, he became the first African American to get a battlefield commission in the Marine Corps Force Recon and was promoted from Staff Sergeant to Second Lieutenant, giving him control over the unit.

During the Vietnam War, Capers' team, who called themselves "Team Broadminded" conducted covert missions many of which nearly took his life to save his men. Soon after, Major Capers, a trailblazer for African Americans in the Marine Corps, became the face of their recruiting campaign called "Ask a Marine."

Capers lost his wife and son to cancer, both of whom are buried in Arlington National Cemetery, but he still regularly receives visits from his fellow soldiers and other young Marines.

However, he finally got the recognition he rightfully deserved. In 2010, Major James Capers Jr. was one of only 14 members inducted into the inaugural class of U.S. Special Operations Command's Commando Hall of Honor at a ceremony in front of USSOCOM headquarters at MacDill Air Force Base.

Between the Silver Star, the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart, and countless other medals, Major James Capers, Jr. exemplifies what it truly means to be a hero—it is not the medals, but someone who stands face to face with adversity and is willing to sacrifice his own life for those of his brothers in Christ.

It is my hope that every person of future generations can see and hear of his story, and be willing to do what he has done, and that is to be a hero. With that Madam Speaker, it is my honor and privilege to recognize Major James Capers, Jr.

SUPPORTING EARLY-CAREER RESEARCHERS ACT

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 14, 2020

Ms. JOHNSON of Texas. Madam Speaker, today I am joined by my colleagues, Representatives LUCAS, BEYER, GARCIA, LIPINSKI, BONAMICI, TONKO, and COHEN, in introducing the Supporting Early-Career Researchers Act.

Our nation's research enterprise is reeling from the unprecedented disruptions caused by the COVID-19 crisis. To slow the spread of the virus, universities across the country have been forced to cancel in-person classes and shut down campus operations. And today, six months into this crisis and with no relief in sight, universities are once again faced with impossible decisions about the upcoming academic year.

I want to thank universities for their commitment to doing their part to slow the spread of the virus and for their commitment to ensuring the safety of their students, faculty, and staff. In the absence of clear guidance or a national strategy from this Administration, universities have stepped up to donate personal protective equipment, reconfigure laboratory space and equipment for COVID-19 research, institute social distancing measures, transition to remote education, provide for testing and contact tracing, and accommodate the needs of international students.

These actions, while laudable, have come at a cost. The full extent of the financial loss incurred by universities during this crisis is unknowable at this point. Recent surveys of university presidents conducted by the American Council of Education reveal that short- and long-term financial viability are pressing concerns. And, in order to stave off catastrophe, many universities have instituted hiring freezes and cancelled new faculty hires.

I am deeply concerned about the disappearance of STEM job opportunities and the potential long-term consequences for our STEM pipeline. For established researchers, the COVID-19 crisis has severely limited their access to their laboratory space. But for early career researchers, these disruptions come at a critical juncture in their research career, threatening to derail their career path.

Even in normal times, postdoctoral research positions provide little job security, with most postdocs employed on two-year contracts. Now that the research job market has severely contracted, postdocs find themselves in a truly precarious position. Many of them may be forced to abandon their career path altogether in order to support themselves and their families.

The Supporting Early-Career Researchers Act establishes a \$250 million postdoctoral fellowship pilot program at the National Science

Foundation. This program would provide a much-needed bridge to help early career researchers weather this storm and prevent a permanent loss of STEM talent our nation can ill afford. I look forward to moving this bill quickly and working with my colleagues on the Appropriations committee to ensure it is funded.

RECOGNIZING NATIONAL HEALTH CENTER WEEK

HON. JOE NEGUSE

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 14, 2020

Mr. NEGUSE. Madam Speaker, our nation is fighting multiple crises at once: the risks of COVID-19 on our health and the health of our friends and neighbors, the dire economic impacts of communities halted to keep us each safe, and the surge of racial justice movements across the United States and the world. During these times of difficulty and change, I find myself turning to the institutions in our communities that have always worked to address each of these crises, individually and as a whole—Community Health Centers.

This week we honor the work of Community Health Centers during National Health Center Week. As we contemplate a path forward of safety, health, prosperity, and equity in our country, our conversations must begin and end with the CHCs that have been stalwart providers of accessible healthcare for every individual who needed it.

Each and every day, CHCs provide care for some of our nation's most vulnerable folks. In 2018 in Colorado, CHCs served over 200,000 children, nearly 32,000 individuals without homes, and over 9,500 veterans. Overall, they served nearly 650,000 patients in my state who might have otherwise been unable to access or afford health care.

