

Ken Griner of Georgia's First Congressional District for his 33 years of service in television and his many contributions to Savannah, Georgia.

Over the duration of his successful career, Ken began as a studio camera operator, then worked his way to covering late nights as WTOG's sports director, and eventually became the hallmark coanchor at The News at Daybreak in historic Savannah, Georgia.

Ken's energetic, warm, and bubbly personality made him an invaluable and universally loved person within the television community, and I have personally enjoyed listening to his remarks.

Ken has always been known as a fan favorite; warm and friendly; a helpful coworker; and, above all, a loving person of all people. He is a pillar in Savannah, and I am thankful for his many years of dedicated work in media and for his whole-hearted investment in his community. I hold Ken in the highest regard and I wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MACK MATTINGLY

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Senator Mack Mattingly, who celebrated his 90th birthday on January 7. Mack carries a long list of accomplishments and prestigious titles and awards, but his heart for public service stands out the most.

In the early 1950s, Mack served our country for 4 years in the United States Air Force and was stationed at Hunter Army Airfield in Savannah, Georgia. He first became active in politics in 1964, when he served as chairman of U.S. Senator Barry Goldwater's campaign for President in Georgia's First Congressional District.

In 1980, Mack defeated longtime Democratic Senator Herman Talmadge and served in the Senate from January 1981 until January 1987. Mack was the first Republican to serve in the United States Senate from Georgia since Reconstruction.

In his post-Senatorial campaign, President Reagan appointed Mack to serve as assistant secretary-general for defense support for NATO in Brussels, Belgium. He was later appointed as ambassador to Seychelles by President George Bush. Mack has contributed greatly to Georgia and to the United States as a whole through all the positions he held.

I am thankful for his amazing life, and I wish him and his family the best in years to come.

HONORING STEPHEN TOOTLE

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remember and honor Stephen Tootle of Savannah, Georgia, who recently passed away at the age of 32 on December 20.

Stephen was a man of remarkable character and a giving heart, who knew no stranger. He and his family were engrained in the local Savannah community, and everyone who knew him recognized his light-hearted personality and passion for the outdoors.

He was a 2006 graduate of Benedictine Military School and would go on to attend the University of Georgia, where he was a member of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. During this time, he made many lifelong friends. He graduated from the University of Georgia in 2010, with a degree in risk management and insurance, before he returned to his hometown of Savannah and worked as a commercial fisherman in his family's crabbing business.

Stephen was known as someone who saw the good in everyone and everything and had a heart of gold. He also had a way of making anyone he met laugh. He was a courageous fighter who battled addiction, and I know his story will continue to touch many lives.

Stephen leaves behind a wonderful, loving family who raised Stephen to be the amazing person he was, and I am thankful for the life he lived. My thoughts and prayers are with his family, friends, and all who knew him during this most difficult time.

#### REMEMBERING HAWAII COUNTY MAYOR WILLIAM "BILLY" P. KENOI

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

Mr. KAHELE. Mr. Speaker, my ohana is from the last native Hawaiian fishing village in Hawaii, Milolii. You have likely never heard of Milolii, and if you haven't heard of the small fishing village of Milolii, then you probably haven't heard of Kalapana.

Kalapana, like Milolii, is an ocean community, but Kalapana sits in the shadow of the volcano Kilauea. For decades, this area has been shaped by the various destructive lava flows that have flowed through; but no matter how many times this happened, the people of Kalapana remained resilient and proud of their community.

Mr. Speaker, I can think of no one who embodied the pride and resilience of being Kalapana born and raised than William Punapaia'alaikahala Kenoi, known to most as Hawaii Island Mayor Billy Kenoi. Billy Kenoi would proudly talk about the papaya fields of Kalapana and the mentors who helped him see the world outside of them. Their inspiration took him from the slopes of Kilauea to the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

From there, the boy from Kalapana walked with reverence through these very Halls, which he regarded as a heiau, or spiritual center of democracy, as a congressional intern with the legendary Senator Daniel K. Inouye. He then went on to attend the William S. Richardson School of Law at the University of Hawaii at Manoa.

As he moved through his career, he remained that same resilient and proud kid from Kalapana. He worked for justice as a public defender with indigent clients. He moved home to Hawaii Island as a public servant, dedicated to helping his island weather the crystal

meth crisis that was ravaging our communities. His leadership in crisis, born of the lava flows and fields of Kalapana, eventually translated to leadership at the island level, when he was elected as Hawaii County mayor in 2008.

