

plus years as a distinguished advocate for Texas property owners with Texas REALTORS.

Shortly after earning an accounting degree from the University of Texas, Mark pursued a career in public policy and has held a presence in Texas politics ever since. Throughout his professional career, Mark has worked in multiple positions at the national, state, and local political levels. Mark served in the Texas Legislature as the Chief of Staff for Texas Senator Florence Shapiro, and then worked as the Campaign Director for now-U.S. Senator JOHN CORNYN's successful race for Texas Attorney General.

Upon joining Texas REALTORS in 1998 as Director of Governmental Affairs, Mark brought a unique expertise that eventually ascended him to Vice President of Government Affairs in 2004. Mark has become an outstanding leader for the company as he was responsible for over 120,000 members in the association. With over two decades of experience with Texas REALTORS, Mark has admirably served many Texans by advocating for private-property rights, providing reliable information, and has gained respect among the Houston community.

Leading up to the historic passage of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017, Mark played a significant role in gathering support for this monumental legislation in the Houston area. He also spearheaded oversight on economic analysis that showed the positive impact tax reform would have on Texas property owners and American workers and families across the country. Not only did he work hard in Texas, Mark also led a team to Washington, D.C. to inform lawmakers on their most up-to-date research and findings-data that was instrumental in giving America a new tax code.

In 2018, Mark was inducted into the REALTORS Political Action Committee (RPAC) Hall of Fame—a testament to his hard work and success in the real estate field. Outside of his professional career, Mark is also an avid writer. He publishes two blogs, the first is a political blog simplifying the legislative process for his readers, and the second is a personal, faith-based blog interwoven with his own family history.

After twenty years of hard work, I am proud to join Mark's colleagues and friends in celebrating his well-earned retirement. Mark, thank you for all you've done for our community. The Houston community has been blessed by your accomplishments, and I wish you well as you begin your next chapter.

#### RECOGNIZING NORMA GIBBS FOR A LIFE DEDICATED TO COMMUNITY SERVICE

#### HON. HARLEY ROUDA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 6, 2019*

Mr. ROUDA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize the life and legacy of Norma Gibbs. Mrs. Gibbs, the City of Huntington Beach's first female City Council member and Mayor, lived a life marked by extraordinary compassion and public service.

Mrs. Gibbs passed away on Sunday, September 1, 2019, but the impact she made during her lifetime will continue for generations.

During a time when politics was dominated by men, Mrs. Gibbs encouraged women to vote and play an active role in community development. She would serve as the inspiration for many women to run for office, and because of her hard work, the City where she served as Mayor now boasts a City Council whose members are primarily women.

In 1979, Mrs. Gibbs founded Interval House, a nonprofit that cares for and supports survivors of abuse. From Interval House to the opening of the Huntington Central Park Library, Mrs. Gibbs lived a life dedicated to uplifting everyone around her. Her lifetime of public service would earn her the President's Lifetime Achievement award in 2015.

Today I ask that all Members join me in recognizing the amazing life and works of Norma Gibbs.

#### IN HONOR OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF LANDER BEING NAMED THE OUTSTANDING LARGE CLUB IN ROTARY DISTRICT 5440

#### HON. LIZ CHENEY

OF WYOMING

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 6, 2019*

Ms. CHENEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Rotary Club of Lander for being named the Outstanding Large Club in Rotary District 5440.

The Rotary Club of Lander is a staple of the local community and is dedicated to community service in Lander and around the world. Rotary Clubs across Wyoming represent the service-minded approach to community that makes our country great. The Lander Club has distinguished itself with its international work in Mexico, Guatemala, and Africa. Additionally, they have established the Interact Club at Lander Valley High School to help grow their membership and foster community service among high school students.

Again, Madam Speaker, I extend my congratulations to the Rotary Club of Lander on being named top chapter, and thank them for their service to the community of Lander.

#### HONORING ARLETT STEINERT ON HER 100TH BIRTHDAY

#### HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 6, 2019*

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Arlett Steinert around her 100th Birthday. Ms. Steinert was born August 26, 1919 in Erie, Illinois.

Ms. Steinert grew up in Erie and graduated from Erie High School in 1937. She went on to get her teaching degree at Blackburn College in Carlinville, Illinois—where she met her husband William—and Marycrest College in Davenport, Iowa. Following her college years, Ms. Steinert had a long and successful teaching career in the Erie area until she retired in the 1970's. Currently, Ms. Steinert is still active in Whiteside County Retired Teachers meetings. I am honored by her lifelong dedication to positively serving and impacting our community.

