

Infantry Brigade at Fort Benning, Georgia. Today, the Brigade is responsible for the Infantry and Armor Branch Basic Officer Leadership Courses. The Brigade trains all the maneuver company commanders for all of the U.S. Army combat formations. In addition, the Brigade is responsible for the International Military Student Office, the Directorate of Training, and the Maneuver Center of Excellence Band.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in recognizing the members of the 199th Infantry Brigade for their steadfast courage and commitment to serving our country during the Vietnam war. The Redcatchers made significant contributions in safeguarding our liberties fifty years ago and we honor their outstanding valor and patriotic service that has helped make America the great nation it is today.

RECOGNIZING THE FORT WORTH
ALUMNI CHAPTER OF KAPPA
ALPHA PSI FRATERNITY, INC.

HON. MARC A. VEASEY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 23, 2016

Mr. VEASEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the gentlemen of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated, Fort Worth Alumni Chapter, for their outstanding work in community service.

Since its founding in 1947, the Kappa Fort Worth Alumni Chapter has dedicated themselves to the Tarrant County community by empowering our local youth and providing important resources for the most vulnerable residents in our community.

To lead the change in our youth, the Kappas began the "Kappa Kut" program, providing free haircuts to young men in Tarrant County and amplifying the influential role barbers play in our community. By connecting young men to local barbers, barbers share their life experiences and encourage positive change in our community. The Kappa Kut program has expanded through partnership made possible by the Dunbar Pyramid, now providing 200 free haircuts and giving away over 2,000 free backpacks full of school supplies, immunizations, and educational sessions for community parents and their children.

To fight against food insecurity within our community, the gentlemen of Kappa Alpha Psi developed two key programs that continue to assist families across Tarrant County. For three years, the "Kan Food Drive," with co-operation of 13 area schools and 15 businesses, has collected 35,000 canned goods and raised \$9,700 for the Community Food Bank. At the same time, the Kappas created the "Kappagiving" program, where over 300 local families receive a turkey and a box containing canned foods and dry goods, so that families have the opportunity to celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday.

In addition, the Kappas have continued their unwavering support for the improvement of their community by partnering with the Union Gospel Mission to raise money, build fellowship with male residents, and donate blankets, sheets, clothes, coats, toys and toiletries for the homeless. To date, the Kappas have donated over \$30,000 to deserving young men

so that they can attend college and have continued their mentorship of young males under the chapter's Kappa League program.

In honor of the Fort Worth Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated, and their commitment to providing humanitarian services, volunteer hours and financial contributions to the Fort Worth community, this statement is submitted today, Monday, May 23, 2016.

RECOGNIZING TECHNICAL SER-
GEANT BRENT C. YOUNG, AS
THE 2015 OKALOOSA COUNTY,
FLORIDA, LAW ENFORCEMENT
OFFICER OF THE YEAR

HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 23, 2016

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Technical Sergeant Brent C. Young, as the 2015 Okaloosa County, Florida, Law Enforcement Officer of the Year. Since 1998, Sergeant Young has served our great Nation with honor and distinction, and Northwest Florida is blessed to have him as part of her community keeping a faithful watch over her citizens.

Born in Midland, Michigan on January 9, 1980, Sergeant Young attended Bullock Creek High School, where he lettered in wrestling his first two years. In 1998, Sergeant Young graduated and enlisted in the United States Air Force. Following completion of Basic Military Training and Security Forces Technical Training, Sergeant Young was assigned to Wright Patterson Air Force Base, during which he deployed five times to Southeast Asia in support of the Global War on Terror. Sergeant Young then joined the Northwest Florida community upon his selection as a Ground Combat Instructor at Eglin Air Force Base, a position he held for six years. Attached to the 96th Security Forces Squadron, Sergeant Young now has taken on the responsibilities of a Flight Sergeant.

Through his unwavering courage and acts of heroism, Sergeant Young has earned the Higher Headquarters' 2015 Noncommissioned Officer Association's Vanguard Award and the 2015 Okaloosa Law Enforcement Officer of the Year. Whether providing critical first aid to stabilize a spinal injury and preventing another victim from going into shock from a partial finger amputation, leading rescue efforts and expediting medical treatment to distressed swimmers, or assisting in the apprehension of an intoxicated driver, Sergeant Young's keen awareness of his surroundings and skills he has honed throughout his military career has without question helped prevent the tragic loss of life.

