

was a member for eight years and protected Vice President Dick Cheney from 2003 to 2005. In 2005, he returned to St. Petersburg and joined the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office where he served as a major in charge of the Training Divisions before becoming a colonel in command for the county's jail facilities.

It was in this role within the jail facilities that Mr. Previtera observed first-hand how mental illness can induce criminal activity and how the justice system had previously neglected this reality. He started a program to transfer mentally-ill inmates from jail into treatment centers where they could be treated effectively.

In 2014, when a new police chief in St. Petersburg gave Mr. Previtera the chance to join the police department as an assistant chief in charge of the Investigative Services bureau down there, he jumped at the opportunity. It gave him the chance to finally return to his home city and make a difference where it all started.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize Mr. Previtera for the work he has done for Pinellas County and for our nation. I ask that this body join me in thanking Mr. Previtera for his continued outstanding service.

DEFAZIO AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5485

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I cosponsored this amendment today because I do not support the continuation of the Selective Service System at all—for anyone—regardless of gender. This is why I have either introduced or cosponsored legislation to do away with it every year that I have been here in Congress.

The United States military has been entirely dependent on an all-volunteer force since the end of the draft in 1973. Since then we have fostered the most professional and elite fighting force in the history of this country. We should commit to keeping it that way.

Since 1973, the United States has engaged multiple operations around the world including the Gulf War and later two large-scale operations simultaneously. At the height of Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom nearly 300,000 American volunteer servicemen and women deployed to support these missions. We have done all of this without enacting a draft.

Retired General Carter Ham, Chairman of the Commission on the Future of the Army, recently said that “[A] return to the draft or other model of compulsory military service will not yield the quality Army the nation requires.”

And in his testimony to the Senate Armed Services Committee, Secretary of Defense Ash Carter said, and I quote, “the . . . thing I’d like to say about the Selective Service System and the draft generally is this: We want to pick our people. We don’t want people forced to serve us.”

I agree with General Ham and with the Secretary of Defense.

This is why I ask my esteemed colleagues to join me in supporting this amendment to remove funding from this outdated system and route it instead toward payment of the national debt.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE POCASSET GOLF CLUB

HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 100th anniversary of the Pocasset Golf Club.

In search of a place to gather, socialize and unwind during the summer months, the Club's founders purchased the Overlook House in Pocasset, Massachusetts in 1916. Initially designed as a nine-hole golf course, the founders contracted Donald Ross, widely regarded as one of the premier architects of golf courses, to outline the next nine holes. Mr. Ross' vision produced the renowned course we know today, spanning acres of Pocasset's scenic landscape.

Like so many clubs of its time, the Pocasset Golf Club was hit hard by the Great Depression. Its owners at the time made the difficult decision to sell the club in subsequent years. It was during this period that the holes along Hen Cove were converted to houses. The club persevered and, in 1951, was acquired by William Carr. Under his careful stewardship, the club began to modernize—including the construction of the clubhouse that is still in use today. The current ownership group, Pocasset Golf Club, Inc., purchased the club in 1989 and in the intervening years they upgraded the clubhouse to its current form. With over 350 members, the Club continues to provide its members with a place to recreate and relax.

The Pocasset Golf Club will remain a pillar in the community through its tireless commitment to developing the next generation of golfers. That development includes the club's junior golf program that attracts prospective players early, emphasizing the fundamentals of this life sport. The Pocasset Golf Club also offers itself as the home course for the Bourne High School golf team, where student athletes compete at the club, at no charge, against regional rivals. Finally, the membership annually supports the Massachusetts based Oiumet Scholarship Fund that provides student tuition for high school caddies to attend college.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to recognize the Pocasset Golf Club on its 100th anniversary. I ask that my colleagues join me in commemorating the Club's centennial and look forward to a future of continued prosperity.

IN RECOGNITION OF LOGAN BAKER

HON. PATRICK J. TIBERI

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. TIBERI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Logan Baker for winning the Boys 800 Meter Run in the Division III Ohio High School Track and Field State Championship.

An achievement such as this certainly deserves recognition. The Ohio High School Athletic Association has enabled talented teams and individuals to earn state titles since its founding in 1907. Throughout this time, the champions of OHSA state level competitions

have represented the highest achieving and most talented athletes in Ohio. Each year these elite competitors join the ranks of those who embody Ohio's proud history of athletic success.

