

heart trouble. Yet there is an easy-to-use, relatively inexpensive piece of medical equipment that more than doubles the odds of survival for someone experiencing a sudden cardiac arrest. An AED is the single most effective treatment for starting the heart after a sudden cardiac arrest; and because the chances of survival decrease by up to 10 percent for every minute that passes, every second is critical.

In March, I reintroduced the Josh Miller HEARTS Act to increase the availability of AEDs in our communities. Because schools are central gathering places in our communities, placing AEDs in our schools will save the lives of students enrolled there; but they will also be available for teachers and staff, parents and volunteers, and the many other members of the community who pass through their halls every single day.

This legislation is modeled on a similar program for the State of Ohio. Dr. Terry Gordon, a cardiologist at Akron General Medical Center, has dedicated his life to this lifesaving mission. His tireless efforts in Ohio led to the adoption of a statewide initiative to put an AED into every school in our State. I hope that we in Congress can build on Dr. Gordon's good work and carry out this program at the national level.

This bill is endorsed by the American Red Cross, the American Heart Association, the Heart Rhythm Society, the Sudden Cardiac Arrest Association, the International Association of Firefighters, the American College of Cardiology, the National Education Association, the Parent Heart Watch, the American Federation of Teachers and the National Safety Council. I want to thank these organizations for their support on this issue, and I look forward to working with them to continue to raise awareness on AEDs.

Losing a young life like Josh's can bring a sense of helplessness. In just the last year in the short time from August 2008 to December 2008, 63 children lost their lives to sudden cardiac arrest. But today we have an opportunity to act. This bill passed the House in the last Congress, but it did not emerge from the Senate. This time I am pleased to report that Ohio Senator GEORGE VOINOVICH will be leading the charge in the Senate and that Ohio Senator SHERROD BROWN will be working alongside him to make sure that it gets done.

It is appropriate that this bill comes to the floor this week. This week is National CPR and AED Awareness Week, and this week serves to raise awareness of the importance of CPR training and AED accessibility. In fact, the American Heart Association has embarked on a campaign to train 1 million people in CPR and the use of AEDs this week. I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this effort to bring AEDs into every single school across this country. I thank the gentleman from across the aisle for his support of this measure. AEDs in schools will save lives. I want

to thank the Miller family and the Acompora family and others who have turned their personal tragedies into a lifesaving mission.

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to recognize the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. YARMUTH) for 3 minutes.

Mr. YARMUTH. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in strong support of the Josh Miller HEARTS Act so that we may take another step to ensure that all the resources necessary to keep our children safe in their schools are readily available.

More than 200,000 Americans die of sudden cardiac arrest each year. Of these, more than 45,000 lives could be saved if automated external defibrillators were easily accessible. The AED is a portable device that can restart the heart after cardiac arrest, and can be safely used by anyone, including children, as the device actually talks users through the lifesaving process and automatically analyzes whether a potentially lifesaving shock is needed. Making defibrillators available in our schools will save lives, and the Josh Miller HEARTS Act will go a long way toward increasing the availability of these emergency lifesaving devices.

As we recognize National CPR and AED Awareness Week, this legislation is particularly timely. The bill will require recipients of these grants to train school staff in AED and CPR practices, coordinate with local paramedics and integrate AEDs into existing medical emergency response plans. These provisions will save the lives of students, teachers, parents, staff and community members in U.S. schools.

As we have heard, the act bears the name of Josh Miller, 15-year-old from Barberton, Ohio. I had the privilege of meeting with Josh's family, and I was so taken with how they have used his loss to mount a national effort to prevent additional losses like their tragic one. Last fall in my district, a young football player also died on a practice field. I don't know that the existence of an AED might have saved his life, but I do know that we owe our young people every possible resource, including AEDs, to make sure that these tragedies do not recur.

I want to congratulate Congresswoman SUTTON for her leadership in this effort. She has been tireless and passionate about making sure that our kids are protected. I also want to thank Dr. Terry Gordon who is now Congresswoman SUTTON's constituent but is a long-time friend and a native of Louisville, Kentucky. He has also been tireless and passionate in this effort.

With that, I urge my colleagues to support the Josh Miller HEARTS Act and take one more step forward to protecting our young Americans.

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, to the point of H.R. 1380, we have heard of the wisdom of making available defibrillators throughout the schools of

our great country. It's a natural fit because of the clustering that takes place each and every school day where the need may arise. Obviously a preventative sort of plan like this will help with saving lives and certainly will honor the memory of Josh Miller and Louis Acompora in that hopefully they will not have died in vain, that a measure like this can bring us to a sound bit of policy.