While his accomplishments and heroic acts are not limited to those aforementioned, Sergeant Young has proven himself to be among the best. As with most accomplished and dedicated leaders, Sergeant Young's passion for service does not end when he leaves work. He is very much involved in the local community. As a local Den Leader, he leads Cub Scouts through their Boy Scouts of America certifications, including more than 100 merit badges. He has also volunteered more than fifty hours at a local nursing home, participating in grounds and facility maintenance.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Northwest Florida community and a grateful Nation, I am privileged to honor Technical Sergeant Brent C. Young for his outstanding achievements. We are fortunate to have individuals with a strong character and sense of selflessness willing and able to stand up strong in defense of America and her citizens. My wife Vicki and I thank Sergeant Young for his commitment to service and wish him all the best for continued success. May God continue to bless him, all of our Nation's Law Enforcement Officers who keep us safe, and may God continue to bless the United States of America.

RECOGNIZING MARSHALL KAPLAN

HON. LORETTA SANCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 23, 2016

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Marshall Kaplan, who has been an Advisor at El Sol Academy for eleven years. El Sol Academy currently serves over 900 high-achieving students and has increased family participation in its new Wellness Center, on-site social services, and adult evening classes.

Mr. Kaplan has an outstanding record of working in the non-profit, government and education sectors. He is the President of the new nonprofit group, Pathways to Opportunities. For the past seven years, Mr. Kaplan was also the Executive Director of the Merage Foundation.

Marshall Kaplan is the former Dean of the University of Colorado, Graduate School of Public Affairs, where he also headed the Wirth Chair and Institute for Public Policy. Mr. Kaplan also served in the Carter and Kennedy administrations, as an Advisor to Assistant Secretary Floyd Hyde when George Romney was Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Mr. Kaplan also was a senior official at HUD, and a principal in the national policy advisory firm Marshall Kaplan, Gans & Khan. He has written several books and numerous articles on regional and urban policy, environment and social welfare policy, and poverty.

I am honored to recognize Mr. Marshall Kaplan for his commitment to El Sol Academy in my district.

COMMEMORATING THE LIFE OF
WILLIAM R. SNEAD

HON. ROBERT HURT

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 23, 2016

Mr. HURT of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I submit these remarks to commemorate the life of William R. Snead of Danville, Virginia, who passed away May 7, 2016 at age 92.

Mr. Snead was drafted into the United States Army in 1943 during World War II and trained in Fort Bragg, N.C., where he was part of the 5th Brigade of Amphibious Engineers which was attached to the 29th Infantry Division that landed on Omaha Beach on D-Day June 6, 1944. Snead was a company engineer with the 5th Division that landed after the first

wave of infantry hit the beaches of Normandy to carry out the logistical and supply tasks that were essential to the Allied conquest of Europe.

Upon Mr. Snead's return from the war, he dedicated his life to farming in Pittsylvania County, later moving to South Boston, where he began to learn the trade of house painting, in which he would eventually start his own company, W.R. Snead Painting Company in Halifax until his retirement in 1984. Mr. Snead also served our community as a council member of the South Boston Church of God for many years, as well as a trustee, and taught their Adult Sunday school class for over 50 years.

In 2013, I was honored to see Mr. Snead receive the French Legion of Honor for his service during the Second World War and participate in a ceremony honoring Mr. Snead in Halifax. We remain forever grateful for Mr. Snead's bravery and sacrifices—may he rest in peace.

On the occasion of the passing of William R. Snead, I ask that the members of this House of Representatives join with me, Mr. Snead's wife Frances Jones Snead, his four children, ten grandchildren, seven great grandchildren, three great, great grandchildren, and the communities of Halifax and Pittsylvania in honoring the memory of a great American hero.

IN RECOGNITION OF LINDA JOYCE
JORDAN

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 23, 2016

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I extend my sincere congratulations to Ms. Linda Joyce Jordan for being this year's recipient of the National Association of Securities Professionals (NASP) Joyce Johnson Award. The Joyce Johnson Award was created by NASP as a tribute to co-founder Joyce Johnson whose mission was to make a difference for minority and women professionals in the securities industry. Ms. Jordan will be honored with this award at a luncheon during the NASP 27th Annual Pension and Financial Services Conference on Tuesday, June 14, 2016 at 12:30 p.m. at the Loews Atlanta Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia.

Linda Jordan has been a financial services executive for more than twenty-five years. When she started her career, there were few women and few minorities in the financial services industry. She joined NASP shortly thereafter and has since helped the organization promote opportunities for women and minorities in this field. Ms. Jordan has served on NASP's Board of Directors since 2003 and currently serves as secretary to the Board. She serves also as co-chair of NASP's Plan Sponsor Outreach Committee and she helped form NASP's Legislative Committee and the NASP Institute.

