

In 2013, MSG Wonacott was named the Regiment Operation Assessment Element flight medic, and in 2016 he was selected as the Regiment Senior Medic. As the senior medic of the 160th SOAR, he supervised the regiment's special operations flight medics, medical officers, and physicians' assistants, and he has consistently gone above and beyond to ensure that the soldiers of the unit have access to the physical and mental care that they need. His merit and courage bring great credit to the United States Army, and I am honored to have served alongside him.

Among his many awards and citations, MSG Wonacott has received two Distinguished Flying Crosses, a Bronze Star Medal, a Purple Heart, a Meritorious Service Medal, and two Air Medals. On behalf of the United States Congress, I commend MSG Wonacott for his faithful and patriotic service to our nation, and I congratulate him on the occasion of his well-earned retirement from active duty.

#### IN HONOR OF CENTRAL-CLAY WINNING THE AHSAA CLASS 5A FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

### HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 7, 2020*

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Central-Clay High School football team for winning the Alabama High School Athletic Association (AHSAA) Class 5A football championship.

The Volunteers defeated Pleasant Grove 31–27 in the championship game on December 5th played at Jordan-Hare Stadium at Auburn University. This is their second straight title.

Madam Speaker, please join me in congratulating the students and faculty of Central-Clay High School, the coaches, the players and all the Volunteer fans on this exciting achievement. Go Vols.

#### LOUISIANA ACT 620 AMICUS BRIEF

### HON. JAIME HERRERA BEUTLER

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 7, 2020*

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Madam Speaker, I rise to express my strong support of the pro-life amicus brief filed by 207 of my colleagues with the U.S. Supreme Court relating to June Medical Services, LLC v. Gee. Due to the unusual level of pressing business last month before the House and the Appropriations Committee on which I serve, I did not have the opportunity to thoroughly review the brief prior to the filing deadline. I affirm my full support for the brief. My record shows consistent support for life at all stages, and that has not and will not change.

#### CONGRATULATING COACH GERRY ECKENRODE

### HON. JOHN JOYCE

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 7, 2020*

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Altoona native Gerry Eckenrode upon his induction into the Adams County Chapter of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame.

Throughout his coaching career at Delone Catholic in McSherrystown, Coach Eckenrode has established a strong record of excellence. During his 20 year tenure as head coach of the girls' basketball team, Coach Eckenrode has won 466 games, including leading the Squirettes to three straight PIAA Class 2A state championships from 2003 to 2005 and a Class 3A state championship in 2019.

Coach Eckenrode not only stands out for his winning record, but also his dedicated service and leadership as he teaches his team what it takes to succeed both on and off the court. It is my pleasure to congratulate fellow Bishop Guilfoyle High School graduate Gerry Eckenrode on this honor, and I wish the Eckenrode Family continued success.

#### HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS MONTH

### HON. LOIS FRANKEL

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 7, 2020*

Ms. FRANKEL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to bring attention to Human Trafficking Awareness Month, which serves as an opportunity to reaffirm our country's commitment to preventing trafficking and supporting victims. I would also like to express my sincere gratitude to the Human Trafficking Coalition of the Palm Beaches for their tireless efforts to educate community members, build trust, and restore hope for survivors.

Over 40 million people worldwide are impacted by human trafficking. Unfortunately, my home state of Florida ranks third in the nation for reported cases. While many victims face challenges finding appropriate services, early intervention empowers victims and provides a pathway to recovery. Human Trafficking Awareness Month is a time to ensure that victims of this horrific crime are offered accessible and appropriate services in the aftermath of being trafficked.

I would like to thank all the advocates, victim service providers, and criminal justice professionals committed to improving our response to all human trafficking victims and helping them find the support, justice, and peace they need.

#### IN HONOR OF PIEDMONT WINNING THE AHSAA CLASS 3A FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

### HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 7, 2020*

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Piedmont High School

football team for winning the Alabama High School Athletic Association (AHSAA) Class 3A football championship.

The Bulldogs defeated Mobile Christian 26–24 in the championship game on December 5th played at Jordan-Hare Stadium at Auburn University.

