

these students are often able to have their federal loans discharged, relieving them of tens of thousands of dollars of burdensome debt if their school closes. However, students who attended a campus that closed but was part of a larger institution that remained open often unable to have their loans discharged. Moreover, any Pell Grants that the student had received to attend that institution still count toward their lifetime limit, often making it more difficult and costly when the students make another attempt to earn their degree.

That is why I am introducing the Protect Students from Failing Institutions Act, which would ensure every student who was enrolled in a campus that closed, regardless of whether the institution closes or not, can have their federal loans discharged and their Pell Grants restored. These small changes will mean so much to these victimized students as they continue their education.

IN RECOGNITION OF GORDON
HARGROVE

HON. JAMES P. McGOVERN

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 12, 2014

Mr. McGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the work of Gordon Hargrove, who will soon enter his fiftieth year of service to the community at Friendly House in Worcester, Massachusetts.

Friendly House opened in 1920. Its mission was to promote the health of Worcester neighborhoods by integrating immigrants into the cultural and civic life of the city. In 1965, after volunteering for several years, Gordon Hargrove was hired as the first Program Director for Friendly House. The following year, Friendly House received its first federal grant, which enabled it to provide social services to 2,000 seniors, teens and needy neighborhood families. While Friendly House remained faithful to its mission of welcoming the stranger, it offered new programs to respond to new needs of the community.

Worcester is so fortunate that Mr. Hargrove was there to guide these new projects. By 1970, Mr. Hargrove assumed the Executive Director position, which he continues to hold. Today, under Mr. Hargrove's direction, Friendly House provides housing, emergency help, food, medical care, after-school and summer programs, day care, senior programs, and counseling to inner-city families.

On behalf of the people of Worcester, I thank Gordon Hargrove for his exemplary selflessness and extraordinary service. I know my House colleagues will join me in congratulating Gordon for reaching fifty years of working at Friendly House, and wishing him continued success in the years to come.

HONORING MR. PAUL J. RUPERT
AS A MEMBER OF THE UNITED
STATES AIR FORCE ACADEMY
CLASS OF 2014

HON. STEVEN M. PALAZZO

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 12, 2014

Mr. PALAZZO. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize Mr. Paul J.

Rupert as a member of the United States Air Force Academy Class of 2014.

Paul graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy with a degree in Biology, and he received a commission as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Air Force on May 28th, 2014.

His career in the service has just begun, but it is a testament to Paul's unselfish devotion to the people of this great nation. The challenges will be many and the time, although it may seem like an eternity, will fly by almost unnoticed.

The challenge for this young man will be to retain as much as possible, pass what he learns to others, and live life for every moment.

South Mississippi is proud of Paul and his accomplishments, and we look forward to his continuing to represent not only Mississippi, but the entire nation, as a United States Air Force officer.

As Paul embarks on a new chapter in life, it is my hope that he may always recall with a deep sense of pride and accomplishment graduating from a program as prestigious as the Air Force Academy.

I would like to send Paul my best wishes for continued success in his future endeavors, thank him for his service, and congratulate him on this momentous occasion.

IN HONOR OF ROBERT CARL
MEYER

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 12, 2014

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in commemoration of the life of Mr. Robert Carl Meyer. Mr. Meyer, a resident of Union Beach, New Jersey, died in the line of duty on June 8, 2014 after responding to a four-alarm fire at a local business. Mr. Meyer should be remembered for his decades of volunteer service to Union Beach and Middletown fire departments.

Robert Meyer was employed as a driver for the United Parcel Service (UPS) in addition to his volunteer fire service. He joined the Belford Engine Company in Middletown in 1979 and was a life member and later became a member of the Union Hose Fire Company in Union Beach.

In 2005, Mr. Meyer was honored by the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission for selfless actions to help pull an accident victim out of a burning truck. Assisting a New Jersey State Trooper who was already on the scene, Mr. Meyer used a fire extinguisher that he carried with him to abate the flames and then, along with the trooper, extracted the trapped driver safely.

Robert Meyer grew up in Middletown and moved to Union Beach in 1992, where his family currently resides. Along with many in his community, the Meyer's home suffered substantial damage from Superstorm Sandy. They just recently moved back into their home, having lived in a trailer following the storm.

The son of Robert Meyer and Ann Becker, Mr. Meyer was born in Jersey City, New Jersey on June 14, 1959. Mr. Meyer leaves behind a loving family, including his wife Linda

Butler Meyer, siblings James Meyer, Steven Meyer and Laura Russo-Kay, in-laws and nieces and nephews.

Mr. Speaker, I sincerely hope that my colleagues will join me in honoring Mr. Meyer for his heroism and lifetime dedication to his family and community.

RECOGNIZING THE
CONTRIBUTIONS OF JACK LORD

HON. ALAN GRAYSON

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 12, 2014

Mr. GRAYSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Pride Month, to recognize Jack Lord. Mr. Lord was born in Orlando, Florida where he attended Winter Park High School. He later attended the University of Florida, earning a B.A. in English with a minor in Spanish and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He received his J.D. from Duke University School of Law in 1994 and served as articles editor for the Duke Journal of Gender Law & Policy. During his time in law school, he participated in The AIDS Service Project (TASP).

Mr. Lord is very involved in LGBT community activities. For several years, he was president of the board of directors of the Hope and Help Center of Central Florida. The Hope and Help Center is an AIDS resource network that is committed to saving lives by treating and preventing the spread of HIV/AIDS in Central Florida. He has been a member of the Central Florida Gay and Lesbian Bar Association since 2004 and a member of the National LGBT Bar Association since 2007. Mr. Lord is also involved with the Human Rights Campaign (HRC), participating in fundraising and other political activities. Mr. Lord was also involved as a community advocate when the City of Orlando amended its anti-discrimination ordinance to include protections for sexual orientation.

Mr. Lord is involved in a number of civic activities including serving as vice president and board member of Orlando Shakespeare Theater; a past board of trustees member of the Orange County Legal Aid Society; past president of the nominating board of the City of Orlando; and Guardian ad Litem for abused and neglected children. Mr. Lord's pro bono efforts also include serving as a pro bono attorney for the AIDS Wills Project of Orange County Legal Aid Society from 1995 to 1999.

Mr. Lord is currently a partner with the national law firm Foley & Lardner LLP. He has worked at the firm since 1994 and is co-chair of the firm's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Affinity Group. Mr. Lord was instrumental in the decision of having Foley & Lardner grant domestic partnership benefits to all of its lawyers and employees. Continually participating in recruiting and retention efforts for LGBT attorneys, he was involved with policy changes aimed to ensure Foley & Lardner received ratings of 100 percent on the HRC's Corporate Equality Index.

In 2005, Mr. Lord received the Orlando Business Journal's "40 under 40" award, which is presented to individuals who have made significant contributions to their professions and communities. In 1997, he received