

served four years as a Captain in the Judge Advocate General's Corps of the United States Army.

Mr. Bobzien has ably represented Fairfax on a number of boards and associations and has used his passion for the law to benefit communities across the Commonwealth. He is a former president of the Virginia State Bar. He was the first government attorney ever to hold that post. He is a past chair of the Local Government Law Section of the Virginia State Bar, a past president of the Local Government Attorneys of Virginia, a past president of Lawyers Helping Lawyers, the organization that assists lawyers in Virginia suffering from substance addiction or mental illness, a past president of the Fairfax Law Foundation, and a past president of the Virginia Law Foundation.

Even as he neared retirement, David has remained active and is the current chairman of the Virginia CLE Committee of the Virginia Law Foundation and is a board member of Virginia Law Foundation, the Fairfax Law Foundation, and Lawyers Helping Lawyers. He is a Virginia State Bar delegate in the American Bar Association's House of Delegates having previously served on the ABA's Commission on Domestic and Sexual Violence. He is a fellow of the Fairfax Law Foundation and the Virginia Law Foundation and a Life Fellow of the American Bar Foundation.

His leadership and commitment to the law have been recognized by his peers. In 2012, David was selected to receive the Golden Gavel Award from the Fairfax Law Foundation's Society of Fellows. The Golden Gavel Award recognizes individuals, organizations, and businesses for their exceptional community service.

Mr. Speaker, David Bobzien's commitment to our community and the mission of local government is unparalleled, and he leaves behind a legacy of integrity that will benefit our community for generations to come. His career in public service is truly commendable and deserving of our sincere appreciation. When I was chairman of the county board, we often joked when retirement announcements like this came before the board that we should pass an ordinance to disallow such talented and dedicated professionals to leave public service. I certainly wish that was the case here. I have been privileged to call David not only a professional colleague but also a constituent and a friend. I wish David and his wife, Cathy, and the rest of their family the best of luck in his retirement, and I ask my colleagues in the House to join me in expressing our appreciation for his unswerving devotion to serving the residents of Fairfax County.

#### BASQUE HERITAGE AND SMITHSONIAN FOLKLIFE FESTIVAL

### HON. DINA TITUS

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 24, 2016*

Ms. TITUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the annual Smithsonian Folklife Festival which begins on June 29 and focuses this year on the Basques. Their history, contributions, and culture will be highlighted through music, storytelling, artifacts, and food. Since the late 1800s, the Basques have been an integral

part of Nevada's story. Well known and highly respected Basque families in Nevada include the Laxalts, Ascuaguas, Etcheverrias, Juaristis, and Goicoecheas, among others, who have left a legacy at all levels of government, business, academia, and the legal profession. Their history has been recorded in the sheep camps of the Northern Nevada mountains and in the boarding houses of small towns like Elko, Winnemucca, Battle Mountain, and Ely. Their strength of character and perseverance inspire us all. I look forward to seeing some of Nevada's Basque dancers on the National Mall, and I invite you to join me in celebrating this amazing community and its heritage.

#### HONORING THE 65TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ROSE OF SHARON MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

### HON. K. MICHAEL CONAWAY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 24, 2016*

Mr. CONAWAY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Rose of Sharon Missionary Baptist Church as they celebrate their 65th anniversary. Over the last 65 years, Rose of Sharon has served as a place of worship for countless numbers of West Texans. Rose of Sharon was founded by Reverend A.H. Goings in 1951. After meeting in various homes for several years, the church finally found a permanent home on 300 Fitch St. in June of 1985 under the leadership of Reverend J.W. Hanson. From that point moving forward, the church was able to flourish as they made it their mission to spread the teachings of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Tragically on June 25, 2014, the church burned down and was declared a total loss. But out of the ashes and through the power of prayer and the support of the First Baptist Church of Odessa, Rose of Sharon persevered and overcame the adversity that they were dealt. After many months of rebuilding, Rose of Sharon reopened the doors to their newly constructed house of worship in February 2016.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing the Rose of Sharon Baptist Church as they celebrate their 65th anniversary. I wish them continued success moving forward. May God continue to bless the parishioners and the church leaders for many years to come.

#### CONGRATULATING COLONEL GUY T. SHIELDS ON HIS INDUCTION INTO THE ARMY PUBLIC AFFAIRS HALL OF FAME

### HON. PETER A. DEFazio

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 24, 2016*

Mr. DEFazio. Mr. Speaker, today, we are here to honor Colonel Guy T. Shields on his induction into the Army Public Affairs Hall of Fame, an honor deserving of a man who has dedicated his life to serving our country. Colonel Shields' accomplishments are many, and his time in the Army has been a story of passion, leadership, and innovation.

