The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer:

Lord, Father of us all, we thank You for giving us another day.

As the numbers of new coronavirus infections remain high throughout the Nation, we ask Your blessing and protection on those caring for the sick. We ask Your healing power to come upon those who are stricken. May their recoveries be swift.

Though all of Congress is in August recess, bless those who labor behind the scene to find an agreement to address the pressing needs of our time with wisdom, and understanding, and compassion for Your people who suffer in our Nation.

Lord, have mercy.

May all that is done be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to section 4(a) of House Resolution 967, the Journal of the last day’s proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance. The SPEAKER led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:


HON. NANCY PELOSI, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MADAM SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(b) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on August 11, 2020, at 12:34 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 1014.
That the Senate passed S. 2299.
That the Senate passed S. 3703.
That the Senate passed S. 4073.
That the Senate agreed to S.J. Res. 74.
That the Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 37.

With best wishes, I am.

Sincerely,

CHERYL L. JOHNSON, Clerk.

ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 967, the House stands adjourned until 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, August 18, 2020.

Thereupon (at 2 o’clock and 4 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Tuesday, August 18, 2020, at 11:30 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker’s table and referred as follows:

4930. A letter from the Director, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting the Bureau’s Major final rule — Payday, Vehicle Title, and Certain High-Cost Installment Loans (Docket No.: CFPB-2019-0006) (RIN: 3170-AAB0) received July 23, 2020, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 688); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4931. A letter from the President, transmitting an Executive Order that takes additional steps to deal with the national emergency with respect to the information and communications technology and services supply chain declared in Executive Order 13878 of May 15, 2019, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1703(b); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(b); (91 Stat. 1257); and 50 U.S.C. 1614(b); Public Law 94-112, Sec. 401(b); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 116-147); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

4932. A letter from the President, transmitting an Executive Order that takes additional steps to deal with the national emergency with respect to the information and communications technology and services supply chain declared in Executive Order 13878 of May 15, 2019, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1703(b); Public Law 95-223, Sec. 204(b); (91 Stat. 1257); and 50 U.S.C. 1614(b); Public Law 94-112, Sec. 401(b); (90 Stat. 1257) (H. Doc. No. 116-147); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed.

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REPTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi: Committee on Homeland Security. H.R. 5822. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish an acquisition professional career program, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 116-475). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi: Committee on Homeland Security. H.R. 5780. A bill to enhance stakeholder outreach to and operational engagement with owners and operators of critical infrastructure and other relevant stakeholders by the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency to bolster security against acts of terrorism and other homeland security threats, including by maintaining a clearinghouse of security guidance, best practices, and other voluntary content developed by the Agency or aggregated from trusted sources, and for other

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H.R. 8029. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to assess the suitability and feasibility of designating areas within the island of Guam as a National Heritage Area, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R. 8030. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to increase the maximum term of imprisonment for offenses involving impropriety or nepotism; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 8031. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to increase the maximum term of imprisonment for offenses involving licence abuse; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 8032. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for amounts paid by a spouse of a member of the Armed Forces for a new State, local, or Tribal domicile, to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 8033. A bill to improve the ability of veterans to access suicide prevention coordinators of the Department of Veterans Affairs; to the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs.

H.R. 8034. A bill to require the Department of Homeland Security to develop a threat assessment on the potential homeland security vulnerabilities associated with genome modification and editing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

H.R. 8035. A bill to amend the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 to establish a program to incentivize innovation and to enhance the industrial competitiveness of the United States by developing technologies to reduce emissions of nonpower industrial sectors, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 116–497) tendered by the Committee on the Whole House on the state of the Union.

H.R. 8036. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit against income tax for amounts paid by a spouse of a member of the Armed Forces for a new State, local, or Tribal domicile, to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 8037. A bill to amend section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 with respect to requiring domestic industries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 8038. A bill to establish a commission to review certain regulatory obstacles to preparing in-person or telemedicine services, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R. 8039. A bill to require the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection to conduct an assessment of the use of certain educational data in determining the creditworthiness of an applicant, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services.