Logan's victory caps a tremendous season. This sort of achievement is earned only through many hours of practice, perspiration and hard work. He has set a new standard for future athletes to reach. Everyone at Columbus Academy can be extremely proud of his performance.

On behalf of the citizens of Ohio's 12th Congressional District, I congratulate Logan Baker on his state championship. I wish him continued success in both his athletic and academic endeavors.

HONORING DR. DAVID CASH

HON. LOIS CAPPS

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Dr. Dave Cash, who is retiring as the Superintendent of the Santa Barbara Unified School District after 28 years of public service as an educator.

After graduating from the University of California at Santa Barbara (UCSB) in 1979, Dr. Cash attended law school at Willamette University where he received his Juris Doctorate in 1981. In 1990, he received his Master's Degree in Education at UCSB and in 2008, his Doctorate of Education from the University of Southern California (USC). He has served as an educator and administrator for several local schools in the Santa Barbara School District including Peabody Elementary School, Goleta Valley Junior High, and Dos Pueblos High School.

Dr. Cash's distinguished career as an educator and leader in the Central Coast of California is only preceded by his commitment to his students and the local Santa Barbara community. His leadership has helped generations of students successfully prepare for the future. Over the years, Dave's passion and tireless efforts have succeeded in closing achievement gaps and improving student outcomes at all grade levels.

During his tenure, Dr. Cash committed his career to addressing inequality in our education system by seeking to hire more Spanish-speaking teachers and invest in resources for English language learner students to ensure all Central Coast students have the opportunity to achieve. Furthermore, Dr. Cash's ingenuity and forward thinking mindset have earned the respect and admiration of so many in the educational field. His restorative justice initiative, aimed at reducing suspensions and keeping kids in the classroom, and initiatives to better integrate technology into the classroom are just two of his many accomplishments as Superintendent of the Santa Barbara School District, and they serve as a testament to his dedication to his students' success.

Dr. Cash's work and influence have been immeasurable and will continue to have an effect on his students and the entire Santa Barbara community for many years to come. I am pleased to recognize Dr. Cash's countless achievements and would like to express my utmost gratitude for his service to his students

and our community. I wish him nothing but continued success in his retirement and future endeavors.

IN HONOR OF COLONEL ROBERT
PREISS

HON. MARK TAKAI

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. TAKAI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and thank Colonel Robert Preiss, an American hero who has devoted his life to serving our country.

During his career spanning over 30 years, Colonel Robert Preiss has proven his ability to successfully manage organizations and deliver results to the most critical problems facing our nation. He began his military career with his enlistment in the Texas Army National Guard. Throughout his career, Colonel Preiss has worked on an array of important projects, from shaping our policies in Iraq as Deputy Chief in the National Guard Affairs Office of United States Forces-Iraq, to drafting recommendations for our Reserve Forces as part of the Reserve Forces Policy Board. Through his service, he has furthered U.S. military objectives both at home and abroad.

Colonel Preiss has been decorated with numerous commendations, including the Bronze Star. In September of 2013, he received the Distinguished Service Medal from the National Guard Association of the United States to recognize his research into the efficiency and efficacy of the National Guard and Reserve. Our nation is safer today in part due to the work and patriotism of Colonel Preiss.

Colonel Robert Preiss, thank you for your patriotism and selfless service to the United States. As you are surely aware, our nation is proud of all you have accomplished during your career. Thank you (Mahalo nui loa) for your service to our country, and I wish you the best in your future endeavors.

TRIBUTE TO BRAD KENDELL

HON. DAVID W. JOLLY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. JOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize Brad Kendell for his tenacity and perseverance in the face of adversity.

Brad Kendell is a Pinellas County native, from Clearwater. His passion for sailing with his father at the Clearwater Yacht Club began when he was just 7 years old. However, in 2003, his life drastically changed when he lost both his legs in a horrific plane crash with his father and flight instructor.

Mr. Kendell coped with his injury by meeting with other disabled sailors and soon discovered that his disability could not stop him from pursuing his true passion of sailing. He began to sail competitively this year and has already won a world championship. This qualifies him to represent the U.S. in the 2016 Paralympic Games in Rio this summer.

Mr. Speaker, I want to acknowledge Mr. Kendell's courage after a horrific accident and ask that this body join me in wishing Mr.

Kendell the best of luck in the games this summer.

