

CARVER SENIOR CENTER IN
GARLAND, TX

HON. COLIN Z. ALLRED

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

Mr. ALLRED. Madam Speaker, I congratulate the people of Garland on the re-opening of the Carver Senior Center. This building has been a pillar of the community for decades, and I commend the City of Garland and Carver Alumni Programs and Services for investing in this facility and keeping its legacy alive.

This building holds historical significance for the City of Garland, as it previously served African-American students as the George Washington Carver School for Negroes before Garland schools desegregated. Throughout that time, the building also served as a cultural center for Garland's African American community.

I commend the alumni of the Carver School, the City of Garland, and community leaders who, through a partnership with the Council of Governments, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, were able to secure federal funds to renovate the facility and fight to keep the center open for the seniors that needed it.

The center will now be able to provide recreation, wellness check-ups, nutrition programs, and companionship for low-income senior citizens in Garland. I thank everyone who came together to ensure this building could continue to serve our community. They represent the best of Texas.

HONORING TIM FLOYD

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, during the unrest and riots in Haiti in June, Tim Floyd, International Peace Artist from South Carolina, presented a PeacePainting to the Musée du Panthéon National Haïtien in Port-au-Prince. Haiti is the first country in the world to receive a PeacePainting.

Over the next several years, Floyd will paint a series of 195 paintings to gift to each country in the world. The art is called PeacePaintings195. Each piece is a two foot by two foot wood panel. The mixed media work uses acrylics, oil, and encaustics. Each painting is meditative using only muted colors with low contrast.

Floyd wants to spread peace with art because the language of art breaks all barriers. The goal is to spark conversations about peace. And through these conversations, actions. And through those actions, peace. Bonds of peace create unity between friends. Bonds of peace have kept communities together. Bonds of peace have caused countries to be allies.

Floyd studied art at the University of South Carolina. His paintings hang in homes and corporate headquarters across America as well as Germany, England and Italy. Art is his

way of leaving bread crumbs of the journey of life to hopefully bring pleasure, encouragement and beauty to fellow travelers who are also passing through.

HONORING THE FRENCH LAUNDRY

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. THOMPSON of California. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize The French Laundry for providing 25 years of exceptional service and world-class cuisine to residents and visitors of Napa Valley, California and to honor the restaurant for its commitment to excellence for every dish prepared and every guest served.

Owner and Chef Thomas Keller began exploring his love of food cooking in restaurants in Florida and New York. He then honed his skills and talents at Michelin-starred restaurants in France. Chef Keller had dreamed of opening a destination restaurant specializing in French Cuisine in the Napa Valley and chose the historic two-story cottage in Yountville to open the French Laundry in 1994. The building dates from 1900 and is in the National Register of Historic Places, just one of the reasons the building is known locally and world-wide. Within several months of its opening, the restaurant's delectable cuisine and exquisite service was being recognized by publications such as the San Francisco Chronicle.

The French Laundry has received numerous hard-earned and well-deserved honors over the past 25 years. It was named the "Best Restaurant in the World" by Restaurant Magazine in both 2003 and 2004, earned the prestigious "Outstanding Restaurant Award" from the James Beard Foundation in 2007, and has received three stars, the highest possible rating, from the Michelin Guide every year since 2007. The French Laundry has also earned the Wine Spectator's Grand Award every year since 2007 and was inducted into the Culinary Hall of Fame in 2012. The French Laundry has become a world-renowned culinary destination and its international accolades highlight Napa Valley's outstanding culinary community.

Chef Keller is a revered internationally known chef and the only American born chef to earn multiple three-star ratings from the Michelin Guide. He has also received The Culinary Institute of America's "Chef of the Year" Award, the James Beard Foundation's "Outstanding Chef" and "Outstanding Restaurateur" Awards, and has been designated a Chevalier of The French Legion of Honor. For his menu he uses the finest fresh ingredients and wine from our community, bringing attention to the Napa Valley's agricultural heritage.

Madam Speaker, The French Laundry is an important restaurant and institution in our community that is committed to providing the best food and service to their guests. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor The French Laundry on its 25th anniversary.

IN RECOGNITION OF BUSINESS
HIGH POINT—CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ON THEIR 100TH YEAR
ANNIVERSARY

HON. TED BUDD

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

Mr. BUDD. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Business High Point—Chamber of Commerce on their 100th year anniversary.

In 1919, a small group of volunteers founded the High Point Chamber of Commerce to improve the community and foster long-term economic growth.

