

generating nearly fifty million dollars in revenue a year into our local economy. But beyond its economic importance to our community, its value lies in the connection it brings to us. It connects the New Haven line into New York City, the Hartford Line into Hartford and Springfield. It also connects the Shoreline East into New London and Amtrak's Northeast Corridor from Boston to Washington, D.C. and points beyond.

Most importantly, Union Station connects our past to our future. Opened in the shadow of the Spanish Influenza pandemic, it is a particularly poignant reminder of what can be done and what must be done even amid calamity. We stand here today to both celebrate that old victory and to set our eyes forward to new ones. It is inspiring to see a local reminder of what America can do when we build toward a better future through infrastructure and when we at all levels of government support local priorities.

I extend my deepest thanks and sincere appreciation to all the workers who keep Union Station running every day—especially those declared essential at this difficult time. I am honored to stand today and join all of those gathered in wishing this remarkable institution a very happy 100th anniversary. As we say in Italian, Cent' Anni.

IN RECOGNITION OF EDWARD  
JAMES LOVE

**HON. RASHIDA TLAIB**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 11, 2020*

Ms. TLAIB. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Edward James Love, better known as Ed Love, a legend in Detroit's music scene, on the occasion of his retirement. Ed Love is the renowned voice of "Destination Jazz: The Ed Love Program", playing jazz classics and new material each week on Detroit's WDET radio station.

Born in Parsons, Kansas, Mr. Love was raised in a family of music lovers and whose parents instilled in him a great appreciation for jazz music. He began studying the trumpet in grade school and continued his studies through junior college. After graduating from Parsons Junior College in Kansas, Mr. Love chose to pursue a career in broadcasting at the Pathfinder Broadcast School in Kansas City, Missouri, where he graduated at the top of his class.

Ed Love's first job in broadcasting came in 1951 at radio station KIND in Independence, Kansas. In 1952 he joined the United States Air Force and served as an Armed Forces Radio staffer in the Philippines, during the Korean War. After returning home from the war, Mr. Love returned to KIND to continue his career in radio. Throughout the 1950s, Ed Love worked at radio stations in New York, West Virginia, and Pennsylvania.

In 1959, fate brought Ed Love to Detroit, where he went to convalesce among family and friends from a severe case of influenza. Mr. Love was delighted to discover the proliferation of jazz clubs and lively musical scene in the city of Detroit. From then on, Ed Love made his home in Detroit. Pursuing his passion for music by night, Mr. Love worked as a U.S. postal carrier by day, a job he held for more than thirty-five years.

During his tenure in Detroit, Mr. Love worked at a variety of jazz stations before landing at Detroit's National Public Radio affiliate WDET in 1983. His weekly show, Destination Jazz: The Ed Love Program, grew into a one of the station's most popular programs, responsible for introducing several generations of young people to jazz. His deep and mellifluous voice is familiar not only to Detroiters, but also to the national audiences who heard his syndicated National Public Radio (NPR) program, The Evolution of Jazz—a program that ran for six years and was heard on several stations around the US and two stations in Puerto Rico.

Ed Love overcame a stroke suffered in 1994 to continue making an impact in the world of music. There is no doubt that his passion for music has left a lasting impression on appreciators of jazz locally and across our nation. Please join me in recognizing his many contributions as we wish him well in his retirement from more than six decades in broadcasting.

HONORING MS. LUSILA "LUSI"  
ORTEGA

**HON. FILEMON VELA**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 11, 2020*

Mr. VELA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments of a remarkable community leader from my district, Ms. Lusila "Lusi" Ortega.

A native of Lozano, Texas, Ms. Ortega got her first job as a teacher at the Rio Hondo Head Start in 1971. At the time, the Head Start program did not provide transportation, so she, along with her husband Juan Alaniz, retrofitted an old GSA van and drove it to transport children in the surrounding rural areas. She also organized many fundraisers and fun family events to benefit the Head Start children and families. Ms. Ortega's dedication and success caught the eye of her supervisors and she was promoted to work at the administrative level as a Parent Involvement/Volunteer Services Coordinator. With the support of her peers and community leaders, she helped build a phenomenal Parent Involvement Program that was recognized at the national level. Ms. Ortega spearheaded many fund raising events that provided parents the opportunity to travel and advocate for Head Start in the state of Texas and across the country.

In 1990, Neighbors In Need of Services, Inc. (NINOS) was awarded the Head Start grant and Ms. Ortega was promoted to Assistant Head Start Director. During her tenure, the Head Start Program grew from serving a few hundred children to now serving over 2,900 Head Start and Early Head Start students. Ms. Ortega served on the National Head Start Association Board of Directors and she was the first Head Start staff member elected to preside over the Texas Head Start Association (THSA) Board of Directors. The THSA continues to honor her service by awarding a yearly scholarship in her name. Ms. Ortega was also selected to represent Region VI at the White House when President Bill Clinton signed a bill into law that broadened the Head Start Program to include children under the age of three.

Ms. Ortega was a member of the National Head Start Association Board of Directors, the

Texas Department of Human Services Licensing Advisory Council, the University of Texas at Brownsville Child Care and Development Advisory Council, the Rio Grande Valley OIC Foster Grandparent Advisory Council, and was the Region VI Head Start Association Board of Directors officer. She was also a fellow with the Johnson & Johnson Management program and served as intergovernmental staff in the Office of Children and Families Region VI for one year.

Anyone who knows Lusi Ortega knows her as the "Voice of Head Start." I wish her a happy retirement and thank her for her lasting contributions to the educational and personal development of the children of South Texas.

ONGOING TRANSATLANTIC EN-  
GAGEMENT THROUGH THE OSCE  
PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY

**HON. RICHARD HUDSON**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 11, 2020*

Mr. HUDSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to update my Congressional colleagues on my continued consultations with transatlantic partners to address critical challenges in European security.

On September 2nd, I joined a video meeting of the leadership of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE PA), in my capacity as Chairman of that body's Committee on Political Affairs and Security. The meeting included about one dozen parliamentarians from across Europe. Senator ROGER WICKER of Mississippi also participated in the discussion.

The news of the confirmed poisoning of Russian political figure Alexey Navalny broke during our meeting, and I am pleased to report that my colleagues and I immediately agreed to unanimously condemn this heinous act, whose origins can be traced directly to the Putin regime. There are now reports that some in Germany are reconsidering the Nordstream 2 pipeline deal with Russia. I have long argued against this project in the Parliamentary Assembly on grounds that it jeopardizes Europe's energy security.

The Assembly's leadership continues to monitor the deeply concerning developments in Belarus in the wake of the falsification of the results of the presidential elections in Belarus on August 9. Detentions and brutal treatment of protesters, members of the media, and bystanders continues unabated even as the Belarusian people rise in defense of their fundamental rights, rights the Belarusian government has pledged itself to uphold under the Helsinki Final Act. I am honored to represent the U.S. Congress in discussions with our European partners as we try to encourage a peaceful and democratic way forward for the people of Belarus.

Among the other issues under discussion was the outbreak of fighting along the Armenia-Azerbaijan border in mid-July and the role that regional powers may be playing in the tense security situation. We agreed that the parties should continue to look for ways to de-escalate, and to resume negotiations under the auspices of the OSCE Minsk Group. The Assembly has generally backed the work of the Minsk Group Co-Chairs, the agreed international format for addressing the conflict; the