CHCs provide irreplaceable healthcare services, but they are also economic drivers during this time of unprecedented financial hardship: For every \$1 in federal investments, CHCs generated \$5.85 in economic activity across Colorado. In total, health centers in Colorado deliver \$1.38 billion in economic activity, economic benefits the likes of which can be found in states across the U.S.

And as the COVID-19 pandemic continues, CHCs have risen to the challenge, innovating constantly to keep providing excellent care to their patients and communities.

I have no doubt that we can and we will overcome the struggles presented to us as Coloradans, and as Americans. To do this, it will take robust support for the tried and true systems of healthcare that efficiently, yet humbly serve our communities every day. That is why I'm so proud to recognize the work of Community Health Centers in my home state and across the United States this week and every week.

I thank the doctors, nurses, dentists, behavioral health specialists, and the countless other workers who ensure the success of CHCs and the health and wellbeing of our communities.

HONORING HOT SPRINGS POLICE
DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR SERV-
ICE DURING COVID-19

HON. BRUCE WESTERMAN

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 14, 2020

Mr. WESTERMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the exemplary service of the Hot Springs Police Department. In these uncertain times, my hometown department's officers have continued serving and protecting our community.

Now more than ever, we've seen the impact of our communities' first responders and front-line workers, and in the Fourth Congressional District, none are more appreciated than our police. Throughout this pandemic, Hot Springs officers have continued to put their own safety on the line defending our streets, homes and businesses.

I take this time to honor these brave men and women who have stepped up, providing the Fourth District of Arkansas and the rest of the nation with a prime example of what it means to serve the people around you.

RECOGNIZING **KENT**
CHRISTENSEN'S DISTINGUISHED
CAREER IN THE CONGRESSIONAL
BUDGET OFFICE

HON. ADAM SMITH

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 14, 2020

Mr. SMITH of Washington. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize Kent Christensen, who retired at the end of July after 34 years of exceptional service to the Congress at the Congressional Budget Office. Kent began his Congressional career in CBO's Budget Analysis Division in 1986 where he worked as a principal analyst in the Defense, International Affairs, and Veterans' Affairs Cost Estimates Unit.

During his time at CBO, Kent was recognized as an exceptionally thoughtful and knowledgeable analyst. As one of the longest tenured members of CBO's Budget Analysis Division, he accrued extensive knowledge of the programs and accounts in his portfolio and a broad understanding of many other federal programs and the federal budget process in general. Kent was a valued colleague, passing along his knowledge to new and experienced analysts alike and encouraging a supportive environment where analysts respect each other and work well together.

Kent has also earned the respect of his counterparts on the staffs of the Armed Services, Budget, and Appropriations committees thanks to his thoroughness, meticulous attention to detail, and incredible memory. He worked closely with the staff of the Armed Services Committees for more than three decades, particularly on annual proposals of the National Defense Authorization Act. His acumen when estimating the budgetary effects of and providing technical feedback on legislative proposals has helped ensure enactment of the National Defense Authorization Act each year.

With his departure, the Congressional Budget Office loses a great asset. Over the past 34

years, CBO—and by extension, the Congress itself—has been fortunate to enjoy the dedication and insight that Kent has brought to his work. I know my colleagues join me in extending our thanks and appreciation to Kent for his service to our nation and our very best wishes for a happy and productive retirement.

Madam Speaker, it is my pleasure to congratulate Kent Christensen on his well-earned retirement from the Congressional Budget Office and recognize his outstanding work on the National Defense Authorization Act.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 50TH AN-
NIVERSARY OF FAMOUS HAM-
BURGER

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 14, 2020

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to offer my heartfelt congratulations to Famous Hamburger as it celebrates its fiftieth anniversary. Its years of service to the community are worthy of commendation.

After returning to Beirut, Lebanon from the United States, Phillip Hider and his father developed the idea to start a burger joint in Lebanon. In 1968, they two opened their first restaurant called "Little White Castle," which quickly transformed into a famous local favorite. After relocating to a new spot in Downtown Beirut, the decision was made to change the name to reflect its widespread popularity, resulting in the Famous Hamburger brand being officially established in 1970. Years later, Hider and his family chose to move to the United States to seek a better life and greater opportunity, and soon found themselves in Michigan in 1989. In March of 1997, Hider introduced the first Famous Hamburger in Detroit, and later relocated to a larger location in Dearborn in July of 2005. As in Lebanon, Famous Hamburger quickly became a beloved institution among the metro Detroit community. Today, it has locations spanning the region, such as Dearborn, Canton, and Auburn Hills.

