

through its commitment to the community's youth. This organization serves more than 8,000 children year-round and provides them with the opportunity to succeed. Through after-school and summer programming, participants engage in cultural arts, sports, tutoring, and mentorship to learn character and leadership skills that will guide them for the rest of their lives.

The Boys & Girls Club has profoundly impacted our district and the students involved. Participants' high school graduation rates are double those in Miami-Dade County. Education and mentorship are critical to a child's success and the diligent efforts of the Boys & Girls Club have resonated across South Florida.

The Boys & Girls Club began with one building and recreation center in 1940 and has grown to five centers across Miami-Dade. I am truly inspired by the Boys & Girls Club's dedication to our community and their passion for enriching the lives of the children they serve. South Florida is richer and fuller thanks to their work.

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HONORING TEXAS STATE  
TROOPER MOISES SANCHEZ

**HON. VICENTE GONZALEZ**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 6, 2019*

Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper Moises Sanchez, who passed away on Saturday, August 24, 2019. Moises spent his life protecting and serving the people of Texas with distinction, and it is my privilege to commemorate his contributions to our state, community, and country today.

He was a proud United States Marine Corps veteran. He also spent 18 years with FedEx before becoming a Texas State Trooper. He coached at the Boys & Girls Club and was involved in self-defense classes at his local church.

Moises cherished time with his family—from movie nights to barbeques and mountain biking. He passed away from a surgery associated with injuries sustained in the line of duty. Moises is survived by his wife, Yvonne Sanchez and his three children Zachary, Zebastian, and Zoey Sanchez.

Madam Speaker, our country lost a public servant, husband, father, and hero this past August. It is an honor to represent brave, loyal, and hard-working individuals like Trooper Moises Sanchez. He was a source of strength in South Texas and he will be truly missed by his friends, family, and loved ones.

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HONORING THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY  
OF SALUD PARA LA  
GENTE

**HON. JIMMY PANETTA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 6, 2019*

Mr. PANETTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate the 40th Anniversary of Salud Para La Gente. Since 1978,

Salud Para La Gente has provided comprehensive primary healthcare to low income community members of Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties. This non-profit healthcare provider is dedicated to the values of service, dignity and equity. Salud Para La Gente provides excellent care by ensuring that patients are treated with respect, regardless of income. The organization started with a single free clinic, offering care primarily to farmworkers on the central coast of California. Since then, it has expanded to 11 clinic sites with over 90 providers serving nearly 27,000 patients. Salud Para La Gente provides wide-ranging services including family health, reproductive health, pediatrics, dental, vision, wellness, counseling, and other types of specialty services.

California's Central Coast produces much of our country's fruits and vegetables but suffers from poor health among its working community. Salud Para La Gente has tackled this problem by focusing on issues including poor nutrition, obesity and diabetes to ensure that farmworkers and other low-income families on the Central Coast can lead healthy lives. The clinics of Salud Para La Gente work under the motto, "even if you are unable to pay, you will not be turned away." This ensures that the most vulnerable residents of the Central Coast can receive quality healthcare. Salud Para La Gente focuses on all facets of care including testing, treatment, prevention and long-term treatment.

I am also proud to recognize Salud Para La Gente as an exemplary women's healthcare provider. Their clinics in Santa Cruz County include family planning, pregnancy care, childbirth and breast cancer screening. With their two women's healthcare offices, Salud Para La Gente has reached many milestones. For example, in 2016, they established the first Santa Cruz County OBGYN Hospitalist Team, which provides around-the-clock care at Watsonville Community Hospital. Through this program, the team delivers roughly 90 newborn babies each month to low-income families.

Salud Para La Gente is more than just a health care provider. From assisting patients with applying for CalFresh to providing mental health support and healthy diet counseling, it is a pillar of community well-being. Having made such incredible progress from their first free clinic in 1978, I am honored to recognize Salud Para La Gente and its important contributions to the health of residents on the Central Coast of California over the past 40 years. Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating and thanking Salud Para La Gente for 40 years of service to our underserved communities.

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IN RECOGNITION OF THE COMPLETION  
OF THE JENNY LAKE  
TRAIL RENEWAL PROJECT

**HON. LIZ CHENEY**

OF WYOMING

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 6, 2019*

Ms. CHENEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the completion of the Jenny Lake Trail Renewal Project in Grand Teton National Park.

Grant Teton National Park is one of the most majestic places to visit anywhere in the

world. The Jenny Lake Trail Renewal Project will increase accessibility to Jenny Lake and also offer more scenic views for visitors to enjoy. I want to thank the National Park Service and the Grand Teton National Park Foundation who have contributed to this project. Without the help of public and private funds, this restoration would not have been possible.