For nearly twenty years he served in the Army as a Public Affairs Officer, and he established himself as a media relations expert. He was respected and trusted by all he worked with: internal and external media, his military superiors, his peers, and his subordinates. At the NATO Nuclear Planning Conference in 1987, he successfully established an international press center, and under his guidance a team was able to handle more than 200 members of the international media for four days. His success continued as he covered stories and events such as the 50th Anniversary of the Normandy Landings, Exercise Double Eagle, Operations Support Hope, Just Cause, Golden Pheasant, and Iraqi Freedom. While working in Bosnia he coordinated the construction and operation of a radio tower and taught a team who had never worked with the equipment before how to broadcast messages to the Bosnian people. He truly has done it all.

Colonel Shields' time spent as an Army Public Affairs Officer set the standards for contingency public affairs operations for the Army and Joint Operations. Through his service, he set an example for contingency deployments worldwide in both peacetime and war. Every day I am grateful for the sacrifices and work that our service men and women do and Colonel Shields exemplifies both a dedication to our country as well as a model soldier with exceptional public affairs skills. I would like to join in congratulating him on this much deserved award.

#### HONORING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE WEST SPRINGFIELD ROTARY CLUB FIRE, RESCUE AND FIRST RESPONDER AWARDS

### HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 24, 2016*

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the West Springfield Rotary Club and to congratulate the recipients of the 2016 Fire, Rescue, and First Responder of the Year Awards.

The West Springfield Rotary Club (WSRC) was established over 25 years ago, making it one of the oldest of the nearly 60 clubs that comprise Rotary District 7610. Throughout its existence, the WSRC and its members have dedicated themselves to service to our neighbors and our community. Each year, the WSRC recognizes area first responders who have gone above and beyond the call of duty. This year, the three individuals who will be honored are stationed at West Springfield Fire Station 27, and it is my honor to submit their names and to congratulate each of them on receiving this award.

Master Technician Hyun Lee has been a Fairfax County firefighter for 12 years, the last six as an engine driver. Two years ago, she earned the proficiency designation of Master Technician (MT) and assumed additional responsibilities including company and battalion level training and ensuring proficiency of the station. Master Technician Lee is known for her hands-on instruction and training of newer firefighters and personal attention to their professional growth. Her dedication has allowed her to instill her work ethic and passion into

the trainees at Fire Station 27. In addition to her work on the job, Master Technician Lee serves as Secretary and Treasurer of the Fairfax County Asian Firefighter Association.

Technician William Harrington has been a Fairfax County firefighter for eight years, serving as an EMS Technician for the past four. He is also a paramedic and has volunteered as a preceptor to instruct new medics. He is described as tireless and thorough, and goes above and beyond even on his days off. Technician Harrington truly exemplifies the motto of "service above self," through his initiative and ability to lead by example in even the most dangerous of situations. He is a role model to all and sets the tone for others to follow and succeed.

Fire Technician Antwaun Hawkins has served for more than 11 years with the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department and has been with West Springfield station since 2012. He currently serves as the EMS Technician on the B-shift and is Operator in Charge of Medic 427 nearly every day. He has successfully completed Hazmat School and is completing Inspections training to build his skills, expertise, and to open up advancement opportunities in the future. Even with the demands of his position and family responsibilities to his wife and sons, he is known for his calming presence and philosophical conversations.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me commending the West Springfield Rotary Club for its support of our community and our first responders, and in congratulating the recipients of the 2016 Fire, Rescue, and First Responders of the Year awards. These individuals along with their colleagues throughout the Fairfax County Fire and Rescue Department do not hesitate to place themselves in harm's way to protect and serve county residents and property. I thank each of them for their service, bravery, and dedication. Stay Safe.

#### RECOGNIZING THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF CAMP BOGGY CREEK

##### HON. DANIEL WEBSTER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 24, 2016*

Mr. WEBSTER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to recognize Camp Boggy Creek, headquartered in Orlando, Florida, on the occasion of its 20th anniversary. Camp Boggy Creek was founded in 1996 by actor/philanthropist Paul Newman and General H. Norman Schwarzkopf, with one simple premise in mind, that every child, no matter their illness, could experience the transformational spirit and friendships that go hand in hand with camp. With unobtrusive expert medical care, it was their dream that Camp would provide seriously ill children with a fun-filled experience defined by compassion, laughter and acceptance.

Since 1996, Camp Boggy Creek has made it possible for children with serious illnesses to enjoy a camp experience in a safe, medically sound environment. Located in central Florida, the 232-acre camp serves children ages 7 through 16 who have been diagnosed with chronic or life-threatening conditions.