For half a century, Famous Hamburger has been cherished by people across both Lebanon and Michigan. In Dearborn, the restaurant has become a beloved community staple. Its welcoming environment, dedicated staff, and quality meals have drawn our community together, and its burgers are recognized as one of the best across Michigan. Many patrons are regulars who have frequented the restaurant for years, and even newcomers are made to feel like life-long friends. In the midst of the coronavirus pandemic, the fiftieth anniversary of Famous Hamburgers have given our Dearborn community a reason to celebrate. It has provided a sense of comfort, unity, and normalcy in a time of unprecedented strife. Famous Hamburger's demonstrated commitment to serving Dearborn is immensely appreciated and is something we all should strive to emulate.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of Famous Hamburger. We are grateful for its years of dedicated service, and wish the restaurant continued success in the year ahead.

INTRODUCING THE ISRAELI AN-
NEXATION NON-RECOGNITION
ACT TO PROTECT THE PALES-
TINIAN PEOPLE AND PROMOTE
PEACE

HON. BETTY MCCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 14, 2020

Ms. MCCOLLUM. Madam Speaker, yesterday, with the announcement of the agreement between Israel and the United Arab Emirates to normalize diplomatic relations, Speaker PELOSI issued a statement regarding the news. An important sentence in the statement was powerful, necessary, and correct: "The House continues to object to steps including unilateral annexation that will undermine future efforts to advance a just, stable, and lasting peace in the Middle East."

I agree.

For years, the centerpiece of Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's political agenda has been his explicit desire and intent to unilaterally annex as much as 30 percent of Palestinian territory in the West Bank. He calls it a "historic opportunity." Even though annexation is a clear violation of international law and the fundamental rights of the Palestinian people, the Trump administration, along with right-wing Jewish groups and extremists in the evangelical Christian community in the U.S., allies of Netanyahu, have championed annexation.

Millions of Palestinians have lived for decades under Israel's military occupation. Now the Palestinian people fear that any hope for self-determination or the opportunity to live with dignity, equality, and justice will be extinguished through the annexation of their land by Israel with the support of an American president.

Today, I am introducing legislation in the U.S. House—the Israeli Annexation Non-Recognition Act—to prohibit appropriated U.S. funds from being directed to any area in the occupied West Bank annexed by Israel. I want Palestinians and Israelis to have their human rights respected, their right to self-determination realized, and a future with peace, security, equality, and justice. Annexation is antithetical to these goals and will fuel conflict, injustice, and an abhorrent system of apartheid. This is an intolerable outcome for Palestinians, Israelis, and Americans.

I reject annexation. I condemn annexation. And, I will work to ensure the U.S. does not support, defend, or legitimize any plan or action by Israel to illegally annex Palestinian lands.

Yesterday's diplomatic agreement between Israel and the UAE changes nothing. Mr. Netanyahu and Mr. Trump have taken nothing off the table. Their promises and commitments are worthless. They have both proven time and time again that they cannot be trusted.

The Israeli newspaper Haaretz ran a headline today citing comments from the U.S. Ambassador to Israel that makes it clear annexation is still being contemplated by Israeli and U.S. officials at the highest levels. Referring to annexation, the headline read, "Pro-settler Ambassador Friedman argues 'it's not off the table permanently' after historic agreement to normalize relations between Israel and the UAE."

The same Haaretz article, included for the RECORD, cited Prime Minister Netanyahu saying annexation is “still on the table” and that “extending sovereignty will be done only alongside the United States.” A senior Israeli political source is quoted as saying, “Applying sovereignty (to the West Bank) is on the table and we’re committed to it.”

Again, nothing has changed. The annexation of Palestinian lands must be stopped and must never be aided or abetted by any U.S. administration. The Palestinian people should be fully engaged diplomatically by the next U.S. president as partners and constructive peacemakers empowered to negotiate and determine their own political and economic future. Never again should the people of Palestine be ignored, isolated, and boycotted as the Trump administration has done.

Democrats in Congress, led by the courageous and righteous co-sponsors of this bill, must act to send an unambiguous message that annexation is contrary to U.S. interests and would devastate the U.S.-Israel bilateral relationship. The Palestinian people deserve the support of Congress and the American people in this dark moment. If our nation is truly a beacon of democracy, then let us use our power for good to protect the Palestinian people from Mr. Netanyahu’s illegal annexation.

