PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. GREG PENCE

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 2, 2020

Mr. PENCE. Madam Speaker, on Friday, October 2, 2020, I was not recorded for roll call vote 217 and 218. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on the Adoption of H. Res. 1153, Condemning unwanted, unnecessary medical procedures on individuals without their full, informed consent and YEA on the Adoption of H. Res. 1154, Condemning QAnon and rejecting the conspiracy theory it promotes.

I strongly condemn the performance of medical procedures without informed consent. If true, these heinous acts deserve swift and appropriate punishment. The allegations raised resolution, this however, in remain unconfirmed as investigations by the Inspector General at the Department of Homeland Security are still underway. I cannot support this resolution that assumes the facts are true prior to the outcome of complete investigations. Furthermore, as a man of faith, I am unapologetically pro-life and cannot support this resolution that implicitly supports abortion. We must always stand for life and protect the most vulnerable around us.

While I support H. Res. 1154, I am disheartened to see the Majority refuse to name similar leftwing groups, like Antifa, as a part of the problem. I fully denounce all such groups and their destruction of public and private property in our communities.

HUGH PENDLETON NUNNALLY, JR.

HON. EARL L. "BUDDY" CARTER

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 2, 2020

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today in remembrance of Hugh Pendleton Nunnally, Jr. who was a pillar in the Golden Isles community.

Hugh was born and raised in Atlanta and graduated from Georgia Tech with a degree in agriculture.

After graduating, he was fortunate enough to be mentored by Malon Courts of the Courts & Co. and became a broker within 2 years.

In 1955, he was drafted into the Army and finished his service in 1957 as a sergeant.

Following Hugh's time in the Army, he became a founding partner in the brokerage firm, Budd & Co., and then a founding partner of Presidential Financial Co.

After the death of his precious wife, Miriam, he was devoted to many philanthropic efforts, including the Southeast Georgia Health System, the Nunnally House, the College of Coastal Georgia, The Humane Society of South Coastal Georgia, and Hospice of the Golden Isles.

Hugh will always be remembered for his endearing smile, compassion, and selflessness.

My thoughts and prayers are with all who knew and loved him during this most difficult time.

RECOGNITION OF THE SERVICE for too long. Justice Ginsburg fought and AND LEGACY OF JUSTICE RUTH BADER GINSBURG

HON. ANDRÉ CARSON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 2, 2020

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Madam Speaker, I rise today to join my colleagues in recognizing the lifetime of service and the legacy of Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

"Fight for the things that you care about, but do it in a way that will lead others to join you." This insight came from the late Honorable Ruth Bader Ginsburg and has never been more applicable than today. The Notorious RBG was a fighter for all and a defender of rights until the very end, showing us all the true definition of what it means to be a great leader. Throughout her career she fought to extend fairness and protections for countless marginalized groups in this country.

As a father to young girl and a passionate defender of women's rights, I stand before you to reflect on the legacy that Justice Ginsburg has left on all generations today, and in the years to come. In 1993, Justice Ginsburg was appointed to the Supreme Court with unanimous support from the Senate and became only the second woman ever to serve on the highest court in our land. She brought both passion and brilliance to her decisions, always with the best interests of Americans on her mind while upholding our Constitution.

We have a duty to honor Justice Ginsburg by continuing her fight to advance the progress she tirelessly worked for during her entire career. In a time when my constituents and fellow Americans are urgently voicing their need for unity and fairness, we must demand the very things Justice Ginsburg fought for so fiercely: equal health care, reproductive rights, equal rights, LGBTQ rights, workers' rights, voting rights, civil rights, and much more.

So much is at stake with the Supreme Court vacancy her passing has created. The Supreme Court is already scheduled to hear arguments the week after the election on the Trump Administration's reckless push to destroy the Affordable Care Act (ACA). That means, in the middle of this unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic, which has killed more than 200,000 Americans, the President and his allies are trying to pack the Supreme Court to take away the health care of millions of Americans. This president has promised that his Supreme Court nominee will dismantle the ACA, so we must take him at his word.

President Trump and Senate Republicans are ignoring the dying wishes of Justice Ginsburg, the opinion of most Americans, and vears of precedent in a desperate bid to pack the courts to rubberstamp their reckless agenda. This is an insult to our Democracy and a threat to every American. There should be no consideration of a replacement for Justice Ginsburg before the next president is sworn in.

We must act now, after Justice Ginsburg's passing, but before a new justice is appointed to roll back her legacy and our rights. We must take our shared grief and use it as turning point, drawing on her example as a courageous inspiration for us to all rise up and make her proud. We must fight for the rights of those who have been ignored or forgotten worked hard until the very end, showing us all that when love for Country and Constitution runs deep, there is no denving justice.

I urge my Senate Colleagues to honor both her and the American people's wishes.

RECOGNIZING OCTOBER AS NA-TIONAL SPINE HEALTH AWARE-NESS MONTH

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 2, 2020

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing October as National Spine Health Awareness Month. 100 million Americans, or about one third of the U.S. population, suffer from neck and back pain each year. Individuals with chronic back pain are four times more likely to suffer clinical depression. It is the number one non-cancer related reason for an opioid prescription in the U.S. It costs \$250 billion to the U.S. economy annually. Back pain is the number one cause of job-related disability in the U.S.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, many of us have been sitting more, eating more, moving less, and not exercising or visiting the gym, all of which contribute to bad backs and necks. Many Americans working from home have reported experiencing more back pain, neck pain, and other musculoskeletal issues.

Located in my district in Reston, Virginia, the National Spine Health Foundation is a non-profit dedicated to improving spinal health care through education, research, and patient advocacy. Their medical research team conducts multi-center studies evaluating innovative approaches to treatments, including regenerative medicine, minimally invasive approaches, and non-opioid pain management. They educate Americans about treatment and prevention and support patients on their journey to good spinal health, striving to reduce the uncertainty and anxiety experienced by all those who suffer from neck and back disorders.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing the importance of learning about good spinal health and in honoring those health care providers and organizations nationwide that help Americans reach that goal not just in October, but all year long.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MARKWAYNE MULLIN OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 2, 2020

Mr. MULLIN. Madam Speaker, I was not present the week of Sept 28.-Oct. 2, 2020 on account of supporting my son's continuing recovery.

Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 207; YEA on Roll Call No. 208; YEA on Roll Call No. 209; NAY on Roll Call No. 210; YEA on Roll Call No. 211; NAY on Roll Call No. 212; NAY on Roll Call No. 213; NAY on Roll Call No. 214; NAY on Roll Call No. 215; and NAY on Roll Call No. 216.