Camp Boggy Creek never charges campers to attend and never asks them to contribute

anything other than a positive, playful attitude. The camp is entirely funded by generous donations from individuals, corporations, foundations and healthcare partners. Camp Boggy Creek is a proud member of SeriousFun Children's Network.

As a year-round retreat, Camp Boggy Creek is able to serve thousands of campers and their families through activity-packed weekly and weekend camp programs. The camp offers children the chance to catch their first fish, go horseback riding or climb a ropes tower, all while making new friends. Beyond boundless fun, Camp Boggy Creek provides fellowship. Children can spend time with others who are just like them and share their life-experiences, which serves as a reminder that they are not alone.

It is my honor to recognize Camp Boggy Creek on the occasion of its 20th anniversary.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF RETIRED AIR FORCE MASTER SERGEANT FRED "BULLDOG" BECKER

##### HON. DON YOUNG

OF ALASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 24, 2016*

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska. Mr. Speaker, I come to the House Floor today with a heavy heart. On June 11, 2016, a "Bulldog" in the Alaska Veterans community passed from our world, and joined his comrades from Vietnam, family, and friends in Heaven above. On behalf of the countless Alaskans who were touched by Retired Air Force Master Sergeant Fred "Bulldog" Becker, Mr. Speaker, I would like to share my condolences with his son Fred, daughters Elizabeth, Melinda, and their many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I recall one special occasion when I joined Bulldog on our nation's birthday, July 4, 2010, after he and his brothers in arms rode across the country in honor of fallen Naval Chief Special Warfare Operator Lance Vacarro. From the moment we met so many years ago, to that day in 2010, and until his passing, his commitment to his fallen brothers was never-ending, and I will always treasure our friendship.

Mr. Speaker, though Bulldog was never one to flaunt his own achievements, it is only fitting to mention several of them in recognition of this remarkable Alaskan. Bulldog served his country in the United States Air Force for 20 years, including three tours in Vietnam, before retiring in 1981. Among his many commendations, he is the recipient of the Air Force Commendation Medal with 1 Oak Leaf cluster, a Presidential Unit Citation, the Vietnam Service Medal, the Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm, and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal.

Mr. Speaker, upon "Bulldog" Becker's retirement, he chose to call the great state of Alaska home. In Alaska, and across the country, he was a tireless advocate for our nation's veterans. He proudly dedicated his life to serving our nation, my home State of Alaska, and all those who wore the uniform of our great nation.

Mr. Speaker, Master Sergeant Becker never backed down from a challenge. A proud member of the Vietnam Veterans Motorcycle Club and later the Combat Veterans Motorcycle

Club, he always fought to ensure our men and women in uniform received the care and respect they not only deserved, but earned.

Mr. Speaker, I have always believed that a hero is someone who has given his or her life to something bigger than themselves. In the eyes of anyone who knew him, MSgt. Fred "Bulldog" Becker was a true American hero. Bulldog, Godspeed my friend, until I see you again, riding through the clouds of Heaven.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

##### HON. JOHN K. DELANEY

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 24, 2016*

Mr. DELANEY. Mr. Speaker, on June 16, 2016 the House voted on 26 amendments to H.R. 5293, the Department of Defense Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2017. Congressman CONYERS offered an amendment, roll call vote number 327, to block funds from being used to transfer or authorize the transfer of cluster munitions to Saudi Arabia. Amendment votes are taken in quick succession, with two minutes allowed for each. I mistakenly voted NO when I meant to vote AYE on Mr. CONYERS' amendment.

Saudi Arabia is a U.S. ally in the Middle East, supporting our counterterrorism efforts in the region. As with many allies, the United States enters into agreements to sell military equipment to help achieve mutual goals. Included in the sale with Saudi Arabia were cluster munitions. Alarming, Saudi Arabia has used cluster munitions contrary to U.S. law which prohibits the use of this weapon in populated areas and those that have a failure rate of above 1 percent.

Cluster munitions contain multiple, explosive submunitions that are released mid-air and spread out, making targeting a specific location difficult and may put civilians in harm's way. The weapon is designed to kill enemy personnel and destroy their transportation and infrastructure. When used improperly, the cluster munitions are a danger to innocent civilians. Additionally, unpredictable landings and explosive remnants can put civilians in danger long after the violence had ended. This is a human rights issue.

President Obama recently blocked the sale of cluster munitions to Saudi Arabia for use in Yemen amid reports by human rights organizations that have documented killing and wounding of civilians in violation of U.S. law. I support the President's decision to halt the sale of these dangerous weapons and support Congressman CONYERS' amendment to prevent the sale of cluster munitions in the Department of Defense Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2017.

#### RECOGNIZING THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NORTH SPRINGFIELD CIVIC ASSOCIATION

##### HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 24, 2016*

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate the North