

a professor at Stenson University, where he specialized in Slavic languages.

Today, Mr. Pozin is a resident of St. Augustine, Florida. Here, his philanthropic endeavors have had a valuable and visible impact on the St. Augustine community. He has volunteered with Learn to Read St. Johns County, and the Council on Aging's Senior Center in St. Augustine. It is within these organizations that Mr. Pozin has connected with other individuals who weathered the storm of World War II, and shared his heroic and inspiring story.

Mr. Speaker, I applaud Mr. Alexander Pozin for his service in World War II, and for his commitment to philanthropy and his community.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. THOMAS J. ROONEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Mr. THOMAS J. ROONEY of Florida. I was not present for these Roll Call votes.

Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 407, YEA on Roll Call No. 408, and YEA on Roll Call No. 409.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF MICHAEL BECKER, FOUNDER OF HELLO GORGEOUS!

HON. JACKIE WALORSKI

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Mrs. WALORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Michael Becker and to celebrate the positive impact he had on our community.

In 2006, Michael and his wife Kim founded the non-profit Hello Gorgeous!, which brings joy to women fighting cancer by giving them a red-carpet experience complete with a makeover and spa.

Reaching 15 states with mobile day-spas and affiliate salons, Hello Gorgeous! has provided unforgettable experiences to thousands of women all over the country.

The organization Michael and Kim built together and the mission they devoted themselves to brings happiness and hope where it is needed most.

Their passion, drive, and faith inspire us all, and their selfless generosity is an example we should strive to follow.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor and a privilege to represent such kind and giving people. Michael lived a life full of love, laughter, and spirit.

My thoughts are with Kim and everyone at Hello Gorgeous!, in whose work I have no doubt Michael's memory will live on.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LUIS V. GUTIÉRREZ

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Mr. GUTIÉRREZ. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably absent in the House Chamber for

Roll Call votes 407, 408, and 409 on Monday, July 24, 2017. Had I been present, I would have voted Nay on Roll Call votes 407 and 408. I would have also voted Yea on Roll Call vote 409.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SCHUYLKILL AREA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Schuylkill Area Community Foundation, which celebrated its 50th anniversary on July 19. For 50 years, the Schuylkill Area Community Foundation has worked with individuals, businesses, and professional advisors to help nonprofit organizations and residents in Schuylkill County.

On January 16, 1967, the Schuylkill Community Foundation was established as Ashland Trust by founding members Frederick T. Kull, Wesley T. Fetterolf, Harry Strouse, and Emil R. Ermert. In 1997, Ashland Trusts was renamed the Schuylkill Area Community Foundation as it expanded its operations to include all of Schuylkill County. Its mission is to serve the interests of its philanthropic donors and to be stewards of the financial gifts that support the community in a wide variety of ways.

The Schuylkill Area Community Foundation envisions a county that embraces philanthropy to sustain generations today and tomorrow. Today, the Schuylkill Community Foundation develops, manages, and distributes aid to meet the present and coming needs of the county's residents. It currently manages 162 charitable endowment funds that vary in interests and causes. Supporters of all kinds find that working with the Foundation is an ideal way for them to give back to their community.

It is an honor to recognize the Schuylkill Community Foundation as it celebrates its 50th year of service to the people of Schuylkill County. May the Foundation continue to assist in the cultivation of a better life in the county for many years to come.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, on July 24, 2017, I missed a series of Roll Call votes. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on No. 407, 408, and 409.

LT. SCOTT WILSON

HON. FRANCIS ROONEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Mr. FRANCIS ROONEY of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise in recognition of Lt. Scott Wilson of the Greater Naples Fire and Rescue District. On Sunday, July 23, Lt. Wilson took

part in the 10th Annual Brotherhood Ride to honor the 20 first-responders who fell in the line of duty in 2016. This weeklong ride started in North Naples and will finish in South Miami.

The purpose of this 600-mile ride is to bring awareness and support for the first-responders' fallen colleagues. Over the last decade, the group has raised over \$379,000 for the families of our fallen heroes. Lt. Wilson has participated in every ride this group has completed.

