

and enjoy a delicious meal prepared on the farm.

I am grateful to Goers Family Dairy for hosting the 2019 Shawano County Brunch on the Farm. One hundred and fifty years ago, Goers Family Dairy was established in the town of Herman. Brothers Jeff and Matt Goers, fifth-generation farmers, currently operate the dairy and milk over 200 cows. The milk generated by the dairy's cows is sent to Saputo Cheese in Black Creek and made into a variety of cheeses. It is evident the agricultural community greatly respects the Goers' contributions to the dairy industry as Matt was recently honored by the Shawano Area Agricultural Society as Shawano County's Outstanding Young Farmer of the Year.

The Shawano County Farm Bureau organizes the annual Brunch on the Farm by recruiting host farms, sponsors, and volunteers to support this terrific event. Comprised of farmers and agribusiness professionals, the Shawano County Farm Bureau promotes agricultural education, leadership and awareness within the community.

Madam Speaker, I urge all members of this body to join me in commending the efforts of Brunch on the Farm to educate the community through this time-honored tradition. Thank you to Goers Family Dairy, the Shawano County Farm Bureau, and the countless sponsors and volunteers for their continued support of Wisconsin's dairy industry.

HONORING GAIL F. HOOD

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable professional, Ms. Gail F. Hood.

Ms. Hood started her Law Enforcement career in 1990 with the Belzoni Police Department as a Telecommunicator. Ms. Hood later became a TAC Officer (Training Agency Coordinator) for the Belzoni Police Department. Ms. Hood's responsibilities included: Implementing policies and procedures, scheduling of work assignments, preparing for audits, and executing telecommunication training.

In April 2000, Ms. Hood transferred to the Humphrey's County Sheriffs Department, as Office Administrator. Ms. Hood is responsible for the direction, coordination and overall management of the department. Ms. Hood is responsible for assisting in implementing personnel policies and procedures, scheduling of work assignments and executing the objectives set by the Executive Officer. As Administrator, Ms. Hood additionally has an opportunity to apply and assist in obtaining grant funds for the Sheriffs Department. She also assists in other areas of the grant process including initializing, research, following-up communication and reports. Ms. Hood analyzes, monitors, and prepares weekly and monthly reports; cash journal reports, request for purchase orders, inventory receiving clerk, assisting in budget formulation and modification, audit preparation and reimbursements. Ms. Hood will follow all the guidelines set forth by the state for the allocation of said funds.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Ms. Gail Hood for her dedi-

cation to serving others and giving back to the community.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, I had a family commitment and so I missed Roll Call vote number 324 regarding the "Lesko Amendment to H.R. 2740." Had I been present, I would have voted "No."

I missed Roll Call vote number 325 regarding the "Jackson Lee Amendment to H.R. 2740." Had I been present, I would have voted "Yes."

I missed Roll Call vote number 326 regarding the "Jackson Lee Amendment to H.R. 2740." Had I been present, I would have voted "Yes."

I missed Roll Call vote number 327 regarding the "Gosar/Luetkemeyer Amendment to H.R. 2740." Had I been present, I would have voted "No."

I missed Roll Call vote number 328 regarding the "Grijalva Amendment to H.R. 2740." Had I been present, I would have voted "Yes."

I missed Roll Call vote number 329 regarding the "Gosar Amendment to H.R. 2740." Had I been present, I would have voted "No."

I missed Roll Call vote number 330 regarding the "Speier to H.R. 2740." Had I been present, I would have voted "Yes."

I missed Roll Call vote number 331 "Meadows Amendment to H.R. 2740." Had I been present, I would have voted "Yes."

I missed Roll Call vote number 332 regarding the "Lowey Amendments to H.R. 2740." Had I been present, I would have voted "Yes."

I missed Roll Call vote number 333 regarding the "Empowering Beneficiaries, Ensuring Access, and Strengthening Accountability Act of 2019, as amended." Had I been present, I would have voted "Yes."

I missed Roll Call vote number 334 regarding the "Grothman Amendment to H.R. 2740." Had I been present, I would have voted "No."

I missed Roll Call vote number 335 regarding the "Walker Amendment to H.R. 2740." Had I been present, I would have voted "No."

I missed Roll Call vote number 336 regarding the "Palmer Amendment to H.R. 2740." Had I been present, I would have voted "No."

I missed Roll Call vote number 337 regarding the "Arrington Amendment to H.R. 2740." Had I been present, I would have voted "No."

I missed Roll Call vote number 338 regarding the "Banks Amendment to H.R. 2740." Had I been present, I would have voted "No."

