

city councilor, deputy mayor, and then mayor. All his life he remained active in the Democratic party and was respected by both republicans and democrats.

Unsurprisingly, Wayne was a family man, affectionately known by his relatives as "Poppy." He was a father to Dana and Wayne, grandfather to Alexandra, Cole, Wayne, Atilia, and Connor, and great-grandfather to Gianni. Being one of six children himself, he left this earth as the proud great uncle to 59 nieces and nephews. Coming from such a big family, it was only natural that Wayne treated all of New London as his extended family, which was made evident through his extensive community service. He volunteered at the New London Senior Center, Catholic Charities, the American Cancer Society, the Hospice Fundraising Board, and the Make-A-Wish Foundation, just to name a few. Wayne was also a member of the New London Lodge of Elks and the New London Police Community Relations Committee.

Wayne Vendetto was a man who was constantly giving back. In this day and age, we'd be hard-pressed to find a public servant more involved or dedicated than him. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to please join me in recognition of this selfless servant. I know his loss will be felt deeply throughout the New London community for years to come.

HONORING MR. STEPHEN E. BOYD

HON. MARTHA ROBY

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 27, 2018

Mrs. ROBY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor my former Chief of Staff Mr. Stephen E. Boyd, for his years of service to the State of Alabama and Alabama's Second District.

Stephen grew up in Birmingham, Alabama, and graduated from the University of Alabama. Upon completion of his undergraduate degree, Stephen continued his education at the University of Alabama School of Law.

Prior to joining my staff in 2011, Stephen served for more than six years on the staff of former United States Senator Jeff Sessions as a senior advisor and Communications Director. Stephen also served as Communications Director for the Senate Committee on the Judiciary. After leaving my office, Stephen served as the Chief of Staff of the Office of Legal Policy at the United States Department of Justice.

Stephen is currently serves as the Assistant U.S. Attorney General for Legislative Affairs under Attorney General Jeff Sessions. There is no one better suited to serve our country in this key role than Stephen Boyd. I know that he will continue to have great success in this role as the head of the Department of Justice's Office of Legislative Affairs.

During his time on Team Roby, Stephen proved himself to be a gracious leader time and time again. He possesses a keen intellect, conducts himself with the utmost professionalism and decorum, and demonstrates remarkable work ethic. I am thankful for Stephen's time on my staff, and I am grateful to call him and his wife Brecke dear friends.

Mr. Speaker, it is my privilege to join Stephen's colleagues, family, and friends in honoring his successful career in Congress. I con-

gratulate Stephen, and wish him all the best as he continues to serve our country.

TRIBUTE TO THE EXTRAORDINARY
CONTRIBUTIONS OF SUE ANNE
GILROY ON THE OCCASION OF
HER RETIREMENT FROM ST.
VINCENT FOUNDATION

HON. SUSAN W. BROOKS

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 27, 2018

Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor my dear friend, beloved and iconic member of the Hoosier community, Sue Anne Gilroy, on the occasion of her retirement from the St. Vincent Foundation. For the past twelve years Sue Anne served as Vice President and Executive Director, devoting a large portion of her life to facilitating and providing financial resources for sick patients unable to afford the care they desperately need. The people of Indiana's Fifth Congressional District are forever grateful for Sue Anne's commitment to her community, passion for public service, and years of inspired leadership with the St. Vincent Foundation and beyond.

A lifelong Hoosier, Sue Anne was born in Crawfordsville, Indiana. She attended DePauw University where she graduated cum laude and earned a Bachelor's Degree in speech and secondary education. From an early age, Sue Anne displayed a strong interest in public service. During her senior year at DePauw University, she accepted an internship in the office of Crawfordsville Mayor Bill Hays, Jr. This opportunity led to an introduction with then Mayor of Indianapolis Richard Lugar, where she became Assistant to the Mayor. Credited as her "big break", Sue Anne attributes this experience to the start of her career in public service. It was at the Mayor's Office where Sue Anne met the love of her life, Dick Gilroy, her husband of 42 years. Eager to learn even more about the public sector, she left the Mayor's Office to pursue her Master's degree in Public Administration at Indiana University-Purdue University in Indianapolis. After earning her Master's degree, she continued her career as State Director for Senator Richard Lugar from 1990 to 1993 and as Chair for Mayor Stephen Goldsmith's transition team in 1991.

An inspiration to her community, Sue Anne began to redefine the role of women in public service. She became the first female director under Mayor Lugar's UniGov by serving as the Director of the Indianapolis Department of Parks and Recreation. She broke yet another barrier becoming Indiana's first female Secretary of State in 1994. During her eight years in office, Sue Anne focused on election, corporate, and securities reform throughout the state of Indiana. Although unsuccessful, she ran a competitive race for Mayor of the City of Indianapolis in 1999. After finishing her second term as Indiana Secretary of State, Sue Anne became Director of Advancement at the University High School in Carmel, Indiana, where she was responsible for building community relationships, developing financial resources, providing strategic planning leadership, and serving as a student mentor for the newly established institution.