For all those reasons, I would strongly urge our House to support H.R. 1380 and commend Representative SUTTON for her outstanding leadership on this issue.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New York (Mr. TONKO) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 1380.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

CONGRATULATING UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 196) congratulating the University of Tennessee women's basketball team (the "Lady Vols") and Head Coach Pat Summitt on her 1,000th victory.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

H. RES. 196

Whereas, on February 5, 2009, Head Coach Pat Summitt recorded her 1,000th win with a victory over Georgia 73-43;

Whereas Coach Summitt has a lifetime record of 1,000-188 in her more than 35 years of coaching, all with the Lady Vols;

Whereas Coach Summitt's first win as Coach of the Lady Vols was on January 10, 1975, against Middle Tennessee State 69-32;

Whereas, on March 22, 2005, Coach Summitt passed Dean Smith for most NCAA collegiate basketball wins of all-time with a 75-54 victory over Purdue on March 22, 2005;

Whereas Coach Summitt and the Lady Vols own a 404-62 all-time record versus 12 teams from the Southeastern Conference (SEC);

Whereas Coach Summitt and the Lady Vols have won 27 SEC titles;

Whereas Coach Summitt has never had a losing season;

Whereas Coach Summitt and the Lady Vols have had 32 consecutive seasons with at least 20 wins;

Whereas Coach Summitt and the Lady Vols teams have gone undefeated in SEC play 8 times;

Whereas since Tennessee began contesting games with SEC opponents, the Lady Vols have produced a 168-12 record in home games;

Whereas Coach Summitt has been named SEC Coach of the Year 7 times;

Whereas Coach Summitt has been named NCAA Coach of the Year 7 times;

Whereas Coach Summitt and the Lady Vols have an NCAA Tournament Best record (men or women) of 104–19, including 18 NCAA Tournament number 1 seeds;

Whereas Coach Summitt and the Lady Vols have won 8 NCAA Championships;

Whereas Coach Summitt is recognized as a leader and role model for her work not only on the basketball court but also for her work off the court; and

Whereas Coach Pat Summitt's Lady Vols continue their remarkable 100 percent graduation rate, with every student athlete who has completed her eligibility at the University of Tennessee either graduating or working toward all of the requirements for graduation: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) congratulates the University of Tennessee women's basketball team and Head Coach Pat Summitt on her 1,000th victory;

(2) recognizes the significant achievements of the players, coaches, students, alumni, and support staff whose dedication and hard work have contributed greatly to the success of the Lady Vols program and Coach Summitt; and

(3) respectfully requests the Clerk of the House of Representatives to transmit copies of this resolution to the following for appropriate display—

(A) Dr. John D. Petersen, President of the University of Tennessee;

(B) Dr. Loren Crabtree, Chancellor of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville;

(C) Joan Cronan, Women's Athletics Director; and

(D) Pat Summitt, Women's Basketball Head Coach.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New York (Mr. TONKO) and the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. PETRI) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New York.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, I request 5 legislative days during which Members may revise and extend and insert extraneous material on H. Res. 196 into the RECORD.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

Mr. TONKO. I yield myself as much time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the University of Tennessee's women's basketball team and Head Coach Pat Summitt on winning her 1,000th NCAA basketball game.

On February 5, 2009, basketball fans witnessed Head Coach Pat Summitt lead her Lady Volunteers to her 1,000th basketball victory. The University of Tennessee easily defeated the University of Georgia 73–43. This 30-point victory over Georgia not only reflects the Lady Vols' dominance but this victory reflects another milestone in the great Coach Summitt's illustrious career.

Pat Summitt started coaching at the age of 22 and recorded her first win for the Lady Vols on January 10, 1975.

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From the moment she started coaching, she excelled in every facet of the game. During her tenure, the Lady

Vols have won eight NCAA titles, as well as 27 Southeastern Conference tournament and regular season championships. Tennessee has made an unprecedented 27 consecutive appearances in the NCAA Sweet 16 and produced 12 Olympians, 19 Kodak All-Americans named to 33 teams, and 71 All-SEC performers. Her 1,000–188 lifetime record leaves basketball fans in complete awe. She has collected more wins than any other NCAA collegiate basketball program, men's or women's.

Coach Summitt garnered a multitude of awards. The NCAA recognized her great success by awarding Summitt with seven Southeastern Coach of the Year awards and seven NCAA Coach of the Year awards. Coach Summitt and the Lady Volunteers have left a legacy of greatness that will certainly place them in the Basketball Hall of Fame.

Along with her success on the court, Summitt's student athletes have had tremendous productivity in the classroom. Coach Summitt has a 100 percent graduation rate for all Lady Vols who have completed their eligibility at Tennessee. She still considers the academic success of her athletes as one of her greatest accomplishments.

While Coach Summitt and the Lady Vols produced remarkable success, congratulations also go to the assistant coaches, the fans, the alumni, and students for their unyielding support and contributions.