H.R. 8040. A bill to direct the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to establish a grant program to facilitate the provision of high-speed broadband service to small business concerns in rural areas, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business.

H.R. 8041. A bill to establish a Snow Water Supply Forecasting Program within the Department of the Interior, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R. 8042. A bill to provide for agricultural economic injury disaster loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

H.R. 8043. A bill to establish a scholarship program for individuals who have completed at least 2 years of service in the military, emergency medical service, police force, or as a teacher’s assistant or firefighter, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

H.R. 8044. A bill to establish an early career research fellowship program; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

H.R. 8045. A bill to require the Department of Homeland Security to develop a threat assessment on the potential homeland security vulnerabilities associated with genome modification and editing, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

H.R. 8046. A bill to direct the Secretary of Labor, in coordination with other agencies, to conduct a study of the potential impact on the employment opportunities in the United States of immigrants and refugees who have professional credentials obtained in foreign countries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

H.R. 8047. A bill to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 to prohibit an acting Inspector General from serving in more than one position in the Federal Government; to the Committee on Oversight and Reform.

H.R. 8048. A bill to establish in the Department of Homeland Security a program to incentivize innovation and education technology expenses, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Reform, and Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

H.R. 8049. A bill to require the Corps of Engineers to prohibit certain discharges of water at Lake Okeechobee, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

H.R. 8050. A bill to prohibit United States Government recognition of the Israeli Government’s claim of sovereignty over the occupied West Bank, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

H.R. 8051. A bill to require personal protective equipment to be acquired from domestic producers for the Strategic National Stockpile; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

H.R. 8052. A bill to establish an Animal Cruelty Crimes Section within the Department of Justice’s Criminal and Natural Resources Division, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 8053. A bill to enforce the twenty-sixth amendment, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 8054. A bill to establish an early career research fellowship program; to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology.

H.R. 8055. A bill to allow Federal funds appropriated for kindergarten through grade 12 education to follow the student; to the Committee on Education and Labor.
By Mr. SAN NICOLAS: H.R. 8029. A bill to authorize retail food stores and restaurants approved under the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to provide meals for immediate consumption, and frozen prepacked meals, to recipients of benefits provided under such Act; to the Committee on Agriculture.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: Article IV, Section 3, Clause 2 of the Constitution, Congress's authority to make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.

By Ms. FUDGE: H.R. 8039. Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: Article I, Section 8, Clause 18.

