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Three members of the Fairfax County Police Department are being honored this year for their exceptional service. It is with great pride that I submit their names into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD:

Recipients of the 2010 Bronze Valor Award are: Pilot Chuck Angle, Officer Tim Schilling and Officer Jon Karninski.

Madam Speaker, in closing, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the men and women who serve in the Fairfax County Police Department. Their efforts, made on behalf of the citizens of Fairfax County, are selfless acts of heroism and truly merit our highest praise. I ask my colleagues to join me in applauding this group of remarkable citizens.

HONORING RONALD J. KELTY

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 13, 2010

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the long and distinguished career of Ronald J. Kelty. Mr. Kelty, a Citizen of the Ojibwe and Potawatomie Tribes of Wisconsin, and Native Veteran of the United States Army, has dedicated his life to serving the nation, the American Indian Center of Chicago, and our local community.

Mr. Kelty began his work at the American Indian Center by taking on the important leadership role of running a social service food pantry with only the help of a few volunteers. He has played a key role in expanding the American Indian Center, which today provides 14 programs that provide resources, foster economic and educational advancement, and sustain the cultural values of all American Indians. He has also been instrumental in building the AIC team of over 30 employees.

Mr. Kelty served as a Board Member of the American Indian Center for 17 consecutive years. He was Board President for 14 of those years. Mr. Kelty has also been a Traditional Native Dancer for over 40 years, performing for the Native American community countless times.

Mr. Kelty, a loving husband, father and grandfather, served in the United States Army. His service in the U.S. Army further demonstrates his tireless dedication to servicing the nation and the people of the United States.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Ronald J. Kelty for his outstanding and invaluable service to the community. He exemplifies the values of compassion and service, and I thank him for his many years of dedication to our community.

STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF H.
RES. 1041 AND H. RES. 1042

HON. MICHAEL K. SIMPSON

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 13, 2010

Mr. SIMPSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to offer my support for H. Res. 1041 and H. Res. 1042, both offered by my colleague from Idaho, Congressman WALT MINNICK.

The resolutions honor the successes of two excellent college football programs in Idaho and commend them on their historic 2009 seasons.

H. Res. 1041 congratulates the University of Idaho's football team, led by head coach Rob Akey, for their remarkable season, capped by their thrilling come from behind victory in the Rody's Humanitarian Bowl. The success of this team marked an exceptional turnaround for a program that has struggled in the past and now is amongst the best in the conference after a stellar 2009. It can be expected that Coach Akey and his staff will continue to succeed in Moscow, where they have developed a mindset that expects to win.

H. Res. 1042 commends Boise State University for another fantastic football season in 2009. Coach Chris Peterson has developed BSU into one of the most prestigious programs in the nation. Indeed, 2009 was perhaps the most successful in Boise, with the Broncos posting a 14–0 undefeated record, culminating in a convincing victory in the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl and a number four national ranking to end the season. Coach Peterson was also awarded the Paul 'Bear' Bryant Award, as the NCAA college football national coach of the year, a deserved honor. Enough cannot be said about the work of Coach Peterson and the players to transform BSU into a national powerhouse in only a few years.

As we look ahead to 2010, we can expect more good things from both of these programs, and both of these universities. The people of Idaho are truly blessed to have such world class universities in their state.

IN MEMORY OF BOB FRANKS

HON. RUSH D. HOLT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 13, 2010

Mr. HOLT. Madam Speaker, it is with great sadness that I rise to honor the life of an outstanding Member of Congress from New Jersey, Bob Franks, who passed away on Friday after a battle with cancer.

During his 14 years in the General Assembly and eight years as a member of this body, Bob was dedicated to bettering the lives of New Jerseyans.

Principled, relentless, genial and magnanimous, Bob, like few others, had the ability to work across the aisle and earn the trust and respect of political allies and opponents alike—a skill regrettably in short supply these days.

After leaving Congress, Bob remained active in public affairs—while spending more time with family than the Congressional schedule would permit—leading the HealthCare Institute of New Jersey. It was during his time

as president of the HealthCare Institute of New Jersey that I worked closely with Bob and was able to know his good nature and policy acumen first-hand. I feel fortunate to have had such an opportunity.