CONGRATULATIONS TO
MINNETONKA BOYS TENNIS TEAM

HON. ERIK PAULSEN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. PAULSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Minnetonka High School Boys Tennis team on their Minnesota State Team Championship.

The Skippers had come up just short in the previous two years, but this year they would not be denied. Although they were seeded fourth out of eight teams in the tournament, the Skippers showed grit and determination as they upset the top two teams on their way to the school's first tennis championship since 1974. They upset Rochester Century in a closely contested final, winning four matches to three.

Mr. Speaker, in a sport like tennis where success in a match is a combination of singles and doubles, it is especially noteworthy to recognize how this group of young men worked together to achieve their goal. These student athletes showed that together they were greater than the sum of their parts.

The families, teachers, friends, and the entire community are very proud of the Minnetonka High School Boys Tennis team both on the court and in the classroom. Congratulations.

HONORING THE WASHINGTON
RENEGADES RUGBY FOOTBALL
CLUB

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask the House of Representatives to join me in honoring the Washington Renegades Rugby Football Club. Founded in 1998, the Renegades are the first rugby club in the United States to actively recruit gay players, and are a founding member of International Gay Rugby (IGR), an association that today is comprised of over 70 gay and gay-supportive rugby clubs worldwide.

The Renegades represent Washington, D.C. in Division III and Division IV rugby. The club's Division III side is the three-time defending champions of the Mid-Atlantic Conference Central Division, having reached the national quarter/semi-finals in 2014. The club's Division IV side has also made two consecutive playoff appearances.

Over this past Memorial Day weekend, the Washington Renegades finished the 2016 Bingham Cup Tournament in Nashville, Tennessee as the most successful club overall in attendance. The Bingham Cup is the Championship of IGR, and is named for gay rugby player Mark Bingham, of the San Francisco Fog Rugby Football Club, who lost his life on September 11, 2001. Bingham, along with fellow passengers and crew of United Flight 93, is widely credited with preventing the hijackers from reaching their intended target.

Fielding three teams in three separate divisions, the Renegades A side (the Blues) reached the final four of the main competition—the Mark Bingham Cup—losing in the semifinal 15–5 to the eventual champions, the Melbourne Chargers from Melbourne, Australia. The Renegades B side (the Reds) won their division, defeating the Boston Ironsides 56–0 in the final to take the Mark Bingham Shield. The Renegades C side—affectionately called the “Silver” side due the age of some of its players—went to the finals of its competition, losing 12–10 to the Lost Souls of Dallas, Texas in the Challenger Cup Final. The Renegades are already looking forward to another season in USA Rugby competition this fall as well as to the next Bingham Cup in 2018.

The Renegades are more than just exceptional athletes; they are also exceptional citizens. They volunteer with such programs as Food and Friends, preparing hundreds of Thanksgiving meals for people living with HIV/AIDS and other life-threatening illnesses. They have held school supply drives and holiday toy drives, and have donated Nook electronic readers to schoolchildren. They have conducted rugby clinics for youth in the District of Columbia, and were featured in a series of after-school activities dedicated to having dads or father representatives participate in sports drills and related activities with their children. The Renegades have been recognized by the D.C. Mayor and D.C. Council for their athletic achievement and charitable activities, and by the U.S. Department of the Interior for their efforts in cleaning and maintaining the original Flight 93 Memorial in Shanksville, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Speaker, I ask the House to join me in commending the Washington Renegades and wishing them continued success in the important work they do of modeling sporting excellence and breaking down barriers on the field, and serving the community off the field. The Washington Renegades are amateurs in the truest sense of the word, for the word “amateur” derives from the Latin word for “love.” The Renegades do what they do not for money or glory, but for love—love for their teammates, love for their game, and love for the city and country they call home.

HONORING THE LIFE OF DR.
ROSCOE BROWN

HON. CHARLES B. RANGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 7, 2016

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor and celebrate the life of an American hero, Dr. Roscoe Brown, who will be greatly missed by all those inspired by him. Dr. Brown flew combat missions during World War II as a member of the prestigious Tuskegee Airmen, the first African-American military aviators in the United States Armed Forces. As a proud sponsor of the bill that awarded the Congressional Gold Medal, our highest civilian honor, to the Tuskegee Airmen in 2007, I was humbled to meet Dr. Brown who embodied the best that our nation has to offer.

Our troops at home and abroad make the greatest sacrifices every day to defend our country. What makes the story of Dr. Brown