Maurice Lamark Horry, 41 years old;
Carlos Davis, 39;
Theodore Waymyers, Jr., 36.
Waco, Texas, May 17, 2015:
Jesus Delgado Rodriguez, 65 years old;
Richard Vincent Kirshner, 47;
Charles Wayne Russell, 46;
Daniel Raymond Boyett, 44;
Wayne Lee Campbell, 43;
Manuel Issac Rodriguez, 40;
Jacob Lee Rhyne, 39;
Richard Matthew Jordan, 31 years old;
Matthew Mark Smith, 27.
Manchester, Illinois, April 24, 2013:
Joanne Sinclaire, 64 years old;
Roy Ralston, 29;
Brittany Luark, 22;
Nolan Ralston, 5 years old;
Brantley Ralston, 1 year old.
Olympia, Washington, June 22, 2016:
Gerald M. Berkey, 36 years old;
Terron R. McGrath, 31;
Jackson Edens, 28.
New Orleans, Louisiana, August 10, 2014:
Terrance McBride, 33 years old;
Jasmine Anderson, 16.

SEPTEMBER IS VETERANS SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH

(Mr. BENISHEK asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BENISHEK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize September as Veterans Suicide Prevention Month.

America has a veteran suicide epidemic. In 2014, 20 veterans a day committed suicide. Only six of these were users of VA services.

I know that the challenges of military life do not end once our servicemen and -women return home from Active Duty. A veteran in northern Michigan pointed out to me that, when calling a VA medical center, an automated voice directed those in a mental health crisis to hang up and dial a long 800 number. This made no sense.

I am pleased VA has finally taken steps to address this. Now when a veteran calls Iron Mountain VA Hospital, he or she can be immediately connected to a mental health crisis line. I hope this feature will be rolled out to every VA medical facility as soon as possible.

To all veterans struggling with whether to take your life, know there is no shame in asking for help.

I thank those who have served our country for their immeasurable service and sacrifice.

CONGRATULATING DR. MARCELO CAVAZOS, 2016 TEXAS SUPERINTENDENT OF THE YEAR

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

Mr. VEASEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 2016 Texas Superintendent of the Year, Dr. Marcelo Cavazos, representing the Arlington Independent School District.

From a young age, Dr. Cavazos' parents encouraged him and his five siblings to focus on their education, the great equalizer of opportunity. Dr. Cavazos believes that all children must have someone to advocate for them in order to succeed.

With this belief in mind, Dr. Cavazos began his career as an English teacher in the Mission Consolidated Independent School District in 1990. He also worked in the TEA, the Texas Education Agency, in their school finance department before joining Arlington ISD in 1999. He was named deputy superintendent of Arlington ISD in 2009 and became the superintendent in November 2012.

Under Dr. Cavazos' leadership, the Arlington Independent School District has opened two fine arts/dual language academies, expanded community-based prekindergarten offerings, and signed agreements with the University of Texas at Arlington, the University of North Texas, and Tarrant County College to give kids greater access to dual credit and early admission options.

Dr. Cavazos has made it his life mission to open the doors of opportunity for all of our children.

Congratulations on receiving this prestigious award.

NATIONAL RICE MONTH

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

Mr. CRAWFORD. Mr. Speaker, September is National Rice Month. For those of us in the agriculture community, there are two numbers that stuck out. One is 2050; the other is 9 billion. Let me explain.

By the year 2050, we expect the human population will be at about 9 billion people. Beyond all the other concerns we have about such a large population, among those concerns is: How will we feed that many people?

I believe that hearty, wholesome grains like Arkansas rice will be a part of the answer to that important question. Rice is nutrient-dense, containing over 15 vitamins and minerals, including folic acid, B vitamins, iron, and zinc. It is easily stored, transported, and an incredibly versatile kitchen staple for families around the world.

In an age of concern over healthy, affordable foods, rice supplies an answer that other grains can't match. A one-half cup cooked serving of rice costs less than 10 cents and provides complex carbohydrates that fuel the human body.

But here in the United States Congress, one of the problems I run into is that people don't know that we grow rice in the United States. I do what I can to spread the word about American rice production, including sending other Members Rice Krispies Treats on their birthdays.

If we are going to use rice as a tool for solving the world's need for cheap, affordable foods, we have got to keep telling the story about American rice. I can't think of any other food more important for feeding the world.

CELEBRATING DR. LOURDES GOUVEIA DURING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

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

Mr. ASHFORD. Mr. Speaker, as we celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, I rise today to honor a woman who has left an indelible mark on the State of Nebraska and the Second Congressional District.

Dr. Lourdes Gouveia is professor emeritus of sociology and the founding director of the Office of Latino/Latin American Studies at the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

For over 25 years, with her leadership and knowledge, she has worked to provide educational institutions, government agencies, and the private sector with relevant, culturally competent, and socially responsible research and analysis of Nebraska's vibrant Latino population.

She has directed work that details the economic, social, and political opportunities and challenges facing both the urban and rural sectors of the State. Dr. Gouveia has done this with a particular focus on the impact of migration, immigrant integration, and social justice.

All this has now come full circle as her former students and others she has mentored fill a variety of highly meaningful roles in Nebraska and across the country. This ensures that her legacy, symbolized by the programs she has created and nurtured over the past quarter century, will continue to serve Nebraska and its citizens long into the future.

HONORING HARRELL CHARLES MURRAY, JR.

(Mr. CARTER of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Harrell Charles Murray, Jr., of Savannah, Georgia, who passed away on Sunday, September 18.

