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PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JACKIE WALORSKI

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Mrs. WALORSKI. Madam Speaker, on May 15, and May 27, I was unavoidably detained and unable to make it in time to vote. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 105; NAY on Roll Call No. 106; YEA on Roll Call No. 110; NAY on Roll Call No. 111; and NAY on Roll Call No. 112.

IN CELEBRATION OF JEFF ZIARKO

HON. HALEY M. STEVENS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in celebration of the fortieth birthday of an exceptional policy advisor and advocate, Mr. Jeff Ziarko.

Jeff has spent over a decade of his life designing and advocating for economic policy initiatives on Capitol Hill and in the private sector. He is a respected member of the economic and tax policy communities in Washington, and he has a record of effectively working with both sides of the aisle to advance sound public policy.

Jeff served as Senior Economic Policy Advisor for the House Ways & Means Committee and its former Ranking Member, Representative Sandy Levin. During his time on Ranking Member Levin's staff, Jeff led successful initiatives to promote access to capital for small businesses and communities, promote domestic manufacturing, support the deployment of alternative energy technologies and improve the fairness of the tax code. Jeff has had a hand in so many of the policies that improve the lives of hardworking Americans today.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in reflecting on the forty years of life Jeff Ziarko has spent contributing to his community, and to our country at large.

RECOGNIZING BUSINESSMAN AND INDIANA UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL PLAYER, CHRIS BEATY

HON. ANDRÉ CARSON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor and recognize Chris Beaty, beloved businessman and former Indiana University football player who was killed in Indianapolis on Saturday, May 30th, 2020, at the age of 38.

Chris lost his life during a heroic act of bravery after witnessing a robbery in downtown Indianapolis. Intervening in the hope of saving the two victims, Chris was shot and killed.

Known as 'Mr. Indianapolis', Chris grew up in the Circle City and was loved by all who

knew him. He was described as a passionate, caring, and happy man with a giant heart. Chris loved his community and worked tirelessly to break down racial barriers.

He played offensive line at Indiana University from 2000 to 2004 and on three state championship-winning teams during his high school years at Cathedral High School.

As a businessman, Chris managed several nightclubs in Indianapolis and owned his own events promotion, company, Fresh Marketing, LLC.

Chris is survived by his mother, Debra A. Beaty-Cooper; father, Robert E. Beaty; sisters, Rhonda Cooper and Tracee Cooper, as well as seven nieces and nephews.

Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Chris Beaty. His impact on our community will not soon be forgotten. We lost a Hoosier Hero to a senseless act of violence, and our city mourns.

IN HONOR OF FRANK JOHN HENDRICKS, JR.

HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Mr. BARR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Frank John Hendricks, Jr. Mr. Hendricks lives in Lexington, Kentucky and celebrates his 101st birthday on July 6th.

Mr. Hendricks joined the United States Army during World War II. He served with the 550th Army Airborne Glider Battalion and attained the rank of Sergeant First Class. He flew gliders and fought in battles in North Africa, Sicily, Burma, Normandy, and all across Europe. He was a part of the D-Day invasion. He participated in the Battle of the Bulge and the invasion of Germany, leading to the end of the war in Europe. As a glider pilot, he flew and fought behind enemy lines to drive the enemy into the U. S. Army front lines. He led a reconnaissance team to identify the enemy positions and determine the terrain for future glider missions.

It is my honor to recognize Mr. Hendricks, celebrate his 101st birthday, and thank him for his service and sacrifice to our nation during World War II. As a part of "The Greatest Generation", Mr. Hendricks and his fellow soldiers fought to preserve the freedoms that we enjoy today, and we can never thank them enough. I am forever grateful for Americans like Frank John Hendricks, Jr.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JASON NORTON

HON. DAN BISHOP

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Mr. Jason L. Norton, who sadly lost his battle against cancer last Wednesday.

Jason was a native of Hamlet, North Carolina and learned of his passion for helping others and athletics early in his life.

After graduating from Richmond Senior High School in 1990, Jason earned a Bachelor of

Arts degree in Sociology from Catawba College and a Master's Degree in School Administration and Curriculum from the University of North Carolina at Pembroke. Jason served as a role model to many young people in Richmond County, where he taught mathematics while coaching football, baseball, and basketball.