[From Reuters, Aug. 14, 2020]

AFTER NETANYAHU COMMITS TO FUTURE ANNEXATION, TRUMP SAYS IT’S ‘NOW OFF THE TABLE’

(By Noa Landau)

PRO-SETTLER AMBASSADOR FRIEDMAN ARGUES ‘IT’S NOT OFF THE TABLE PERMANENTLY’ AFTER HISTORIC AGREEMENT TO NORMALIZE RELATIONS BETWEEN ISRAEL AND THE UAE

U.S. President Donald Trump said Thursday night that Israel made a ‘great concession’ by agreeing to suspend West Bank annexation as part of its agreement to normalize relations with the United Arab Emirates, adding that for now ‘it’s off the table.’

Earlier on Thursday, Israel and the UAE reached a historic peace deal on that would lead to a full normalization of diplomatic relations between the two Middle Eastern nations in an agreement that Trump helped broker.

“Israel agreed not to annex parts of the West Bank. It is more than taking it off the table—they agreed not to do it. This is a very smart concession by Israel. It is off the table now,” Trump said during a White House briefing.

This comes in contrast to Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu’s earlier remarks that annexation is “still on the table,” and that it is a pledge the prime minister said he is “committed to.”

In addition, an Israeli senior political source said that “Applying sovereignty [to the West Bank] is on the table and we’re committed to it. The Trump administration requested to temporarily suspend the announcement [of annexation] to first implement the historic peace agreement with the UAE.”

Asked about Netanyahu’s statement that he considers this a ‘temporary suspension,’ and that the option of annexation will still exist in the future, Trump responded that “Right now it’s off the table, I can’t talk about sometime in the future, that’s a big statement, but right now it’s off the table.”

U.S. Ambassador to Israel David Friedman, however, said that “it’s off the table now but it’s not off the table permanently. You can’t have peace and annexation at the same time.”

Speaking in a televised speech earlier on Thursday, Netanyahu said that “Today marks a new era in Israel’s relations with the Arab world” and that the two countries agreed on “a full, formal peace.”

“For years, Israel has been portrayed as an enemy . . . now more countries will join us in this circle of peace,” the prime minister said.

He added that annexation is “still on the table,” and that it is a promise Netanyahu said he is “committed to.”

“Extending sovereignty will be done only alongside the United States,” Netanyahu said. “Without coordination, in the best case, will do nothing, and in the worst case, will harm relations between us. The United States asked that Israel temporarily postpone annexation.”

HONORING THE LIFE OF BEAUMONT POLICE OFFICER SHEENA DAE YARBROUGH-POWELL

HON. BRIAN BABIN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 14, 2020

Mr. BABIN. Madam Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Beaumont Police Officer Sheena Dae Yarbrough-Powell, who tragically perished in the line of duty on August 9, 2020.

Sheena Dae Yarbrough-Powell was born on November 22, 1996, in Nederland, Texas to Mark and Shelia Yarbrough. She was the fifth of six girls and remained very close to her family. Highlights of family time included: Sunday lunches, yearly vacations, sleepovers with sisters, competing with family and friends in board games, and, of course, “lots of Blue Bell Ice Cream.” According to family and friends, Sheena never met a stranger, was a social butterfly, and would tire herself trying to make everyone feel included. Sheena graduated from Lumberton High School in 2015.

Sheena’s faith and family were her top priorities. She was a member of Calvary Baptist Church where she developed many life-long friends. Her love of Jesus was evident in how she lived her life and treated others. After becoming involved with Calvary’s Renewal Bible study, she met the love of her life, Tyler Powell. From their first date in June of 2018, until her untimely death, Sheena and Tyler were inseparable. The two were married on October 4, 2019, in Beaumont, Texas. In their 10 months of marriage, Sheena was a faithful and loving wife who provided Tyler with a lifetime of great memories.

In 2018, after graduating from Lamar University with a bachelor’s degree in Criminal Justice, Sheena entered the LIT Police Academy. She was hired by the Beaumont Police Department as a Cadet on August 13, 2018 and was sworn in as a Beaumont Police Officer on December 20, 2018. Her family, friends, and fellow officers lovingly referred to her as “Officer Hopps.” As an officer, Sheena was passionate about preventing sex crimes and helping victims of human trafficking. Becoming a police officer gave Sheena the ability to make a difference in her community and touch the lives of every individual she met.

