

It authorizes full funding requested by the Army for construction projects at Fort Gordon—projects that bring state-of-the-art technology and training to our troops—and authorizes funding for the Savannah River Site so that it can continue leading the globe in nuclear waste management.

I am very pleased the committee adopted the Allen amendment expanding Army cyber ROTC programs to those universities already working with our Nation's service academies, like Augusta University in my district.

Simply put, the NDAA is a key piece to our national security, and I was proud to wholeheartedly support it. Our troops deserve it, and our national security depends on it.

RECOGNIZING THE GREAT LOSS OF EMILIO NAVAIRA

(Mr. VEASEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. VEASEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the great loss of Grammy-winning Mexican American Tejano and country music star, Emilio Navaira.

Emilio was born in San Antonio, Texas, in 1962 and found musical inspiration in not only traditional Tejano legends, but also American country greats such as Willie Nelson and George Strait.

His passion and love for music grew and grew; and when he graduated from McCollum High School in 1980, he attended Texas State University, where he received a music scholarship and majored in music. Although he planned to become a teacher, he ultimately followed his passion and became an award-winning singer, songwriter, and performer in both the U.S. and Mexico markets.

He started his career with Tejano band David Lee Garza y Los Musicales in the late 1980s, and was remembered for sharing the stage several times with another Tejano music legend, Selena.

Emilio, lovingly known as the Garth Brooks of Tejano, was widely credited with introducing Tejano music into the mainstream that we know and love today. Although we mourn the loss of this Mexican American music legend, his memory will live on forever.

ISSUES OF THE DAY

(Ms. JACKSON LEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor, and I also rise to challenge.

My honoring is to acknowledge the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial and to honor those who have fallen in battle, and to acknowledge the fact that an officer is killed somewhere in the United States every 60 hours, and there are also 58,930 assaults and 15,404 injuries.

So I salute those who have fallen and offer my sympathy to their families, but I recognize that it is important to honor them, and we do honor them.

That is why I rise today with sadness on what we did on the floor of the House, where we actually said to the LGBT community that serve in the United States military or by contracting work serve the United States Government, that you are not equal. How sad that is. I am looking forward to this House, next week, overturning that dastardly provision that says that one American who comes under the Constitution is not equal.

Finally, let me say that we are suffering from the possibility of the Zika virus, and this House must fully fund for the Zika virus epidemic that is coming.

Mr. Speaker, this week the nation observes National Police Week, as we have since President John F. Kennedy first proclaimed National Peace Officers Memorial Day on May 15, 1962.

The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial is the nation's monument to law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty.

Dedicated on October 15, 1991, the Memorial honors federal, state and local law enforcement officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice for the safety and protection of our nation and its people.

Carved on its walls are the names of 20,789 officers who have been killed in the line of duty throughout U.S. history, dating back to the first known death in 1791.

Added to the Wall this year will be the names of the 123 police officers killed in the line of duty in 2015.

Mr. Speaker, enshrined on the Memorial Wall of Honor also are the names of 1,695 fallen peace officers from the state of Texas, the most of any state, including 114 members of the Houston Police Department who gave their lives to keep their city safe.

I include a list of these fallen heroes from Houston, Texas.

Mr. Speaker, today there are more than 900,000 law enforcement personnel serving the people of our country, the highest amount ever.

About 12 percent of them are female. These brave men and women risk their lives to keep the peace and keep us safe but they are too often taken by the violence they are working to prevent. Every year, a law enforcement officer is killed somewhere in the United States every 60 hours, and there are also 58,930 assaults against our law officers each year, resulting in 15,404 injuries.

Mr. Speaker, as a member of the Law Enforcement Caucus I am proud to represent the people of the 18th Congressional District of Texas in paying tribute to the 123 fallen heroes who will be joining the 20,789 gallant men and women who gave the last full measure of devotion to the communities they took an oath to protect and serve.

