

participated vigorously in public discussions about improvements to the city. Their successful events, such as the Heritage Festival and The Annual Steak and Lobster Cookout, have brought the community together. They bring great pride and joy to the town and get people involved.

The Marlborough Regional Chamber of Commerce will celebrate its founding at an event being held September 25, 2009. The theme of the event is based on Marlborough's history in the shoe industry. Throughout the night, videos, vintage pictures and newspapers will be on display. Also during the event, several local businesses will be acknowledged for their support since the 1920s.

Madam Speaker, I ask all of my colleagues to join me in congratulating the Marlborough Regional Chamber of Commerce for 85 years of service, and to wish them continued success.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING AUBREY BURNWORTH FOR WINNING THE GIRLS' DIVISION IV STATE SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 24, 2009

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker,

Whereas, Aubrey Burnworth showed hard work and dedication to the sport of softball; and

Whereas, Aubrey Burnworth was a supportive team player; and

Whereas, Aubrey Burnworth always displayed sportsmanship on and off of the field; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that along with her friends, family, and the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I congratulate Aubrey Burnworth on winning the Girls' Division IV State Softball Championship. We recognize the tremendous hard work and sportsmanship she has demonstrated during the 2008–2009 softball season.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. J. GRESHAM BARRETT

OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 24, 2009

Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, unfortunately, I missed recorded votes on the House floor on Wednesday, September 23, 2009.

Had I been present, I would have voted "No" on rollcall vote No. 723, on agreeing to H. Res. 723; "Aye" on rollcall vote No. 724, on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H. Res. 765; "No" on rollcall vote No. 725, on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H.R. 2215; "Aye" on rollcall vote No. 726, on motion to suspend the rules and agree to H.R. 3614; "Aye" on rollcall vote No. 727, on motion to recommit with instructions H.R. 324; "No" on rollcall vote No. 728, on passage of H.R. 324; "Aye" on rollcall vote No. 729, on passage of H. Res. 696; "Aye" on rollcall vote No. 730, on motion to adjourn "No" on rollcall vote No. 731, on motion to suspend the rules

and agree to H.R. 3617; "Aye" on rollcall vote No. 732, motion to adjourn; "No" on rollcall vote No. 733, on ordering the previous question; "Yes" on rollcall vote No. 734, on motion to Instruct Conferees for H.R. 2918.

SERVICES FOR ENDING LONG-TERM HOMELESSNESS ACT OF 2009

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 24, 2009

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today to introduce the Services for Ending Long-Term Homelessness Act of 2009. The reality is that more than a half million Americans do not have a place to call home each night, and half of them are without shelter. This bill will alleviate the wide-spread problem of chronic homelessness across the country.

According to the Department of Children and Families' most recent report, there are 85,907 persons homeless on any given day. At least 2 million people find themselves homeless at some point each year in our country. There isn't nearly enough shelter for these individuals. In 2007, my home state of Florida alone had 48,000 homeless people, with 14,900 of them families and 7,691 of them chronic cases.

Recently, I heard the story of a 25-year-old mother of three in my district, who was running out of options—staying at a hotel in Palm Beach County after fleeing domestic violence in Miami. As she was running out of money, this brave young woman and her young children soon would be homeless. But, they were one of the lucky ones. She was referred to The Lord's Place residence for homeless families, where she now lives with her children. As a leader in my district for chronic homelessness solutions, the Lord's Place is a perfect example of the types of establishments that would benefit immensely from this legislation. In this survivor's words: "I am here. I am working. I am breathing. And I am grateful."

Throughout our country, over 100,000 people have nowhere to call home for years on end. These are the long-term homeless, who all too often also confront mental illness, substance addiction, life-threatening illness or other serious health problems. The good news is: this bill presents us with an opportunity to put an end to this national crisis that hits home for all of us.

In 2003, the President's New Freedom Commission on Mental Health recommended the development and implementation of a comprehensive plan designed to create 150,000 units of permanent supportive housing for consumers and families who are chronically homeless. Affordable housing alone can't meet the needs for many people with severe mental illness. This bill will establish funding for supportive housing, affordable housing linked to accessible mental health, substance addiction, unemployment, and other support services as necessary. Permanent supportive housing is cost-effective, and is the soundest available investment of public and private resources to end long-term homelessness.