Madam Speaker, please join me in congratulating the students and faculty of Piedmont High School, Coach Smith along with all the coaches, the players and all the Bulldog fans on this exciting achievement. Go Bulldogs.

#### HONORING THE TOWN OF BEEKMANTOWN ON THE BICENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY OF ITS FORMATION

### HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 7, 2020*

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today on behalf of the residents of the Town of Beekmantown, New York as they celebrate the Bicentennial anniversary of the town's formation.

The land that would become Beekmantown was first settled around 1783 and is located five miles north of the City of Plattsburgh, in Clinton County. The town was officially formed in 1820 and was named after one of the original landowners. In 1814, just prior to its formation, the area was the scene of skirmishes between American and British forces at the battle of Culver Hill during the War of 1812. Beekmantown's oldest monument is the Point au Roche Lighthouse which was built in 1858 as commerce through Lake Champlain expanded. Many other historic sites fill this picturesque community, highlighting the rich historical legacy of the North Country.

To this day, Beekmantown remains a vibrant and beautiful community that exemplifies the best qualities of the North Country and our Nation as a whole. On behalf of New York's 21st Congressional District, I want to congratulate the residents of Beekmantown on this momentous occasion. It has been an honor to represent this community and I know that its future looks bright.

#### TRIBUTE TO REVEREND DR. MARTHA R. OVERALL

### HON. JOSÉ E. SERRANO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 7, 2020*

Mr. SERRANO. Madam Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise today to pay tribute to Reverend Martha R. Overall, known to all as Mother Martha. As she retires from her position as Priest In Charge of St. Ann's Episcopal Church in my district, I want to take a moment to honor her for her decades of compassionate service and tireless work to improve the lives of our Bronx residents.

Rev. Overall was born in 1947. She received a Bachelor of Arts with Honors from Harvard University, a J.D. from New York University, and was admitted to the Bar in 1976. She practiced law with prominent trial attorney, Louis Nizer, for several years. She retired

from her legal career in the mid-eighties to attend Union Theological Seminary and was ordained an Episcopal priest in 1991.

Rev. Overall began serving as the Priest of St. Ann's Episcopal Church in 1993. Built in 1841, the Parish is the oldest continuously used church in the Bronx and it has a storied history. During her tenure as priest, Mother Martha has expanded upon that legacy. The church holds weekly services in English and Spanish, and members of the church help serve meals to homeless seniors and families in the surrounding community. The food pantry program operates twice a week and feeds over 6,000 people a month. The church also has an after-school program to enhance skills for children and provide them healthy meals and nutritional education. Reverend Overall also provided job opportunities to young adults interested in teaching through the Children's Defense Fund Freedom School at St. Ann's Episcopal Church. Many of these programs, and Reverend Overall's work, have been featured in books and in the press.

Through all of this, Mother Martha has been a passionate advocate for our community, from children to seniors. She has worked every day to improve our borough, and the lives of those who live here. Her compassion and dedication have positively affected the lives of thousands of people.

The Bronx is a better place because of the work Rev. Overall has done over the years. Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in honoring The Reverend Dr. Martha R. Overall for her extraordinary work and her lasting legacy.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF OFFICER JACKSON RYAN WINKELER

#### HON. TOM RICE

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 7, 2020*

Mr. RICE of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Officer Jackson Ryan Winkeler who was killed in the line of duty on January 5, 2020 in Florence, South Carolina.

Officer Winkeler was attempting to make a traffic stop when fired upon by the suspect. Jackson paid the ultimate price while protecting his community and serving our country. He not only served in law enforcement, but also volunteered with the Latta Fire Department. He is a true hero.

The entire community is deeply saddened by the loss of Officer Winkeler. We cannot imagine the heavy sorrow that his family feels at this time. We pray that his life, service, and sacrifice will never be forgotten.

Madam Speaker, I would like to extend my deepest sympathy to the entire Winkeler family and friends for their loss. May God bless them and give them peace during this very difficult time. I ask that we all keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

#### IN HONOR OF LANETT WINNING THE AHSAA CLASS 1A FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

#### HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 7, 2020*

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the Lanett High School football team for winning the Alabama High School Athletic Association (AHSAA) Class 1A football championship.