Once again, I congratulate Coach Summitt and the Lady Vols for their unprecedented success. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank Congressman DUNCAN for bringing this resolution forward, and I urge my colleagues to support this resolution.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. PETRI. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the sponsor of the resolution, the gentleman from Tennessee, my colleague, Mr. DUNCAN.

Mr. DUNCAN. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Wisconsin for yielding me this time. It is a very special honor and privilege for me to rise to urge support for a resolution honoring a personal friend of mine, the head women's basketball coach at my alma mater, the University of Tennessee, and that is our great coach, Pat Head Summitt.

The gentleman from New York has very succinctly outlined many of the accomplishments and honors that Coach Summitt has received in her career, but I would like to reiterate some of these things. It is really a phenomenal record that she has.

Coach Summitt has coached for more than 35 years, all with the Lady Vols. Her overall record is 1,005 wins and 192 losses for a winning percentage of better than 84 percent. Coach Summitt and the Lady Vols have won 27 Southeastern Conference titles. Coach Summitt and the Lady Vols have won eight NCAA championships. She has been named the NCAA Coach of the Year seven times and SEC Coach of the Year seven times.

Coach Summitt also coached the U.S.A. women's basketball team to the Olympic Gold Medal in the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles. She is the author of two books, "Reach for the Summitt" and "Raise the Roof." They are both very inspiring books.

In 1999, Coach Summitt was inducted into the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame, and in 2000 she was inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Massachusetts, becoming only the fourth women's basketball coach to receive that distinction. Also in 2000, she was named the Naismith Coach of the Century.

On February 2, 2007, Wheaties unveiled a Breakfast of Champions box in her honor, making her the first women's basketball coach to be honored on such a box. Coach Summitt has two streets named in her honor: Pat Head Summitt Street on the University of Tennessee-Knoxville campus, and Pat Head Summitt Avenue on the University of Tennessee-Martin campus.

Coach Summitt also has a remarkable 100 percent graduation rate, as the gentleman from New York mentioned, with every student athlete who has completed their eligibility at UT either graduating or working toward all of the requirements for graduation within the NCAA-allotted time of 6 years. I don't think there is any other coach, men or women's coach, in this country that can say that. And I will tell you that she also insists on her students taking tough courses that lead to good careers. And we often read in the Knoxville newspapers about the great success of many of her graduates.

Pat Head Summitt is simply an outstanding woman and an outstanding individual in every way, both personally and professionally. And it is a great honor for me to stand here before you today to bring this resolution to the floor honoring Coach Pat Head Summitt and the Lady Vols and congratulating her on achieving that tremendous, just almost unbelievable mark of 1,000 victories.

I urge all of my colleagues to support the resolution.

Mr. PETRI. I have no further requests for time. I urge all of my colleagues to join me in supporting the resolution of our colleague from Tennessee honoring Head Coach Pat Summitt on her exceeding 1,000 victories.

I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, it is most obvious that Coach Summitt and the Lady Vols have set basketball history with more than five times the number of wins in relation to the number of losses. And while they have excelled on the basketball court, it is important to note that they have also excelled in the classroom. And so for those records, both athletically and academically, and for the great career to date of Coach Summitt, we acknowledge that this is a very worthy resolution and that H. Res. 196 should be supported in the House, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. TANNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join our colleagues in honoring a very gifted leader and my friend, University of Tennessee Lady Vol Head Coach Pat Summitt. Earlier this year, Coach Summitt marked her 1000th victory, the first coach in women's or men's college basketball to reach that hallmark.

I have had the pleasure of getting to know Coach Summitt over the years, and my chief of staff, Vickie Walling, is a long-time friend of Pat's, from their days together at the University of Tennessee-Martin, which I now have the honor of representing in this chamber. Summitt became the winningest coach in college basketball in 2005, passing Dean Smith's 879 career wins. You can imagine our Tennessee pride when, on February 5 of this year, the Lady Vols helped Pat achieve another landmark: winning her 1000th game as head coach.

During Pat's time at UT, the Lady Vols have won eight NCAA titles, as well as 27 Southeastern Conference tournament and regular season championships and 28 consecutive appearances in the NCAA tournament. Tennessee has produced 12 Olympians, 19 Kodak All-Americans and 71 All-SEC performers.

As an alumnus of the University of Tennessee and of the UT basketball program, I understand the importance of the Lady Vols to the university and to our state. The talented women led by Coach Summitt not only demonstrate great athletic ability but also understand the importance of academic accomplishment; under Pat's leadership, the Lady Vols have a 100 percent graduation rate for those who have completed their eligibility at Tennessee.

Pat's continued dedication to the academic, athletic and personal growth of her players is a trademark of her coaching style and a testament to her tireless commitment to women's basketball and the well-rounded development of young women.