Current programs for funding services in permanent supportive housing, other than

those administered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, were not designed to be closely coordinated with housing resources, nor were they designed to meet the multiple needs of people who are chronically homeless. This bill will establish a comprehensive grant program to provide supportive housing for chronically homeless individuals and families that they so badly need. Support services will include mental health services, substance use disorder treatment, referrals for medical and dental care, health education, and services designed to help individuals make progress toward self-sufficiency and recovery. Permanent supportive housing can help the chronically homeless stay off the streets, out of hospitals and jails, and ultimately help them achieve the stability they need to lead healthy lives as productive members of their communities.

Madam Speaker, it is time we take a stand to put an end to long-term homelessness in America. I urge my colleagues to support this bill and to support a proven and cost-effective solution to ending chronic homelessness.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING ANNE DREHER FOR WINNING THE GIRLS' DIVISION IV STATE SOFTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 24, 2009

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker,

Whereas, Anne Dreher showed hard work and dedication to the sport of softball; and

Whereas, Anne Dreher was a supportive team player; and

Whereas, Anne Dreher always displayed sportsmanship on and off of the field; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that along with her friends, family, and the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I congratulate Anne Dreher on winning the Girls' Division IV State Softball Championship. We recognize the tremendous hard work and sportsmanship she has demonstrated during the 2008–2009 softball season.

HONORING WILLIAM McDANIEL

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 24, 2009

Mr. GRAVES. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize William McDaniel. William is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 1040, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

William has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years William has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, William has earned the Ad Altare Dei emblem, recognizing his development and growth into a fully Christian way of life in the faith community. William has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. William built a delivery ramp for the Grace United

Church soup kitchen, allowing them greater ease in their deliveries and increasing their effectiveness in providing for their community.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending William McDaniel for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

HONORING THE MEMORY OF
JUDGE JAMES E. MIES

HON. THADDEUS G. MCCOTTER

OF MICHIGAN
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, September 24, 2009

Mr. MCCOTTER. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor the extraordinary life of Judge James E. Mies, a retired Wayne Circuit Court judge, who passed away Monday at the age of 81.

For almost 25 years, Judge Mies pursued truth and impartiality behind the bench and was well-regarded both as a lawyer and a judge. Judge Mies was a 1951 graduate of the University of Detroit law school and served in the Livonia law firm of Brashear and Brashear. In 1969, he was elected a district judge in Livonia. In 1981, Governor William Milliken named Judge Mies to the Wayne Circuit Court, where he served until his retirement in 1993.

Judge Mies was perhaps best known for his handling of Wayne County's numerous asbestos lawsuits. Colleagues remembered him as, first and foremost, a decent man whose rulings were meticulously thought out. Outside the courtroom, Judge Mies was active in the Optimists, the Michigan Cancer Foundation and other civic organizations and in 1993, the Livonia City Council named a park in his honor.

On September 21, 2009, Judge Mies passed away after a lengthy illness. A beloved husband and father, he is survived by his wife of 59 years, Mary Patricia, his sons Edward, James, Gerald and Michael, his daughters Jean and Catherine (Diamond), as well as thirteen grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He is predeceased by his son Thomas. The citizens of Wayne County were privileged to have been served by this erudite judge for a quarter of a century.

Madam Speaker, Judge Mies is remembered as a philanthropist, mentor, and friend. As we bid him farewell, I ask my colleagues to join me in mourning his passing and honoring the contributions he made to society.

A PROCLAMATION HONORING BUD
WEISGARBER FOR WINNING THE
GIRLS' DIVISION IV STATE SOFT-
BALL CHAMPIONSHIP

HON. ZACHARY T. SPACE

OF OHIO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, September 24, 2009

Mr. SPACE. Madam Speaker, Whereas, Bud Weisgarber showed hard work and dedication to the sport of softball; and

Whereas, Bud Weisgarber was a supportive coach; and

Whereas, Bud Weisgarber always displayed sportsmanship on and off of the field; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That along with his friends, family, and the residents of the 18th Congressional District, I congratulate Bud Weisgarber on winning the Girls' Division IV State Softball Championship. We recognize the tremendous hard work and sportsmanship he has demonstrated during the 2008–2009 softball season.

