

Rapids, Minnesota resident who was recently awarded the Anoka County Outstanding Senior Award at the Anoka County Fair. Despite major setbacks, John has been heavily involved in his community.

Thirteen years ago, John was given the devastating news that he only had six weeks to live. Instead of giving up, he kept fighting, bravely enduring eleven surgeries and eight years of chemotherapy, all while continuing his service to his community.

Today, John helps out with numerous organizations in the community including: Coon Rapids Royalty and Pageant Committees, Coon Rapids Snowflake Days, Community Strength Foundation, Coon Rapids Northstar Lions Club, Coon Rapids Fireworks Festival, Epiphany Church, and Movies in the Park.

John Leggate has shown great passion for bettering the community and has helped thousands of people in the process. For all his contributions to our community, we thank John Leggate and congratulate him on his award.

PROTECTING PATIENT ACCESS TO EMERGENCY MEDICATIONS ACTS OF 2016

SPEECH OF

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 14, 2016

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to express my strong support for H.R. 4365 the bipartisan "Protecting Patient Access to Emergency Medications Act of 2016."

H.R. 4365 would authorize a medical director, physician, and physician assistant or advanced practice registered nurse to authorize Emergency Medical Service, EMS, personnel to dispense controlled substances such as seizure medications, narcotic painkillers and other controlled substances under an order from a registered doctor or agency.

This bipartisan bill was passed by both the House Committee on Energy and Commerce and its Subcommittee on Health, each by unanimous consent.

I support this bipartisan bill because it provides a vital solution for our emergency management personnel to provide lifesaving care to those requiring unique medical attention, such as in cases substance abuse overdose.

Under this bill the Justice Department would be directed to approve the registration of qualified EMS agencies under the Controlled Substances Act and is empowered to deny registration based on an applicant's conviction record and other factors that could affect public health and safety.

The bill authorizes emergency service providers to store substances in ambulances and other EMS vehicles and partner with local hospitals to restock medications and supplies.

Each emergency services provider would be responsible for complying with requirements including recordkeeping and physical security.

In Houston, Texas in 2015 alone, over 289,907 citizens relied upon the critical care emergency services of medical personnel, such as nurses, paramedics and technicians.

Our EMS personnel throughout the nation must be equipped with every tool necessary to provide critical lifesaving measures during patients' most dire time of need.

During the horrific terrorist attacks of September 11th, the lifesaving skills of our EMS providers were vital to saving countless American lives.

Mr. Speaker, I support H.R. 4365 the "Protecting Patient Access to Emergency Medications Act of 2016" because it provides emergency medical personnel with a broad range of tools to provide lifesaving care to persons in need.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF DANYELLE LUCKEY

HON. MARK DeSAULNIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 15, 2016

Mr. DeSAULNIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and service of Seaman Danyelle Luckey, a longtime resident of the Bay Area community and enlisted sailor in the U.S. Navy.

During her brief 23 years, Danyelle Luckey touched the lives of those she met. After graduating from Pittsburg High School in 2011, Danyelle enjoyed spending time with friends and family, and worked as a beautician. According to her friends, she always took pleasure in helping others improve their lives. In that spirit of public service, Danyelle enlisted in the Navy, joining the crew of the USS *Ronald Reagan* during its recent trip to Guam.

According to the Navy, Seaman Luckey's positive attitude and infectious spirit were apparent during her service—within her first month aboard the supercarrier, she had gained a reputation as a good shipmate and made an immediate impression on everyone on board. Her superiors noted her intention to "become part of something big and something significant."

Sadly, Seaman Luckey's life ended on October 10, 2016, when she passed away unexpectedly while aboard the USS *Ronald Reagan* as it traveled the Philippine Sea. She is survived by her parents Derrick and Annette Luckey, many family members, and friends. I join our community in mourning her loss, her spirit, and her work to improve the lives of others. Fortunately, Seaman Luckey will live on in the memories of her family and friends.