Nobody could deny Billy's charm, keen political drive, and charismatic leadership. And for all his high-level leadership and larger-than-life personality, he left his mark in the individual interactions he had with people, always kind and authentic. Some of us had the fortune of getting to know him as a friend. For me, he was also a mentor.

I will always remember Martin Luther King Day 2016, because it was the day my father had a heart attack and passed away a week later. In the chaotic hours after he passed, there were too many calls and texts of support to count and certainly too many to answer. Despite all of this, one person's grief persisted and pierced through the profound grief: Billy Kenoi.

Billy called, asked where I was, and told me to come to the State Capitol. He said, "It was time." I didn't know what he meant by that. My father had just passed, but when Billy spoke, I listened. When a man who was once a boy from Kalapana calls you in the middle of a family crisis, you know that he summons with it the resilience and strength of an island community that persisted through lava flow after lava flow.

I went to the State Capitol, to the desk of my father in the State Senate, surrounded by his colleagues, and my life was forever changed. Five years to the day after he passed, Billy Kenoi went into po himself, and he crossed into the afterlife. He left behind a beautiful wife, Takako, and three children, Justin, Liam, and Mahina. He was only 52. And like my father, he was too important a leader to lose too soon.

Billy was the personification of Kalapana. No matter what change life threw at him, he embraced it with pride, resilience, and a sense of humor. As Hawaii is now altered by the passing of this leader, we will conjure his spirit and the spirit of Kalapana. We will remember the boy from Kalapana who became the incomparable leader Billy Kenoi.

Colleagues, I leave you with words from his final speech—and he was famous for speeches—to remember him and take us to a more resilient and prouder future: If impossible is nothing, then everything is possible.

#### JUSTICE FOR VICTIMS IN SANCTUARY CITIES

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. BUDD) for 5 minutes.

Mr. BUDD. Mr. Speaker, I am here to talk for just a moment about law and order. I am here to talk about how we as a body can prevent more needless tragedies in our country. I am here to

talk about true justice. Specifically, justice for victims of dangerous sanctuary city policies.

We have all heard the stories. Kate Steinle brutally murdered in San Francisco by an illegal immigrant who was repeatedly released.

In Washington State, an illegal named Rosalio Ramos-Romas was deported four times before authorities arrested him in October of 2017. Once notified of his arrest, ICE issued a detainer request asking local authorities to imprison him for an additional 48 hours. But, instead, local authorities ignored the detainer request and allowed Rosalio back into the community, where he eventually murdered his cousin and hid the body in a dumpster.

In my State of North Carolina, the Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office refused to notify ICE and comply with lawful detainer requests when it released dangerous illegal immigrants from the county jail. One was charged with multiple domestic violence offenses for strangling a woman and threatening to kill her.

These are not isolated incidents of violence, but, rather, the norm in sanctuary cities across America. The truth is that sanctuary city policies are unnecessary and they only threaten the safety of our families and our neighbors. This lawlessness leads to tragedies that are simply not acceptable and should not be allowed by our leaders.

That is why I introduced the Justice for Victims of Sanctuary Cities Act with Senator THOM TILLIS. Our bill would allow anyone harmed by an illegal immigrant in a sanctuary city to sue the sanctuary city or State for the damages that it caused. It also withholds certain grant funding from jurisdictions that refuse to comply with Federal law. This move will put lawless cities on notice and will, hopefully, persuade them to reverse course, enforce our laws, and keep our streets safe.

At a time when the current administration refuses to crack down on sanctuary cities, Congress has the responsibility to act. It is long past time that cities who refuse to enforce our immigration face legal consequences. This has to stop.

#### UNEVEN ALLOCATION OF THE COVID-19 VACCINE

Mr. BUDD. Mr. Speaker, last month, over 10,000 patients in and around my district had their COVID-19 vaccination appointments forcibly canceled, throwing seniors and frontline workers into uncertainty. This mistake was the result of an uneven allocation process and bureaucratic confusion. It is unacceptable and something has to be done.

I sent a letter to the Department of Health and Human Services demanding immediate answers for my constituents. I understand that an expedited national vaccine rollout is complex. It is a tough undertaking. But the faster vaccine doses are allocated to States like mine in North Carolina, the sooner we will be able to defeat this virus once and for all.