I ask that the Members of the House extend sympathy to Bob's wife Fran, his family and friends. He will be missed.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 2010 VALOR AWARD RECIPIENTS IN THE DALE CITY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 13, 2010

Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize outstanding members of the Dale City Volunteer Fire Department. These individuals have demonstrated superior dedication to public safety and have been awarded the prestigious Valor Award by the Prince William Regional Chamber of Commerce.

The Valor Awards recognize remarkable heroism and bravery in the line of duty exemplified by our public safety agencies and their commitment to the community. Our public safety and law enforcement personnel put their lives on the line everyday to keep our families and neighborhoods safe.

Two members of the Dale City Volunteer Fire Department are being honored this year for their exceptional service. It is with great pride that I submit their names into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD:

Recipients of the 2010 Bronze Valor Award are: Sergeant Joe McCann and Firefighter Aaron Kollmorgen.

Madam Speaker, in closing, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the men and women who serve in the Dale City Volunteer Fire Department. Their efforts, made on behalf of the citizens of Prince William County, are selfless acts of heroism and truly merit our highest praise. I ask my colleagues to join me in applauding this group of remarkable citizens.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LYNN C. WOOLSEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 13, 2010

Ms. WOOLSEY. Madam Speaker, on March 25, 2010, I was unavoidably detained and was unable to record my vote for rollcall No. 191. Had I been present I would have voted:

Rollcall No. 191: "yes"—Supporting the goals and ideals of National Public Works Week, and for other purposes.

HONORING GERALD GAJEWSKI

HON. THADDEUS G. McCOTTER

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 13, 2010

Mr. McCOTTER. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor and mourn the extraordinary life

of Gerald Gajewski upon his passing at the age of 68.

Born on October 12, 1941, Gerry Gajewski dedicated his life to serving his community and his country. After honorably serving his country as a member of the United States Air Force, Gerry came home to serve Redford Township as Recreation Commissioner and Township Trustee. He also was an active member of the Redford Township Rotary Club, serving as president five times.

Regrettably, on April 8, 2010, Gerry Gajewski passed from this earthly world to his eternal reward. He is survived by his beloved wife, Gloria and his son, Jeffrey. A devoted brother to sisters Gloria Jean and Christina, Gerry leaves a legacy of 17 nieces and nephews. A courageous and honorable man, Gerry will be sorely missed.

Madam Speaker, Gerald Gajewski is remembered as a compassionate father, a dedicated husband, a leader, a soldier and a friend. Gerry was a man who deeply treasured his family, friends, community and his country. Today, as we bid Gerry farewell, I ask my colleagues to join me in mourning his passing and honoring his unwavering patriotism and legendary service to our country and community.

TRIBUTE TO MAYOR JAMES ROBERTS

HON. RON PAUL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 13, 2010

Mr. PAUL. Madam Speaker, on April 15, 2010, the City of Fulshear, Texas, which is in my congressional district, will host a reception honoring Mayor James Roberts, who is stepping down this year. It is my pleasure to join the people of Fulshear in thanking Mayor Roberts for his years of service.

Mayor Roberts was first elected mayor in 1977, shortly after Fulshear was incorporated. James Roberts was a logical choice to serve as Fulshear's first mayor, as his efforts were instrumental in incorporating Fulshear. Mayor Roberts served as Mayor until 1984. In 2006, he returned to the Mayor's office.

A graduate of Baylor University, James Roberts has worked as a textbook publisher representative, a world history teacher and a coach. In 1973, he founded J.W. Roberts and Company, a wholesale outlet for industrial hoses, clamps, ducting, fittings and tubings. In addition to building a business, working to incorporate Fulshear, and then serving as mayor, James Roberts has also been involved in a variety of community activities, including 20 years on the Board of the Fort Bend County Library, 2 years on the Lamar Consolidated School Board, nine of which he spent as School Board President. Mayor Roberts has also served as the Deacon of Youth of the Graeber Road Church of Christ. Mayor Roberts is currently a member of the Board of Directors of the American Heart Association.

Madam Speaker, I once again wish to express my pleasure in joining the people of Fulshear in thanking James Roberts for his work to incorporate Fulshear, his service as Mayor, and all of his work to better the lives of the people of his community.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 2010 VALOR AWARD RECIPIENTS IN THE MANASSAS CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 13, 2010

Mr. CONNOLLY of Virginia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize outstanding members of the Manassas City Police Department. These individuals have demonstrated superior dedication to public safety and have been awarded the prestigious Valor Award by the Prince William Regional Chamber of Commerce.

