

devotion to bettering her community is also underscored by her participation in education and workforce development efforts, such as working with Dickinson College and area school districts on student internships, job shadowing, and placement.

On behalf of Pennsylvania's Tenth Congressional District, I express my sincere gratitude to Mrs. Crowley for all she has done and continues to do for the Carlisle community, and congratulate her on receiving the Molly Pitcher Award.

HONORING DAVE WOODS AS PUBLIC SAFETY HERO OF THE YEAR

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 8, 2019

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Fire Captain Dave Woods, whom I have named a Public Safety Hero of the Year in Contra Costa County, California.

Mr. Woods was born in Pasadena, California and raised in nearby Glendale. In March of 1999 Mr. Woods joined the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District and has been heavily involved since. He is trained and certified as a Strike Team Leader and Fire Line Paramedic to assist on Strike Team assignments. Strike Teams consist of highly trained wildland firefighters, who are prepared to respond to wildland fires anywhere in the state with little support. They carry enough food and supplies to fight fires in the wilderness for multiple days and are essential in cutting off fires before they destroy population centers. Mr. Woods was assigned as a Strike Team Leader to the Thomas Fire that burned much of southern California in December of 2017. Mr. Woods also shares his knowledge and skills with others as a Wildland Firefighting Instructor.

Mr. Woods works in Contra Costa County Fire Protection District's busiest battalion. However, he does not let the fast pace prohibit his development as a leader within the battalion and Fire Protection District. For the past twenty years he has spent at the Fire Protection District, Mr. Woods has shown unrelenting commitment to serving the people of Contra Costa County and protecting our community and state from wildfires.

Madam Speaker, we thank Dave Woods for his dedication. For this reason, it is fitting and proper that we honor him here today.

IN RECOGNITION OF CHIEF TOMMY PAYNE

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 8, 2019

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor an exemplary public servant, Police Chief Tommy Payne, upon his retirement from the Aubrey, Texas Police Department. During his more than four decades in law enforcement, Chief Payne has endeavored to provide safety and security for those he has served.

Chief Payne's career began in his home town of Dublin, Texas in 1977. He spent many years serving in various jurisdictions across Texas, including Stephenville, Llano, Brady, and Somervell County. He has been a Master Peace Officer since 1994, and was first named Police Chief in 2003 while serving the City of Brady.

Chief Payne began serving the citizens and businesses covered by the Aubrey Police Department in April of 2010. For the past nine years, he has been a well-respected leader by his peers and colleagues and beloved by his community.

After 42 years of dedicated service, Police Chief Tommy Payne has more than earned his retirement. He has put strangers' safety above his own, and we are indebted to him. I wish Chief Payne and his family all the best in the years to come.

HONORING CORPORAL RYAN BAILLIE AS PUBLIC SAFETY HERO OF THE YEAR

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 8, 2019

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Corporal Ryan Baillie, whom I have named a Public Safety Hero of the Year in Contra Costa County.

Mr. Baillie was born in the Bay Area and has shown a penchant for public service since he was a member of the Boy Scouts of America. He was a Merit Badge Counselor and an Eagle Scout, the highest honor in the Boy Scouts of America, before beginning his career in law enforcement. Mr. Baillie joined the Martinez Police Department as a Cadet in 2004. In 2007, he became a Police Assistant and a Reserve Police Officer. He was sworn in as a full-time Police Officer in 2008 and has many roles within the Department since then. He has worked as a patrolman, detective, and a corporal. His collateral duties have included Hostage Negotiator and Explorer Advisor and he has been a member of the Patrol Rifle Team, Bicycle Patrol Unit, Off-Road Motorcycle Team and Honor Guard.

As a detective, Mr. Baillie works tirelessly to bring offenders to justice so victims can begin to heal. Mr. Baillie came across a March 2012 report of a woman detailing her kidnapping and forced sexual servitude. He dedicated three years to leading an investigation into the woman's claims. Mr. Baillie's investigation led him to additional victims and he uncovered what is considered Contra Costa County's worst human trafficking case. Mr. Baillie listened to many hours of recorded conversations from the perpetrator's time in jail on gun charges and persuaded some of the additional victims of the perpetrator of the trafficking ring to cooperate. In no small part because of his diligence and methodical approach to the case, the perpetrator was charged on 40 felony charges and sentenced to 180 years to life in prison.