Officer Yarbrough-Powell is survived by her husband, Tyler; her parents, Mark and Shelia Yarbrough; her sisters, Jennifer Rae, Jessica Mae, Samantha Fae, Sarah Kae, and Madison

Jae; her grandmother, Dorothy Yarbrough; and parents in-law, Rick and Deidre Powell, along with many friends and family whom she loved dearly.

Madam Speaker, I would like to thank Beaumont Police Officer Sheena Dae Yarbrough-Powell for her faithful service to her community. My thoughts and prayers remain with her family, friends, and her law enforcement family during this difficult time.

WOMAN’S CLUB OF ROCK HILL—
CELEBRATING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE 19TH AMENDMENT

HON. RALPH NORMAN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 14, 2020

Mr. NORMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today in celebration of the 100th Anniversary of Women’s Right to Vote.

The Nineteenth Amendment, enshrined in our constitution, lifted millions of women closer to equality in all aspects of American life.

The right to vote raised women across the nation to an equal footing in the laws and politics that govern them.

In my hometown of Rock Hill, South Carolina, The Woman’s Club of Rock Hill will be celebrating that hard-earned right.

The Woman’s Club of Rock Hill was organized in 1939 and is affiliated with some of the largest and oldest women’s volunteer service organizations in the world.

The Woman’s Club of Rock Hill serves our community with distinction. In the very best tradition of civil society, the Club strives to further the cultural, educational and social interest of its members, to promote action in civic development, social welfare, and to preserve its historic property.

Much work remains until the equality between man and woman is fully realized, but we should never forget the example set by the historic Suffragette movement, enabled by organizations like the Woman’s Club of Rock Hill, that did so much to advance the rights of women.

I am proud to honor the 19th Amendment that elevated more than 26 million women from subjects to citizens, thereby bestowing them the means to empower themselves, their families, and all communities.

The importance of this amendment to our society cannot be overstated. Today, I want to thank the Woman’s Club of Rock Hill for organizing such a special event and take the time to honor all women.

RETIREMENT OF CHARLES HUDSON FROM THE COLUMBIA RIVER INTER-TRIBAL FISH COMMISSION

HON. EARL BLUMENAUER

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 14, 2020

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Madam Speaker, it has been a great honor to work closely with Charles Hudson, or Chuck as many know him, for the last twenty-one years.

Chuck has been a key part of the team at the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission, directing government affairs and serving as an absolutely indispensable resource on tribal fisheries policy and services for the Yakama, Warm Springs, Umatilla, and Nez Perce tribes. This has meant that we have collaborated on any number of issues and projects, from creating the Columbia River Basin Restoration Act to righting historic wrongs done by the federal government with respect to tribal housing along the Columbia. Along the way, Chuck has been a tremendous partner in engaging not just my office, but the entire Pacific Northwest delegation in advancing the fisheries and related priorities of the four Columbia River Treaty tribes. He is an extraordinarily trusted, knowledgeable, and effective advocate. The work that he's done will benefit tribal communities for generations to come.

My connection to Chuck is deeper than most, as I've also had the pleasure of working closely with his son, Stone, who served as an intern in my office and then on my staff. It's been a true honor to work with Stone, who, like Chuck, is a skilled communicator, a dedicated professional, and an engaged member of the community. I have deeply appreciated the opportunity to partner with both of these wonderful people on many initiatives.

I congratulate Chuck on his retirement and thank him for his tremendous service to tribal communities in the Pacific Northwest. I am proud to call him my friend and co-collaborator. I look forward to continuing to work together, as he writes the next chapter of his remarkable life.

HONORING THE LIFE OF ERIC
JASON AMBERGE

HON. JOHN KATKO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 14, 2020

Mr. KATKO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Mr. Eric Jason Amberge, who passed away on July 13, 2020. A veteran, proud volunteer, and beloved husband, father, grandfather, and friend, Mr. Amberge will be dearly missed.

After graduating from SUNY Fredonia with a degree in Electrical Engineering, Mr. Amberge entered the United States Air Force. During his time in the military, Mr. Amberge was stationed at Griffiss Air Force Base in Rome, NY, where he served as a Lead Systems Engineer and Air Defense Initiatives and Program Manager, at the Advanced Planning System in Rome Laboratory, Airforce System Command. After 10 years in the Air Force, Mr. Amberge retired as a Captain and was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal for Outstanding Service, a distinction given to those who perform volunteer service that far exceed the duties required by a member of the Armed Services.

Following his retirement from the Air Force, Mr. Amberge went on to receive an MBA from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. During his career as an engineer, he worked for Kodak, Oracle, APG Technologies, and Aquila Technologies.