Again, Madam Speaker, I want to commemorate the completion of the Jenny Lake Trail Renewal Project, and the hard work and dedication of the many people who made it possible.

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IN RECOGNITION OF WOODFORD  
"WOODY" L. JOHNSON, SR.

**HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 6, 2019*

Mr. WITTMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Woodford "Woody" L. Johnson, Sr. a native of Laneview, Virginia, Essex County, who will be retiring after 48 years of service with the Tappahannock Police Department. Mr. Johnson is also a U.S. Army veteran who served our country proudly with the 101st Airborne in Vietnam.

Woody was employed by the Tappahannock Police Department in December 1971 as a police officer. At that time, there were only four police officers in the department. Woody has seen many changes in law enforcement and society since that time but has always been professional and dedicated to the community he serves. He has truly been an example of what a law enforcement officer should be.

Woody served several years as the Town Sergeant for Tappahannock and was promoted to Lieutenant in 1995. He is also a graduate of the Virginia Forensic Science Academy and has served for many years as the department's forensic technician. Woody is also a baseball and softball umpire for both high school and church league games. Woody has one son, Woody Jr., who is employed by the Federal Reserve in Richmond, daughter in-law Kelley, and grandson Mason.

In an era where people change jobs and occupations frequently, Woody has stayed true to his chosen profession. The Tappahannock Police Department has been extremely fortunate to have had someone like Woody Johnson and he will be missed by his fellow officers but most of all, by the community.

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HONORING ERNESTINA BORQUEZ-  
SMITH

**HON. DAVID SCHWEIKERT**

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 6, 2019*

Mr. SCHWEIKERT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate Ernestina Borquez-Smith on her birthday, September 6th. Ernestina has devoted the past 29 years of her life and career to the people of Arizona.

She began her career as a staffer managing casework for Representative Bob Stump of Arizona in 1990, and went on to work for both Democratic and Republican Representatives as the Director of Constituent Services. She is

a prime example of a public servant that wants to serve, regardless of party politics, but strives to make a positive impact in the lives of her fellow citizens. I have known Ernestina since 2011 when I was first elected to Congress, and she has proved to be an exemplary member of my team.

Congress is an institution devoted to serving the people, and Ernestina has exemplified this every day by meeting with veterans, immigrants, and Arizonans of all walks of life, committed to being both a voice and a resource for the people. We look to Ernestina as a devoted public servant, and it has been an honor to know her.

RECOGNIZING NATIONAL  
GASTROPARESIS AWARENESS  
MONTH

**HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 6, 2019*

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Madam Speaker, I rise today on behalf of the millions of gastroparesis patients from across the country in recognition of National Gastroparesis Awareness Month.

This devastating digestive disorder can be detrimental to a patient's quality of life, and current treatments are only able to help patients manage these symptoms. It's for these reasons that I'm a proud cosponsor of H.R. 3396, the Functional GI and Motility Disorders Research Enhancement Act. This important legislation would help to expand, advance, and better coordinate research activities on functional GI and motility disorders and support innovative approaches to educate patients and health care providers about strategies that improve care.

In recognition of the plight of these patients and the uncertainty they often face, I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting efforts to expand research, improve education, and raise awareness by cosponsoring H.R. 3396 and recognizing August as National Gastroparesis Awareness Month.

HONORING THE UNITED STATES  
NAVAL INSTITUTE AND JACK C.  
TAYLOR

**HON. JOHN JOYCE**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 6, 2019*

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, in 1873 a group of Navy and Marine Corps officers founded The United States Naval Institute on the grounds of the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland. Since that time, the Institute has played a vital role in transforming the Sea Services from vocations to tried and true professions. The Naval Institute's mission is to provide an open, independent, and nonpartisan forum for those who read, think, speak, and write to advance the knowledge and understanding of sea power and other issues critical to global security. Constantly growing and improving, the United States Naval Institute will reach a milestone in its esteemed history by breaking ground for the Jack C. Taylor Conference Center, which will adjoin the Naval Institute's headquarters.

Following the bombing of Pearl Harbor on 7 December 1941, Jack C. Taylor joined the United States Navy. During his years of military service (1942 to 1947), Taylor became an F6F Hellcat fighter pilot and saw combat duty in the Pacific Theater from the decks of the aircraft carriers USS *Essex* (CV-9) and USS *Enterprise* (CV-6). He was a member of Carrier Air Group 15, led by the top Navy ace of all time, Commander David McCampbell. Group 15, which sustained more than 50 percent casualties during its World War II service, was one of the most decorated combat units in the history of U.S. naval aviation. Taylor, who served as McCampbell's wingman on several combat missions, was twice decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross, and also received the Navy Air Medal and the Presidential Unit Citation.