The Valor Awards recognize remarkable heroism and bravery in the line of duty exemplified by our public safety agencies and their commitment to the community. Our public safety and law enforcement personnel put their lives on the line everyday to keep our families and neighborhoods safe. The individuals are receiving awards at the 2010 ceremony in two categories: The Lifesaving Award and the Investigative Merit Award.

Three members of the Manassas City Police Department are being honored this year for their exceptional service. It is with great pride that I submit their names into the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD:

Recipient of the 2010 Lifesaving Award is: Officer Donald W. Hylton.

Recipients of the 2010 Investigative Merit Award are: Senior Detective David E. Abbott, Jr. and Darwin A. Guyton.

Madam Speaker, in closing, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the men and women who serve in the Manassas City Police Department. Their efforts, made on behalf of the citizens of Manassas City, are selfless acts of heroism and truly merit our highest praise. I ask my colleagues to join me in applauding this group of remarkable citizens.

RECOGNIZING THE NATIONAL TREASURY EMPLOYEES UNION

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 13, 2010

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of America's front-line government workers from Maine to Montana, Spokane to Sarasota and everywhere in between—especially Austin, Texas.

On February 18, an angry and misguided individual took out his personal frustrations and his own failures when he flew a plane into a federal government building outside Austin. The impetus for his deplorable and heinous act: settling a grudge against tax authorities and a government he deemed un-American. But his weapon of choice, mimicking the greatest American tragedy of this generation, shows how confused and simply wrong he was.

His plane took the life of a member of the National Treasury Employees Union, Vernon Hunter. Vernon was a victim of the worst kind—an innocent bystander in the worst place at the worst time. But economic hardship is the fertilizer that grows fear-mongering

and from those depths despair can be a dangerous weapon. We must take the time to educate the public, stand with our friends at the Treasury, and bridge the divide between ignorance and understanding so that we may never again mourn a friend at the NTEU.

Our largest federal employees union, the NTEU is an eclectic and dedicated group that does everything from print our money to guard our borders. Its members can be scientists searching for a cure for cancer or working to preserve our national parks and historical sites. The NTEU has a hand in agriculture, commerce, finance, and health care, and, above all, is a vital part of every community across the country.

It is with a heavy heart that I offer my condolences to all who were touched by February's tragedy, but with a renewed spirit that I pledge my support to the NTEU and each and every one of its members.

HONORING COMMUNITY SOUP KITCHEN AND OUTREACH CENTER IN MORRISTOWN, NEW JERSEY

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 13, 2010

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the Community Soup Kitchen and Outreach Center in Morristown, New Jersey, which is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year.

Twenty-five years ago, a small group of people opened the doors of their church armed with chicken noodle soup and a determination to feed the hungry in Morristown. Since then, much has changed in our community, but the primary mission of the Community Soup Kitchen and Outreach Center of Morristown has remained the same: They are committed to providing nutritious meals in a warm, safe, and caring environment.

The Community Soup Kitchen of Morristown was established in 1984 at St. Peter's Episcopal Church to serve the community by serving meals and providing support to the homeless, working poor, and elderly of Morristown and the surrounding towns. Over the past 25 years, the Community Soup Kitchen has developed from an establishment serving people only on Saturday's to one that is open 365 days a year, serving approximately 250 guests per day in a welcoming and safe environment.

Last year alone, the Community Soup Kitchen of Morristown served 53,278 meals. The kitchen has continued to expand, and now has the ability of serving 300 people per day. Recently, the kitchen has incorporated the Healthy Choices . . . Healthy Lives! program, which teaches individuals the importance of eating healthy food and maintaining a well balanced diet. The newly created outreach program provides assistance to guests by encouraging and assisting people to access community resources, services, and educational programs. By providing people with this support, the kitchen is creating countless opportunities for people to succeed and live a better life.

The Community Soup Kitchen and Outreach Center of Morristown has continuously provided valuable support to those in our community, and has achieved the selfless goal of improving our society by providing individuals with much needed food and opportunity.