

Dr. Badero performed the first transradial cardiac catheterization and coronary angioplasty at Central Mississippi Medical Center.

Dr. Badero is a recipient of many awards including:

The Association of black cardiologists scholarship award for the best cardiology fellow in the U.S.;

The 2014 Mississippi Healthcare Heroes in the state of Mississippi;

He was also named one of Jackson, Mississippi's Best Surgeons;

Distinguished Physician Award as the First and Only combined heart and kidney specialist in the United States;

Distinguished Physician, Marquis Who's Who in America;

Patients Choice Recognition Award; and Most Compassionate Doctor, New York.

Dr. Badero has authored many peer-reviewed journals and he is currently on the editorial board of the International Journal of Nephrology & Renovascular Disease.

He is a: 1) Fellow of the American College of Physicians; 2) Fellow of the American Society of Nephrology; 3) Fellow of the American Society of Diagnostic & Interventional Nephrology; 4) Fellow of the American Society of Nuclear Cardiology; 5) Fellow of the American College of Cardiology; and 6) Fellow of the Society for Cardiac Angiography & Interventions.

Dr. Badero is currently the Executive Director of Cardiac Renal & Vascular Associates.

Dr. Badero is on the global advisory panel of therapeutics experts on thrombosis and Artherosclerosis, Merck Pharmaceuticals U.S.A.

Outside of medicine, Dr. Badero is the assistant pastor of Vine Chapel Church in Jackson, Mississippi.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Dr. Olurotimi J. Badero for his dedication to serving others.

MICHAEL LINERT

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 14, 2016

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Michael Linert for his contribution to the 2015–2016 Veterans History Project documentary film produced by the students and faculty of Westminster High School in Westminster, Colorado.

The film, *MEDIC!*, highlights the stories of five brave veterans who served their country and their fellow veterans as combat medics. The Veterans History Project is a congressionally chartered project that works to collect, preserve and make accessible personal accounts of American war veterans. The stories of these veterans will forever be preserved in the Library of Congress American Folklife Center. As the director of orchestras at Westminster High School, Michael contributed a very moving original musical score—an invaluable addition to the project.

Michael enjoys a varied musical career as a cellist, countertenor, composer, and strings teacher. As a cellist, he has performed with the American Baroque Orchestra, Commonwealth Opera, QV Ensemble, and the Summer

Rhapsody Symphony Orchestra. He performs recitals regularly and his compositions have premiered in the United States, Australia, and Colombia. He has also appeared as a vocal soloist with the Indianapolis Baroque Orchestra, Indianapolis Symphonic Choir Chamber Singers, Hartford Symphony Orchestra, Indiana University Opera Theater, and the Bloomington Bach Cantata Project. Additionally, he has performed with Ensemble Lipzodes at the XIV International Sacred Music Festival in Quito, Ecuador and as a member of the Carnegie Hall Chamber Chorus with the Tallis Scholars.

Michael received a Bachelor of Music in Cello Performance degree summa cum laude from The Hartt School, a Master of Science in Music Education degree from Indiana University, and will soon receive a Vocal Performance Diploma from Indiana University.

I extend my deepest appreciation to Michael Linert for his important contribution to the 2015–2016 Veterans History Project documentary film.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ROBERT HURT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 14, 2016

Mr. HURT of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I was not present for Roll Call vote Number 298 on H.R. 5312. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes."

RECOGNIZING THE 400TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MAYFLOWER

HON. BILL FOSTER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 14, 2016

Mr. FOSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize an important anniversary in our nation's history. In 2020, the United States will celebrate the 400th anniversary of the arrival of Pilgrims at Plymouth, Massachusetts.

Today, descendants of the Mayflower live in nearly every district in the country, which is why I introduced the Mayflower Commemorative Coin Act. This bill will recognize the lasting significance of the Mayflower's arrival for our nation's history and authorizes the U.S. Treasury to mint coins in honor of the anniversary.

Coin bills are revenue neutral and are not a burden to taxpayers. Proceeds from the sale will go to the General Society of Mayflower Descendants, the Wampanoag Nation, and other non-profit organizations in Plymouth, which will benefit education, scholarship, and outreach programs to honor the history of the Pilgrims. This includes a 50 year peace treaty with the Wampanoag Tribe and the creation of the Mayflower Compact—one of our country's first examples of self-governance in the New World.

