

yards wide. Coach Trimble was the most successful high school coach in Oklahoma history with 13 State championships, and in 2017, Jenks High School affectionately renamed their stadium the “Allan Trimble Stadium” in his honor.

He was inducted into the Oklahoma Sports Hall of Fame in 2018. Trimble believed that when you make better people, you make better players. For Coach Trimble, winning on the field was a by-product of winning off the field, keeping your priorities of faith, family, and football, in that order.

Coach Trimble was a master mentor who spent his entire adult life pouring his wisdom into high school students and young adults. Countless people were blessed by his mentorship.

Despite his battle with ALS, Coach Trimble continued to believe that he was blessed and needed to bless others.

Coach Trimble spent his last year developing the Trimble Strong Foundation, a continuation of his efforts to serve others and mentor the next generation.

Last week, Coach Trimble left this earthly pain to join our Father in Heaven.

He is remembered a hero by thousands of lives he touched both on and off the football field. Oklahoma will never forget his legacy of service and of selflessness, faith, and football.

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CONGRATULATING STATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS

Mr. KEVIN HERN of Oklahoma. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of three high school football teams in my district who won statewide football State championships this weekend.

In 6A Division I, Owasso High School, coached by Bill Blankenship, had an impeccable and undefeated season, earning their second State championship in 3 years.

In 6A Division II, Bixby High School, coached by Loren Montgomery, cruised to an undefeated season as well, winning State for the fifth time in 6 years.

In 3A, Lincoln Christian School, coached by Jerry Ricke, also went undefeated this year. They sailed through the playoffs to a victory in the State finals on Saturday.

Congratulations to the Rams, the Spartans, and the Bulldogs. These players and coaches worked hard all year to earn these championships.

In addition to these championship teams, Oklahoma’s First District had several teams make it to the finals. Jenks High School took runner-up in 6A Division I. Metro Christian School is playing in this weekend’s 2A championship game. And Regent Prep is playing for the Class B championship.

With so many exceptional teams, Friday nights are never boring in Tulsa.

HONORING LIFE AND LEGACY OF JAKE BURTON CARPENTER

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Vermont (Mr. WELCH) for 5 minutes.

Mr. WELCH. Mr. Speaker, on November 20, 2019, only 3 weeks ago, Vermont lost a great Vermonter and an inspiring American, Jake Burton Carpenter, the person who started Burton Snowboards, the person who actually created the whole sport of boarding.

Jake was a great Vermonter and pioneer of snowboarding. He was a great husband to his wife, best friend, and business partner for decades, Donna Carpenter, and the proud father of George, Taylor, and Timi, snowboarders or riders all.

Jake’s life was one of great effort, inspiring originality, perpetual decency, and deep love of the snowboarding sport Jake created, deep love of the people who came to the sport, and deep love of his community and all the people who worked in his company.

Snowboarding in 2019 is a wildly popular sport that Jake started. It has a prominent place in our Winter Olympic Games, and it has extraordinary champions. It was once shunned and prohibited in all our ski areas.

Mr. Speaker, you couldn’t bring a board to a mountain, and it was because the kids who wanted to do this were rambunctious, energetic, and Jake would sometimes say disrespectful of their elders. But they loved to ride, loved to be outdoors, and loved to be with each other. It was this culture of community that Jake created as much as this extraordinary sport that allowed people to demonstrate amazing physical skills.

He started this company in Stratton, Vermont. He worked as a bartender at night. During the day, he worked not in his garage but in a barn at a house where he was housesitting. By himself, he was making these snowboards.

This is one of his early Burton Snowboards.

With Donna, whom he met in 1982 and married in 1983, he then started promoting to ski areas to let these rambunctious kids ride. Ski area after ski area relented and ultimately came to see riding as the economic future of their mountains because as ski trips have gone down, boarding has gone up.

The company that Jake left behind that he started out of nothing now has about 32 percent of the sales in this huge market, about \$400 million. It is over a \$1 billion industry. It has over 1,000 employees in six different countries.

Riding today is something you do if you dare. It wasn’t always so. When Jake started in 1977, he started from nothing, but he loved it.