Ms. Jordan most recently served as Managing Director with Mesirow Financial, an independent financial services firm headquartered in Chicago. For ten years, Ms. Jordan managed the Atlanta office and was successful in developing the firm's institutional relationships and improving its marketing and

investment capabilities. She was instrumental in helping to grow Mesirow's \$92.4 billion in assets under management to date. Ms. Jordan holds a Bachelor's degree in mathematics from Clark Atlanta University and a Bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Georgia Tech. She also earned a Master of Business Administration degree in finance from Duke University's Fuqua School of Business.

In addition to Ms. Jordan's career, she is also actively involved in the community outside of work. She served the City of Atlanta and Fulton County Recreation Authority for more than twelve years. She also was the Chair of the Government Relations Committee of the Atlanta Chapter of the National Black MBA Association and the Chair of the Corporate Advisory committee for the National Forum of Black Public Administrators (NFBPA). In addition, she served as President of the Board of Directors for the YWCA of Greater Atlanta. She is an active member of the Atlanta Alumni Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

A major milestone for Ms. Jordan was her induction into the Academy of Distinguished Engineering Alumni at Georgia Tech, making her the first African-American female to receive this distinction.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in recognizing Linda Jordan for her contributions to the financial services industry, the NASP, and the community.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL
DEBT

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 23, 2016

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, on January 20, 2009, the day President Obama took office, the national debt was \$10,626,877,048,913.08.

Today, it is \$19,212,451,626,242.62. We've added \$8,585,574,577,329.54 to our debt in 6 years. This is over \$7.5 trillion in debt our nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a balanced budget amendment.

IN RECOGNITION OF ST. PAUL
MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
AND DR. EPHRAIM WILLIAMS
AND MRS. CARRIE SUE WIL-
LIAMS

HON. DORIS O. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 23, 2016

Ms. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church, Dr. Ephraim Williams, and the late Mrs. Carrie Sue Williams. Dr. Williams has served for 45 years as the Pastor of St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church. As the St. Paul's congregation gathers together to celebrate the leadership of Dr. Williams and his late wife, I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring their important roles in the Oak Park neighborhood and in the larger Sacramento community.

Under the leadership of Dr. Williams, St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church has grown from 100 members to over 3,500 members today. Dr. Williams and the members of his congregation continue to be a valuable community resource, offering social services, vocational programs, educational support for Sacramento's local youth, and help for the homeless. St. Paul's community center, the Family Life Center, offers programs for all ages focusing on health and wellness through physical fitness and proper nutrition. The leadership and service to our community displayed by Dr. and Mrs. Williams are and have been nothing short of exemplary. The Williams' dedication has made the St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church a staple in the City of Sacramento.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to pay tribute to St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church, to Dr. Ephraim Williams, and to the late Mrs. Carrie Sue Williams, as they celebrate Dr. Williams' 45th anniversary as Pastor. I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring their outstanding work in providing the Sacramento community with invaluable services.

LIEUTENANT COLONEL WALTER
HELM (RETIRED UNITED STATES
AIR FORCE)

HON. JACKIE SPEIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, May 23, 2016

Ms. SPEIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the passing of an uncommon American, Lieutenant Colonel Walter Helm. On June 1st, Walter Helm will be buried at Arlington National Cemetery amidst his countrymen who, like Lt. Colonel Helm, loved this nation in all its glory.

Walter Helm grew up in Bellmore, New York, born July 31, 1933, as the second of four children. Thanks to his parents, he learned the rewards of hard work, faith and charity. He also learned to love flying and in 1954 joined the Air Force, serving our nation with distinction and heroism for the next 20 years during some of its most difficult overseas actions.

However, for Walter Helm, military service was not entirely about overseas action—it was also about domestic relations of a very specific kind. While serving, Walter met another officer and decided to marry her. He and Janet eventually had four daughters. With Janet's service to our country as a major example, the couple encouraged each daughter to pursue their educations and dreams, always mindful of their duties to the broader community. Ultimately, he and Janet were rewarded for their patience in raising four daughters when they became the loving grandparents of two grandsons, Hunter and Harrison Fazlollahi.

The Vietnam War was one of nation's most difficult conflicts. Like many of his comrades in arms at the time, Walter, a patriot and helicopter pilot, performed his duties under some of the most difficult circumstances ever encountered by our nation's troops. On one of these days, June 19, 1968, he piloted a CH-3E deep within enemy territory. On that day, then-Major Walter Helm encountered heavy ground fire while attempting to extricate seven