HONORING MAGGIE JONES, THE 2016 RECIPIENT OF THE WILLIAM CRAWFORD DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 15, 2016

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Maggie Jones for her selection as this year's recipient of the William Crawford Distinguished Service Award. Maggie is a committed public servant in eastern Connecticut, where she serves as the Executive Director of the Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center (DNPC). She has overseen tremendous growth for her organization, and has dedicated her efforts to the preservation of wildlife and our region's natural beauty. The DNPC offers a variety of programs to bring the

residents of eastern Connecticut closer to nature, from gardening clinics to group hikes and restoration projects. The Center also contributes to the social and economic well-being of the region with its Community Garden that every year produces a huge array of fresh, nutritious produce that finds its way to low income residents in New London County free of charge. I have personally witnessed the impact this healthy, tasty offering has on its recipients at mobile food banks. The excitement and gratitude for Coogan Farm's effort is moving and inspirational.

Maggie has been a shrewd, successful manager, growing the DNPC from three employees to thirty-five. She and her organization recently celebrated a momentous achievement, the completion of a two year project to restore the Coogan Farm Nature & Heritage Center in Mystic. The restoration required the work of 60 volunteers and 760 donors, all facilitated by Maggie's exceptional leadership. It also required her successful pursuit of state and federal funds which were intensely competitive from groups all over the country.

Maggie's dedication to her community and her spirit of volunteerism and engagement are values well worth honoring. She leads by example, and more importantly, puts in the groundwork to make her visions a reality. Our region is a better place because of Maggie's dedication. I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking her for being a model citizen.

IN SUPPORT OF STAN LEE'S RESPECT INITIATIVE

HON. MARK DeSAULNIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 15, 2016

Mr. DeSAULNIER. Mr. Speaker, Marvel Comics legend, Stan Lee, co-creator of such iconic characters as Spider-Man, the Avengers, and X-Men, with the contribution of his daughter, J.C., seeing the challenges faced in the country launched the RESPECT Initiative symbolized by the "Hands of Respect" pin to build bridges in communications, encourage dialogue, and bring together and inspire all community members to respect one another. With the goal to get "Hands of Respect" pins throughout the country, community members of all ages will get involved in this important movement.

Through the efforts of Concord, California, resident and RESPECT Initiative Executive Director, Jerry Olivarez, it is acknowledged that the City of Concord, led by Mayor Laura Hoffmeister and Chief Guy Swanger, is the first city in the country where the Mayor and Chief of Police officially support the concept of the RESPECT campaign.

I encourage all my colleagues in the House of Representatives to wear the "Hands of Respect" pin to show support for this initiative and encourage their constituents to join the conversation and participate in the campaign by visiting www.handsofrespect.com.

Initiatives like "Hands of Respect" are important to bringing communities together and I commend the efforts of all who are involved in my Congressional District, the State of California, and the nation.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BETO O'ROURKE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 15, 2016

Mr. O'ROURKE. Mr. Speaker, during the roll call votes on Monday, November 14, 2016, I was absent due to the flight from my district of El Paso, Texas to Washington, DC being delayed.

Had I been present, on roll call number 575, I would have voted Yea.

On roll call number 576, I would have voted Yea.

EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE
STUDY AND REGULATION OF
MODERN AGRICULTURAL TECH-
NOLOGIES

HON. K. MICHAEL CONAWAY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 15, 2016

Mr. CONAWAY. Mr. Speaker, I include in the RECORD the following:

Whereas, a sustainable agricultural system is crucial to the continued production of food, feed, and fiber to meet both domestic and global demand; and

Whereas, in the United States, the agriculture and food production industries employ precision farming equipment, crop protection chemistries, genetic engineering or enhancement, agricultural nutrients, and other modern technologies; such advanced practices protect the safety of the public and reduce environmental impact while expanding yields, improving profitability, and ensuring an abundant and affordable food supply; and