Inspired by her late daughter Emily, who passed away from childhood cancer at the age of 11 in 1989, Sue Anne became the Vice President of Development and Executive Director of the St. Vincent Foundation. Here she raised funds for underprivileged families in need of medical resources. Under Sue Anne's leadership, the St. Vincent Foundation has raised more than \$70 million to support St. Vincent hospital projects and programs. The foundation's assets increased from \$23 million to over \$100 million.

Sue Anne's life-long commitment to her community goes beyond her career. Using her vast knowledge and expertise, she consulted in fundraising and business administration for the Tabernacle Presbyterian Church in Indianapolis, Indiana. In her free time, she notably served on the board of directors at the University of Indianapolis, Cathedral High School, Indiana Dollars for Scholars, and Highland Country Club. She also served on the advisory board for Salvation Army. A member of the Junior league of Indianapolis, Sue Anne promoted voluntarism, development of women, and improvement of the community through her philanthropic endeavors. Sue Anne was a co-founder of The Richard G. Lugar Excellence in Public Service Series, an organization designed to provide leadership training experience that encourages, mentors, and prepares women leaders at the local, state, and federal levels of government. Governor Mitch Daniels appointed her to serve on the Blue Ribbon Commission on Local Government Reform and Governor Eric Holcomb recently appointed Sue Anne to serve on the State Ethics Commission.

Sue Anne's consistent leadership and commitment to the highest standard of success has not gone unnoticed. The beneficiary of numerous awards and accolades, Sue Anne most notably received the Sagamore of the Wabash, Girls Inc. Touchstone Honoree, IBJ Woman of Influence, SPEA Distinguished Alumnus, Guardian of Small Business, and Speaking of Woman's Health Honoree, all illuminating her countless achievements throughout her career. She was also the recipient of the Nancy A. Maloley Outstanding Public Servant Award in 2015. This award recognizes a Hoosier Republican woman who demonstrates extraordinary dedication to serving the public good through appointed governmental and political office.

Sue Anne leaves behind a strong legacy of success at the St. Vincent Foundation and has made a remarkable impression on her friends, family, colleagues, and community. Her dedication and service to others was always supported by the enduring love and support of her husband Dick. They were married for over 4 decades before he unexpectedly passed away in 2015. On behalf of Indiana's Fifth Congressional District, I would like to congratulate Sue Anne on her extraordinary career and extend my gratitude for all the wonderful contributions she has made to our Hoosier community. While I know Sue Anne will be missed at the Saint Vincent Foundation, I wish the very best to her and hope that she will have many happy times on the golf course and enjoying more time with her son, Dr. Grant Gilroy, daughter-in law, Andrea Lee, and three grandchildren.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LUIS V. GUTIÉRREZ

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 27, 2018

Mr. GUTIÉRREZ. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably absent in the House chamber for Roll Call votes 291, 292, 293, 294 and 295 on Tuesday, June 26, 2018. Had I been present, I would have voted Nay on Roll Call votes 291, 292, 294 and 295. I would have voted Yea on Roll Call vote 293.

BORDER SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION REFORM ACT OF 2018

SPEECH OF

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 21, 2018

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong opposition of H.R. 6136, the "Border Security and Immigration Reform Act of 2018."

This so-called compromise is anything but a compromise. There was not even a markup in the Judiciary Committee; only secret meetings with Administration officials known to author the worst immigration policy this nation has witnessed.

Perhaps H.R. 6136 was an attempt at compromising amongst the various factions that currently divide the majority and prevent Congress from accomplishing meaningful immigration reform.

But this "compromise" is a sham. H.R. 6136:

- fails to cover Dreamers;
- fails to provide a certain path to citizenship;
- claims to "end" Trump's family separation policy by requiring long-term detention;
- revokes critical protections for detained children and families;
- makes deep cuts to legal family immigration;
- revokes the approvals of over 3 million family members who have been waiting for years to legally reunify with U.S. citizens;
- eliminates important asylum protections;
- ends the Diversity Visa program,
- makes immigrant communities less safe by forcing cooperation with immigration detainers.

At every step, this bill attacks family unity, immigrant communities, and common decency.

The United States of America is and will always be the land of opportunity, refuge, and safe haven for all.

The current Administration's policies of closing our doors and borders, by forcibly tearing apart families and eliminating lawful means of entering the United States, are simply inhumane.

H.R. 6136 would act as an overall deterrent to immigrants and people around the world finding refuge and opportunity here in the United States.

The bill would prevent many asylum seekers from even applying for asylum, and would eliminate the Diversity Visa Program, which has traditionally sent a diverse pool of educated immigrants who have contributed to America's success.

Moreover, the bill would needlessly attack sanctuary cities and immigrant communities,

and would invest billions of dollars in President Trump's unnecessary border wall and military technology along the border.

Overall, the bill would simply dismantle families, detain innocent immigrants and children for prolonged, indefinite amounts of time, and closes our border and walls to people around the world who are ready to contribute to the American dream.

