

Williams, Sebastian Wilson. Football Coach: Jeromey Anderson. Basketball Coach: Kevin Fletcher. Athletic Director: Kevin Jones. Headmaster: James Twardowski.

I wish each of these young men continued success in the classroom and in athletics. Go Bulldogs.

## HONORING THE WORLD WAR II AND KOREAN WAR VETERANS OF ILLINOIS

### HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 12, 2019*

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the World War II and Korean War veterans who traveled to Washington, D.C. on April 10, 2019 with Honor Flight Chicago, a program that provides World War II and Korean War veterans the opportunity to visit their memorials on The National Mall in Washington, D.C. These memorials were built to honor their courage and service to their country.

The American Veteran is one of our greatest treasures. The Soldiers, Airmen, Sailors, Marines, and Coast Guardsmen who traveled here on April 10th answered our nation's call to service during one of its greatest times of need. From the European Campaign to the Pacific Asian Theatre to the African Theater, these brave Americans risked life and limb, gave service and sacrificed much, all while embodying what it is to be a hero. We owe them more gratitude than can ever be expressed.

I welcome these brave veterans to Washington and to their memorials. I am proud to include in the RECORD the names of these men and women for all to see, hear, and recognize, and I call on my colleagues to rise and join me in expressing gratitude.

Moms Allen, Thomas P. Anderson, Juan G. Avendano, Herbert Clifford Barrus, Donald J. Bendis, Richard Bianchi, Anton L. Boeckhold, Josephine M. Bogdanich, Donald K. Borta, Robert R. Brown, Roy Eugene Brown, Robert M. Buckley, Donald A. Burke, Richard V. Butler, Donald J. Carani, Carl R. Carlson, Lawrence A. Carlson, Andrew Carrillo, Marvin E. Causey, Fred Choromanski, Edward A. Clark, Cecil R. Coleman, James L. Conley.

Dominick Frank Corelli, Amelia Cunningham, Herbert E. Davidson, Robert Davis, William C. Devereux, Robert E. Dobis, Victor Drower, Terrence C. Duffy, Donald C. Eageny, Norval J. Edwards, Chester L. Evers, Jr., Samuel C. Farley, Thomas P. Felsenthal, Aldo Filafusi, Blenard R. Franklin, Bernard Friedman, Richard J. Gaskey, Edward Gill, Fred J. Hefner, John I. Hozian.

Edward F. Jamrozik, Joseph J. Johnson, John H. Kawa, John Robert Kemble, Alvin J. Knauf, William F. Kretz, Milton F. Langer, Walter Mannaberg, Philip F. Manning Jr., Douglas J. Martner, Frank V. Masters, Davis McClain, John McGregor, Earl McKay, Vernon A. Meyer, Donald J. Miller, Ronald J. Mitchell, Robert Kern Morgan, Stevenson Mountsier.

Thaddeus M. Murawski, Richard M. Naugle, Bruce F. North, Sr., Thomas J. O'Keefe, Owen R. Owen, Robert C. Parker, James A. Powers, Michael S. Puzzo, James Reuter, Fred Graf-ton Rounds, Charles L. Rush, Frederick J.

Schmelzer, William H. Schmit Jr., Norman R. Sehnoutka, Donald J. Seneker, Thomas G. Sheehan, Herbert Sheriff.

John F. Slown, Robert Smith, Robert A. Sousa, Frederick T. Staron, Donald R. Strahanoski, Harold P. Streicher, James C. Terpstra, Van C. Virva, Jr., George Vlahakis, Carol A. Walters, Edward P. Wilkin, James Williams, Ronald L. Wilson, Edwin Winlechte, Charles J. Yackley, Robert E. Yaeger, Paul Kenneth Young, Ronald P. Zuraski.

## IN HONOR OF ASSOCIATED BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS OF GREATER HOUSTON 50TH ANNIVERSARY

### HON. KEVIN BRADY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 12, 2019*

Mr. BRADY. Madam Speaker, today, I rise in recognition of the 50th Anniversary of the Associated Builders and Contractors of Greater Houston. For the last half-century, this group has contributed greatly to the construction and advancement of the Greater Houston Area and I thank them for their work in growing our community.

Founded in 1969, the Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) of Greater Houston provides leadership development and craft training for both the commercial and industrial construction industries. The Greater Houston Chapter of ABC is comprised of over 450 locally owned construction and assembly firms, representing thousands of skilled professionals in the Greater Houston Area.

The mission of ABC of Greater Houston is to defend and represent its members' right to work, as well as protecting free enterprise within the construction industry. ABC of Greater Houston is also committed to promoting safe work environments and occupational practices, and leads the country in members active in the Safety Training Evaluation Process (STEP) program—a unique initiative started in 1989 to dramatically improve safety performance in the construction industry.

ABC of Greater Houston is committed to tackling our nation's workforce problem through the Construction and Maintenance Education Foundation (CMEF). This exceptional foundation formulates partnerships between industrial leaders and contractors to tackle the shortage of skilled workers in the construction sector.

Today, the American economy is booming, in no small part because of leadership from outstanding organizations like ABC of Greater Houston. Through their innovative programs that enhance industry partnerships and promote free enterprise, ABC has provided opportunities for economic and educational growth among members, workers, and industry professionals.