Mr. Speaker, the arrival of the Pilgrims remains an important symbolic moment in our country's history. I encourage all my colleagues to join me in recognizing this historic occasion.

PATRICK LEE

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 14, 2016

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Patrick Lee for his contribution to the 2015–2016 Veterans History Project documentary film produced by the students and faculty of Westminster High School in Westminster, Colorado.

The film, *MEDIC!*, highlights the stories of five brave veterans who served their country and their fellow veterans as combat medics. The Veterans History Project is a congressionally chartered project that works to collect, preserve and make accessible personal accounts of American war veterans. The stories of these veterans will forever be preserved in the Library of Congress American Folklife Center. Patrick contributed to the project with a very moving original musical score—an invaluable addition to the project.

Patrick began playing piano in 1988 at the age of 7 and has played for the last 25 years, including professionally for the last 15 years. He earned his Bachelor's Degree in Jazz Piano in 2006 from CU Boulder. Patrick has played notable Colorado venues like Red Rocks, the Fox & Boulder Theatres, and the Fillmore and has played with bands including De La Soul, Victor Wooten, Thundercat, and Soulive. Patrick has also worked as a producer creating jingles for ESPN, Crocs, Showtime, and Details Magazine.

I extend my deepest appreciation to Patrick Lee for his important contribution to the 2015–2016 Veterans History Project documentary film.

TRIBUTE TO MAYOR MARIA LOWE

HON. DAVID W. JOLLY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 14, 2016

Mr. JOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I want to recognize Mayor Maria Lowe, the mayor of St. Pete Beach, who will be stepping down at the end of this year.

Mayor Lowe was elected in 2014. Prior to becoming mayor, she graduated from West Point, served in the Afghan War, and received her MBA from George Washington University. She is also an active member of our community serving as a full-time community volunteer, a systems engineer, a member of the Pass-a-Grille Women's Club, and part of the Historic Preservation Board.

She has decided that her time as Mayor has come to an end, and will be relinquishing her post at the end of this year. She will be working with her husband at the American Battle Monuments Commission, which tends graves of fallen soldiers worldwide. The headquarters are in Paris, so she and the family will be moving there, primarily maintaining the U.S. cemetery for military personnel near Normandy, France. While she will miss St. Pete Beach, she is very proud to be doing her patriotic duty.

Mr. Speaker, I want to thank Mayor Maria Lowe for her service to St. Pete Beach and Pinellas County. I also am proud that she will

continue to be doing a great service for us as a community and nation abroad. I ask that this body join me in recognizing Mayor Maria Lowe's accomplishments and we wish her the best of luck in her future endeavors.

HONORING GLORIA COLEMAN
DOTSON

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 14, 2016

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable public servant, Gloria Coleman Dotson.

Gloria Coleman Dotson grew up and lives in Claiborne County as the oldest of seven children of Curtis Coleman and Ethel Allen in the town Ulysses S. Grant said was "Too Beautiful to Burn." She is a 1973 graduate of Port Gibson High School. She received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Education from Jackson State University in 1977.

After graduation, Ms. Dotson was employed by the Claiborne County Board of Supervisors in the Chancery Clerk's Office. She worked under the supervision of two Chancery Clerks: Mrs. Stella Jennings-Greenwood and Mr. Frank Wilson. She worked in the Chancery Clerk's Office for twenty-five years as Deputy Chancery Clerk prior to being elected Chancery Clerk in 2000. She is currently serving her fourth term as Chancery Clerk.

Ms. Dotson is a member of First Christian Disciples of Christ Church, a choir member and Sunday School Treasurer. She is involved in several civic organizations including: Port Gibson Main Street, MS Cultural Crossroad Board of Directors, Mississippi Delta Strategic Compact, a member of NAACP and the Chancery Clerk's Association.

Ms. Dotson has been married to Joe Dotson, Jr. for twenty-two years. They are the proud parents of three children: JaBari, JaNetra, and JoKevy. They have an eleven year old granddaughter, KaMeryal and a one year old grandson, KaMari.

The title "Chancery Clerk" does not adequately describe the various duties and responsibilities that Ms. Dotson has attendant to in the office. The Chancery Clerk's Office has a multitude of duties and functions which are governed by an assortment of statutes and court rules, along with following guidelines established either by the State Department of Audit or the Department of Finance and Administration. The Chancery Clerk's position is a four year elected term.

Ms. Dotson often states, "I thank God for allowing me to serve as a Public Official. I love my job. When I'm not serving my constituents, I spend time with my family and friends, work in the yard and reading."