Jason would later become the Assistant Principal and Athletic Director for Pine Forest High School in Fayetteville, where he remained dedicated to the academic and athletic success of his students. He served as a mentor to all and was always eager to lend a helping hand. Jason led the Educational Based Athletics program at Pine Forest and coordinated the annual Play for Kay basketball fundraiser, which has raised thousands to advance research for women's cancer. While Jason loved to train student athletes, he instilled values of teamwork, perseverance and commitment in all his students.

Before starting his career in education, Jason served as the Assistant Parks and Recreation Director for the City of Hamlet for over a decade. He served as a referee, a scheduler, and anything else that was needed, living out the principles of service and dedication he spent his life teaching.

Jason was a pillar in his community and was loved by all who knew him. He fought until his very last day with us. He is survived by his wife, Lauren, and his three children.

While Jason left us far too young, he had a lasting impact on the lives of young people and created a community of folks connected by his leadership.

Jason's passing represents a grave loss in Hamlet and across North Carolina. May his selfless dedication and passion be an example for us all.

WELCOME JULIAN WINTER GERMAN

HON. HALEY M. STEVENS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I am happy to congratulate Aaron and Kristi German on the birth of their new baby boy, Julian Winter German. Julian Winter German was born on May 9, 2020, at Sentara RMH Medical Center in Harrisonburg, Virginia. Julian weighed eight pounds and three ounces and measured 20 inches long.

I would also like to congratulate Julian's grandparents, John and Barbara German of Harrisonburg, Virginia, and Montie and Karen Armentrout of Harrisonburg, Virginia. Congratulations to the entire family as they welcome their newest addition of pure pride and joy.

HONORING THE SCOUTS, SEA SCOUTS AND VENTURERS OF THE ALOHA COUNCIL OF THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

HON. ED CASE

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Mr. CASE. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor the Scouts, Sea Scouts and Venturers

of the Aloha Council of the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) as they undertake the BSA Mapathon.

Headquartered in Hawaii's First Congressional District, the Aloha Council prepares young people in Hawai'i to make ethical and moral choices throughout their lifetime by instilling in them the traditional Hawaiian values of responsibility (kuleana), helpfulness (kōkua) and taking of the land (mālama i ka 'āina) with aloha.

The BSA launched the BSA Mapathon on May 8, 2020. This national effort encourages Scouts to contribute to the Missing Maps Project. This project will update and improve the Red Cross' maps for regions at the greatest risk of humanitarian crises. The Missing Maps Project enables anyone with access to a computer to participate in humanitarian mapping by crowdsourcing volunteer efforts using a free and open-source mapping software.

In Hawai'i, the Aloha Council has embodied the values of responsibility (kuleana) by advancing the mission of humanitarian mapping. Their helpfulness (kōkua) in this noble national effort and their taking care of the land (mālama i ka 'āina) with their act of aloha will be remembered in Hawai'i and our nation, especially if there is new crisis.

I am proud to join with the Scouts in promoting humanitarian mapping, especially in Hawai'i where we have done so while promoting Hawaiian cultural values. I urge the House of Representatives to recognize the work of the Aloha Council and other councils throughout our nation who have joined in on this important endeavor.

HONORING EAGAN RESIDENT RICK KLEVEN

HON. ANGIE CRAIG

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Ms. CRAIG. Madam Speaker, I rise together with my Minnesota colleague Representative EMMER to honor my Eagan constituent, Richard "Rick" Kleven, on the incredible milestone of his retirement from Thrivent this month after more than 39 years of dedicated service. It has been a great experience working with Rick through the years and knowing his passion for Thrivent's unique mission as a fraternal benefit society connecting financial security and community impact.

A lifelong Minnesotan and proud "Iron-Ranger" who grew up in Grand Rapids, MN, Rick is a true Minnesota sports team fan, particularly a diehard for our Vikings. He received his J.D. from the University of Minnesota Law School and his B.A. from the University of Minnesota—Duluth. Rick has led Thrivent's Government Affairs activities for more than 17 years, and served previously in a number of roles as legal counsel and manager of corporate legal functions within the organization through his long arc of service which began in 1981 when Thrivent was Lutheran Brotherhood.