I missed Roll Call vote number 339 regarding the "Lowey Amendments to H.R. 2740." Had I been present, I would have voted "Yes."

I missed Roll Call vote number 340 regarding the "Allen Amendment to H.R. 2740." Had I been present, I would have voted "No."

I missed Roll Call vote number 341 regarding the "Visclosky Amendments to H.R. 2740." Had I been present, I would have voted "Yes."

RECOGNIZING HARRY PFISTER
AND MANNA ON MAIN STREET

HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize an outstanding citizen from Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, who is working tirelessly to make our community a better place.

Master Harry Pfister, a 7th Degree Black Belt who serves as Vice President of Villari's Pennsylvania and Owner and Chief Instructor at Villari's of Chalfont, has been using his karate expertise as a way to assist a nonprofit organization in Lansdale. Since the 1990s, Master Pfister has hosted a "Kick-A-Thon," which to date has raised over \$100,000 for Manna on Main Street. This year, \$10,500 was raised.

I applaud Master Pfister for his work, and appreciate the commitment of Manna on Main Street to ending food insecurity in the North Penn region.

INTRODUCTION OF THE FEDERAL
POLICE CAMERA AND ACCOUNT-
ABILITY ACT OF 2019

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, today, Representative DONALD S. BEYER, Jr. and I introduced the Federal Police Camera and Accountability Act of 2019. This bill would require uniformed federal law enforcement officers to wear body cameras and marked police vehicles to have dashboard cameras. It would also require the Government Accountability Office to conduct a study on federal police officers' training, vehicle pursuits, use of force and interaction with citizens.

On November 17, 2017, Bijan Ghaisar was fatally shot in his car by uniformed U.S. Park Police officers in Fairfax County, Virginia; after a vehicle pursuit on the George Washington Memorial Parkway. Video of this shooting only became available through a camera in a Fairfax County Police Department patrol car that was providing backup. Had it not been for that footage, which was recorded and released by that local police department, the public would not have had access to the circumstances surrounding Mr. Ghaisar's death. Moreover, the footage revealed concerns about the Park Police's pursuit and engagement policies.

Body-worn and dashboard cameras for federal law enforcement officers are particularly important for the officers stationed in the nation's capital, where Park Police and the uniformed division of the U.S. Secret Service have full local police powers. Many other federal police also have local police powers near their respective agency buildings in the District of Columbia. Cameras can increase transparency for individual interactions with police, strengthen public trust and even deter future criminal behavior. For example, when criminals know that they are being recorded by a dashboard camera, they may be less likely to flee the scene of a traffic accident because

they realize that their license plate will be documented. Criminals may also be less likely to batter an officer because the recording may be used as evidence. On the other hand, officers will also be less likely to commit offenses for the same reason. Body-worn and dashboard cameras can also be used to train current and future officers more effectively in best and worst practices.

An increasing number of local law enforcement officers, including Metropolitan Police Department officers in the District, are wearing body cameras and using dashboard cameras. It is clear that both law enforcement and the public would benefit from federal officers following suit to increase transparency and maintain public trust.

I urge my colleagues to support this legislation.

RECOGNIZING THE 2019 PRINCE WILLIAM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE VALOR AWARD RECIPIENTS OF THE PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF FIRE AND RESCUE

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Prince William County Department of Fire and Rescue and its outstanding members who have demonstrated superior dedication to public safety and are the 2019 recipients of the prestigious Prince William Chamber of Commerce Merit Award and Valorous Unit Award for their service. The annual Prince William Chamber of Commerce Valor Awards recognize remarkable heroism and bravery above and beyond the line of duty exemplified by our public safety and law enforcement professionals.

For the past 33 years, the Prince William Chamber of Commerce has paid tribute to our firefighters, police officers, and emergency personnel for their extraordinary service. These brave men and women put their lives at risk on a daily basis to keep our families and neighborhoods safe. For fire and rescue personnel, no two days are alike. Always on the front lines, the Prince William County Department of Fire and Rescue is comprised of three sections: community safety, operations, and support systems. Dedicated service members of a combination career and volunteer system fight fires, provide emergency medical services, perform rescues, and work in our community to promote fire safety and prevention.

The Department of Fire and Rescue was founded in 1966, when just about 50,000 people lived in Prince William County. Through the years, the Department has had to continuously adapt as the population rapidly expanded to over 430,000 people. Yet, our Fire and Rescue department continues to provide high quality and efficient firefighting and emergency medical services to our community. They provide around the clock services from 22 fire stations in a county spanning 348 square miles.