By Mr. GOLDEN: H.R. 8040. Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following: Article I, Section 8, Clause 18.
By Mr. HARDER of California:
H.R. 8041.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
U.S. Const. art. I sec. 8
By Mrs. HAYES:
H.R. 8042.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article One, Section Eight
By Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio:
H.R. 8043.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article One, Section 8 of the United States Constitution
By Ms. JOHNSON of Texas:
H.R. 8044.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, section 8 of the Constitution of the United States.
By Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania:
H.R. 8045.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8, Clause 18—The Congress shall have Power "To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.
By Mr. KATKO:
H.R. 8046.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8 of the U.S. Constitution.
By Mr. KEATING:
H.R. 8047.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8
By Mr. LANGEVIN:
H.R. 8048.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
The Congress enacts this bill pursuant to Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article I of the United States Constitution.
By Mr. MAST:
H.R. 8049.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8, Clause 18
By Ms. McCOLLUM:
H.R. 8050.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8 of the Constitution
By Mr. MCKINLEY:
H.R. 8051.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article 1 Section 8—Powers of Congress to make laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer Thereof.
By Mr. NEGREUSE:
H.R. 8052.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8
By Mr. PAYPA:
H.R. 8053.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Section 2 of Amendment XXVI to the U.S. Constitution
By Mr. ROY:
H.R. 8054.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
By Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN:
H.R. 8055.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Art. I, Section 8, Clause 18
To make all Laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into Execution the foregoing Powers, and all other Powers vested by this Constitution in the Government of the United States, or in any Department or Officer thereof.
By Mr. YOUNG:
H.R. 8066.
Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:
Article I, Section 8, Clause 3
ADDITIONAL SPONSORS
Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:
H.R. 24: Mr. MOOLENAAR.
H.R. 55: Mr. GARCIA of Illinois.
H.R. 445: Mr. KASKIN.
H.R. 645: Mr. BERIA, Mr. STANTON, and Mr. LARSON of Connecticut.
H.R. 692: Mr. WILLIAMS and Ms. FOXX of North Carolina.
H.R. 906: Ms. WENTON, Mr. MEURER, and Mrs. MILLER.
H.R. 1111: Mr. GREEN of Tennessee.
H.R. 1185: Mrs. BUSTOS.
H.R. 1289: Mr. LOWENTHAL and Mr. RUTHERFORD.
H.R. 1339: Ms. PINGREE.
H.R. 1521: Mr. VEASEY.
H.R. 1574: Mr. GARCIA of Illinois.
H.R. 1635: Mr. GARCIA of California.
H.R. 1692: Mr. RUPPERSBERGER and Mr. CASTRO of Texas.
H.R. 1774: Mr. CASTRO of Texas.
H.R. 1776: Mr. BARTTTT.
H.R. 1961: Ms. STEFANIK.
H.R. 2039: Mr. CARSON of Indiana and Ms. JACKSON LEE.
H.R. 2054: Mr. MOUTHON.
H.R. 2166: Mr. RASKIN.
H.R. 2178: Mr. TAYLOR, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. CRAFDOW, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, and Ms. SCANLON.
H.R. 2442: Ms. WILD.
H.R. 2491: Mr. MALINOWSKI and Mr. CICERONE.
H.R. 2501: Mr. WELCH.
H.R. 2571: Mr. MCHENRY.
H.R. 2639: Ms. GARCIA of Texas.
H.R. 2640: Mr. MCRNENNY.
H.R. 2653: Ms. MUCARSEL-POWELL, Mr. KIM, Mr. ROSE of New York, Mrs. LURIA, Mr. PHILIPS, Mr. PHLLMUTTER, Ms. VELAZQUEZ, Mr. WELCH, Mr. MALINOWSKI, and Mr. NEGREUSE.
H.R. 2696: Mr. O’HALLERAN.
H.R. 2791: Ms. LURIA.
H.R. 2685: Mr. LUEKEMEYER.
H.R. 2699: Mr. GOTTHEIMER and Mr. PAITTTA.
H.R. 3221: Mrs. TRAHAN.
H.R. 3232: Mr. CASTRO of Texas.
H.R. 3238: Ms. DINGEL.
H.R. 3570: Mr. PHILLIPS, Ms. SHALALA, Mr. MALINOWSKI, Mrs. BUSTOS, Mrs. BRATTTT, and Mr. MICHAEL F. DOYLE of Pennsylvania.
H.R. 3668: Mr. GOMEZ, Ms. PRESSLE, Ms. JACKSON LEE, and Mrs. BRATTTT.
H.R. 3884: Mr. COX of California, Ms. SPEIER, Mrs. KIRKPATRICK, and Mr. PAYNE.
H.R. 4045: Mr. TLAIR.
H.R. 4086: Mr. BARK.
H.R. 4104: Mr. MCRNENNY, Mr. BARRAGAN, Mr. SOTO, Ms. PORTER, Mr. FOCAN, Mr. HUFFMAN, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Miss RICE OF New York, Mr. SCOTT OF Virginia, Ms. HAALAND, Ms. SPEIER, Ms. STRIVENS, Mr. KEATING, and Mr. KIM.
H.R. 4150: Mr. ROZIER and Mr. WILSON of South Carolina.
H.R. 4439: Mr. COHN, Mr. WOODALL, and Mr. DEFazio.
H.R. 6769: Ms. NAPOLITANO.
H.R. 6881: Mr. SHIMKUS.
H.R. 3764: Mrs. NAPOLITANO and Mr. CASE.
H.R. 4836: Mr. GALLEGEO.
H.R. 5098: Mrs. LURIA.
H.R. 5046: Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana.
H.R. 5076: Mr. SHULMAN, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas, and Mr. LAWSON of Florida.
The Senate met at 10 and 11 seconds a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable Tom Cotton, a Senator from the State of Arkansas.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. Grassley).