After he graduated from NYU in 1977 and a short stint on Wall Street, the last time I think Jake ever wore a suit, he went to pursue his dream in Vermont. He marketed this board initially to 22-year-olds. Then he realized that when he was a kid, the first time that he got on something that was the predecessor to these beautiful Burton Snowboards, it was two skis bound together with a rope at the top called a Snurfer, and he was 15 or 16. He started

marketing to even younger kids. They went outside, got on the mountain, and then a sport was born.

Mr. Speaker, so many champions have been folks who rode these boards in their glory. One of them, of course, was Shaun “The Flying Tomato” White. The Flying Tomato got so many awards that he has become one of our greatest Olympic champions.

Now, Jake’s life was not without real suffering. He lost his beloved brother, George, in the Vietnam war. His mom, Kitty, died when he was 17.

I want to end with Jake’s words: “The riders, the product, the process, this is my heart and soul. I just love the freedom snowboarding gives you to do whatever you want.”

USMCA WILL CREATE JOBS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. COMER) for 5 minutes.

Mr. COMER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commend President Trump for the recent bipartisan deal with Congress to replace NAFTA with a new and significantly improved free trade agreement, the USMCA.

This deal will create jobs, boost our agriculture exports, and grow the economy in Kentucky. It is good for our farmers and manufacturers, and it will benefit all Americans.

The USMCA also encourages innovation, opens new markets for our farmers, and strengthens enforcement and accountability with our trading partners in the global economy.

Unfortunately, it took far too long for Speaker PELOSI and the House Democrats to come to the table and move toward action on an important priority to the American people. Their excessive, unfounded focus on impeaching the President has created months of needless delay on a vote on the USMCA, a vote we continue to await.

However, it is good news that a deal has finally been reached. It is one that will provide our economy with increased stability and confidence. But now that we finally have an agreement on a deal negotiated by the President over a year ago, Democratic leadership must act quickly and bring the USMCA to the floor for a vote. My constituents and all Americans deserve no less than a government that works for them rather than one that plays political games with our economy.

The need for a modern agreement with our major trading partners has been neglected for long enough. We must now do our duty and take a vote on the USMCA, which will help us remain competitive in the 21st century economy.

RECOGNIZING CUMBERLAND COUNTY JUDGE EXECUTIVE JOHN PHELPS

Mr. COMER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize my friend, Cumberland County Judge Executive John Phelps, for his recent selection to serve as president of the Kentucky County Judge/Executive Association.

This prestigious organization serves as the unified voice for county judge executives in all of Kentucky's 120 unique counties. Judge Phelps will do good work in this role to promote the improvements of county governments all across Kentucky.

In Kentucky, we are fortunate to have strong leaders in our courthouses and city halls, many of whom serve cities and counties in the First Congressional District. These include leaders like Judge Phelps, whose exceptional service and commitment to addressing the needs of local government stand out.

I am excited to see him get started in this important job and know that he will be a strong advocate for the many needs of county governments. His service will benefit not only Cumberland County and south central Kentucky, but also the Commonwealth of Kentucky as a whole.

I am honored to recognize Judge John Phelps, whose distinguished record of service in Cumberland County and his many private-sector accomplishments in the real estate business will serve him well in this new role.

SUPPORT IMMIGRATION REFORM FOR FARMWORKERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California (Mr. COSTA) for 5 minutes.

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to support the Farm Workforce Modernization Act.

Let me first thank Chairperson ZOE LOFGREN and Ranking Member DAN NEWHOUSE for their hard work in forming this bipartisan compromise.

Farmworkers are some of the hardest working individuals you will ever meet. I know. As a farmer's son, I have done that work. It is hard, but it is skilled work. It is simply wrong that they are subject to living and working in the shadow of uncertainty and fear of deportation.

Just last month in the city of Madera in my district, I met with members of the United Farm Workers organization to tell them of the promise of this bill. I spoke with these hardworking men and women and their young children who work to put food on America's dinner table every night.

I could see the hope in their eyes, hope for a normal life free from the dread of possible family separation and deportation that hangs over them every day when they leave to go work and hope for a chance to change their reality and reshape their story.

We owe it to these individuals who do so much for us. This monumental, bipartisan compromise is a unique opportunity to provide us with the first meaningful reform in the immigration system in over four decades.

Many of us would like comprehensive immigration reform for our Dreamers and to fix our broken immigration system. For now, that is not possible, but this legislation that would provide

legal status for seasonal and year-round farmworkers is.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to stand with me and support the Farm Workforce Modernization Act that we will vote on later today.

