

Tony was truly a man of God and was always ready to share his faith. His incredible love for God, his family, his country, and his community was shown through his works. Tony was a man who was wise beyond his years; he was a man who had a contagious smile and could bring laughter on dreary days. He made an impact on his community that will not be forgotten.

Tony is survived by his mother, Darlene Kelton (Jerry); sister, Charlene Holt; brothers, Craig Coxey (Tonia), Michael Coxey (Ashley); grandmother, Louise Oliver; and several nieces and nephews.

HONORING THE 25TH SEASON OF
THE SYRACUSE CRUNCH

HON. JOHN KATKO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 12, 2018

Mr. KATKO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the Syracuse Crunch's 25th season playing in Syracuse. The Crunch compete in the American Hockey League, which is the top developmental league for the National Hockey League, and play their home games at the historic Oncenter War Memorial Arena on South State Street. Since relocating to Syracuse in 1994, the Crunch have served as the primary affiliate for five different National Hockey League franchises.

The Syracuse Crunch traces its franchise roots back to 1992, when they were originally the Hamilton Canucks based in Hamilton, Ontario. After two seasons in Hamilton, the Canucks were relocated to Syracuse and renamed the Crunch by a public vote. The Crunch were immediately popular in their new city and led the league in sellouts during two of their first four seasons in Syracuse. In addition, the team was successful upon relocation to Syracuse and reached the playoffs three consecutive years after failing to qualify in their inaugural season.

During the 2010s, the Crunch established themselves as an iconic American Hockey League franchise. The team won two conference championships during the 2012–2013 and 2016–2017 campaigns and reached the Calder Cup Finals. The Crunch fell short in both appearances, losing to the Grand Rapids Griffins on both occasions. Additionally, they participated in the league's first ever outdoor game at the Grandstand at the New York State Fairgrounds in 2010. The Crunch won the contest over the Binghamton Senators by a score of 2–1 and set a league record for single-game attendance with 21,508 spectators. Four years later, the Crunch rewrote the history books again when they played the Utica Comets at the Carrier Dome in Syracuse. The attendance of 30,715 fans for their 2–1 win over Utica was the largest crowd for an indoor hockey game in the United States.

The Crunch have been the top affiliate of the Tampa Bay Lightning since 2012. They have developed several star players for the Lightning, including Andrei Vasilevskiy, Nikita Kucherov and Yanni Gourde. They also have developed geographic rivalries with several other upstate New York teams located in Rochester, Binghamton and Utica, which has contributed to the popularity of hockey in the region.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House join me in celebrating the Syracuse Crunch's rich history in Central New York. The Crunch have long contributed to the identity of Syracuse and culture of hockey in the area. As a co-chair of the Congressional Hockey Caucus, I am grateful for their presence in Syracuse.

CELEBRATING HABERSHAM COUNTY'S
BICENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY

HON. DOUG COLLINS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 12, 2018

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 200th Anniversary of Habersham County, Georgia.

Habersham County rests in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains, in the northeast corner of Georgia, and was established on December 15, 1818. The county is named for Colonel Joseph Habersham, who was an officer of the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War, President George Washington's Postmaster General, and a mayor of Savannah.

Habersham County's beauty extends from scenic Tallulah Gorge in the north, where The Flying Wallendas crossed on high wire, to serene Lake Russell in the south. People venture from far and wide to Habersham to enjoy the National Forest and the world class fly fishing on the Soque and Chattahoochee Rivers. It is a truly special place that I am blessed to represent.

The only thing that outshines Habersham County's beauty is its community. You can always feel the warmth and welcome of the people, whether it's having breakfast at the Crossroads Café, celebrating our Appalachian heritage at the Chattahoochee Mountain Fair, or watching the Raiders football win on a Friday night.

I celebrate Habersham County's two centuries of rich history and wish the citizens of Habersham County a joyful year ahead.

A HAPPY DOUBLE TEN DAY TO
THE PEOPLE OF TAIWAN

HON. STEVE KING

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 12, 2018

Mr. KING of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, Wednesday, October 10th is Taiwan's National Day—also known as Double Ten Day. I would like to take this opportunity now to offer my best wishes to the people of Taiwan.

As my colleagues are aware, Taiwan is a close friend, as well as security and trade partner of the United States. This year, I was happy to cosponsor and vote for H.R. 535, the Taiwan Travel Act. And I was even happier to see the bill pass the House, the Senate and be signed into law by President Trump on March 16, 2018. This important law expresses the sense of Congress that the United States Government should encourage visits between officials from the United States and Taiwan at all levels. Furthermore, it states it should be

U.S. policy to allow U.S. officials to travel to Taiwan to meet their Taiwanese counterparts; permit high-level Taiwanese officials to enter the U.S. to meet with U.S. officials; and encourages the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office (TECRO) to conduct business in the United States. Mr. Speaker, I could not agree more with this policy.

