

for his last three years of active duty. He was also stationed at the Pentagon for three years while working as a JAG officer.

Sam subsequently moved to Nevada to practice law, and in 1967, founded the law firm Lionel, Sawyer, Collins (LSC) with former Governor of Nevada Grant Sawyer as his partner. LSC gained a national reputation for its representation of the Las Vegas hotel owners and other notable figures. Sam was also Chairman of the Board of the Nevada Bar and a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. He argued three significant cases in the Supreme Court and served as a member of the Ninth Circuit Senior Advisory Board of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals judicial council.

In addition to his notable career, Sam was also active in the philanthropic community. He was a member of Congregation Ner Tamid and a key supporter of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, endowing the namesake Samuel S. Lionel Professor of Intellectual Property Law position at the William S. Boyd School of Law.

Sam leaves behind a legacy as one of the greatest American trial lawyers. He is survived by his wife Lexy Lionel; his daughter, Dana, and her four sons, Shaun (Kylee), Christopher, Austin, and Andrew (Courtney); two great-grandchildren, Katelyn and Kiera; four stepsons, Hal Barber IV (Laura), Zachary Capp, Joshua Capp, and Daniel Capp; four step-grandchildren, Neil Uchitel (Carla), Rachel Uchitel, Stoney Barber, Missy Barber; and several great-grand-children, nieces, and a nephew.

CELEBRATING THE RETIREMENT OF ROGER SEAVER

HON. MIKE GARCIA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 27, 2023

Mr. MIKE GARCIA of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the retirement and commend the service of Roger Seaver, an individual who has helped transform Henry Mayo Newhall Memorial Hospital from a local center for great healthcare into a world-renowned institution at the forefront of quality patient services. After five decades of hard work and contributions to Southern California hospitals he will be enjoying his well-deserved retirement with his wife Rizalina, his three children, and two grandchildren.

After serving in the Army and graduating from the University of South Dakota. Roger first began working in the health care field in 1973. He soon worked his way through several other prestigious Los Angeles area hospitals including Glendale Memorial Hospital and Northridge Hospital, making vital contributions to their operations and success. However, as a community we are blessed by the fact that he made his greatest contributions as Chief Executive Officer at Henry Mayo Hospital.

Under his leadership for two decades, Henry Mayo has become one of the most prestigious and successful hospitals in California, prioritizing the best care for their pa-

tients and the best treatment for their staff. Since 2001, Henry Mayo has not only grown in size, but also in the range of services they provide to the Santa Clarita community and the 27th District at large. He has championed advances such as a new breast center, a new cardiovascular center, a neonatal intensive care center, an expanded ICU and emergency department, and a state-of-the-art patient tower. Perhaps most importantly, he steered the hospital through the COVID-19 pandemic, when hospitals all around the country were struggling to meet the needs of their community. In the case of Henry Mayo, thanks to Roger our communities needs were not only met, but our expectations were also exceeded.

I cannot commend Roger enough for his service to California's 27th District. We thank him for his stewardship of Henry Mayo Hospital, and while we will miss him, his retirement and the opportunity to spend more time with friends and loved ones is certainly deserved after a long and successful career.

HONORING THE CHATHAM, NEW YORK PANTHERS VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM

HON. MARCUS J. MOLINARO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 27, 2023

Mr. MOLINARO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Chatham, New York Panthers Varsity Basketball team for their recent attainment of 2nd place in the New York State Class C Regional Final.

After a magical run this season, they deserve to be recognized for their hard work and perseverance. This achievement is a record for Chatham, a feat that they should be very proud of.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues in the House join me in recognizing Chatham for this remarkable achievement.

RECOGNIZING THE METUCHEN DOWNTOWN ALLIANCE '2023 GREAT AMERICAN MAIN STREET OF THE YEAR' DESIGNATION

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 27, 2023

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Borough of Metuchen and the Metuchen Downtown Alliance on its selection as a 2023 Great American Main Street of the Year recipient. I am proud to join with Metuchen Downtown Alliance members, borough officials, and residents in celebrating this achievement.

Since its launch in 1995, the Great American Main Street Award (GAMSA) program has recognized over one hundred Main Street communities that have made significant improvements to their business districts. Finalists exemplify Main Street America's mission to revitalize downtowns through thoughtful, innovative, and collaborative measures. This year,

the Metuchen Downtown Alliance was selected as one of three winners and joins only two other New Jersey communities in receiving this designation.

Established in 2016, the Metuchen Downtown Alliance (MDA) is a volunteer-based non-profit organization led by its Executive Director, Dawn Mackey. In seven short years, MDA has transformed Metuchen's downtown and attracted more businesses, residents, and visitors to the area. The business district has seen its vacancy rate drop from 20% in 2016 to an all-time low, single-digit vacancy rate today. The diverse shops and restaurants, along with a wide array of programs and events, reflect the diversity and inclusive environment of the greater community.

Through its initiatives, investments, and partnerships, MDA has revitalized Main Street, improved streetscapes and adapted to changing needs, while maintaining the historic charm of the town. From the creation of Town Plaza to the ongoing development of an Arts District, Metuchen continues its growth. The efforts of the borough and MDA underscore how strong leadership, community involvement, and targeted improvements can maintain sustained economic vitality and prosperity.

Mr. Speaker, it is truly a joyous occasion to recognize the success of the Metuchen Downtown Alliance and the leadership of the Borough of Metuchen. This honor celebrates the resiliency and dedication of the community and I sincerely hope my colleagues will join me in applauding this recognition.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF JEANNE ELLEN PATTERSON

HON. PAT FALLON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 27, 2023

Mr. FALLON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the life of Jeanne Ellen Patterson. Mrs. Patterson was born on April 5, 1935, in Chicago, Illinois, to Frank Patterson and Dorothy Grace Patterson.

In her early years, she grew up on a farm in Virginia where she learned the value of a hard day's work and a quality education. Mrs. Patterson attended Brigham Young University for her undergraduate degree and continued her studies by pursuing postgraduate work at the University of Arizona, the University of California in Los Angeles, and the National Autonomous University of Mexico. Her passion was politics, and she worked as a consultant to two U.S. Senators, a Mexican Federal Senator, a U.S. Governor, and the President of the United States.

Even as Mrs. Patterson excelled in her career, her main priority was always her family, whom she loved very much. She enjoyed knitting sweaters, painting portraits, writing, and spending time with her children. Most importantly, she loved cooking for her family, who were very fond of her culinary talents.

I have requested the United States flag be flown over our Nation's Capitol to recognize Mrs. Patterson's amazing life and service. She will be dearly missed by her friends, family, and all who knew her.