As High Point has grown and changed, so has its Chamber of Commerce. Today, its membership includes over 950 businesses representing a plethora of economic industries across Guilford County and beyond. Additionally, there are now hundreds of volunteers and nine staff members eager to create positive change for their community.

Daily, this Chamber works in honor of its mission to, "initiate, inspire, and accelerate the kind of change that propels its members to success and its community to prominence." I applaud the Chamber, its members, volunteers and staff for working hard to improve our community and strengthen partnerships.

Madam Speaker, please join me today in honoring the 100th anniversary of Business High Point—Chamber of Commerce.

**IN RECOGNITION OF THE LIFE OF
CAPTAIN THOMAS KENNEY**

HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

Mr. KEATING. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of the life of Captain Thomas Kenney, a resident of Hyannis, Massachusetts and dedicated firefighter of more than 36 years.

Thomas was born in Boston and began a lifetime of public service working with the Boston Ambulance Squad, in addition to serving as an EMT and paramedic with Boston EMS. Upon graduating from Boston City Hospital, he moved to the Cape and began his career with the Hyannis Fire Department.

His commitment to serving and protecting his community led him to the admirable position of rescue team manager for the newly formed Massachusetts Task Force 1, Urban Search & Rescue. Under this role, Thomas was deployed to the 1996 Atlanta Summer Olympics, the 1999 Worcester Cold Storage fire, and more. On September 11, 2001, he and his team bravely answered the call to serve as Ground Zero responders only five hours after the first attack took place.

Thomas' deep-seated love of giving back led him to the field of education, where he found opportunities to teach the skills that carried him throughout his career. He would go on to become a nationally recognized instructor with Heavy Rescue Incorporated, in addition to teaching EMS and fire rescue both at home in Hyannis and on the road.

Tragically, Thomas passed away on June 5, 2019. His devotion will live on through both

the family he took great pride in raising, and the enduring legacy of his service. Madam Speaker, I am proud to honor the life of Captain Thomas Kenney. I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing his many years of dedication to his community and his country.

IN MEMORY OF MR. JAMES A.
"BUD" CODY, SR.

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Madam Speaker, it is with a heavy heart and solemn remembrance that I rise today to pay tribute to a dedicated leader and true champion for the law enforcement community, Mr. James A. "Bud" Cody, Sr. Sadly, Bud passed away on Thursday, June 13, 2019. A public memorial celebrating his life and legacy will be held on Saturday, July 13, 2019, at 2 p.m. at the Georgia Public Safety Training Center in Forsyth, Georgia.

James A. "Bud" Cody, Sr. was born on November 27, 1938, in Willacoochee, Georgia to the union of the late Homer and Mellie Cody. At a young age, he was destined to be a part of something greater than himself. While attending Valdosta High School, he was a member of the school's famed football program and state winning 4x4 track relay team. At the age of 18, he began working full-time at the Boys Club in Valdosta, and it was then that Bud realized his passion for helping underprivileged youth reach their full potential. As a full-time father and husband, Bud attended night classes at Valdosta State College and in 1961, he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Sociology and Social Work. Upon his graduation, the Boys Club relocated him to Texas where he was instrumental in the establishment of several Boys Club facilities across Louisiana, Texas, and New Mexico.

Bud discovered his second passion for serving the Office of Sheriff through improving law enforcement and training in 1966 when the Georgia Sheriffs' Association (GSA) hired him to serve as their first Executive Director. That same year, he began his tenure as the Director of the Georgia Sheriffs' Youth Homes' Boys Ranch in Hahira, Georgia and as the Treasurer for the Sheriffs' Retirement Fund of Georgia (SRFG). He actively served in all three roles until his retirement in September of 2012. During his 46-year tenure as the Executive Director of the Georgia Sheriffs' Association, he was sought after by several Georgia governors (ranging from Governor Sanders on Governor Perdue) for his advice and counsel on matters relating to improving law enforcement throughout the state.

Bud's impact on the law enforcement community expanded in 1978, when he joined his friend and business partner, Claude Grizzard, to form the company, Computer Fund Raising (CFR), which provided financial assistance to millions of officers and youth in over 30 states. In 1980, in an effort to nationally protect and preserve the Office of Sheriff, Bud worked with Bobby Timmons of the Alabama Sheriffs' Association to form the National Sheriff's Association Committee of Presidents and Executive Directors. In 1982, Bud used his position as Treasurer of the SRFG to assume control of

the Fund's \$9 million in assets and helped increase it to its current total of \$97 million, to ensure that those who gave their lives to protect and serve receive retirement funds. Bud took his passion one step further in 1990 when he worked with state leaders, criminal justice practitioners, and Sheriffs to establish the Georgia Public Safety Training Center in Forsyth, Georgia, a world-class public safety training facility that trains more than 2,000 students daily. He also helped create safe havens and educational opportunities for thousands of Georgia's youth by overseeing the development of youth homes in Cherokee Estate, Pineland, Herrington, Homestead, and Mountain View, Georgia. Additionally, in 1995, he and the GSA created the Georgia Sheriffs' Youth Homes Foundation, which currently holds \$15 million in assets for their on-going youth homes.