It is because of community leaders such as Ms. Steinert that I am especially proud to serve Illinois' 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would like to again formally honor Ms. Arlett Steinert on her 100th Birthday.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF JOHN CARBRAY

#### HON. JIM COSTA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 6, 2019*

Mr. COSTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to the life of Mr. John Carbray, who passed away on August 10, 2019. John was the founder and first president of the Fresno Grizzlies, Fresno, California's Triple-A franchise. He will be remembered for his vision and efforts to bring baseball back to Central California.

John Carbray was born in Paris, Arkansas on November 9, 1938. John and his brother Sam were raised by their mother Helen. When John was six years old his family moved to Inglewood, California. Sports played an integral part of his childhood and his biggest passion was baseball. He played at the collegiate level, first at El Camino Junior College and Pepperdine University. John would go on to play semi-pro baseball in Wyoming and even played in Canada for the Edmonton Eskimos of the Western Canada League.

Eventually John traveled back to Los Angeles to work in a swimming pool business, before returning to Canada in 1963 after he was named manager of the Calgary Giants. This was the first stop of a storied career as a sports executive, with stops in Oregon, Washington DC, Sacramento and a tenure as general manager of two North American Soccer League teams.

John pursued his love for athletics and entertainment in different avenues. During his time away from baseball, he founded Projects West, a consulting firm that worked with major sports teams to bring concerts to sporting venues. However, he would not be away from baseball for very long. After realizing the need for baseball in Fresno, John and his wife Diane worked tirelessly to return baseball to the city after a ten-year absence. After much hard work and persistence, the Tucson Toros were purchased by the Fresno Diamond Group and reborn as the Fresno Grizzlies. John then pursued building a state-of-the-art baseball stadium in downtown Fresno. On May 1, 2002, the stadium, now known as Chukchansi Park, hosted its first game with a sell-out crowd of 12,792. The stadium paved the way for the revitalization of downtown and continues to host baseball game, concerts and festivals.

Throughout his career, John was awarded with recognitions for his dedication to the world of sports. This includes being named Sporting News Executive of the Year, Pacific Coast Executive of the Year, his induction into the Fresno County Athletic Hall of Fame and he and his wife Diane were honored by the Grizzlies with the Al Radka Award in honor of their contributions to the community and baseball. His contributions to the City of Fresno spanned beyond sports; he was also actively involved with many nonprofits, including the

Boys and Girls Club, the annual City-County All-Star Football Game, and the Fresno Rotary.

John is survived by his loving wife Diane, and their sons David, and Kyle. He will be greatly missed by many friends, associates and those who had the pleasure of working with him.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the life of Mr. John L. Carbray. His contributions to the City of Fresno will be felt for generations to come. I join his family in honoring his great life.

HONORING JOSEPH E. TIGHUE

**HON. BONNIE WATSON COLEMAN**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 6, 2019*

Mrs. WATSON COLEMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Joseph E. Tighue, who passed away on August 24, 2019.

Joe was born in Scranton, Pennsylvania in 1932 to Eugene and Elizabeth Tighue. After graduating Trenton High School in 1952, Joe joined the Army and served overseas during the Korean War. After his services, Joe studied business, real estate, and insurance at Rider College and Rutgers University.

His natural skill and ingenuity led Joe to a long and storied career in real estate and New Jersey politics. With his high school sweetheart, Marie Dileo, by his side, the young couple started the Tighue Realty Co. Later in life, Joe returned to school to earn the MAI Appraisal Designation. He served as president of Certified Appraisal Service and as president of the Mercer County Board of Realtors. Joe's efforts to give back to his community did not go unnoticed and he was named "Realtor of the Year" when he was recognized nationally for starting a work release program that utilized county workhouse inmates to rehab run-down city houses.

In 1969, Joe was selected to run for Mercer County Freeholder, and he went on to serve for three terms. Later from 1980 to 1990, Joe served as the Mercer County Surrogate and Judge of the Probate Court.

Over the course of his 87 years, Joe and his wife, Marie, built a large and loving family that will continue to carry his legacy, including his brother Thomas; children Gary, Robert, and Susan; six grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.

Madam Speaker, I send my condolences to the family and friends of Joe Tighue. I ask that my colleagues join me in commemorating his incredible life and legacy.

Rest in peace, Joe.

TRIBUTE IN HONOR OF DAVID J. WEILAND

**HON. TJ COX**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 6, 2019*

Mr. COX of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize my dear friend, Mr. David J. Weiland, for being inducted into the San Joaquin College of Law Alumni Hall of Fame.

David was born and raised in California's San Joaquin Valley. He is a graduate of California State University, Fresno, where he received a degree in civil engineering in 1972. David was motivated to work in engineering after working his first job on a sandy survey crew in the City of Armona in the hot summer of 1965. During his engineering years, David designed many public works and private projects in Kings, Fresno and Tulare counties.