INTRODUCING A RESOLUTION EX-
PRESSING APPRECIATION TO
BERMUDA FOR ACCEPTING FOUR
DETAINEES RELEASED FROM
GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA

HON. ALCEE L. HASTINGS

OF FLORIDA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, September 24, 2009

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise to introduce a resolution expressing appreciation to the nation of Bermuda for accepting four detainees from Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. These four men—Chinese Uighurs—had been cleared by the federal government for release but were unable to be sent to their home country of China, for fear for their safety and in compliance with international human rights law.

The United States has been working with other countries to effect a safe and efficient process for resettling detainees cleared of wrongdoing and scheduled for release. This is a complicated and difficult process but has resulted in approximately 15 resettled detainees since President Obama took office. Four of those went to Bermuda. Dozens more have been cleared for release but have not yet been transferred to a third-party nation.

In a May 2009, visit to the White House, Premier Ewart Brown of Bermuda generously offered to assist the United States in relocating released detainees from the detention facility at Guantanamo. One month later the four Uighurs were transported to Bermuda, where they currently receive government assistance to integrate into the surrounding community, including work at a local golf course.

Madam Speaker, I appreciate Bermuda—our friend and ally—assisting us in the effort to resolve the complex problem of resettling detainees cleared for release. The fact of the matter is that the Bush administration's reckless approach to establishing an extrajudicial system at Guantanamo has left us grappling with how to humanely and effectively resettle detainees who pose no threat to our national security. To that end we owe the people of Bermuda sincere thanks for taking on the responsibility of ensuring the rights and well-being of these four released detainees, who have been cleared of any wrongdoing. Bermuda and the United States have set a positive example for the safe, efficient, and humane process of releasing former detainees.

CONGRATULATING WILLIAM
ANZALONE, ESQ., RECIPIENT OF
THE 2009 PERSON OF THE YEAR
AWARD FROM THE ITALIAN
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF
LUZERNE COUNTY

HON. PAUL E. KANJORSKI

OF PENNSYLVANIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, September 24, 2009

Mr. KANJORSKI. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask you and my esteemed colleagues in the House of Representatives to pay tribute to Mr. William Anzalone, Esq., on the occasion of his selection by the Italian American Association of Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, to receive its prestigious 2009 "Person of the Year" award.

Mr. Anzalone is a 1969 graduate of Wyoming Area High School. He received his undergraduate degree from Temple University where he also distinguished himself as a member of the university football team. He earned his law degree from Dickinson School of Law. In 1998, he was inducted into the Wyoming Area "Ring of Pride" and, in 2005, he was inducted into the Luzerne County Sports Hall of Fame.

Mr. Anzalone owns Anzalone Law Offices in Wilkes-Barre, Scranton and Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. He is associated in practice with his son, Attorney Jamie Joseph Anzalone; his daughter, Attorney Alana Marie Anzalone and Attorney Eric William Wassel.

Attorney Anzalone is the former president and founder of the Northeastern Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association, an association that encompasses 12 counties of northeastern Pennsylvania. He also served a two-year term as the president of the Luzerne County Bar Association. He was also the founder and first president of the Luzerne County Bar Association's charitable foundation. He currently serves on the board of governors for the statewide Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association.

Attorney Anzalone is a mediator for the United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania and is a certified trial master in Luzerne County. He frequently lectures throughout the Commonwealth on trial-related matters.

Attorney Anzalone was recognized as a pre-eminent lawyer by the Martindale Hubble Bar Register and was recognized as a Pennsylvania Super Lawyer since its inception in 2004. He was also recognized in 2007 and 2009 as being among the top 100 Super Lawyers in Pennsylvania.

Attorney Anzalone is a past president of the Wilkes-Barre Chapter of UNICO. He chaired their annual Allstate Football games many times and currently serves on the board of directors of the Luzerne County Catholic Social Services, FM Kirby Center for the Performing Arts, Wilkes-Barre Chapter of UNICO and the Luzerne County Bar Association's Charitable Foundation. He previously served on the board of directors for the St. Vincent DePaul Soup Kitchen, Lackawanna County Junior College, Wilkes-Barre Chamber of Commerce and Wilkes-Barre Leadership. He is a 2006 recipient of the Greater Pittston Friendly Sons of St. Patrick Swingle Award.

Married to the former Tina Medico, the couple has three children: Attorney Jamie Joseph Anzalone, Attorney Alana Marie Anzalone and