Bud accomplished much in his life; but, none of it would have been possible without the Grace of God and the love and support of his family—including his children, James, Jr., Derek, Camille, Amy, and Celena (deceased); his twelve grandchildren; and his four great-grandchildren. Maya Angelou once said, "A great soul serves everyone all the time. A great soul never dies." Bud is undoubtedly great because of his selfless service, devotion to his work, and the compassion he showed for his friends and loved ones. Bud's impression on this earth extends beyond himself to the very well-being of the communities in which he lived and served.

Madam Speaker, my wife, Vivian, and I, along with the almost 730,000 people in Georgia's Second Congressional District, salute Mr. James A. "Bud" Cody, Sr. for an outstanding career within law enforcement and his lifelong dedication to serving his community. I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join us in extending our deepest sympathies to Bud's family, friends, and loved ones during this difficult time. We pray that they will be consoled and comforted by an abiding faith and the Holy Spirit in the days, weeks, and months ahead.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE AMERICAN
LEGION SULLIVAN-WALLEN
POST 11'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. MIKE GALLAGHER

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

Mr. GALLAGHER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor American Legion Sullivan-Wallen Post 11 as its members celebrate the 100th Anniversary of their charter in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

Post 11 was founded in July of 1919 as a patriotic veterans organization dedicated to supporting America's service members and veterans. The Post was named after veterans Francis Sullivan and Earl Wallen. Francis Sullivan, who grew up in Green Bay, died serving in France during WWI. Earl Wallen of Pensaukee, Wisconsin served in WWII on the USS *California*, during the attack on Pearl Harbor. Wallen, a Marine private first class, was killed after he volunteered to climb up to the battleship's crow's nest to fire a machine gun at attacking Japanese planes. The legacies of Sullivan and Wallen continue to be taught and honored by Post 11.

Post 11 also has close ties to the Green Bay Packers. In the 1920s, Post 11 became a beneficiary of the Packers in the event the team was relocated or sold. Post 11 is also the only permanent color guard in the NFL. The Post presents the colors before every home Packer game, a tradition dating back to the 1940s.

Post 11 is one of the largest American Legion posts in the area with over 600 members. The Post organizes fundraising events to support veteran programs, such as their annual Booyah Bash, a community favorite. The Post hosts youth programs including a marksmanship program to learn rifle safety, a Christmas party, and an Easter egg hunt. The Post also sponsors high school students to attend Badger Boys State.

Madam Speaker, I urge all members of this body to join me in thanking Post 11 for its 100 years of support of service members, veterans, and the Green Bay community.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MARIO DIAZ-BALART

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

Mr. DIAZ-BALART. Speaker, I rise today to include in RECORD how I would have voted on H.R. 2515, H.R. 3050, and H.R. 2409. I was unable to vote yesterday because my scheduled flight was cancelled. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" for each bill.

HONORING ASSISTANT CHIEF LUIZ
CASANOVA ON THE OCCASION OF
HIS RETIREMENT

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

Ms. DeLAURO. Madam Speaker, it is my privilege to rise today to pay tribute to an outstanding member of our community and a dear friend as he retires after years of dedicated service to the New Haven Police Department—Assistant Chief Luiz Casanova. Assistant Chief Casanova has dedicated a lifetime to public service and his presence at the Department will most certainly be missed.

In a career that has spanned decades, Assistant Chief Casanova has demonstrated a unique commitment to public service and law enforcement. He began his career at the State of Connecticut Department of Corrections and it was there where he says he first learned that the prison system was broken. It was also from his experience with the Department of Corrections that he found his true calling. He wanted to make a difference about the way people in his neighborhood were being treated by law enforcement, so he chose to try to make the change from inside the organization. Upon joining the New Haven Police Department, he rose through the ranks, dedicating himself to the community policing concept and finishing his career as Assistant Chief.

Too often we take for granted the incredible work of our law enforcement officials. I have always held a deep admiration for our community's police officers—each day facing new