In 1988, while still working full time, David fulfilled his lifelong intent of becoming an attorney and enrolled in San Joaquin College of Law. He was a founding member of the San Joaquin Agricultural Law Review and served as its Managing Editor. David received his Juris Doctorate in 1992, retired his slide rule, and opened The Law Office of David J. Weiland that December.

David went on to build a successful career in law serving as partner, member of the Board of Directors, President and chair of the litigation department of the Fresno firm Dowling Aaron Incorporated.

In 2014, David joined Coleman & Horowitz, LLP as a partner and heads the firm's litigation department. David represents clients in complex commercial, construction, real estate, professional liability defense, tort defense, municipal law, real estate transactions and most recently, election law.

David was named a Super Lawyer by Thomson Reuters from 2009 to 2018 and holds an AV Preeminent rating from Martindale Hubbell. He is a member of several associations including the American Bar Association, Fresno County Bar Association, and a lifetime member of the American Society of Civil Engineers.

David's track record as an attorney has earned him great respect in the Central Valley and throughout the state of California. In addition to the numerous clients he takes on and associations of which he takes part, David serves on the Board of Trustees of San Joaquin College of Law, and as Judge Pro Tempore for the Fresno and Merced Superior Courts.

Most important, David is an outstanding friend and husband to his wife, Lillian, and father to Julia, David, and Alice, grandfather to Carl, Michael, Stephanie, Catalina, and Karl and great-grandfather to Reese Marie.

Madam Speaker, I call upon my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in congratulating and paying tribute to my good friend, Mr. David J. Weiland, for being inducted into the San Joaquin College of Law Alumni Hall of Fame. David's dedication to practicing law and his track record in California's San Joaquin Valley is to be commended.

IN RECOGNITION OF GUADALUPE CENTER INC.'S CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY

**HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 6, 2019*

Mr. CLEAVER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the one hundredth anniversary of Guadalupe Centers Inc. Throughout the century since the Guadalupe Center's formation, they have remained steadfast to their founding objective to play an integral role

in the development and wellbeing of the Mexican, Mexican-American and the Latino community-at-large in Kansas City. Guadalupe Centers Inc. has expanded exponentially, growing beyond its original Westside location to provide immeasurable services for the greater Kansas City metropolitan area.

Many families immigrated from Mexico to Kansas City in the 1910s and 20s for the growing meat packing and railroad industry. Although there were a multitude of jobs, they were often erratic and poorly paid. It was out of the needs of this new community that the idea for the Guadalupe Center was generated. Guadalupe Centers Inc. was established by eighteen young Catholic women in 1919 as a part of the local Catholic Church in Kansas City's historic Westside. Both the Mexican and Mexican-American population in the area used the Center to create a unique cultural environment, separate from American mainstream society at the time. Their idea was to unite the growing population of Mexican and Mexican-American families predominantly living in Westside at the time into a "Colonia Mexicana," or a Mexican community.

Throughout the following decades, the Guadalupe Center became a central pillar of the Westside neighborhood, as well as Kansas City at large. The leadership of Ms. Dorothy Gallagher in the 1930s and 40s instigated a new chapter in the Center's history, as she organized the development of the Center and spearheaded new initiatives. The original stone building, purchased in 1919, remained central to the organization and the large room of the first floor was the "living room of the neighborhood," where weddings and other events were held. Women cooked enormous amounts of food in the kitchen, and a constant stream of residents flowed in and out of the space as it expanded to the building next door. Celebrations like the Noche Buena party in 1940 were viewed as cornerstones of the year's social calendar.

While expanding their range of programs, the Guadalupe Center remained steadfast in their commitment to social justice and empowerment. In the pivotal decades of the 1960s and 70s, when the Chicano movement was gaining force in cities across the country, the Guadalupe Center influenced the local movement in Kansas City. Guadalupe Center encouraged Mexican American communities to flourish by creating a space where individuals could have their unique cultural identity both nourished and encouraged. American civil rights leader Cesar Chavez acknowledged the Center as a formidable force, visiting the Center during his travels throughout the Midwest.

Today, Guadalupe Centers Inc. reflects the same socially-minded ideas for which it was originally founded. The Center has remained a catalyst for greater Latino representation and political activism throughout the years. Ms. Lali Garcia, who is a dedicated volunteer at the Guadalupe Center for over forty-five years, a local activist, and a board member of organizations like the pivotal La Raza Political Club, is a prime example of this. Moreover, Paul Rojas, the first Latino Missouri State Representative, contributed greatly to the development of Guadalupe Centers Inc. as Chairman. Both as Representative and then as Chairman, Mr. Rojas fought politically and socially for increased resources for the Latino Community, whether for educational or training programs. Guadalupe Centers would not have