LOWER DRUG COSTS NOW

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I also rise to support the Elijah E. Cummings Lower Drug Costs Now Act.

Americans want Congress to tackle issues that they care most about, and spiraling drug costs is one of the most important issues.

Passing H.R. 3, the Elijah E. Cummings Lower Drug Costs Now Act, will help lower prescription drug prices and hold drug companies accountable for unfair price hikes.

Prescription drugs in the United States we all know are four times higher than what they charge for the same drugs in many other countries. The soaring cost of insulin is one example of the way we see gouging, quadrupling over the last decade.

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Diabetes is an epidemic in our country, affecting over 30 million people in the United States and costing Americans more than \$100 billion a year to manage.

In Fresno County, one of the counties I represent in my district in the San Joaquin Valley, it is estimated 68 percent of the adults between the ages of 55 and 69 have diabetes.

These Americans need insulin to manage their condition, but these high prices are causing them impossible choices. The question is: Do they pay for medication or do they put food on their dinner table, making sacrifices that are simply unacceptable?

Democrats are committed to putting the healthcare of American people first and stopping this unfair practice. So far this year, we have sent multiple bills to the Senate to reduce healthcare and prescription drug costs. Silence. Silence is the only answer we get from the Senate.

Tomorrow, we will pass another bill, H.R. 3, the Lower Drug Costs Now Act, and this aims to stop drug companies from gaming the system unfairly and raising prices on American families. That is what we are trying to do.

This bill also builds on the Affordable Healthcare Act by adding \$10 billion a year for expanding community health centers, which have been instrumental in my area and throughout the country in increasing healthcare and access to healthcare in rural America.

In my district, 400,000 people would benefit if we passed H.R. 3 and it is signed into law. My constituents who rely on prescription drugs are depending on us to act to ensure that medications are affordable, and I intend to do that by voting to support this legislation.

It will also save Americans over \$500 billion over the next 10 years.

So now is the time to act, and it is the time for the Senate to do their job.

IN HONOR OF CORPORAL, RETIRED, MATTHEW BRADFORD

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. RUSH). The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. BARR) for 5 minutes.

Mr. BARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of a unique and special man and my good friend, U.S. Marine Corporal, Retired, Matthew Bradford. Matthew is stepping down as veterans outreach coordinator in my district office.

Matthew, who grew up in our district in Winchester, Kentucky, enlisted in the United States Marine Corps when he graduated from high school, and he was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marines, Echo Company, 2nd Platoon.

He was deployed to Iraq in 2006, and on January 18, 2007, he suffered catastrophic injuries as a result of the detonation of an improvised explosive device. His severe injuries left him totally blind, and he lost both of his legs.

Matthew persevered, and he learned to overcome and adapt from his injuries. In 2010, Matthew became the first blind double amputee in history to re-enlist in the Marine Corps.

On behalf of a grateful nation, I thank him for his service, his sacrifice, and his patriotism.

Matthew Bradford is a very determined individual. After his service with the Marine Corps ended, he married his "Warrior Princess," Amanda. Together, they have three children.

Through hard work and determination, Matthew graduated from the University of Kentucky.

Matthew found his purpose in motivating and encouraging others to overcome difficult obstacles. He spends a great deal of his time speaking to groups and individuals and participating in challenging athletic events, including marathons, skydiving, surfing, hunting, and climbing 7,000 feet up Mount Rainier.

Matthew came to work in the Sixth Congressional District office in the spring of 2017, serving first as a college intern, then as my national security fellow, and, lastly, as our veterans outreach coordinator.

In his work in our district office, Matthew has been a strong advocate for veterans. He worked with our veterans coalition, and it has grown tremendously under his leadership.

Matthew has worked on many outreach initiatives, including our Facebook page, and has worked diligently to improve the lives of America's veterans. His work with veterans has made quite a difference.

His passion, his humor, and his determination will be greatly missed in our office, but his life's work in service to his community and the Nation will surely continue.

Matthew has earned many honors, including the Purple Heart medal, the George Van Cleve Military Leadership Award, the Gary Sinise Hope for the Warriors Award, and induction into the Kentucky Veterans Hall of Fame. He