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Gloria Coleman Dotson for her dedication and support to the Claiborne County Community.

VANCE A. SILVIA, SERGEANT
FIRST CLASS, UNITED STATES
ARMY (RET.)

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 14, 2016

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Vance A. Silvia, Sergeant First Class, United States Army (ret.), for his service to our country.

Sergeant First Class Silvia served in the United States Army and the Texas, Wyoming and Colorado Army National Guard from March 1998 through June 2009. As an Army Medical Specialist, Sergeant First Class Silvia had the opportunity to serve as a combat medic while on active duty in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom with service in Iraq and Kuwait.

Sergeant First Class Silvia participated in the 2015–2016 Veterans History Project documentary film produced by the students and Westminster High School in conjunction with our office. The film is part of the Library of Congress' Veterans History Project (VHP), a congressionally chartered project that works to collect, preserve and make accessible personal accounts of American war veterans. As a result, my office had the honor and privilege of getting to know Sergeant First Class Silvia and hearing about his experiences as a combat medic. Sergeant First Class Silvia's stories will be submitted to the Library of Congress to forever be preserved in our nation's history.

Sergeant First Class Silvia's courageous service has charted the path for future generations of men and women to serve in the military. I extend my deepest appreciation to Sergeant First Class Vance A. Silvia for his dedication, integrity and outstanding service to the United States of America.

HONORING RANDY DAVIS

HON. JASON SMITH

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 14, 2016

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Randy Davis, who retires June 30, 2016 after 33 years in education in Missouri.

Mr. Davis began his career in Licking where he taught Social Studies and coached boys' basketball. He became principal of Salem High School and I am proud to say he was principal when I was a student there. He also coached girls' basketball. After that, he moved on to Potosi—first as the assistant superintendent for five years and then as superintendent for 13 years.

At Potosi, Assistant Superintendent Jamie Thompson said he took great pride in helping the school district become a vital part of the community. "He told us to 'treat every child the way you would want your child treated,'" she said. "And, his big thing was to emphasize our school colors and say, 'Love Purple, but Live Gold!'"

Shelly, his wife of 32 years said, "Randy has loved making a difference in the lives of kids and setting the bar higher for the students and staff." I would agree, he made positive

impacts on the futures of his students because he certainly impacted mine.

For devoting his life to the education of Missouri's students, it is my pleasure to recognize Mr. Randy Davis of Potosi before the United States House of Representatives.

TRIBUTE TO JOHN ELIAS, TOWN
ATTORNEY

HON. DAVID W. JOLLY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 14, 2016

Mr. JOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I would like to acknowledge Mr. John Elias for his service to Pinellas County as a town attorney for Belleair Shores for 18 years.

Mr. Elias has worked for Belleair Shores since 1998. When he started, he was hired on a six-month trial period. Because of his exemplary work, his trial period was extended and he worked for the town for 18 years. He has proudly served Belleair Shores and its residents.

Mr. Elias is retiring in July after his years of service. He is known for his dedication and high morals and serves as a role-model for the town. I ask this body to join me thanking John for his service to us, and wishing him the best of luck in the future.

LEON A. RODRIGUEZ, SERGEANT
FIRST CLASS, UNITED STATES
ARMY (RET.)

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 14, 2016

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Leon A. Rodriguez, Sergeant First Class, United States Army (ret.), for his service to our country.

Sergeant First Class Rodriguez served in the United States Army from August 1955 through August 1975. As an Army Medical Specialist, Sergeant First Class Rodriguez had the opportunity to serve as a combat medic while on active duty in Vietnam.

Sergeant First Class Rodriguez participated in the 2015–2016 Veterans History Project documentary film produced by the students and Westminster High School in conjunction with our office. The film is part of the Library of Congress' Veterans History Project (VHP), a congressionally chartered project that works to collect, preserve and make accessible personal accounts of American war veterans. As a result, my office had the honor and privilege of getting to know Sergeant First Class Rodriguez and hearing about his experiences as a combat medic. Sergeant First Class Rodriguez's stories will be submitted to the Library of Congress to forever be preserved in our nation's history.

Sergeant First Class Rodriguez's courageous service has charted the path for future generations of men and women to serve in the military. I extend my deepest appreciation to Sergeant First Class Leon A. Rodriguez for his dedication, integrity and outstanding service to the United States of America.