Outside of work, Mr. Amberge was an avid volunteer who was passionate about honoring

local veterans. He served as Commander of the Skaneateles American Legion Post No. 239 and as the Director of Honor Flight Syracuse, an organization that transports local veterans to Washington, DC, allowing them to visit the national memorials dedicated to their service and sacrifice. Throughout his life, he also remained dedicated to his wife, children and step-children, mother, siblings, and grandchildren. A man of strong faith, Mr. Amberge was an avid student of scripture and strived to always treat others with dignity and respect.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House to join me in honoring the life of Mr. Eric Jason Amberge. A cherished member of our Central New York community, Mr. Amberge will truly be missed. I ask my colleagues to keep him and his family in mind as we remember his life.

CELEBRATING THE SERVICE OF
PATRICK KEPLINGER

HON. RAUL RUIZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 14, 2020

Mr. RUIZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Patrick Keplinger, a member of my staff who has contributed over 20 years of exceptional service to our Country.

Patrick was commissioned as an officer in 2001 and served two tours in Operation Iraqi Freedom before achieving the rank of Major in the United States Marine Corps. In 2015, Patrick made his way to the House of Representatives, where he joined my team as a Wounded Warrior fellow. In this role, Patrick helped fellow veterans navigate the Department of Veterans' Affairs and access the benefits they have earned and deserve. Later that year, he became a permanent staff member in my Hemet office, where he has since served as a field representative. For the past five years, Patrick has worked diligently to address the military's use of toxic burn pits and advocate for veterans in our community.

One of Patrick's most significant accomplishments in my office was the case of Jennifer Kepner, a 39-year-old veteran from Cathedral City. Jennifer served in Operation Iraqi Freedom, and in 2016 was diagnosed with Stage IV Pancreatic Cancer. Her doctors determined that her exposure to burn pits during her deployment was the cause of her cancer. The VA denied her claim for compensation, but Patrick helped her obtain 100 percent service-connected compensation. Additionally, Patrick helped bring the burn pit issue to the forefront, resulting in my burn pit bill, H.R. 4137, the Jennifer Kepner HOPE Act. Together, we continue to work to bring national attention to this issue.

Patrick's passion for serving our Country is not ending but starting a new chapter. He will be working at Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base in San Diego, where he will help active duty service members transition back to civilian life. I believe Patrick is perfect for this because wherever Patrick is, there is a purpose.

On behalf of our entire community, I thank Patrick, for his exceptional continued service and wish Big Marine good luck with his future endeavors.

HONORING THE LIFE OF CHARLES
BATTISE "C.B." CELESTINE

HON. BRIAN BABIN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 14, 2020

Mr. BABIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Vietnam War veteran Charles Battise "C.B." Celestine, who passed away on Wednesday, April 22, 2020, at the age of 84. Mr. Celestine was a long-time affiliate of the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas and proudly served as a councilman.

C.B. Celestine was born on May 5, 1935, to Gus and Flanche Boatman Celestine in Livingston, Texas. As a young adult, he admirably joined the U.S. Army and fought bravely in the Vietnam War. Following his military service, C.B. worked for Triple S Construction in Texas, and after many years of service, retired as a Boilermaker Supervisor from the company. He spent much of his life in Livingston but had lived in Kountze, Texas, for the past nine years, married to his lovely wife Hazel and father to his four children.

Mr. Celestine was a proud member of the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas, a native speaker, and was known for his extensive traditional knowledge of the Tribe. C.B. was also the eldest member of the Beaver Clan. While growing up in the Tribe, he was in a singing quintet with a few of his tribal brothers called the Woody Woodrome quintet, and they produced an album together titled the Excitement of the Gospel. He spent much time of his adult life singing, playing gospel music, and celebrating the life of Christ with his family and friends.

C.B. reflected God's love daily in his service to his Tribe and others and leaves behind quite a legacy. A committed Christian, he spent much of his life as an active member of Indian Baptist Church in Polk County, Texas. In his spare time, he also enjoyed working on race cars with his son Jimmy, hunting, and spending time with his four wonderful grandchildren.

He is proceeded in death by his parents, Gus and Flanche Celestine; son, Timmy Celestine; daughter, Tania Honeycutt; brothers, Gus Celestine, Jr., Milton Warren Celestine, and Wesley Celestine; sisters, Florence Robinson and Claire Breaux. He is survived by his loving wife of 57 years, Hazel Celestine of Kountze; sons, Jimmy Celestine and Charles Celestine of Kountze; grandchildren, Maegan Drake, Morgan Celestine, Jordan Honeycutt, and Maddie Honeycutt.