This is not what America is or has ever been. Our diverse nation was built by immigrants coming here to build for themselves and their families, along with other communities.

By adopting this bill, America would be acting inconsistent with its core values, and contrary to its reputation as the world's most generous and welcoming nation.

And for those reasons, I urge my colleagues to stand in opposition to H.R. 6136, the "Border Security and Immigration Reform Act of 2018."

COMMEMORATING THE FIFTIETH SEASON OF THE KANSAS CITY ROYALS AND THE HISTORY OF BASEBALL IN KANSAS CITY

HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 27, 2018

Mr. CLEAVER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the 50th season of the Kansas City Royals baseball team and the dedication of their fans. Fifty years ago, the Athletics were officially transferred to Oakland California, leaving Kansas City without a Major League Baseball team. With a legacy and tradition of the All-American pastime serving as one of the foundational elements of Kansas City, it was essential that they worked quickly to fill this void with a new team. Although the Major League Baseball owners had approved an expansion club for the city, there was a potential for delay. It was the quick action of then-Senator Stuart Symington that threatened Congressional action that would usher in the next generation of KC baseball—The Royals.

As many of you are aware, Kansas City has a rich history of contributions to America's favorite pastime. Starting as early as 1884, the Kansas City Cowboys threw the first pitch as the first professional baseball team to represent the municipality. Although the KC Cowboys only fielded a team for one season, the Kansas City Blues immediately followed as one of the original eight founding members of the American Association, a minor league baseball association. This initial Kansas City team influenced many "greats" through the league until 1954. Yielding notable alumni players and managers, one of unique merit being Mickey Mantle.

Concurrently, in 1920 the Kansas City Monarchs, one of the initial teams that formed the Negro National League, launched its first team. As men came home from World War I, entrepreneur and former pitcher, J.L. Wilkinson, brought together a team of multi-racial players that eventually became known as the KC Monarchs. Claiming 12 league titles and two Negro World Series titles, the Monarchs would commonly lead the league as a major contender. Stars from these Monarch teams included baseball legends and Hall of

Famers like Satchel Paige, Jackie Robinson, Ernie Banks, Willard Brown, and Buck O'Neil.

The Kansas City Blues and Monarchs lead Kansas City in its original baseball fandom, eventually resulting in the establishment of the city's first stadium in 1923. Known initially as Muehlebach Field, the stadium is rooted adjacent to the Historic 18th and Vine Jazz District. This stadium would change hands several times; however, in the early 1950's, a wealthy real estate developer purchased the stadium, as well as the Philadelphia Athletics, with the goal of bringing a major league team back to Kansas City. Eventually, it was sold to Kansas City, Missouri. Encouraged by fans to step up to the plate and expand the venue to hold some 30,000 fans each game, the city agreed to bring the newly named Kansas City Athletics to Municipal Stadium.

After only 90 days of reconstruction, the new stadium would be debuted to a sold-out crowd. Independence native and former President of the United States, Harry S. Truman threw out the first pitch in 1955. Kansas City would be victorious on that day, defeating the Detroit Tigers in an 8-2 bout. Following their victorious debut, the Athletics would continue to draw enormous crowds, making Kansas City baseball attendance third behind only the illustrious Yankees and Milwaukee Braves. Ultimately, the Kansas City Athletics would go through many changes, leading fans on a topsy-turvy ride with various owners, uniforms, mascots, team colors, and even names of the team. Inevitably, the owner at the time, Charles "Charlie" O. Finley, decided to move the team in 1967.

Although the Athletics left in 1968, Kansas City baseball fans didn't give up on the sport, as voters approved a bond issue to construct a new baseball stadium. With the roar and threat of Missouri's U.S. Senator Stuart Symington, Major League Baseball was forced to ensure that a team would be in Kansas City no later than 1969. Local entrepreneur Ewing Kauffman won the contentious bid as the new team's owner and joined a local committee to crown the team as the Kansas City Royals, in recognition of the region's historic livestock economy and thriving American Royal livestock show that has a legacy dating back to the late 19th century. Although Kansas City's hometown team would not only be based on a hometown history, the design of the team's logo would be furthermore iconized by an artist, Shannon Manning, from another Kansas City original: Hallmark Cards.

The Kansas City Royals were fated for greatness as the new team took the field in their new stadium. With the 1969 Rookie of the Year Lou Piniella on the Royal's side, the Minnesota Twins were destined for defeat. In a 4-3 win after 12 innings, the Royals truly earned their crown that night. Furthermore, the team would go on to field some of Major League Baseball's premier players including: five-time allstar and three-time golden glove winner Amos Otis, Hispanic Heritage Baseball Museum's Hall of Famer and five-time all-star Octavio Victor "Cookie" Rojas, twotime all-star Steven Lee "Buzz" Busby, legendary manager Dorrel Norman Elvert "Whitey" Herzog, and many more.

In 1980, famed Royal slugger George Brett led the Royals to their first American League Pennant. Finally defeating the Yankees, the Royals triumphed over a bitter rival that had defeated them three consecutive seasons in