Mr. Murray was an outstanding individual who dedicated his life to his family, his church, his community, and his country. He served his country during World War II as a member of the United States Coast Guard, where he served on a patrol boat guarding the southeastern coast from attack and attempted espionage.

After the war, he joined the family's business, Savannah Lumber and Supply Company. He was loyal to his family's company, working there until his retirement.

With any additional time, he contributed to the Savannah community. A

few of his many examples of service include participating in the Lions Club, mentoring young men at the local YMCA, and donating gallons of blood to the American Red Cross.

A lifelong member of Wesley United Methodist Monumental Church in Savannah, he was always devoted to bettering the church and its congregation. The church even gave him a special award for his work.

Mr. Murray's life and work is to be commended. He will certainly be missed.

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NEW TRAIN STATION FOR BUFFALO

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

Mr. HIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, western New York is experiencing a resurgence that was unimaginable 10 years ago. We have reclaimed our waterfront, generated thousands of jobs in the life sciences, and will soon be the largest supplier of solar panels in the Western Hemisphere.

But still there is much work to be done. The Buffalo-Exchange Street Amtrak station is, in terms of function and aesthetics, the worst in the State and among the worst in the entire Nation. It is currently closed because the ceiling collapsed. This is a station that is not in keeping with a city that is on the rise.

Yesterday, I asked the New York State Department of Transportation to begin planning for a new station at our bustling Canalside district or our historic Central Terminal.

If we act quickly to produce a plan for a new, state-of-the-art train station that is shovel-ready, we will position Buffalo to benefit from a much-needed investment in infrastructure throughout the Nation.

SUICIDE AFFECTS YOUNG CHILDREN

(Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, The Journal of Pediatrics recently reported many preteen children are at risk for suicide. Previously, it was believed that young children were incapable of suicide because they can't feel as hopeless or didn't have an understanding about death.

Yet, in the United States, children as young as 5 years old die by suicide. According to the study, most of these suicide victims had a mental health problem. For younger children, suicide was associated with attention deficit disorder, and for older kids, depression. Both are treatable but must be diagnosed and treated right.

But today, for every 2,000 children with a mental health disorder, only one child psychiatrist is available. Over 70 percent of psychotropic medications are prescribed by nonpsychiatrists, and 90 percent of psychiatric medications for children are prescribed off label.

The Helping Families in Mental Health Crisis Act addresses this grave reality head-on by increasing the number of child psychiatrists in our Nation. As lawmakers, it is our duty to protect our Nation's future generations.

As the Senate continues to sit on H.R. 2646, I hope they keep in mind our children and our grandchildren. Please do not leave town before passage of H.R. 2646. We can save lives, but, to do so, we must pass this law. Our children need help and hope.

REBUILDING OUR INFRASTRUCTURE

(Mr. LANGEVIN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LANGEVIN. Mr. Speaker, it has been more than 2 years since the public health crisis in Flint, Michigan, exposed thousands of residents—including up to 12,000 children—to lead-tainted water. With only days left to avert a government shutdown, I am absolutely appalled by the continued resistance of Republican leaders to include critical funding in the year-end spending bill to help the families of Flint.

None of our communities are immune to aging infrastructure. We must provide the resources to address these challenges head-on before pipes break, before a bridge collapses, or before a road becomes impassable.

For most of us across the country, that means rebuilding our infrastructure before the worst happens. For the people of Flint, it means providing emergency assistance in the wake of this crisis that will allow them to rebuild their lives and their communities. Either way, it is incumbent upon us as Members of Congress to protect the health and safety of our constituents, and the time to act is now.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THAT THE HOUSE FIND BRYAN PAGLIANO IN CONTEMPT OF CONGRESS FOR REFUSAL TO COMPLY WITH A SUBPOENA

Mr. CHAFFETZ, from the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 114–792) on the resolution recommending that the House of Representatives find Bryan Pagliano in contempt of Congress for refusal to comply with a subpoena duly issued by the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

MENTAL HEALTH

(Mr. BILIRAKIS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to urge my colleagues in the Senate to act on mental health reform legislation. Back in July, the House passed H.R. 2646, Representative MURPHY's bill, the Helping Families in Mental Health Crisis Act, with strong bipartisan support; but the Senate has yet to take action on this vital piece of legislation.

There can be no more delay; our Nation has suffered the loss of over 70,000 lives as a result of mental illness, many of which could have been prevented with access to mental health treatment. Mental illness devastates our criminal justice system, our communities, and our families. We cannot arrest our way out of this problem.

Mr. Speaker, I urge our Senate colleagues to advance this bill so that we can intervene before more Americans lose their lives to this treatable disease.

RECOGNIZING TONY LAM

(Mr. LOWENTHAL asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LOWENTHAL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize my constituent, Mr. Tony Lam. Tony fled Vietnam in 1975 during the Fall of Saigon. He was a political target because of his work for the United States Government.

While at Camp Asan in Guam and Camp Pendleton in California, he served as a leader for the community of refugees. After settling in Westminster, California, Tony won a seat on the Westminster City Council in 1992, becoming the first Vietnamese American elected to public office in the United States.

Tony will turn 80 next week on October 4, and I want to take this opportunity to congratulate him and thank him for his many years of service to the Vietnamese American community and to the city of Westminster.

NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH

(Mr. BUCSHON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. BUCSHON. Mr. Speaker, suicide is the second leading cause of death for young Americans ages 10 to 24.

To put that in perspective, for kids in the fourth grade to young adults just starting their careers, suicide is the second leading cause of death.

As a father of four all in this age group, I can't tell you how heartbreaking it is that kids across the country feel hopeless and feel that suicide is their only option.