The people of my community deserve clarity and honesty when it comes to vaccines from the Federal Government, and I am going to continue to get answers for them.

#### ANNIVERSARY OF ROE V. WADE

Mr. BUDD. Mr. Speaker, the Supreme Court decision in *Roe v. Wade* was decided 48 years ago last month. Since abortion was made legal, more than 60 million unborn children have had their lives prematurely ended. This is a matter of conscience for me, and I believe that life begins at conception.

In recent years, advances in science and medicine have given us an increasingly vivid picture of what life in the womb is like. A child has a heartbeat at just 6 weeks. A child feels pain at 20 weeks.

Science makes clear that life exists in the womb and, therefore, an unborn child is entitled to the most fundamental of human rights, and that, Mr. Speaker, is the right to live.

This issue transcends what it means to be an American and goes to the core of what makes us human. I hope that one day soon, the Supreme Court corrects their constitutional error so that the American people can reassert their voice in determining the moral question of our time.

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#### HONORING THE LIVES AND SERVICE OF FBI SPECIAL AGENTS DANIEL ALFIN AND LAURA SCHWARTZENBERGER

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Florida (Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ) for 5 minutes.

Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ. Mr. Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I rise to honor the lives of two fallen FBI agents, Daniel Alfin and Laura Schwartzenberger.

On Tuesday morning, while executing a Federal warrant in a child exploitation investigation, Special Agent Daniel Alfin and Special Agent Laura Schwartzenberger were shot and killed in the line of duty in Sunrise, Florida. They died protecting our most vulnerable citizens and the community they loved.

This was, sadly, the FBI's deadliest day since the tragic events on 9/11. It has also been more than 30 years since two agents were gunned down together in the line of duty.

A 16-year veteran of the FBI, Special Agent Laura Schwartzenberger's specialty was pursuing crimes against children. Her work with the FBI Miami field office's Innocent Images national initiative led to the arrest of those involved in the exploitation of children and "sextortion." She leaves behind a husband and two children.

Special Agent Daniel Alfin was a 12-year veteran of the FBI. He was a veteran agent who led the investigation into a dark website called Playpen, one of the country's largest child pornog-

raphy operations. He also leaves behind a wife and one child.

While I did not have the good fortune of knowing these two special agents, I know this: These were two heroes taken from us, and we lost them way too soon. These were incredible parents torn from their families. They were extraordinary public servants trying to make our community a safer place to raise our families.

To their loved ones and colleagues, I struggle to find words that can offer solace and comfort in their time of distress. The great poet William Wordsworth once said: "Not without hope we suffer and we mourn."

Perhaps he meant that we find hope in the belief that our thoughts and prayers will, in time, heal their families and their colleagues, and in the hope and the belief that the children of these fallen heroes will grow up knowing that their parents made the sacrifice to make their world and our world a better place.

Agents Alfin and Schwartzenberger put their lives on the line every day to help us be safer. We lost them to a senseless act of violence by someone with a total disregard for the lives of others. We lost them to evil.

We grieve their loss, not only to the community they served, but to the families and loved ones that they leave behind. They made the ultimate sacrifice and, for that, Americans will be forever in their debt and forever grateful.

May their memories be a blessing.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF BILL REYNOLDS

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

Mr. GARCIA of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a fallen hero who graced our glorious Nation for 47 years. Mr. Bill Reynolds, one of my best friends and a loyal wingman, crossed into heaven to be alongside the Lord on January 11.

As a young man, Bill also crossed oceans to fight for this Nation in the jungles of Vietnam in 1967. In fact, he was one of the few surviving members of the well-known "The Boys of '67," the Army's Charlie Company, 9th Division, 4th Battalion, 47th Infantry Regiment.

He was wounded in combat on the Mekong Delta on June 19, 1967, in one of the fiercest days of the Vietnam war during the Battle of My Lai. Despite being wounded, Bill continued to fight alongside his fellow Americans as they took on heavy fire. His brave service earned him the Bronze Star as well as the Purple Heart.

From an early age, Bill was a scrapper. He was a real patriot. He loved his friends, he loved his family, but his deepest love was for the United States of America and those who served to protect her. The blood he shed and the sacrifices that he made overseas during