Rick has been a great advocate on policy matters on Thrivent's behalf, but also walks the walk of Thrivent's mission of service—something he learned from both of his parents, including his Dad who was awarded Itasca County's Outstanding Senior Volunteer

of the Year in 2018. Rick has volunteered as a Big Brother, served as a board member for multiple nonprofit organizations, and epitomizes the ubiquitous Thrivent t-shirt that says "Live Generously." Recently, he served as Chairman of the Board of Gilda's Club Twin Cities, and played a crucial role in helping to raise money to build the organization's clubhouse that provides support for people with cancer as well as their families and friends. Rick also served for 8 years on the board of Person to Person, a charitable organization that operates Meals on Wheels and various other programs to help the needy in the Twin Cities area. He also was part of the original start-up board of FINNEGANS, the first beer company in the world to donate 100 percent of profits back to local food shelves. Rick currently sits on the board of the American Fraternal Alliance, the nationwide coalition of not-for-profit fraternal benefit societies.

I know that Representative EMMER and I speak for many of my colleagues on both sides of the aisle from Minnesota and beyond when I say that Rick's presence will be missed here in DC. However, I hope to see Rick back home most likely either walking his dogs or still Living Generously helping our neighbors in need. We wish Rick the best in retirement. Congratulations.

RECOGNIZING TODD SPANGLER OF WHITEFISH

HON. GREG GIANFORTE

OF MONTANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Mr. GIANFORTE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Todd Spangler of Whitefish for providing his community with personal protective equipment during the COVID-19 outbreak.

In March, Todd read about how a group in Billings created a 3D printer design for the "Montana Mask." The developers released the design and free open-source software to the public so others could produce the mask.

Around that time, Todd's wife, who works with a local ophthalmologist, told him the practice had about a week's supply of masks. Todd, a chemistry teacher at Whitefish High School, contacted people he knew with 3D printers. In no time, an informal group of educators, physicians, and dentists started making the needed masks.

Using a 3D printer from Todd's classroom as well as others from Flathead Valley Community College, they got to work. In no time, the group produced 600 masks. Todd delivered the masks throughout the Flathead Valley, including to independent health care practices, providers at Kalispell Regional Healthcare, and first responders throughout the region.

Todd says the effort helped him find purpose during the crisis. He admits being under quarantine was challenging for him and many Montanans but identifying a need and taking the initiative to help fulfill that need have guided him. When your families and friends need masks, Todd says, you must find a way to protect your loved ones and coworkers. For Todd, this crisis, while devastating for a lot of people, has brought out the best in so many.

Madam Speaker, for taking the initiative and leading a project to protect Montanans in a

time of crisis, I recognize Todd Spangler of Whitefish for his Spirit of Montana.

WELCOME MILES BENJAMIN ROSE

HON. HALEY M. STEVENS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, I am happy to congratulate the Honorable MAX ROSE and his wife Leigh on the arrival of their new baby boy, Miles Benjamin Rose. Miles Benjamin Rose was born on March 14, 2020, weighing seven pounds and seven ounces and measuring in at 21 inches long.

I would also like to congratulate Miles' grandparents, Lisa and Hal Rose, Luke Byrne and Carol Westermann, and Dr. Linda Marsanico. Congratulations to the entire family as they welcome their newest addition of pure pride and joy.

CELEBRATING CHRISTIAN GUZMAN'S ENTREPRENEURIAL SPIRIT

HON. PETE OLSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Mr. OLSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize an incredible entrepreneur in Stafford, Texas that is sharing his love of fitness with our community.

Christian Guzman does not view his job as simply work—to him, it's his passion. Building his "playground" is his American Dream, and he is passionately pursuing it.

At only 27 years old, Mr. Guzman has used social media to build up his business, starting from an online-only presence to being in charge of his own physical gym. Mr. Guzman has built up an immense following, not only in TX-22 but around the world, drawing an audience of more than one million fitness enthusiasts online.

Now, thanks to his hard work and entrepreneurial spirit, Mr. Guzman's business, Alphaete Gym, will be expanding into a complex of gyms that will eventually feature a hotel and restaurant.

Madam Speaker, Mr. Guzman's incredible accomplishment shows that through determination, hard work and perseverance, any person can build their own "playground" and find success while doing it.

On behalf of the Twenty-Second Congressional District of Texas, I'd like to congratulate Mr. Guzman on his continued success.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF SERGEANT MAJOR JAMES O. SCHMIDT, U.S. ARMY, RETIRED

HON. DON YOUNG

OF ALASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 11, 2020

Mr. YOUNG. Madam Speaker, I am deeply honored to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation to Sergeant Major James O.