

employment in their communities. While it would be subject to a point of order, I believe it has a great deal of merit. My amendment is simple and inexpensive. It directs the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to use funds from the VA's General Operating Expenses Fund to establish a portal on the VA Web site containing a comprehensive list of employment opportunities throughout the United States so that veterans are better able to secure employment after they return home from combat.

Furthermore, these results could then be updated annually to reflect the current and changing needs in the local job market. With the posting of this information on the VA Web site, veterans could simply plug in their ZIP code and see a list of the occupations that are most in demand within their commuting area, allowing them to use their Federal job training more effectively.

I have received a commitment from Chairman EDWARDS and Ranking Member WAMP to send a letter to the VA Secretary asking him to establish a portal on the existing VA Web site that would contain comprehensive, up to date employment opportunities in various job markets across the country. In addition, I would like to work with the chairman and ranking member to get comparable language in the conference report to ensure this happens.

I would like to thank Chairman EDWARDS and Ranking Member WAMP for their commitment to veterans and for their offers of support for ensuring that the idea of my amendment becomes a reality.

HONORING HM2 (FMF) ANTHONY  
MARK FEJERAN CARBULLIDO,  
U.S. NAVY

**HON. MADELINE Z. BORDALLO**

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 8, 2008*

Ms. BORDALLO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Hospital Corpsman Petty Officer 2nd Class Anthony M. Carbullido, United States Navy. He was assigned to the Naval Hospital Corps School in Great Lakes, Illinois, where he volunteered for his second assignment as a combat medic in July 2007, stationed in Herat, Afghanistan. HM2, FMF, Carbullido died on August 8, in Sangatesh, Afghanistan, from injuries sustained when his convoy vehicle hit an improvised explosive device.

Anthony Carbullido was born on August 25, 1982, and grew up in Agat, Guam. He attended Southern High School and graduated with the class of 2000. After graduation, Tony answered the call to duty and enlisted in the United States Navy on September 28. He reported to Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Illinois, on November 1, 2000, and afterwards he reported to the Naval Hospital Corps School where he completed training on June 8, 2001. HM2 Carbullido's first duty station was at the Naval Medical Center, San Diego, California. He received additional training at the Fleet Medical Service School at Camp Pendleton, California, and was later assigned to the 1st Marine Logistic Group, Marine Forces Pacific where he deployed with the Marines to Iraq on a 7-month tour. Upon earning his instructor qualification, he was assigned to Naval Hospital Corps School as an

instructor at Great Lakes. It was during this tour at Great Lakes that HM2 Carbullido volunteered for a second deployment and was assigned to augment the United States Army at the Afghan Regional Security Integration Command West in Herat, Afghanistan. He provided training and medical assistance to United States and Afghan forces and was recognized by his comrades as a professional and compassionate corpsman. He received many awards and commendations, most notably the Bronze Star for Valor and the Purple Heart.

On behalf of the people of Guam, I offer my condolences to his wife Summer Chaney Carbullido, his daughter Lexie, his parents Anthony Jesus and Aurora Fejeran Carbullido, his siblings Austin Matthew and Ashley Maria, his grandmother Maria Sablan Fejeran, and to his extended family and friends. He will be missed dearly by his family, friends, and our island community. HM2 Anthony M. Carbullido died in the service of our Nation and we honor his patriotism and his dedication. He is a hero who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom. We will always remember him and we will always be grateful for his service in the United States Navy.

God bless the Carbullido family, God bless our men and women in the Armed Forces, God bless Guam, and God bless our Nation, the United States of America.

CONGRATULATING THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL KITCHEN FOR 25 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THOSE IN NEED

**HON. PAUL E. KANJORSKI**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 8, 2008*

Mr. KANJORSKI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask you and my esteemed colleagues in the House of Representatives to pay tribute to the St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, which is observing its 25th year of continuous service to those in great need.

In 1983, Catholic Social Services in Wilkes-Barre recognized that a growing number of people in the community were suffering and in need of material assistance. Monsignor Donald McAndrews, the executive director of CSS, laid the groundwork for the kitchen with the belief that if people in need could be fed, they could attend to other needs more easily.

Monsignor believed that the kitchen project would be needed for 2 to 3 years and could then be dissolved once the regional economy improved.

He purchased a vacant automotive garage that was being targeted for sheriff sale due to tax delinquency. Local labor unions donated manpower to accomplish minimal renovations. Used kitchen equipment was purchased and CSS obtained a restaurant license.

Sister Lucille Brislin, the kitchen's first director, recruited volunteers and the first meal served 60 people. The kitchen continued to serve one meal a day 7 days a week. Local supermarkets helped by donating leftover bread and pastries. The kitchen depended on private donations and the community responded to that call for help.

Five years after it opened, the kitchen added a free clinic to assist in caring for the

homeless. A used clothing room and a food bank were added later to expand services.

However, the need continued to grow. More than 300 meals a day were being served. In 2003, major renovations were undertaken to accommodate the growing demand. Those renovations were completed in 2005.

In 2007, an evening meal was added 3 nights per week which is served to about 125 people.

Donations are still encouraged and CSS conducts two organized fundraisers each year to help continue the services available at the kitchen. A core group of 60 volunteers come at least once each week and groups of volunteers come once or twice a year.

Madam Speaker, please join me in congratulating those who make possible the humanitarian services that emanate from the St. Vincent de Paul Kitchen in Wilkes-Barre. Without fanfare, demand for recognition, or monetary compensation, the volunteers who dispense nutritional, medical, and clothing services are helping those in the greatest need sustain not only their very lives but also their hope that new opportunities will emerge to end their dependence on others and restore their ability to become self-sufficient.

HONORING THE LIFE OF U.S.  
ARMY SPECIALIST JONATHAN  
MENKE

**HON. BARON P. HILL**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 8, 2008*

Mr. HILL. Madam Speaker, on August 4, 2008, the great Hoosier state lost one of its sons. Army SPC. Jonathan Menke was killed in Baghdad, Iraq, when his vehicle was struck by an improvised explosive device. Specialist Menke was born in Columbus, Indiana, and raised in Madison, Indiana.

An honor roll student, Jon graduated from Madison Consolidated High School in 2005, where he played football and ran track. During his senior year, he surprised friends and family by landing the role of Gaston in "Beauty and the Beast."

Jon joined the Indiana National Guard in March 2004. In 2008, while living and attending college in Indianapolis, Menke was activated by the Indiana National Guard and sent to support Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Specialist. Menke served with the 38th Military Police Company, stationed in Rustamiyah, Iraq. During his tour, Specialist. Menke frequently asked his father to send him things for the Iraqi children—namely shoes, toys, and candy. In Jon's mind, the needs of the Iraqi children were more important than his own comforts.

SPC Jonathan Menke is a hero and a true example of Hoosier values. His ultimate sacrifice deserves our most sincere thanks. I, along with the towns of Madison and Columbus, mourn the death of SPC Jonathan Menke. His friends and loved ones are in my prayers.