Mr. Taylor served his country with distinction in World War II, returned home, raised a talented family and built a world-class organization, 'Enterprise Rent-A-Car,' named after the famous aircraft carrier on which he flew. The late Mr. Jack C. Taylor and his family reinvested resources for the good of the community and his family continues to remain committed to the United States Navy, Navy values and Naval causes that include the Naval War College, Naval Historical Foundation, U.S. Naval Aviation Museum, Friends of the National World War II Memorial and Navy SEAL Foundation to name a few. The Taylor Family now honors their patriarch's service to the Nation as a naval aviator, an exemplary citizen, and a civic leader with the naming of the Conference Center.

In heartfelt appreciation of its many contributions to the men and women of the United States Sea Services, it is my honor and privilege before the 116th Congress to recognize the United States Naval Institute on the occasion of its groundbreaking for the Jack C. Taylor Conference Center, 18 September 2019.

REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF  
JEFFREY M. CICORA

**HON. JOHN KATKO**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 6, 2019*

Mr. KATKO. Madam Speaker, I rise today to remember the life of New York State Police Sergeant/Station Commander Jeffrey M. Cicora, a beloved father and husband, and dedicated public servant, who passed away on August 10, 2019. Sergeant Cicora spent 24 years on the New York State Police force and diligently protected communities throughout New York State.

Sergeant Cicora was a lifelong member of the Central New York community and aspired to be a state trooper from an early age. He graduated from Auburn High School in 1983 and then earned a degree in criminal justice from Cayuga Community College and public justice from SUNY Oswego. Upon completing his training in 1992, Sergeant Cicora was officially sworn in as a New York State Police Trooper.

Sergeant Cicora was stationed at the Baldwinsville State Police Station for the majority of his career, but his duties called him to various regions in New York State. During the tragic events of September 11, 2001, Ser-

geant Cicora arrived at Ground Zero and assisted with search and rescue efforts. In the six months following the attacks, Sergeant Cicora and his K9 partner, Devitt, deployed to New York City's John F. Kennedy and LaGuardia airports to ensure traveler safety. Notably, Sergeant Cicora was awarded the Superintendent's Commendation Award from the New York State Police for his efforts in the arrest of an on-the-run fugitive wanted for violent crimes. Sergeant Cicora and his K9 partner, McGinn, were the first to respond following the fugitive's attack on two people, then successfully tracked him through the woods and made an arrest.

Outside his work with the state police, Sergeant Cicora was a wonderful family man. He deeply loved his wife, Valerie, and son, Jack, as well as all his extended family members. He was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed spending time fishing and boating with his family.

Sergeant Cicora served honorably and, sadly, contracted an illness stemming from his emergency search and rescue efforts at Ground Zero. It is essential our nation supports the brave individuals and first responders who selflessly acted on September 11, 2001 without reservation. Many of these brave individuals, like Sergeant Cicora, have developed health conditions from their experiences at Ground Zero. We owe these individuals an enormous debt of gratitude, and with my support, the House passed legislation I cosponsored to permanently reauthorize the 9/11 Victim Compensation Fund. This bill is now law, but we must continue to support the brave men and women who responded on 9/11.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House to join me in honoring the life of Sergeant Jeffrey M. Cicora. A brave member of New York State's law enforcement community who acted heroically throughout his career, Sergeant Cicora will truly be missed in the Central New York community. I ask my colleagues to keep him and his family in mind as we remember the contributions of this cherished public servant.

IN CELEBRATION OF CAPTAIN  
AARON MARTINEZ AND HIS 30  
YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE  
CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL

**HON. PAUL COOK**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 6, 2019*

Mr. COOK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Captain Aaron Martinez on his retirement and thank him for 30 years of service with the California Highway Patrol.

Captain Aaron Martinez entered California Highway Patrol Academy on January 2, 1990 at the age of 21. During this time he successfully graduated the Academy and was promoted to the rank of Officer. His first assignment was the Santa Cruz area where he completed his field training and was assigned to road patrol for six years. Captain Martinez spent two more years at the Officer rank working in the El Cajon and Rancho Cucamonga Areas. He was then promoted to the rank of Sergeant in 1998. He served at this rank for three years and was assigned to the Santa Fe