

reason they are so good is because they were canned in Arkansas.

His legacy also includes the creation of the Beaver Water District, which is the primary source of water for north-west Arkansas.

For these contributions, he was posthumously inducted into the Arkansas Business Hall of Fame. I congratulate his family on this great honor.

VOTING RIGHTS

(Ms. DEAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. DEAN. Mr. Speaker, last week-end Members of Congress traveled to Alabama for a civil rights pilgrimage. In Selma we marched across the Edmund Pettus Bridge alongside Congressman JOHN LEWIS.

Mr. Speaker, 54 years ago yesterday, Congressman LEWIS was on that same bridge with hundreds of other brave Americans young and old. They were marching for the right to vote, and they were met with a wave of teargas and billy clubs. Representative LEWIS was beaten unconscious.

The trip for me was a powerful and terrible history lesson.

Today States no longer use terror to prevent citizens from voting, but they do use other means. Since the Supreme Court's 2013 Shelby decision, nearly two dozen States have implemented restrictive voter ID laws, closed polling places, and used other means to suppress minority voting.

H.R. 4, the Voting Rights Advancement Act, will erase these trends, and H.R. 1, which we passed today, strengthens democracy by ensuring clean, fair elections, prohibiting voter roll purges, and ending gerrymandering. Democracy means government by the people for the people. It lives up to the legacy of those marchers 54 years ago. Ultimately, it means making voting easier, not harder.

Let's keep our eye on the prize.

HONORING SENATOR LOUIS PATE

(Mr. ROUZER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. ROUZER. Mr. Speaker, Senator Louis Pate, of Mount Olive, North Carolina, recently retired from the North Carolina General Assembly after more than 16 years of serving the great people of eastern North Carolina. I had the pleasure and honor to serve with Louis in the North Carolina Senate. We shared representation of Wayne County, and I can attest to what a great member he was.

Senator Pate is known across the State for his leadership, compassion, and commitment to public service. He is a Vietnam war combat veteran, having served 20 years in the United States Air Force earning multiple service medals for his bravery while defending our country. His commitment to advocating for those who serve our country

was a top priority during his time in public office, and I know he has been honored to represent the fine men and women serving at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base in Goldsboro, North Carolina.

During his tenure in the State senate, Louis spent much of his time working to implement policy to strengthen and improve access to quality healthcare, including major reforms to Medicaid so the program would better meet the needs of those for whom it was designed to help.

Senator Pate's legacy as a statesman, mentor, and friend to many will continue to impact all those who cross his path. I wish him and his family many blessed days ahead.

SPECIAL INTERESTS AND BIG MONEY IN POLITICS

(Mr. TAKANO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. TAKANO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the historic vote the House took to strengthen our democracy. The For the People Act will help combat corruption and bring ethics and accountability back to our political process.

I am particularly happy that the legislative changes of the Let It Go Act will be part of this bold piece of progressive legislation.

Currently, no laws exist that limit how long candidates or former government officials can hold on to their campaign funds after their campaign ends or following the conclusion of their public service. It is not their money. They should let it go.

Limits to how long surplus funds can remain in campaign accounts and how that money can be utilized must be established. With the inclusion of my amendment, this legislation will do just that.

For far too long, powerful special interests and big money in politics have silenced the voices of the American people. H.R. 1 will help shift the balance of power from a wealthy, powerful few back to the American people. Today I cast an enthusiastic vote, a "yes" vote For the People.

MOURNING THE LOSS OF GREENE COUNTY SHERIFF BRIAN TENNANT

(Mr. RESCENTHALER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. RESCENTHALER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to express my condolences on the recent passing of a true public servant from my district, Greene County Sheriff, Brian Tennant. All who knew Brian will remember his devotion to our community. He served as a police officer, emergency medical technician, and volunteer firefighter. In 2010, Brian risked his own life to save several others during a terrible house fire in Waynesburg.

Shortly after this heroic act, Brian learned that he had an inoperable tumor. Despite this diagnosis and during medical treatment, Brian continued to serve. In 2014, he started his service as Greene County Sheriff.