We are fortunate to have leaders like Lt. Wilson serve our community. I thank him and all our first-responders for making Collier and Lee counties the perfect place to live.

RECOGNIZING JONATHAN FELD

HON. KEN BUCK

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Mr. BUCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Jonathan Feld for his hard work and dedication to the people of Colorado's Fourth District as an intern in my Washington, D.C. office for the Summer of 2017.

The work of this young man has been exemplary, and I know he has a bright future. He served as a tour guide, interacted with constituents, and learned a great deal about our nation's legislative process. I was glad to be able to offer this educational opportunity, and look forward to seeing him build his career in public service.

Jonathan plans to continue pursuing his degree at the end of this internship. I wish him the best as he pursues his career path. Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to recognize Jonathan Feld for his service the last several months to the people of Colorado's 4th district.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ROGER WILLIAMS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Mr. WILLIAMS. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to vote on Roll Call No. 407, 408 and 409. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 407, YEA on Roll Call No. 408, and YEA on Roll Call No. 409.

RECOGNITION OF MR. YA THAO MOUA

HON. BETTY MCCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Ms. MCCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Mr. Ya Thao Moua. Mr. Moua was a constituent who passed away on July 2, 2017, at the age of 72.

In 1960, at age 15, Mr. Moua joined the Auto Defense de Choc (ADC), a militia training program for the Royal Lao Armed Forces, backed by the Central Intelligence Agency. He rose in the ranks to serve as a Captain and eventually as an Assistant Chief Commander.

On November 11, 1969, he sustained grave injuries when he was struck by an ammunition crate dropped by a United States aircraft on a routine ammunition drop.

Mr. Moua's military service in the Royal Kingdom of Laos in support of the U.S. efforts to counter the communist offensive throughout the war is commendable.

Between 1971 and 1974, Mr. Moua served as a police officer in the city of Long Cheng. In 1974, he was elected as a Tasseng, the equivalent of a county supervisor, where he led efforts to improve education, build new infrastructure, and conserve the environment.

Facing mounting political persecution, Mr. Moua fled to Thailand in 1975. Living with his family in United Nations refugee camps, he worked for many years advocating for peace and freedom in Laos.

Upon resettlement to the United States in 1994, Mr. Moua became an outstanding civic leader. He served the Hmong American community in Minnesota in a variety of important capacities.

Born on August 4, 1945 in the village of Thum Xouan Phou Kam Npob, Mouang Xieng Hong, Xiengkhouang Province, Mr. Moua was the second child of eight siblings born to Mr. Cher Lue Moua and Yer Yang.

Mr. Moua was a loving husband and father. He is survived by his wife, Sia Xiong, 15 children, and 48 grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mr. Moua was also a devoted brother and a caring uncle, including to my dear friend and former Minnesota State Senator Mee Moua.

Please join me in honoring the life and legacy of Mr. Ya Thao Moua.

IN RECOGNITION OF CRAIG
WRIGHT, RECIPIENT OF THE
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE
PROVIDER OF THE YEAR AWARD

HON. JOHN H. RUTHERFORD

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Mr. RUTHERFORD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to ask the United States House of Representatives to join me in recognizing the 2016 Emergency Medical Services Provider of the Year, Craig Wright.

Mr. Wright currently works at the Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay Fire Department, where he exhibits his heroism and humility on a daily basis. His individual actions have had positive and substantial impacts on the residents of Kings Bay.

Mr. Wright attributes his success to the unity experienced among him and his co-workers in the fire department, stating that nothing he "did individually can't be contributed to the whole team." The resulting feeling of family between the Kings Bay fire fighters yielded a Fire Department of the Year award, for the fifth year in a row. Again, Mr. Wright and all of the fire fighters emphasized their camaraderie and loyalty as the keys to their success.

Mr. Speaker, I applaud Craig Wright for his service to the Kings Bay Fire Department and to his fellow fire fighters. His commitment has strengthened the community and all of its members.