The Parliamentarian read the following letter:


To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable Tom Cotton, a Senator from the State of Arkansas, to perform the duties of the Chair.

Chuck Grassley,
President pro tempore.

Mr. Cotton thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2020, AT 12 NOON

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 12 noon on Tuesday, August 18, 2020.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 10 and 54 seconds a.m., adjourned until Tuesday, August 18, 2020, at 12 noon.
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 citizens or cosponsors of the act. I would like to include in the Record the following names of citizens or cosponsors:

Carlos Diaz, Wyandanch, NY; Jasmine Vieyra, North Las Vegas, NV; Jennifer Beeter, Corte Madera, CA; Alexia Cardenas, Yakima, WA; Regina L. Stanley, Vineyard Haven, MA; Barbara B. Wilson, Newhall, CA; Alisha Stevens, Baltimore, MD; Audrey Lord-Harmon, Davidson, NC; David Goodrich, O Fallon, IL; Jasmine Tellez, Spring, TX; Hollie Allison, Salt Lake City, UT; Sara Levinger, Minneapolis, MN; Robin Coots, Seven Mile, OH; Ruby Delgado, Desert Hot Springs, CA; Lisa Pittman, Brooklyn, MD; Patricia Robinson, Brooklyn, NY; Ariella Smith, Myrtle Beach, SC; MEGHAN L. Grifon, Syracuse, NY; Marjorie Oliver, Jacksonville, FL; Joyce Pusel, Chapel Hill, NC; Brett Schriver, Minneapolis, MN; Alex Billingsley, Birmingham, AL; Katherine Bendsten, Hopkins, MN; Despina AK Rogers, Dundalk, MD; Shannon Mykins, New Haven, CT; Garrett Katz, Rockville, MD; Nora Kramer, Los Angeles, CA; Niesha Sanders, San Antonio, TX; Janet Trautvetter, Silver Spring, MD; Lauren Kotkelnik, Bowling Green, OH; Oscar Nicolas Osorio, Lakewood, CA; Albert Mitchell Mccombs, Fort Worth, TX; Sarah Phillips, Silver Spring, MD; Jeri Hashiguchi, Las Vegas, NV; Brittany Davis, Sicklerville, NJ; Francis Kabiowe Udi, Philadelphia, PA; Leslie Wilson, Silver Spring, MD; Chanel Neufville, Miami, FL; Morgan Sheridan, Albuquerque, NM; Adela Jabine, Silver Spring, MD; Pamela Bacon, Morristown, TN; Asia Acocella, Bowling Green, OH; Lisa Critchley, Houston, TX; Giuseppina Bonanni, Bridgeport, CT.

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Lindsay Herrera, Kansas City, MO; Ramon Rivera, Homestead, FL; Carissa Day, Ocala, FL; Carliee Williams, San Pedro, CA; Dianna Slater, Snohomish, WA; Mary May, Southfields, NY; Lawrence Snyder, Davis, CA; William Blain, Seminole, FL; Leonara Fornes, Oviedo, FL; Kevin Lamel, West Palm Beach, FL; Lona Orellana, Kissimme, FL; Melissa Stephans, Washington, DC; Ed Ben, Lake Worth, FL; Alexei Gray, West Palm Beach, FL; E. Arnel, Boca Raton, FL; Douglass Brown, Harker Heights, TX; Harley Gutwillig, New York, NY; John Tabasko, Crystal Lake, IL; Christopher Anderson, Long Beach, CA.
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 counting soccer. Shortly after her graduation, she was selected as 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 reinforced 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 Guílìn never happens again, so not one more family has to suffer like the Guillés have.

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

TO RECOGNIZE EVA BENEDIKT ON RECEIVING THE NEW YORK STATE SENATE 2020 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 Benedikt upon her receiving the New York State Senate 2020 Women of Distinction Honor.