In recognition of their acts of valor, it is my honor to include in the Record the following names of the Prince William County Department of Fire and Rescue public safety personnel:

Merit Award for Valor: Technician I Cody Durham, Lieutenant Nick Feliciano, Technician II Chris Gott, Lieutenant Kenneth Zack.

Valorous Unit: Technician II Christopher Clark, Technician II Daniel Jackson, Technician I Kevin Ganssle, Technician I Michael Baker, Captain Brian Ferguson, Technician I Victor Vega, Technician I Aldo Bonilla, Technician I Michael Chergosky.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleague to join me in recognizing the 2019 Prince William Chamber of Commerce Valor Award recipients of the Prince William County Department of Fire and Rescue. The selfless acts of heroism by this distinguished group of men and women truly merits our highest praise. I thank each honoree, as well as all Prince William County Department of Fire and Rescue public safety professionals for their dedication and commitment to the protection of our communities.

DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2020

SPEECH OF

HON. STEVE CHABOT

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 13, 2019

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2740) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes:

Mr. CHABOT. Mr. Chair, I believe that additional Congressional emphasis on demining efforts in Nagorno-Karabakh is unnecessary at this time since demining will be complete next year, according to the Halo Trust.

Moving forward, we all hope that peace between Azerbaijan and Armenia is on the horizon. And it very well may be. In a few weeks, senior U.S. negotiators will meet with the Foreign Ministers of both Azerbaijan and Armenia to advance the prospect of peace in Nagorno-Karabakh under the Minsk Process. As we watch this process which is clearly working, Congress should let negotiations play out.

RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF JUNETEENTH NATIONAL FREEDOM DAY

HON. STEVE KING

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Mr. KING of Iowa. Madam Speaker, today, I rise to recognize, June 19th, 2019 as Juneteenth National Freedom Day. Juneteenth, or the "19th of June", recognizes the day, in 1865, in Galveston, Texas, when Union Army Major General Gordon Granger announced freedom for all slaves in Texas.

Major General Granger's arrival in Galveston occurred more than two years after the Emancipation Proclamation was signed and enforced by President Lincoln. Upon the

issuance of General Order No. 3 by Major General Granger, the former slaves, and now free men and women celebrated ecstatically. Currently, 46 states recognize Juneteenth as an official state holiday.

In 2002, I proposed "An Act relating to the designation of a Juneteenth National Freedom Day" in the Iowa Senate. That bill was enacted by the Iowa General Assembly and was signed into law by then Governor Thomas J. Vilsack. The proclamation encouraged all state governmental entities, civil organizations, educational institutions to "observe the day ... (the third Saturday in June) in a manner that emphasizes the meaning and importance of the Emancipation Proclamation that ended slavery and to recognize and celebrate the importance of [Juneteenth] to every person who cherishes liberty and equality for all people." This historic legislation was passed unanimously by the Iowa State House and Senate, and the signature by Governor Vilsack designated Iowa as the seventh state to recognize Juneteenth as a state holiday.

Madam Speaker, I thank you for allowing me to recognize Juneteenth National Freedom Day and I hope we, as a Congress, continue to recognize and to acknowledge this important piece of American history and the advancements we have made since then.

SSB 3151

An Act relating to the designation of a Juneteenth National Freedom Day

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. *New Section.* 1C.12 Juneteenth National Freedom Day.

The governor of this state is hereby authorized and requested to issue annually a proclamation designating the third Saturday in June as Juneteenth National Freedom Day and to encourage all governmental entities, civic organizations, schools, and institutions of higher education in the state to observe the day in a manner that emphasizes the meaning and importance of the emancipation proclamation that ended slavery in the United States and to recognize and celebrate the importance of this day to every person who cherishes liberty and equality for all people.

EXPLANATION

This bill authorizes and requests the governor to issue annually a proclamation designating the third Saturday in June as Juneteenth National Freedom Day. The proclamation is also intended to encourage all governmental entities, civic organizations, schools, and institutions of higher education in the state to observe the day in a manner that emphasizes the meaning and importance of the emancipation proclamation that ended slavery in the United States and to recognize and celebrate the importance of this day to every person who cherishes liberty and equality for all people.

SF 2273

(Successor to SSB 3151)

Passed Senate, Date 2/28/02; Passed House, Date 3/21/02.

Vote: Ayes 47 Nays 0; Vote: Ayes 95 Nays 0. Approved April 11, 2002.

An Act relating to the designation of a Juneteenth National Freedom Day.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. *New Section.* 1C.12 Juneteenth National Freedom Day.

The governor of this state is hereby authorized and requested to issue annually a