

Madam Speaker, I ask that the members of this chamber rise in honor of Mr. Lundgaard's life, and that we keep him and his family in our thoughts and prayers.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE FLOWER MOUND HIGH SCHOOL BOYS SOCCER TEAM

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 17, 2019

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor the Flower Mound High School Boys Soccer Team for winning the school's first Texas UIL 6A State Soccer Championship. Coach David Doyle led the Jaguars through a remarkable season, and I congratulate all players and coaches for reaching this goal.

In winning the state championship, the students have demonstrated teamwork, dedication, and perseverance. This year, the FMHS Boys Soccer Team has elevated the bar for future student athletes. Its seniors are leaving an impressive legacy for their school and the Flower Mound community.

The team earned the nickname "Cardiac Jags" for their hard-fought championship run. The championship game ended only after 100 scoreless minutes, when Brock Clayton delivered the game-winning shot in a 4–1 penalty kick shootout win against San Antonio L.E.E. Goalie Landon Leach was named the state championship game MVP for making a penalty kick save in regulation and a second save in the final shootout.

It is a privilege to represent Flower Mound High School in the U.S. House of Representatives. I am glad to join the students' family, friends, and North Texas community to celebrate the 2019 Flower Mound High School Boys Soccer Team's achievements, and I wish them every continued success.

NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

HON. DON BACON

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 17, 2019

Mr. BACON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor May 15, 2019 as Peace Officer Memorial Day and May 13 through the 19, 2019 as Police Week. I stand in support of those who put their lives on the line, day in and day out, for the protection of those within the State of Nebraska and all over the United States. My district is home to two sheriff offices, a large urban police force, numerous community police departments, the Nebraska State Patrol, and a hand full of federal agencies. They have unique differences in their responsibilities yet they are strikingly similar in how they function. The different shapes of the badges they wear on their chests proudly proclaims their distinct alliance to their home agency, but it is also a symbol that binds them all together into one brotherhood.

These gallant law enforcement professionals are driven to serve the public of their jurisdictions. To protect the life, limb, and property in their assigned patrol areas during their long

hours for which they have this solemn duty. To those on the front line of our safety; it is not about the pay, the hours, or the conditions they work in. What is of importance to them is the satisfaction of making the world a better and safer place. They are the thin blue line that stands between us and some of the darkest parts of our society.

When one of these brave individuals put on their uniform and departs their home for the streets, they are not worried for their own safety. They know their fellow officer have their back when needed. At great personal sacrifice, they are pained by missing the baseball games or recitals of beloved children; the birthdays and holidays they worked instead of being home with their families.

I, like so many other members of the military, have a very personal connection and appreciation for those who choose this profession. I spent nearly thirty years in the military and much of that time was deployed with combat forces protecting our freedoms overseas. The men and women in military uniform depend on those back home in the blue uniform.

Like so many others in the military, when I was overseas, I left my wife and children here in the U.S. As a former commander, I can tell you that the fastest way to negatively affect a soldier, sailor, airman, or marine within a combat situation was to have them worry about their family back home. Our great police officers, allow the military to be a success. I am in awe with the dedication that each officer displays daily. When our military is reunited with their family after a deployment, they can relax knowing their fellow public servants provide a shield of protection. This is a profession that takes a different type of individual, someone who is consistently putting their lives on the line, someone that I have always looked up to, a group of individuals that I cannot thank enough for the blanket of security that they provide.

There are members of the law enforcement community who serve, retire, and move on in their lives. Eventually they go home and lay down their badge in retirement, but they will no longer miss these family events. These professionals have the gratitude of the constituents of my district and I want to thank them for their dedication to protect and serve. I would like to honor some of these courageous people who have long distinguished careers or who recently retired. They are:

Deputy Sheriff David J. Wintle, of the Douglas County Sheriff's Office, for over 29 years of service (deceased). This included 13 years as a K-9 handler.

Deputy Sheriff Clarence Cooper, of the Sarpy County Sheriff's Office, for 22 years of service (deceased). He also served 20 years in the U.S. Air Force.

Officer Paul Briese Sr., of the Eppley Airfield Police Department, for 11 years of service (deceased). He also served 28 years with the Omaha Police Department and 4 years as the Sheriff of Boone County, NE.

Officer Robert Wondra, of the Omaha Police Department, for over 25 years of service (retired). This included 22 years as a member of their SWAT team. He also served in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Chief Les Johnson, of the Bennington Police Department, for 26 years of service (deceased).