Brian fought his illness for years, all while serving his community. He was a devoted husband and father of four sons. I am proud to have met Brian, and my thoughts and prayers go out to his loved ones during this difficult time.

NATIONAL COLORECTAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

(Mr. PAYNE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, Wednesday marked the seventh anniversary of the death of my father, the late Congressman Donald Payne. My father was a tireless advocate in this House, but he lost his life to colorectal cancer too early.

That is why each year I sponsor a resolution recognizing March as National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month, a time to educate the public about the disease and the need for screening. I introduced that resolution on Wednesday, the anniversary of the loss of my father.

I also introduced the Removing Barriers to Colorectal Screening Act, a bipartisan bill joined by Representatives RODNEY DAVIS, DON McEACHIN, and DAVID MCKINLEY as co-leads. More than 100 Members have joined on as co-sponsors, and I hope the remaining Members will join as well.

Mr. Speaker, when people use Medicare to get colonoscopies, they are hit with an unexpected bill if polyps are removed. That is a monetary barrier to screening, and screening saves lives. My father, unfortunately, did not get screened for colorectal cancer. It wasn't something that people of his generation did. But we can honor his legacy by improving education and removing barriers to screening.

RECOGNIZING COACH MIKE GUZZO

(Mr. STAUBER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. STAUBER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Coach Mike Guzzo of Silver Bay, Minnesota, for impacting the lives of countless young athletes across the great State of northern Minnesota.

When Mike and his wife moved back to his hometown of Silver Bay in 1984, they thought the move might be temporary. However, not long after his return, Mike began to coach youth hockey. Arguably it was his most important role as a coach and mentor that caused him to stay in Silver Bay for the long term.

Mike spent over 30 years coaching the great game of hockey in the great

State of hockey. At the end of this season, Mike hung up his skates and whistle and retired. When asked what he would miss most, Mike said it would be his players.

Growing up playing the sport of ice hockey myself, I will always remember the coaches for whom I played. I have carried the lessons that they taught me throughout my adult life.

Coach Guzzo, I thank you for serving as a role model to these athletes both on and off the ice. I know from my experience as a player that they will always appreciate everything that you have given to the hockey community.

I also want to thank Coach Guzzo for his dedication to the Silver Bay community and rural Minnesota. This community of Silver Bay matters, and Coach Guzzo, your life made it better.

Coach Guzzo, to you and your wife, I wish you a happy, healthy, and long retirement.

ARI HALBERSTAM AND THE JEWISH CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

(Ms. CLARKE of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. CLARKE of New York. Mr. Speaker, in light of the undeniable spikes in hate speech and hate crimes and conversations we have had in the House over the past few days, I rise today in memory of Ari Halberstam, a young neighbor of mine whose life was taken 25 years ago this week when anti-Semitic hatred morphed into terrorism.

Tragically, on March 6, 1994, Ari passed away at age 16 due to gunshot wounds to the head after a terrorist attack on the ramp leading to the Brooklyn Bridge.

Mr. Speaker, we must confront hatred in all of its manifestations, be it anti-Semitic attacks that took our beloved Ari's life or the hate-fueled neo-Nazi march through Charlottesville that took the life of Heather Heyer.

Devorah Halberstam, Ari's mother and my dear friend, is a crusader for justice and a forceful advocate in New York State for the passage of Ari's Law as part of a comprehensive gun control bill prohibiting interstate gun trafficking.

Determined to bring about something symbolic of resilience, tolerance, and beauty, in 2004 Ms. Halberstam established Brooklyn's iconic Jewish Children's Museum in my district in memory of Ari. The award-winning children's museum is Ari's legacy. It is our legacy.

The uptick in acts of anti-Semitism targeting Jewish communities are truly alarming, but must be confronted. Let us remember that these acts are in no way reflective of who we are as a Nation and/or our core values of tolerance, respect, and human decency.

Let us celebrate Ari's life and legacy by coming together in respect, tolerance, and, above all else, love.