Madam Speaker, we thank Ryan Baillie for his dedication. For this reason, it is fitting and proper that we honor him here today.

CELEBRATING THE CAREER OF LISA FERRERO AT CORNING INCORPORATED

HON. TOM REED

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 8, 2019

Mr. REED. Madam Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the career of Lisa Ferrero at Corning Incorporated, and congratulate her on her retirement.

For more than thirty years, Lisa Ferrero has served Corning Incorporated in a spectrum of roles and functions. Her dedicated service and exceptional management has led her to rise from a statistician in the Corning Big Flats Plant to become Senior Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer of the company.

Throughout her career, Lisa has traveled the globe managing various aspects of Corning business. Her many years spent working in Japan, Korea, Taiwan, and China, have fostered her success as head of Global Supply Management and Global Information Security. Lisa's leadership at Corning has touched many aspects of the company, lending her skills to Environmental Technologies, Display Technologies, Information Technology, and Government Affairs.

As Lisa moves forward with the next chapter of her life, we applaud her tireless dedication to Corning Incorporated, a cornerstone of our community, and we wish her all the best in her retirement.

Given the above, I ask that this Legislative Body pause in its deliberations and join me to celebrate Lisa Ferrero and her extraordinary career.

HONORING DANIELA FLORES AS PUBLIC SAFETY HERO OF THE YEAR

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 8, 2019

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Emergency Medical Technician Daniela Flores, whom I have named a Public Safety Hero of the Year in Solano County, California.

Ms. Flores was born in Santiago, Chile and immigrated with her family to Vallejo, California when she was five years old. She was raised in Vallejo and has been a member of our community for the past nineteen years. When Ms. Flores was fifteen, she found out she was undocumented. She had hoped to get a job and begin to earn her own money, but was unable to because of her documentation status. After she graduated from Vallejo High School, she began taking classes at Napa Valley College. When the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program began accepting applications in 2012, Ms. Flores applied for a work permit through it, but was unsure of the career she wanted to, or could, pursue. She knew she wanted to find a path where she could help people, so she enrolled in an emergency first responder class. Emergency medicine quickly became Ms. Flores' passion. She took emergency medical technician classes and in February of 2019

graduated from the Napa Valley College Paramedic Program.

Ms. Flores is dedicated to emergency medicine and committed to our community. She was deployed to assist with the fires in Napa, Lake and Butte Counties last year. During her fourteen-day deployment, Ms. Flores evacuated hospitals, residences and nursing facilities. No task was too small for her. She did everything within her power to help residents and caregivers affected by the fire. She thrived in the high stress environment and used the uncertainty to drive her forward.

Madam Speaker, we thank Daniela Flores for her dedication. For this reason, it is fitting and proper that we honor her here today.

HONORING HELLAS LIBERTY

HON. GUS M. BILIRAKIS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 8, 2019

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the 10th Anniversary of the Hellas Liberty Maritime Museum and the Hellenic Merchant Marines.

Madam Speaker, we must recognize the Hellenic Merchant Marines and their heroic deeds during World War II, with over 2,000 Hellenic Merchant Marine lives lost and close to 70 percent of the Hellenic Shipping fleet being decimated by the Axis Powers. Hellenic merchant ships transported much needed supplies across the treacherous Atlantic Ocean for the Allies.

The *Arthur M. Huddell*, built in 1943 in the great state of Florida, was commissioned in the PLUTO (Pipe Line under the Ocean) operation, which supplied oil to our allies in Europe during World War Two. It is one of the few remaining Liberty Ships, built for this purpose. In a post-war period, the vessel was continually used to create underwater infrastructure functioning largely as a cable ship, occasionally responding to the request of the U.S. Navy.