This year marks 50 incredible years of industry advancement by ABC of Greater Houston. I am proud to join everyone in our community in celebrating their 50th Anniversary, and thanking them for the work they do for builders and contractors in the Houston area, across Texas, and throughout the country. I am sure their next 50 years will be even more successful.

## CELEBRATING THE CAREER OF DALLAS MAVERICKS LEGEND DIRK NOWITZKI

### HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 12, 2019*

Ms. JOHNSON of Texas. Madam Speaker, after 21 seasons as the face of the Dallas Mavericks, Dirk Nowitzki played his final game in Dallas. Since he arrived as a 19 year-old from Germany, Dirk has transformed the game of basketball and led the Mavericks to unparalleled success.

He has earned the respect of fans and fellow players alike over the course of his record-setting career. In his early days in the NBA, however, he faced great adversity. But his resilience and determination proved too strong for any negativity. Dirk's leadership and great play culminated in a championship run in 2011. Because of his MVP performance, a championship banner now hangs in the American Airlines Center, which I can see from my District Office in Dallas. This building, which was the setting for many of Dirk's greatest games and most memorable moments, will forever be known as "the house that Dirk built."

His accolades on the court are many—15 appearances in the NBA Playoffs, a 14-time NBA All-Star, a 12-time All-NBA team member, one of only eight players to score 30,000 points, a regular season MVP award, a Finals MVP award, and an NBA Championship. But the true measure of the man is what he has done off the court. For years, he has visited Children's Hospital as "Uncle Dirk" to give ill children and their families fond memories and glimmers of happiness. Never with fanfare, never with TV cameras chronicling his generous deeds, Dirk gave of himself out of the goodness of his heart and character. For as much as we have enjoyed his iconic three-pointers and fade-away jumpers, he has given us so much more. In addition to being one of the greatest athletes to ever play in Dallas, Dirk Nowitzki is one of the best human beings to play in Dallas.

Madam Speaker, no one embodies the big, beautiful, diverse city of Dallas better than Dirk Nowitzki. Like me, he wasn't born in Dallas but made it his home, and we are grateful that he did. As he retires from professional basketball, we are delighted that he will always be a part of what makes Dallas great, and I wish my friend and his family the best in the days and years ahead.

## IN HONOR OF ALPHA OMICRON PI, OMEGA CHAPTER CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY

### HON. SUSAN W. BROOKS

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 12, 2019*

Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the Omega Chapter of Alpha Omicron Pi sorority in celebration of its 100th anniversary. As a proud past President of the chapter, who graduated in 1982, it is my high honor to congratulate the Omega Chapter at Miami University in Oxford,

Ohio in celebration of this special occasion. I, along with my sorority sisters, are forever grateful for the founders of Alpha Omicron Pi's commitment to ensuring young women develop lifelong friendships while enhancing one another's lives through scholarship and service.

Alpha Omicron Pi (AOII) has been an integral part of college campuses since its founding in 1897 by Stella George Stern Perry, Helen St. Clair Mullan, Elizabeth Heywood Wyman, and Jessie Wallace Hughan at Barnard College of Columbia University in New York City. The organization has seen tremendous growth since its inception as an all female sorority, with over 191,000 initiated members from 144 collegiate chapters. Members can be identified by their ruby pins, the red rose, and the Panda mascot. Each new member receives a pin upon her initiation, known as the AOII badge, where the Greek letters, Alpha, Omicron, and Pi are superimposed one upon the next in order.

Founded on the ideals of character, dignity, scholarship, and college loyalty, AOII helps young women cultivate values of accountability and ownership, collaboration, engagement, innovation, and open and honest communication skills. AOII's philanthropic values are demonstrated by a dedication to raising money for and spreading awareness of the Arthritis Foundation. By holding annual Strike Out Arthritis events both at the chapter and national levels, AOII has been able to contribute millions of dollars toward education initiatives and assistance for families affected by arthritis. AOII's fundamental hope in fundraising and education is to one day contribute to finding a cure for this disease that impacts millions of Americans.

The Omega Chapter was founded on January 4, 1919 at Miami University, originating from a local sorority named Kappa Tau Sigma. Founded in scholarship, AOII became the fourth sorority on Miami's campus. Originally holding chapter meetings in various classrooms, AOII eventually obtained a more permanent home in Hamilton Hall and later Richard Hall. Focused on the motto to "engage in service", AOII sisters have recently been involved with various philanthropies across the Oxford community, to name a few, including Spring Clean Oxford, Relay for Life, Miles for Smiles 5K, Adopt-a-School, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, and the Knolls of Oxford nursing home event where Miami athletic teams and Greek chapters are paired together to complete tasks. During the philanthropy round of recruitment, sisters also decorate t-shirts for stuffed panda bears that are given to patients at the Cincinnati Children's Hospital. From Strike Out Arthritis to the annual Red Rose Ball to the AOPirate Party, the sisters of the Omega chapter have cemented a lasting presence on the Miami campus.