In my home state of Iowa, we are enthusiastic to build on our already strong trade ties. Just this past September, Taiwan renewed its pledge to purchase a total of up to 3.9 million metric tons of soybeans valued at up to \$1.56 billion in 2018 and 2019. Under the revised deal, the U.S. share of soybeans purchased by Taiwan will increase to between 80% and 90% of total Taiwanese purchases. It was also announced that the new agreement with Taiwan will result in 75% of Taiwan's total soybean purchases coming from Iowa.

As President Trump's Administration scans the globe looking for bilateral trade partners, Taiwan holds as much promise as ever for the U.S. Iowa and every state in the nation would benefit from the signing of a free trade agreement between Taiwan and the U.S., which would eliminate tariffs on most products and increase Taiwanese demand and Iowa exports. Though a small country with a population of 23.5 million, Taiwan has the potential to become a strong export market for Iowa and the U.S. Taiwan is a major importer of our nation's agriculture missions to the U.S. Other sectors such as Iowa's strong wind energy sector have potential for bilateral cooperation as well.

Mr. Speaker, again, I wish the people of Taiwan a Happy Double Ten Day. And I take this opportunity to once again echo the words of Barry Goldwater when he said, "I have great affection for the Chinese people, their culture, their skills, and their potential."

CONGRATULATING DR. JAMES P.
ALLISON ON HIS 2018 NOBEL
PRIZE IN PHYSIOLOGY OR MEDICINE

HON. FILEMON VELA

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 12, 2018

Mr. VELA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Dr. James P. Allison and his pioneering cancer research. Dr. Allison was awarded the 2018 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine for developing a new effective alternative cancer treatment, which targets the immune system instead of individual tumors.

A native of Alice, in Texas' 34th Congressional District, Dr. Allison is a graduate of Alice High School. He earned both his B.S. (1969) and Ph.D. (1973) from the University of Texas at Austin. He completed his postdoctoral fellowship at the California-based Scripps Clinic and Research Foundation (1974–1977). Dr. Allison served as a faculty member at renowned institutions, including the University of Texas System Cancer Center (1977–1984), the University of California, Berkeley (1985–2004), and the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York (2004–2012).

As a professor at the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center since 2012, Dr. Allison is a leading expert both inside and outside of the classroom. His students look up to

him as a role model and mentor. He is also a respected leader outside the classroom as his innovative research has proven. I am very proud of Dr. Allison's promising discovery in immunotherapy; it represents a significant advancement in cancer research and an opportunity to save countless lives.

Mr. Speaker, thank you for the opportunity to honor Dr. James P. Allison of South Texas for his contributions to cancer research. I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking Dr. Allison for his life-changing work and congratulating him in advance of the Nobel ceremonies in December.

IN RECOGNITION OF MR. MICHAEL
E. LUFSEY

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 12, 2018

Mr. WITTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the service of Mr. Michael E. Lufsey and his long and honorable government contract career. Mr. Lufsey has honored his country with over 40 years of service in graphic support and design, demonstrating not only skill at his craft, but devotion to our nation.

Before his career in government contracting, "Mike" graduated from Douglas Freeman High School in 1968 in Henrico, Virginia. Two years later, he served with the United States Coast Guard for a brief, two-month stint before receiving a medical discharge.

In June 1977, Mr. Lufsey provided government contractor services with Magnavox Government and Industrial Corporation as a technical illustrator. With Magnavox, he assisted with computer graphic support to Department of Defense clients, developing military technical training manuals. In November 1992, Mike transitioned to TAD Technical Services, working as a Graphic Artist and providing graphic support for technology companies like IBM and JAYCOR. By August of 1993, Mr. Lufsey was the Senior Graphic Artist and Illustrator at Coleman Research Corporation where he provided graphic support for the Department of Energy on training presentations, briefings, and Department plans.

In September 1997, Mr. Lufsey became a Principle Designer with Anteon Corporation (later General Dynamics). In this capacity, he performed briefing support services and magazine development for three Navy Flag Officers. He also produced large scale posters which were placed onboard the USS *Ramage* for tours conducted at the Army/Navy game in December 2008.

For the past 21 years, Mr. Lufsey has served a contract with ECS (formerly Paradigm) and has continued to support the mission of the Missile Defense Agency and Aegis Missile Defense as a graphic designer. Throughout his prestigious career, Mr. Lufsey has received acclamations from satisfied clients and grateful organizations including letters of appreciation from four Rear Admirals, commendations from the Scientific Advisory Board, and the Theater Surface Combatants Unit Award for Excellence.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you to join me in recognizing Mr. Michael Lufsey's lifetime of accomplishment and dedication. An admirable illus-

tration of leadership and service, and an outstanding member of our community, may God bless Mr. Lufsey and his family as he continues to be an example of service and commitment. On behalf of America's First District, we say thank you.