Mr. Speaker, I want to thank my friend JIMMY DUNCAN for introducing this resolution and giving us the opportunity to congratulate Pat Summitt on accomplishing this feat, recognize her outstanding career, and wish her and the Lady Vols all the best in their future successes.

Mr. TONKO. I yield back my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New York (Mr. TONKO) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 196.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

The point of no quorum is considered withdrawn.

RECOGNIZING TOYS FOR TOTS LITERACY PROGRAM

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the reso-

lution (H. Res. 232) recognizing and commending the Toys for Tots Literacy Program for its contributions in raising awareness of illiteracy, promoting children's literacy, and fighting poverty through the support of literacy.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

H. RES. 232

Whereas, for more than 60 years, Toys for Tots has been bringing smiles to the faces of less fortunate children through the gift of a new toy;

Whereas, after supporting Toys for Tots since 2005 and raising \$1.3 million to help brighten the lives of thousands of children nationwide, The UPS Store and Mail Boxes Etc. network launched the Toys for Tots Literacy Program in March 2008 to expand upon their existing partnership as an example of what small businesses can do to help their community;

Whereas the mission of the Toys for Tots Literacy Program is to offer the Nation's most economically disadvantaged children the ability to compete academically and to succeed in life by providing them direct access to resources that enhance their ability to read and to communicate effectively;

Whereas this initiative maintains the Toys for Tots mission of delivering hope while extending its reach and impact in a meaningful way by providing less fortunate children with tools that can help them break the cycle of poverty;

Whereas, in 2007, the National Center for Educational Statistics released its annual Reading Report, which asserts that 33 percent of all fourth graders in the United States still cannot read at even the basic level, highlighting the need for a program like the Toys for Tots Literacy Program;

Whereas every \$1 donation helps the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation buy a book for a deserving child within the community where it was donated;

Whereas since March 2008 more than \$630,000 has been raised for the Toys for Tots Literacy Program through a variety of activities, including donation card campaigns, coin box collections, special events, and sponsorships;

Whereas March 2009 marks the one-year anniversary of the Toys for Tots Literacy Program; and

Whereas the Toys for Tots Literacy Program has created a literacy award, in honor of Alferd Williams, a 71-year-old resident of St. Joseph, Missouri, who, to combat illiteracy, enrolled in Alesia Hamilton's first-grade class at Edison Elementary School in St. Joseph; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) recognizes that the Toys for Tots Literacy Program has made significant contributions in raising awareness of illiteracy and promoting children's literacy; and

(2) recognizes and commends the Toys for Tots Literacy Program for its effort to battle poverty through the support of literacy.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New York (Mr. TONKO) and the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. PETRI) each will control 20 minutes. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New York.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, I request 5 legislative days during which Members

may revise and extend and insert extraneous material on H. Res. 232 into the RECORD.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

Mr. TONKO. I yield myself as much time as I may consume, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H. Res. 232, a resolution to recognize and commend the Toys for Tots Literacy Program for its contributions in raising awareness of illiteracy, promoting children's literacy, and fighting poverty through the support of literacy.

For more than 60 years, Toys for Tots has been bringing smiles to the faces of less fortunate children through the gift of a new toy. After supporting Toys for Tots since 2005 and raising some \$1.3 million to help brighten the lives of thousands of children nationwide, the UPS Store and Mail Boxes Etc. network launched the Toys for Tots Literacy Program in March 2008 to expand upon its existing partnership and to serve as an example of what small businesses can do to help their community.

The Toys for Tots Literacy Program stands by its mission of offering the Nation's most economically disadvantaged children the ability to compete academically and to succeed in life by providing them direct access to resources that enhance their ability to read and to communicate effectively. By providing less fortunate children with tools that will help them break the cycle of poverty, Toys for Tots maintains its initiative of delivering hope while extending its reach and impact in a very meaningful way.

This outstanding program has touched the lives of many since every \$1 donation helps the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation buy a book for a deserving child within the community where it was donated. Since its creation in March of 2008, more than \$800,000 has been raised for the literacy program through a variety of activities, including donation card campaigns, coin box collections, special events, and sponsorships. This equates to more than 800,000 books being delivered to children across our Nation.

Given the estimate that in low-income neighborhoods the ratio of books per child is one age-appropriate book for every 300 children, this program not only brings children the joy of reading, but also serves as an important tool in breaking that cycle of poverty.

Mr. Speaker, this resolution serves to commend the Toys for Tots Literacy Program for its outstanding efforts in raising awareness of illiteracy and fighting poverty by promoting literacy. And I thank my colleague, Representative GRAVES, for introducing this resolution.

I urge my colleagues to resoundingly pass this resolution, Mr. Speaker, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. PETRI. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize the Toys for Tots Literacy Program for their commitment