Madam Speaker, I would like to thank the family of Mr. Celestine for C.B.'s faithful service and devotion to his country, Tribe, and community. My thoughts and prayers remain with his family and friends.

HONORING TANNERS TEAM
SPORTS AS A FOURTH DISTRICT
HERO

HON. BRUCE WESTERMAN

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 14, 2020

Mr. WESTERMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the exceptional work of Tanners Team Sports in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

The local company stepped up to the plate during COVID-19, transitioning the production of their famed baseball and pickleball products into developing high-quality face masks.

As an economic shutdown approached, the cancellation of the spring baseball season put Tanners' peak shipping season on hold. While many businesses shut down, Tanners got creative with a way to move forward, keep local jobs available and support the health and well-being of the communities around them.

Owner Vince Signorelli and his staff worked tirelessly with their existing network to create a mask that would not only meet the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's protection recommendations, but also allow athletes to wear and still perform. Within just three weeks of planning and design, Tanners and their in-house clothing brand, Vulcan Sporting Goods, had these masks in production and distribution.

This team of Fourth District citizens are heroes who have battled the COVID-19 pandemic directly. It is my hope that all Arkansans will see the value of their labor. Mr. Signorelli said it best when he said, "I can't help but marvel at how the American Spirit is alive and well right here in Hot Springs, Arkansas."

RECOGNIZING THE 73RD ANNIVERSARY OF PAKISTAN'S INDEPENDENCE

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Ms. JOHNSON of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the people of Pakistan and the Pakistani diaspora here in the United States as they celebrate the 73rd anniversary of their country's independence from British colonial rule.

Mohammad Ali Jinnah, the leader of the Pakistan movement, was sworn in as the first Governor General of Pakistan on August 14, 1947. This date commemorates the day Pakistan won Independence from British rule and the founding of a Muslim state in the northwestern and eastern regions of the Indian subcontinent. This day is celebrated in Pakistan and by the global Pakistani diaspora with festivals, fireworks, and other cultural events recognizing this important milestone.

For the past 73 years, the People of Pakistan have strived for what we cherish here in the United States, a fully democratic government of, by, and for the people. While there have been times of political unrest in the country's history, Pakistan today has a well-functioning democracy that strives to help its people while geographically being in one of the most sensitive areas in the world. Throughout my time serving as a member in this chamber, I have had the privilege to meet many individuals within the government of Pakistan. Our countries share the same goal of peace, security and prosperity for our people.

North Texas has greatly benefited from the contributions made by the Pakistani-American community. These individuals and families, with their culture, traditions, and cuisine, have enriched the diversity we are fortunate to have in North Texas. Pakistani Americans have made great contributions to our society as

doctors, engineers, scientists and entrepreneurs with the younger members in the Pakistani American community striving for academic excellence.

Madam Speaker, as I rise here today to celebrate Pakistan's independence and the progress the country and its people have made over the past 73 years. It is my hope that the people of the United States and Pakistan continue to grow and foster friendships that will allow our two countries to move forward towards greater peace, security, and prosperity for Americans and Pakistani's alike.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF FRANK ZALLER

HON. MARK E. GREEN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 14, 2020

Mr. GREEN of Tennessee. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Frank Zaller of Bolivar, Tennessee on the occasion of his one hundredth birthday.

Frank Zaller is a member of what has rightly been called our Greatest Generation. He grew up in the midst of a Great Depression at home and rising tensions around the world. When he was twenty-one, the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor and he signed up to join the United States Navy and sailed off into the Pacific theater.

During that campaign, Mr. Zaller served with the Third Marine Division as a Navy Corpsman in the Battle of Iwo Jima, providing life-saving medical care to the wounded in one of the fiercest battles of the entire war. He continued his service as a corpsman during the Korean War at the pivotal victory at Inchon.

Mr. Zaller served in the Navy for twenty-nine years, including his service in WWII and Korea, and he finished out his career as the Administrator of the Philadelphia Naval Hospital. After leaving the Navy, he worked as the Assistant Commissioner of Tennessee's Department of Mental Health before serving as the Administrator of the Western State Mental Health Hospital in Bolivar until his retirement in 1980. Frank and his wife Helen raised seven children together over the course of a loving marriage spanning nearly seven decades, and he enjoys spending time with his many children and grandchildren.