CONSTITUENT COMMENTS ON SOBER LIVING HOME PROBLEMS

HON. DANA ROHRBACHER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 12, 2018

Mr. ROHRBACHER. Mr. Speaker, I rise again regarding the hearing held by the Judiciary Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice on September 28, 2018 on the issue of sober living homes. At that hearing, I had the privilege of testifying at that hearing in support of my bill, H.R. 5724, to restore local oversight over sober living homes. As part of my testimony, I submitted to the Subcommittee letters from many of my constituents about problems with sober living homes caused by current federal law preventing appropriate local oversight. For the benefit of my colleagues and the American people, I include in the RECORD the third group of these constituent letters:

As an ER nurse and a mom, I taught my children the dangers of drugs and thought I would never have issues. At 17, my high functioning autistic child was addicted to marijuana. I sent him to wilderness camp, rehab centers and nothing worked. At 18, I made a decision to put him into a sober living home thinking he would learn life skills and to be clean. Instead, he learned that if he would fail sober living and go to a rehab center he was eligible for a grant of \$3000 and he could keep \$1000 but the guy who was setting it up would keep the rest. His job is to recruit people to fail at sober living to obtain grants. Luckily for us, my child had the fear of never being able to live at home. I have seen at least 100 patients from SLH test positive for substances even hiding small shampoo bottles inside body cavities with other people's urine to use for testing. Recruit to CA for more money in benefits is what they are told. Then they are stuck here. I see patients that are here from Maryland, Texas, Nebraska, and Florida. They were brought here for rehab, went into sober living home and now are homeless, addicts, with no money to get home.

MONTE KAY YOHR,
Huntington Beach, California.

My wife and I have lived in our home for 29 years and raised our kids here. It was a quiet residential neighborhood up until approximately a couple of months ago when a sober living home moved in four doors down from us. Since then I have witnessed numerous occasions when armed police officers and parole officials have had to come to the sober living home to talk with the residents. This August at approximately 1:30 a.m. there were three individuals captured on numerous neighborhood surveillance cameras cooking up heroine, jumping over fences and trying to enter the homes of my neighbors as police officers tried to apprehend them. Needless to say, as these drug people were just outside my home, my wife and I were very upset! On another occasion one of the sober living home residents had one of their pit bull dogs loose and on the street barking and terrorizing the neighbors. Thankfully the dog

catcher was able to apprehend them before someone got hurt or bit! Treatment centers are needed, BUT not in a family residential neighborhood! Please help us regain our neighborhood!

ALAN OSTERHOUT,
Huntington Beach, California.

Ever since the detox/sober living home opened IN our neighborhood, our lives have never been the same. Loud and obnoxious music, nonstop barking dogs, day and night. Cars and people in and out of the house at all hours. There's been incidents of them trying to break in to people's homes, running through our yards at night, doing heroin in the street corner and one exposing himself to a child. All this in a neighborhood full of hardworking and law-abiding families and less than fifty feet from a middle school. There is something terribly wrong when the government fails us at all levels. The fact that we pay taxes should count for something, especially when it comes to protecting our families. If something isn't done soon, I'm afraid there won't be any turning back. You need to implement rules, regulations and laws that will prohibit these unscrupulous places from invading our neighborhoods. These are for-profit places, money is their goal. The characters running these places are shady, we know for a fact that several of them are in probation and all the activity described above is substantiated by video footage. I'm pleading with you to please save our families and our neighborhoods.

MANUELA ALMEIDA,
Huntington Beach, California.

The purpose of this letter is to be among the several with growing concerns over the establishment of a Sober Living Home in our community. My wife and I live on [ADDRESS], next to [REDACTED] Elementary in Huntington Beach. A Sober Living Home was recently established at the end of our block. Since that time our neighborhood has undergone a sweeping change in way in which we conduct our day-to-day activities.

We have noticed a marked increase in the number of people who are not members of our neighborhood, simply walking the street. At first, this does not sound too ominous. Then we add in the number of cars, not from the local area that are driving very slowly up and down our street. Please remember that we are located within 300 feet of an active Middle School. These are not the cars of parents picking up their children as school starts on September 5 for them. These are not people who are lost or looking for an address. These are people who seem to stop and start in front of the Sober Living House. There are people at all hours of the night that seem to open the trunk of a car and put something in; or, take something out of the car and then carry on down the street. This is all documented and supported with footage from local household security cameras.

My curiosity rose to the highest level of concern when on Friday morning, August 24 at 1:30 AM, I was startled by unusual noises outside the front of my house, where my bedroom window is located. I looked outside the shutters only to find two strangers at my window. Please take notice that my bedroom window is 30 feet or a full driveway length off the street. These two were prowling in front of my bedroom where my wife and I were sleeping. I ran to the front door, which is always locked and chained, turned on the porch light to startle and scare them off. My wife shouted we were calling the police and indicated we had a gun. I also have the RING security doorbell/camera. I activated it immediately so that I could observe their response. The video shows two male figures approaching my front door and then turning