Detective Matthew Elsasser, of the Papillion Police Department, for 13 years. He is the Pa-

illion Police Department's 2018 Officer of the Year.

I want to thank these officers and all others for their service and sacrifice.

HONORING DENNIS PEDISICH

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 17, 2019

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Dennis Pedisich for his involvement with Community Health Initiative and his leadership in providing health insurance to residents of Napa County.

Mr. Pedisich has been active in our community since earning his Master in Business Administration from Santa Clara University. He sat on the Community Health Initiative Board of Directors for nine years. During his time on the Board, he held many positions, including that of Vice President. Mr. Pedisich has selflessly given many hours of his time to the Community Health Initiative, which has provided over 18,000 uninsured individuals with health insurance and access to care.

Mr. Pedisich has been active in our community in other positions as well. He has been the President of the Napa Valley College Foundation, the Justin-Siena High School Board of Trustees, and the Kiwanis Club of Napa Valley. He also sits on the Board of Trustees for the Queen of the Valley Medical Center. As the former President of Napa Community Bank and Vice President of Rabobank, Mr. Pedisich has shared his expertise of the finance community with the local non-profit sector and has helped many businesses thrive through his generosity with his time and knowledge.

Madam Speaker, Mr. Pedisich is an active member of our community who uses his expertise to assist others and help important local institutions, such as the Community Health Initiative, thrive. The Community Health Initiative has been able to reach such a large number of Napa residents in no small part because of Mr. Pedisich. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor Dennis Pedisich here today.

TRIBUTE TO ANDRES D. SARABIA

HON. JOAQUIN CASTRO

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 17, 2019

Mr. CASTRO of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge and honor the passing of Mr. Andres D. Sarabia, a community leader in San Antonio, Texas. Mr. Sarabia dedicated his life to advocating on behalf of others and guiding people to use their own voice to hold their elected officials accountable. He passed away on Friday, May 3, 2019, and will be missed by the San Antonio community.

Mr. Sarabia served as the first president of Communities Organized for Public Service (COPS) and was actively involved with the organization's advocacy efforts for more than four decades. Through COPS, he worked to organize and empower local residents to

speak up on issues that affected their communities, working to address inequities in how local government services and resources were allocated. Mr. Sarabia and COPS successfully advocated across a diverse portfolio of issues, ranging from improvements in neighborhood infrastructure to the establishment of Palo Alto College on San Antonio's south side. The organization continues to serve as forum for residents to discuss and amplify their voices on important issues.

Perhaps Mr. Sarabia's most enduring legacy will be the foundation he helped establish through COPS and the steady stream of local leaders, activists and residents who have been empowered through the organization's work to engage with their government, advocate for the betterment of their community, and continue the important work of holding elected officials accountable.

I join my fellow residents of San Antonio in honoring Mr. Andres Sarabia's legacy of civic engagement, leadership and service.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BILL JOHNSON

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 17, 2019

Mr. JOHNSON of Ohio. Madam Speaker, I was absent during last night's amendment votes and final passage vote on H.R. 987 due to travel for an unavoidable medical appointment back in Ohio. Below is how I would have voted on the amendments and final passage.

Had I been present, I would have voted: YEA on Roll Call No. 210; NAY on Roll Call No. 211; NAY on Roll Call No. 212; YEA on Roll Call No. 213; and NAY on Roll Call No. 214.

FALLEN OFFICER
BRANCE—NATIONAL
WEEK 2019

REMEM-
POLICE

HON. MICHAEL GUEST

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 17, 2019

Mr. GUEST. Madam Speaker, earlier this week, the 38th Annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service honored the men and women who paid the ultimate sacrifice upholding the rule of law and protecting the people of our great nation. Last year, Mississippi lost five officers in the line of duty. I'd like to honor them as we remember their service and sacrifice. Please join me in honoring:

POLICE OFFICER EMMETT PAUL MORRIS

Emmett Paul Morris, 61, lost his life in the Line of Duty May 17, 2018, in a vehicle crash. He served with the Raleigh Police Department for two years. He is survived by his wife of 20 years, Dean King Morris; daughter, Candice Lea Morris; son, Paul Scott Morris; three step sons; and twelve grandchildren. He served with the Reservoir Police Department prior to his service with Raleigh Police Department.