Whereas, agricultural pests present significant dangers to the industry and to global supplies of the products they attack; accordingly, the environmental risks of forgoing advances in agricultural technologies that protect crops are severe; excessive regulation may scuttle or discourage the use of agricultural chemicals that could improve human welfare; and

Whereas, crop protection is among the most studied and highly regulated of all industries, at both the state and federal levels; the use of sound science should be the bedrock of our nation's regulatory scheme for the agriculture and food production industries, as these industries are critical to the economic vitality of Texas and the United States; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 84th Legislature, hereby express sup-

port for the use of sound science to study and regulate such modern agricultural technologies as crop protection chemistries, genetically engineered or enhanced traits, and nutrients; and, be it further

Resolved, That the Senate express opposition to legislative or regulatory action at any level that may result in unnecessary restrictions on the use of modern agricultural technologies; and, be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate forward official copies of this resolution to the president of the United States, to the president of the Senate and the speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States Congress, and to all the members of the Texas delegation to Congress with the request that this resolution be entered in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD as a memorial to the Congress of the United States of America.

PRESIDENT-ELECT TRUMP'S AP-
POINTMENT OF STEPHEN
BANNON AS CHIEF STRATEGIST

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 15, 2016

Ms. McCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, on November 13, President-elect Donald Trump announced his intention to appoint Stephen Bannon, a Breitbart News executive, as chief strategist and senior counselor to the President.

In response to this announcement, Richard Cohen—the president of the Southern Poverty Law Center, which tracks hate groups in the United States—issued the following statement about Mr. Bannon and his past work:

"Stephen Bannon, a man who led a media empire into becoming what a former Breitbart editor called 'a cesspool for white supremacist mememakers,' simply has no business in the White House.

"In July, Bannon boasted that Breitbart News was 'the platform for the alt-right.' The alt-right, as we know, is simply a rebranding of white nationalism and is the energy behind the avalanche of racist and anti-Semitic harassment that plagued social media platforms for the entire presidential campaign. Once the news of Bannon's appointment hit white supremacist websites last night, forums like Stormfront erupted in celebration.

"In his victory speech, Trump pledged to be the president for 'all Americans' and to 'bind the wounds of division' in our country. Appointing someone like Bannon, who will have the president-elect's ear every single day, makes a mockery of that pledge."

IN TRIBUTE TO LEONOR ROSAS

HON. GWEN MOORE

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 15, 2016

Ms. MOORE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Leonor Rosas who retired in September, 2016 from UMOS, Inc. Leonor is a public servant, nonprofit executive, mother, grandmother, friend and leader.

Leonor Rosas has earned a Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and has Graduate Certificates in both Nonprofit Management and Public Administration. Ms. Rosas has over 36 years of work experience in the both the private and public sectors and retired from UMOS after serving 15 years in various management positions there. She has served as a high level manager in State, City and County governments and has worked with nonprofits and in the private sector, as well. While working for Wisconsin State Government, Leonor held many positions including Job Service Bureau Director where she was responsible for the oversight of 72 Job Service locations throughout the state including managing staff and services and assisting the unemployed and underemployed in job searches and offering employment related workshops.

I have had the great privilege of working with Leonor for over two decades, beginning while I served in the Wisconsin State Assembly and extending to my years in Congress. In fact, I worked with her most recently in helping to establish the Milwaukee Brides Walk with the Latina Resource Center and on workforce readiness programs. Leonor has the unique ability to develop and lead personnel with extensive experience in employment and training and resource development and strategic planning. Leonor is a passionate critical thinker with a heart of gold and enjoys working with people from various ethnic and educational backgrounds.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to recognize Ms. Leonor Rosas and proud to call her friend. She is a true trailblazer for women and Hispanics. In fact, Ms. Rosas gains great satisfaction in mentoring young Hispanic professionals insuring that all voices are heard in an equitable manner. I honor Leonor's many accomplishments and life time commitment to the entire Milwaukee Community, the 4th Congressional District and the State of Wisconsin.