After serving our country dutifully, first for the Navy, then for commercial uses, the *Arthur M. Huddell* was retired in 1984, laid up with the majority of the U.S. reserve fleet in the James River. This retirement was not permanent; the 21st century saw renewed attention at the retired fleet to be used for educational purposes.

The Greek State was interested in acquiring the vessel, to be used as a floating museum. The reciprocal aspiration of the U.S. govern-

ment, the result of action taken by many Greek-Americans who were following Rhode Island Senator Leonidas Raptakis and Connecticut representative Dimitrios Yiannaros, with much of the mobilization activated by ship owner Spyros M. Polemis as well.

The U.S. and Greece reached and signed an agreement on June 30, 2008. After U.S. Maritime Administrator Sean Connaughton and Greek Minister of Merchant Marine Georgios Voulgarakis completed this transfer of ownership, The *Arthur M. Huddell* was officially renamed to the *Hellas Liberty*. Departing a month later, the ship arrived in Greece, for extended repairs before being recommissioned as a floating museum.

On February 8, 2019, the museum will celebrate its 10th anniversary, honoring the close and fruitful relationship between Greece and the United States of America. Congratulations to all.

CONGRATULATING INNKEEPER'S COFFEE ON ITS TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY

HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 8, 2019

Mrs. BUSTOS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Innkeeper's Fresh Roasted Coffee for its twentieth anniversary of operation in Galesburg, Illinois.

Innkeeper's has been a space for the Galesburg community to come together since 1998 when Mike Bond and Johan Ewalt first began serving freshly roasted coffee. In 2003, the two took a chance and decided to expand their business even as factory closings threatened to devastate the local economy. With ingenuity, hard work and creativity, Innkeeper's managed to succeed, grow and become a central space for friends and family to enjoy one another's company. Innkeeper's small batch roasting method and their use of environmentally friendly shade-grown coffee sets them apart.

It is in small businesses like Innkeeper's that rural communities have found stability and their perseverance makes me proud to serve Illinois' 17th Congressional District. Madam Speaker, I would again like to formally congratulate Innkeeper's Fresh Roasted Coffee on its twenty years in business and thank them for their service to our community.

HONORING FIRE CAPTAIN DON RICCI AS PUBLIC SAFETY HERO OF THE YEAR

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 8, 2019

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Santa Rosa Fire Captain Don Ricci, whom I have named a Public Safety Hero of the Year in Sonoma County, California.

Mr. Ricci is a Sonoma County native. He graduated from Montgomery High School and attended the Santa Rosa Safety Center, a department at the Santa Rosa Junior College. He began his career in public service in 1992 when he joined the Bennett Valley Fire Protection District. Mr. Ricci served in that department as a firefighter, engineer and lieutenant. In 1998, he joined the Santa Rosa Fire Department as a firefighter-paramedic. In 2002 Mr. Ricci was promoted to Engineer and in 2004, to Fire Captain. He also serves as a lead instructor for the Live Burn Cadre and as a paramedic Field Training Officer. Additionally, he is a Tactical Paramedic on Henry 1 (the Sonoma County Sheriff's helicopter) and the SWAT Team in the Sonoma County Sheriff's Department.

On January 22, 2018, Mr. Ricci displayed the utmost dedication to public service and fire safety. He was on Medic Engine 5 when it was dispatched to an odor investigation that was revealed to be a working structure fire. Mr. Ricci upgraded the assignment and instructed his team to launch a defensive fire attack. As he gathered intelligence around the property, a house, he saw a neighbor trying to rescue an elderly woman from a small window. After he realized he was unable to rescue the resident from outside the structure, and knowing the window was too small to enter with a self-contained breathing apparatus, he removed the apparatus and entered the smoke-filled building. Mr. Ricci first evacuated the resident out of the small window he had entered. He then evacuated the resident's dog. Because of his courage and swift action, Mr. Ricci prevented a tragic loss of life in our community.

Madam Speaker, we thank Fire Captain Don Ricci for his dedication. For this reason, it is fitting and proper that we honor him today.