CONGRATULATING JENNIFER
LOWE, PAUL PARK, HENA RAFIQ,
CHRISTA SCHMIDT, AND NOELLE
SMITH ON RECEIVING FUL-
BRIGHT AWARDS

HON. KENNY MARCHANT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Mr. MARCHANT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Jennifer Lowe and Christa Schmidt of Farmers Branch, TX, Paul Park and Hena Rafiq of Irving, TX, and Noelle Smith of Dallas, TX, for their exemplary academic work which earned these scholars Fulbright awards for 2016–2017. Jennifer attends Pitzer College, Christa attends Saint Olaf College, Paul attends Saint John's University in Minnesota, Hena attends the Southern Methodist University, and Noelle attends Davidson College.

Established by Congress in 1946, the Fulbright program selects U.S. citizens to further their knowledge in an educational exchange program, allowing those chosen to study, research, or teach abroad. With only 1,600 Fulbright awards going to U.S. students each year, it is a tremendous honor for five of the recipients to be residents of the 24th District of Texas. These recipients will be focusing on the conditions and challenges that face the regions to which they will be traveling, as well as establishing meaningful U.S. relationships with these communities. Jennifer, Paul, Hena, Christa, and Noelle will be traveling to India, Thailand, Kosovo, Malaysia, and Mexico, respectively. When these fine students return, they will share the wealth of knowledge and experiences they garnered while abroad and be better equipped to excel in their fields.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the 24th District of Texas, I would like to congratulate Jennifer, Paul, Hena, Christa, and Noelle again for receiving this incredibly prestigious award. I wish them the best of luck with their travels, and I know that they will achieve greatness in their future endeavors.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. PETER WELCH

OF VERMONT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Mr. WELCH. Mr. Speaker, due to travel delays, I was unable to vote on Roll Call 407, 408, and 409. Had I been present, I would have voted Nay on Roll Call 407, Nay on Roll Call 408, and Aye on Roll Call 409.

HONORING DAN MORGADO, TOWN
MANAGER OF SHREWSBURY,
MASSACHUSETTS

HON. JAMES P. MCGOVERN

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Mr. MCGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Dan Morgado, who has been Town Manager of Shrewsbury, Massachusetts for the past 20 years. Anyone who serves in

this chamber will tell you, Mr. Speaker, that our local public servants are the unsung heroes that keep our democracy running. Public servants like Dan wake up every day in cities and towns across America asking how they can help their neighbors, strengthen their communities, and build better places for all of us to live and work.

However, Mr. Speaker, Dan was no ordinary public servant. Under his leadership, an incredible amount has been accomplished in Shrewsbury. A new senior center, high school and middle school were built. Two new fire stations went up—and a third was rebuilt. Millions of dollars in improvements to water and sewer infrastructure were completed, along with a renovation to the town library. Town center traffic and beautification projects were successfully finished. Mr. Speaker, Dan has left an indelible mark on the Town of Shrewsbury.

However, it isn't only what Dan accomplished in Shrewsbury that brings me here today, it's how he did it. From candid conversations that brought everyone to the table to stabilize health insurance costs—to making the hard decision to fully fund pension obligations and put Shrewsbury on track towards fiscal responsibility—Dan's impeccable character, calm demeanor, and selfless values serve as a model for others to follow.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the people of Shrewsbury, the residents of Massachusetts, and everyone who he has touched through years of dedicated service, thank you to Dan Morgado. We owe you a heartfelt debt of gratitude for all you have done and wish you great satisfaction in your endeavors to come.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JAMES B. RENACCI

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Mr. RENACCI. Mr. Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 407, YEA on Roll Call No. 408, and YEA on Roll Call No. 409.

NORM ALPERT

HON. FRANCIS ROONEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 25, 2017

Mr. FRANCIS ROONEY of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Norm Alpert in his 30th year as owner and founder of WAVV 101.1 FM in Naples. 30 years ago, Norm moved to the area and started his radio station to provide the people of our area quality jazz music to bring timeless entertainment to our community.

Norm fulfilled the American dream by starting his business from the ground up. He has proven to have found his calling, as his station consistently ranks among the top stations in the region. Further, he has helped our economy by providing jobs and advertising for businesses that reach across the state.

I congratulate Norm on his successes and look forward to see what he will accomplish and bring to the community in the years to come.