The American people are forever indebted to those of the Greatest Generation, like Frank Zaller, who answered the call of duty and stepped up to defend freedom in its darkest hour. The freedom and prosperity we enjoy today are the result of the courage of heroes like Mr. Zaller. On behalf of the United States Congress, I wish to commend Frank Zaller for his lifetime of faithful service to our nation and to the people of Tennessee, and I congratulate him on the momentous occasion of his one-hundredth birthday.

TRIBUTE TO CORPORAL CESAR "NOVA" VILLANUEVA, USMC

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CALVERT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to a hero and true

American patriot, United States Marine Corps Corporal Cesar A. Villanueva. Throughout the history of our great nation, we have asked young men and women to step forward and voluntarily assume the duties, responsibilities, and sacrifices required of all Americans who join the finest military in history. Cpl. Villanueva took that important step and today I ask that the House of Representatives honor and remember this incredible young man who died in service to our country.

Cpl. Villanueva, or Nova as his friends knew him, is remembered as a kind, respectable man who was outgoing, and had a passion for service. Nova's love for his country and desire to serve led him to join the Marine Corps about four years ago. Cpl. Villanueva has received numerous awards and accolades for his years of service including the National Defense Service Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon, and a Certificate of Appreciation.

On July 30, 2020, just a month after he married the love of his life, Sarah, Cpl. Villanueva boarded an amphibious assault vehicle for a routine training exercise with Marines and sailors of the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit. The vehicle sank off the coast of San Clemente Island, resulting in the death of Cpl. Villanueva, seven other marines, and a sailor.

As we look at the rich history of our country, we realize that this history is comprised of men and women, just like Cpl. Villanueva, who so bravely chose a life of military service. Each story is unique and humbling for those of us who, far from the dangers they will be called to face, live our lives in relative comfort and ease. Cpl. Villanueva's memory lives on through his father Juan, mother, Maria, his wife, Sarah, his two brothers, and numerous extended family members and friends.

While we send our deepest sympathies to his family, there are no words that can express or alleviate the grief of losing a son, husband, and brother. Cpl. Villanueva's family have given a part of themselves in the loss of their son and brother, and I hope they know that the goodness he brought to this world and the sacrifice he has made will always be remembered.

IN HONOR OF MARIANNE PEAK, IN RECOGNITION OF HER 60 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE AND ADAMS NATIONAL HISTORIC PARK

HON. STEPHEN F. LYNCH

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, August 14, 2020

Mr. LYNCH. Madam Speaker, I rise today in honor of Marianne Peak, to commend her for 60 years of outstanding contributions to the Adams National Historical Park, the National Park Service, and the City of Quincy, Massachusetts.

Throughout her career, Marianne has emphasized education, inclusivity, and possibility, and has influenced the lives of many that have crossed her path. She has been a dedicated steward of history and preservation and has

quietly and humbly become a true leader in her field, while promoting and encouraging the success of others.

Marianne entered the National Park Service in 1960 as a Clerk-Stenographer for what was then the Adams National Historic Site. While working for the Site, Marianne raised a family, studied at both Quincy College and Emmanuel College, and earned a master's degree from Eastern Nazarene College.

Marianne became the Superintendent of Adams National Historic Site in 1986. Under Marianne's direction, the Site evolved into a National Historical Park, expanding its physical boundaries and presence in the Quincy community, acquiring a downtown visitor center, and incorporating a trolley system to improve access and enhance the visitor experience.

During her tenure, Marianne has extended her leadership into the local community and has engaged and mentored young interns to foster their success in the world of public service. Further, Marianne has been the liaison between the Adams family and the National Park Service for over 35 years. She served on Quincy's Chamber of Commerce and on Quincy's Tourism Board. She built fruitful partnerships with Quincy Public Schools, the Quincy Historical Society, and many local businesses. As a founding member of the Quincy Partnership, Marianne ensured that the National Park Service was engaged in efforts to expand community events and invest in Quincy's historic resources, ensuring that local historical societies and other historic house museums were represented in program planning. She has cultivated and maintained key partner-

ships with the Boston Public Library, Massachusetts Historical Society, and the Abigail Adams Historical Society.

For decades, Marianne has devoted herself to elevating the Adams National Historical Park. Thanks to her work, the Park is now a widely recognized museum where visitors can experience firsthand the homes, original furnishings, and decorative arts that tell the stories of two United States presidents, John Adams and his son, John Quincy Adams from birth to death.

Madam Speaker, it is my distinct honor to take the floor of the House today to thank Marianne for her long, impactful career with the Adams National Historical Park and the National Park Service, and for her dedicated efforts to preserving our Nation's history.