CORPORAL WALTER ZACHERY MOAK

Walter Zachery Moak, 31, lost his life in the Line of Duty September 29, 2018, by gunfire. He was employed with the Brookhaven Police Department for three years and had previously worked for the Wesson Police Department and Lincoln County Sheriffs Department. Zach devoted his time to his family and enjoyed working with and helping people in his community.

PATROLMAN JAMES KEVIN WHITE

James Kevin White, 35, also lost his life in the Line of Duty September 29, 2018, by gunfire. He was employed with the Brookhaven Police Department for 3 months and was previously employed with Lawrence County Sheriffs Department, where he worked for many years. He was a soldier in the Army National Guard and served his country in Operation Iraqi Freedom. James was a Purple Heart recipient. He is survived by two children.

PATROL OFFICER LEANN SIMPSON

LeAnn Simpson, 23, lost her life in the Line of Duty November 24, 2018, in a vehicle crash. She worked with the Philadelphia Police Department for 15 months. She was also a U.S. Army veteran joining the U.S. Army at the age of 17. She is survived by her parents, James and Wilma Simpson-McMillan, three sisters and four brothers.

POLICE OFFICER ROBERT MCKEITHEN

Robert McKeithen, 58, lost his life in the Line of Duty May 5, 2019, by gunfire. Officer McKeithen was a U.S. Air Force veteran. He had served with the Biloxi Police Department for 24 years and was planning on retiring by the end of the year. He received the Medal of Valor when he risked his life to save four children during Hurricane Katrina. He enjoyed spending time with his family and was deeply involved in his community. He is survived by his wife, daughter, stepdaughter, and two stepsons.

Ronald Reagan once said, "there can be no more noble vocation than the protection of one's fellow citizens." May we remember these brave officers, their service to protecting our communities, and the sacrifice they made for the people who call Mississippi home.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL PRODUCTION OF EURIPIDES' MEDEA

HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 17, 2019

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, today I rise to congratulate the cast and crew of Central High School's production of Euripides' Medea, which won the 2019 Texas UIL Class 6A State One-Act Play Championship.

This is the first time that Central High School has won the State One-Act Play Championship, a remarkable artistic accomplishment, in school history. This victory was a team effort, and all members of the cast and crew have rightfully earned this honor.

I also congratulate Ms. Renee Powell for earning a spot on the State All-Star Cast and

Mr. Jose Gonzalez for earning an Honorable Mention. This recognition of their talent and dedication is well-deserved.

I am glad to join the entire Keller ISD community in celebrating the success of these students, and I wish them every continued success in their academic and professional endeavors.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 17, 2019

Mr. BERGMAN. Madam Speaker, on Roll Call Vote Nos. 197, 198, 199, 200, 201 and 202 from May 10, 2019 I am not recorded because I was not present in the House. I was presiding over a commissioning ceremony for my cousin, Joe Gutske, who was newly commissioned in the Army as a 2nd Lieutenant in the University of North Dakota's ROTC program.

Had I been present, I would have voted: NAY on Roll Call No. 197; NAY on Roll Call No. 198; NAY on Roll Call No. 199; YEA on Roll Call No. 200; YEA on Roll Call No. 201; and NAY on Roll Call No. 202.

RECOGNIZING BARBARA STANFIELD AS A HOSPITAL HERO OF 2019

HON. DENVER RIGGLEMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, May 17, 2019

Mr. RIGGLEMAN. Madam Speaker, this week marks National Hospital Week. As such, I'd like to recognize the important work being done by one of my constituents, Ms. Barbara Stanfield. Barbara works at LifePoint Health's Sova Health in Danville, Virginia, and has been selected as a 2019 Hospital Hero by the Federation of American Hospitals, an award recognizing hospital employee for their dedicated work inside and outside the four walls of their hospital.

Barbara Stanfield has been a fixture at Sova Health for over 40 years and is best known for small acts of kindness that have a significant impact on those around her. Barbara works to comfort those receiving a difficult diagnosis, as she battled both multiple sclerosis and cancer. She further channels her experience with illness through her service on the hospital's cancer committee, which focuses on improving care, resources, and education for cancer patients in the community.

Barbara's commitment to those in need doesn't stop when she leaves the hospital though; she also supports the Relay for Life, United Way, and the Boys & Girls Club.

Madam Speaker, I hope you'll join me in congratulating Barbara Stanfield for her recognition as a Hospital Hero of 2019.