MOURNING THE LOSS OF KYLE FORTI

(Mr. BANKS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. BANKS. Mr. Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I rise today to mourn the loss of my friend, Kyle Forti. A native of DeKalb County, Kyle was the epitome of what it means to be a Hoosier. A strong man of faith, he held deep love for his God, his family, and his country.

Mr. Speaker, as a young man, Kyle was one of the first to believe in me as I began running for public office. He worked tirelessly to help me advance the conservative values that we hold dear. On Sunday, though, Kyle's life was tragically cut short after his helicopter crashed in northern Kenya.

No amount of words can describe my pride as I watched Kyle grow and develop into a husband to Hope, a father to Max, and a successful businessman.

As his mother correctly stated, he had a passion for humanity and the human soul. Although he left us too soon, his love for people and passion for liberty will serve as an inspiration for me for the rest of my life.

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CONGRATULATING THE NATE MACK ELEMENTARY AND GREENSPUN JUNIOR HIGH ROBOTICS TEAMS

(Mrs. LEE of Nevada asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. LEE of Nevada. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of Nevada's Third Congressional District, I rise today to congratulate the robotics teams at Nate Mack Elementary and Greenspun Junior High School for advancing to the VEX Global Robotics Competition.

Nate Mack and Greenspun schools will be representing Nevada in the global robotics competition in Louisville, Kentucky, beginning April 27 through May 1.

Though these communities served by Nate Mack and Greenspun face challenges, these students will proudly show the rest of the world the great diversity and intellect in Nevada's Third District.

On International Women's Day, it is only fitting that I recognize that these teams embrace girl-powered movement in STEAM and are 50 percent girls.

Just this week, I visited the Nate Mack and Greenspun teams and talked to the students about their experience. I even got to test-drive a robot, which was pretty cool.

Today, I want to congratulate the Nate Mack Elementary and Greenspun Junior High School robotics teams, thank them on behalf of the people of Nevada's Third District for representing us at the VEX World Robotics Competition, and wish them the best of luck.

HONORING DR. FRANCIS GRAHAM

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 3, 2019, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. FLORES) is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the minority leader.

Mr. FLORES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Dr. Francis Graham of Waco, Texas, who passed away on January 10, 2019.

Frank was born on March 19, 1930, in Sparta, Wisconsin, to Francis Graham, Sr., and Theresa Snyder Graham. He was the second of nine children.

In 1947, at the age of 16, Frank dropped out of high school and enlisted in the United States Army Air Corps. Frank later served in the U.S. Navy from 1950 to 1954 as a member of an underwater demolition team, a predecessor unit to the Navy SEALs. In 1955, Frank returned to the Army and served until 1971, when he retired as a sergeant major serving with the Special Forces.

After he retired from the military, Frank decided to continue his education and obtained his doctorate in psychology at the University of Southern Mississippi in 1976.

In 1982, Frank and his wife, Patricia, moved to Waco. For over 20 years, Frank practiced as a psychologist with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Frank was an active member of the local Special Forces chapter, the Woodway Veterans of Foreign Wars, and was the past president of both the local American Heart Association and the Italian Club of Waco. He was also involved with Saint Jerome's Catholic Church and was a Fourth Degree member of the Knights of Columbus.

Frank had a variety of hobbies, including breeding horses for racing, traveling, reading, movies, having family and friends over for game night, and being a connoisseur of fine wines and food.

Frank was also a member of my Military Service Academy Review Board, which assists in selecting candidates for nomination to our Nation's service academies.

Mr. Speaker, Frank's life was defined by his service to his family, to our country, and to our community. He will be forever remembered as a husband, a father, a grandfather, a veteran, a selfless servant, and a great friend.

My wife, Gina, and I offer our deepest and heartfelt condolences to the Graham family. We also lift up the family and friends of Frank Graham in our prayers.

I have requested that a United States flag be flown over our Nation's Capitol to honor the life and legacy this humble servant.

As I close today, I ask all Americans to continue praying for our country, for our military, for our veterans, and for our first responders who keep us safe at home.