In closing, Mr. Speaker, let me pay tribute to one of the finest public servants America has produced, Lee Patrick Brown, who is perhaps best known to the law enforcement community as the "The Father of Community Policing."

Lee Brown was appointed in 1982 as the first African-American Chief of Police of the

Houston Police Department, where he pioneered techniques in community policing to reduce crime that still used throughout the country today.

Lee Brown enjoyed a long and distinguished career leading several of the nation's most important and largest police departments, including those of Atlanta, Georgia, and New York City, before becoming the first African American Mayor of Houston, Texas in 1997.

Following Lee Brown as Chief of the Houston Police Department were the following good and true public servants: Elizabeth Watson (1990–1992); Sam Nuchia (1992–1997); Clarence Bradford (1997–2004); Harold Hunt (2004–2009); and Charles McClelland (2010–2016).

Mr. Speaker, I ask for a moment of silence in memory of the officers whose names will be added to the National Peace Officers Memorial Wall of Honor.

HOUSTON LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS MEMORIALIZED ON THE WALL OF HONOR

1. TIMOTHY SCOTT ABERNETHY, End of Watch: December 7, 2008, Houston, Texas, P.D.
2. CHARLES H BAKER, End of Watch: August 16, 1979, Houston, Texas, P.D.
3. JOHNNY TERRELL BAMSCH, End of Watch: January 30, 1975, Houston, Texas, P.D.
4. CLAUDE R BECK, End of Watch: December 10, 1971, Houston, Texas, P.D.
5. JACK B BEETS, End of Watch: March 30, 1955, Houston, Texas, P.D.
6. TROY A BLANDO, End of Watch: May 19, 1999, Houston, Texas, P.D.
7. JAMES CHARLES BOSWELL, End of Watch: December 9, 1989, Houston, Texas, P.D.
8. C E BRANON, End of Watch: March 20, 1959, Houston, Texas, P.D.
9. JOHN M CAIN, End of Watch: August 3, 1911, Houston, Texas, P.D.
10. RICHARD H CALHOUN, End of Watch: October 10, 1975, Houston Texas Police Department.
11. DIONICIO M CAMACHO, End of Watch: October 23, 2009, Harris County, Texas, S.O.
12. HENRY CANALES, End of Watch: June 23, 2009, Houston, Texas, P.D.
13. FRANK MANUEL CANTU JR, End of Watch: March 25, 2004, Houston, Texas, P.D.
14. E C CHAVEZ, End of Watch: September 17, 1925, Houston, Texas, P.D.
15. CHARLES ROY CLARK, End of Watch: April 3, 2003, Houston, Texas, P.D.
16. CHARLES ROBERT COATES II, End of Watch: February 23, 1983, Houston, Texas, P.D.
17. PETE CORRALES, End of Watch: January 25, 1925, Houston, Texas, P.D.
18. RUFUS E DANIELS, End of Watch: August 23, 1917, Houston, Texas, P.D.
19. JOHNNIE DAVIDSON, End of Watch: February 19, 1921, Houston, Texas, P.D.
20. WORTH DAVIS, End of Watch: June 17, 1928, Houston, Texas, P.D.
21. KEITH ALAN DEES, End of Watch: March 7, 2002, Houston, Texas, P.D.
22. REUBEN BECERRA DELEON, JR, End of Watch: October 26, 2005, Houston, Texas, P.D.
23. WILLIAM EDWIN DELEON, End of Watch: March 29, 1982, Houston, Texas, P.D.
24. FLOYD T DELOACH JR, End of Watch: June 30, 1965, Houston, Texas, P.D.
25. GEORGE D EDWARDS, End of Watch: June 30, 1939, Houston, Texas, P.D.
26. DAWN SUZANNE ERICKSON, End of Watch: December 24, 1995, Houston, Texas, P.D.
27. J C ETHERIDGE, End of Watch: August 23, 1924, Houston, Texas, P.D.
28. JAMES E FENN, End of Watch: March 14, 1891, Houston, Texas, P.D.