Eva Benedikt 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
Friday, August 14, 2020

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 founding 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 other 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 KILILI CAMACHO SABLAN
OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, August 14, 2020

Mr. SABLAN. Madam Speaker, today, I introduce the STEM Educator Awards Equity Act to ensure educators from the Northern Mariana Islands, Virgin Islands, American Samoa, and the Department of Defense Education Activity 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 these four areas is selected. No teacher from the Marianas, for instance, has been 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
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 distance learning, and 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, universities have been forced to abandon their career path altogether.

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 recruitment 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.
HONORIZING HOT SPRINGS POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR SERVICE 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, our 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 frontline 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 Estimating 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 provisions 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, I take it as a 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 ANNIVERSARY OF FAMOUS HAMBURGER

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 so found themselves in Michigan in 1989. In March of 1997, Hider introduced the first Famous Hamburger in Dearborn, another metro Detroit community.

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.

In the midst of the coronavirus pandemic, the fiftieth anniversary of Famous Hamburger has 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 something we all should strive to emulate.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Phillip Hider, the founder of Famous Hamburger. We are grateful for its years of dedicated service, and wish the restaurant continued success in the year ahead.
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 same respect that the Americans 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 COMMISSIONS FUTURE ANNEXATION, TRUMP SAYS IT’S ‘NOW OFF THE TABLE’

(By Noa Landau)

PRO-SETTLER AMBASSADOR FRIEDMAN ARGUES ‘IT’S PERMANENTLY OFF THE TABLE’ AFTER HISTORIC AGREEMENT TO NORMALIZE RELATIONS BETWEEN ISRAEL AND THE UAE

U.S. President Donald Trump said Thursday night that Israel had 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, Israeli 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 rather 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 applying sovereignty to the West Bank is on the table and we’re committed to it. The Trump administration requested to temporarily suspend the annexation [of annexation] to first implement the historic peace agreement with the UAE.

Asking 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 it 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 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 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 attended 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 Beaumont Police Officer on December 20, 2018. Her family, friends, and remained very close to her as “Officer Hops.” 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 Rae, and Madison; 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 policies 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 interests 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 on 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.

RETRIEval 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 a 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 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, 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 RUZ
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, August 14, 2020

Mr. RUZ. 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 last 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 California, who served in Operation Iraq 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 quartet with a few of his tribal brothers called the Woody Woodrome quartet, 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; daughter, Tania Honeycutt; brothers, Gus Celestine, Jr., Milton Warren Celestine, and Wesley Celestine; son, Timmy Celestine; 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
Friday, August 14, 2020

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 was created in the west and the founding of a Muslim state in the north-western 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 their 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 Pakistan’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 grandchildren and great-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
Friday, August 14, 2020

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. Corporal 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, respectful man who was outgoing and a true professional 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 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 partnerships 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.
Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action
The Senate met at 10:00:11 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 10:00:54 a.m. until 12 noon, on Tuesday, August 18, 2020.

Committee Meetings
No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action
Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 38 public bills, H.R. 8029–8066; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 1083–1085, were introduced. Pages H4236–37
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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:
H.R. 5822, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish an acquisition professional career program, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–475);
H.R. 5780, to enhance stakeholder outreach to and operational engagement with owners and operators of critical infrastructure and other relevant stakeholders by the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency to bolster security against acts of terrorism and other homeland security threats, including by maintaining a clearinghouse of security guidance, best practices, and other voluntary content developed by the Agency or aggregated from trusted sources, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–476); and
H.R. 4230, to amend the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 to establish a program to incentivize innovation and to enhance the industrial competitiveness of the United States by developing technologies to reduce emissions of nonpower industrial sectors, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–477).

Senate Referrals: S. 1014 was held at the desk. S. 2299 was held at the desk. S. 3703 was held at the desk. S. 4075 was held at the desk. S.J. Res. 74 was held at the desk. S. Con. Res. 37 was held at the desk.

House Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H4235.

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

Committee Meetings
No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings
No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2020
(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate
No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House
No hearings are scheduled.
Next Meeting of the SENATE
12 noon, Tuesday, August 18

Senate Chamber
Program for Tuesday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
11:30 a.m., Tuesday, August 18

House Chamber
Program for Tuesday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 11:30 a.m.

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