A testament to the character and dedication of this talented group of women, the Omega Chapter has been honored with numerous awards and accolades. They've been awarded the AOII International's Jessie Wallace Hughan award in 1979 and various Miami Panhellenic awards such as the Outstanding Rush Award, Greek Week champions, and Songfest winners. Committed to character, dignity, scholarship, and loyalty the Omega Chapter was also honored with the Miami University Five Pillar Award for Excellence in Scholarship & Learning, Service & Philan-

thropy, Community, Leadership & Values, and Brotherhood & Sisterhood.

The sorority's personalized approach to membership has made the Omega Chapter home to a robust alumni network with graduates developing accomplished careers in business, non-profit, academic, community leadership, and government service across the country. The sorority's national publication, the *To Digma*, keeps all current and past members connected with ongoing events and the successes of various chapters nationwide.

It is important to our nation's future to encourage and raise a new generation of Americans who have the skills, knowledge, and compassion to make the world a better place. The sisters of the AOII Omega Chapter have demonstrated 100 years of commitment and service to others. Their outstanding work is an inspiration to the nation. Congratulations on a century of excellence in community service and for cultivating a network of caring, loving sisters who will work to ensure Alpha Omicron Pi's success in the next century. Love and honor to all AOII Omega sisters.

CONGRATULATING MR. AND MRS.  
CLIFFORD AND ANNA LEE  
JONES' 70TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. and Mrs. Clifford and Anna Lee Jones and congratulate them on their 70th Wedding Anniversary. This incredible milestone anniversary will be celebrated on May 25, 2019.

Clifford and Anna Lee both grew up on family farms in Wayne County, Missouri. After marrying on May 27, 1949, the young couple moved to O'Fallon in St. Charles County, MO where they raised three sons. Clifford and Anna Lee lived in Winfield upon retirement and eventually settled in Troy where they still reside today. Throughout their lives, Clifford and Anna Lee have exuded the hardworking mentality of Missouri and the Midwest. Clifford worked for Ford Motor Company and Kroger Warehouse both in Hazelwood. Anna Lee spent her working years at the plastic factory in St. Louis before joining H&K bakery located in O'Fallon—all while raising a family.

In their spare time, Clifford and Anna Lee continue to enjoy many hobbies. Clifford can often be found working on lawnmowers and cars. Anna Lee enjoys quilting and numerous crafts. In their retirement years, both Clifford and Anna Lee relish spending time with family and friends and attending functions at the Troy Senior Center. They also socialize throughout the week at Hardee's in Troy with their friend group that is often referred to as their "break-fast club".

Clifford and Anna Lee have been blessed with 3 sons, 7 grandchildren, 9 great grandchildren, and 1 great, great grandchild. They consider their family their proudest accomplishment, as many of us do.

Madam Speaker, I ask you to join me in congratulating Mr. and Mrs. Jones on their 70th Wedding Anniversary. May they have many more happy years to come.

TRIBUTE TO PAM HALL

HON. JIM JORDAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. JORDAN. Madam Speaker, I am honored to commend to the House the outstanding service of Pam Hall of Marion, Ohio, President of the Marion Area Chamber of Commerce. Pam is retiring after more than two decades in that role.

Pam first got involved with the Chamber during her 27-year career at the engineering firm Floyd Browne Associates, where she was the only woman to date to be offered a partnership. When the Chamber presidency became open, she sold her share in the company to take on this new challenge.

The Marion Chamber has remained strong under Pam's selfless leadership and commitment to the success of the local economy. She has been instrumental in helping area businesses connect and find common ways to solve problems. The community at large has benefited from her tireless work on the Leadership Marion program, which helps local entrepreneurs and others develop leadership skills.

Pam's work goes far beyond her service with the Chamber. She is a longtime United Way supporter, past president of Marion Noon Kiwanis, and a member of the Rotary Club of Marion. She also serves on the Marion County Foundation Board, the Marion Area Counseling Center Board, the Rushmore Academy Board, the Marion Matters Board, and many others. The Women's Business Council of Marion honored her with its 2017 ATHENA Leadership Award.

Several years ago, Pam was diagnosed with colon cancer. While she has continued her good work with the Chamber since her diagnosis, she has decided to step down to focus on her health. Throughout her treatment, she has openly shared the details of her diagnosis and treatment regimen so that others might learn and benefit from her experiences.

Madam Speaker, the Marion Area Chamber of Commerce will celebrate Pam's achievements at its annual barbecue on April 27. On behalf of the people of Ohio's Fourth Congressional District, I am proud to join in the accolades to her. She has my very best wishes and my thanks for her decades of service to the people of Marion.

INTRODUCTION OF A RESOLUTION  
TO EXPRESS SUPPORT FOR THE  
DESIGNATION OF APRIL 2019 AS  
NATIONAL DONATE LIFE MONTH

HON. J. LUIS CORREA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, April 12, 2019

Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, since 2003, April has been recognized as "National Donate Life Month." Every year, the month serves as an opportunity to encourage organ and tissue donor registration, recognize those individuals who continue to wait for an organ transplantation, and honor living and deceased donors and their families for their gift of life.

Today on Blue & Green Day, during which the public is encouraged to wear blue and