The Panthers defeated Mars Hill Bible 41–30 in the championship game on December 5th played at Jordan-Hare Stadium at Auburn University. The Panthers brought home the program's second state title in three years.

Madam Speaker, please join me in congratulating the students and faculty of Lanett High School, the coaches, the players and all the Panther fans on this exciting achievement. Go Panthers.

#### INTRODUCTION OF THE DORIS MILLER MEDAL OF HONOR ACT OF 2020

#### HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 7, 2020*

Ms. JOHNSON of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to introduce a bill titled the Doris Miller Medal of Honor Act of 2020. This bill would waive the statute of limitations to upgrade Doris Miller's Navy Cross to a Medal of Honor—an upgrade that is long overdue and exceedingly appropriate.

On December 7, 1941, we experienced one of the most calamitous territorial attacks in our nation's history at Pearl Harbor. On this day, the dedication and courage of many of our service members were tried and proven true—one of which whose story I would like to tell.

Doris Miller was born on October 12, 1919, in my hometown of Waco, Texas, to parents Henrietta and Conery Miller. He worked on his father's farm until 1938, after which he enlisted in the Navy to earn money for his family. At the time the Navy did not allow sailors of color to enlist in combat roles, leaving Miller relegated to a service-based role as a mess attendant on the USS *West Virginia*—where he was stationed during the attack on Pearl Harbor.

The USS *West Virginia's* Action Report acknowledged Miller and his shipmates' bravery for having "carried out every order promptly and enthusiastically, even when it meant danger to themselves. They did not attempt to abandon the bridge until ordered to do so," and was described as "instrumental in hauling people along through oil and water to the quarterdeck, thereby unquestionably saving the lives of a number of people who might otherwise have been lost." For his actions aboard the *West Virginia*, Miller was awarded the Navy Cross, cited for "distinguished devotion to duty, extraordinary courage and disregard for his own personal safety during the attack on the Fleet in Pearl Harbor, Territory of Hawaii, by Japanese forces on December 7, 1941."

Miller's actions during the attack on Pearl Harbor reflect unquestionably what the Medal

of Honor represents; to honor those who distinguish themselves conspicuously by gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of their own lives above and beyond the call of duty. It is also important to note that of the 15 sailors who were awarded the Medal of Honor for similar actions during the attack, not a single one was African American.

I strongly urge my colleagues to support this bill to award Doris Miller the highest honor that our nation can bestow upon a service member.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF WEST STOCKHOLM CHIEF ROBERT WHITE, JR.

#### HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 7, 2020*

Ms. STEFANIK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of West Stockholm Chief Robert White, Jr.

On the evening of Thursday, December 5th, Chief White saw flames engulfing the home of one of his neighbors just a few houses away. He responded to the fire and was coordinating the response when he suffered a medical emergency at the scene and passed away that evening.

Robert White had been a dedicated public servant, serving the West Stockholm Fire Department for more than 33 years. In addition to being the chief of West Stockholm, he was also the Saint Lawrence County fire coordinator and trainer, playing a crucial role regionally. Outside of his roles in the fire department, Robert ran a local youth sports league and was very involved in the community. To his wife Trudy, the rest of his family and the West Stockholm community, I offer my sincerest condolences during this difficult time.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF BETTY CARR

#### HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, January 7, 2020*

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Betty Carr. Betty has been an iconic fixture in Anniston for decades and an inspiration and advocate for local youth.

Betty grew up in Anniston in a family that placed an importance on their community and grew up in church at First United Methodist Church. Betty now attends Grace Episcopal Church.

She worked at the University of Alabama, ran Camp Grandview in Montgomery and was a Soda Jerk at the end of World War II.

Betty is best known for her work with many generations of area youth. She worked as the youth and program director at the YMCA from 1967 to 1985. This month, the Anniston City Council unanimously supported that the section of West 14th Street in front of the YMCA will be named "Betty Carr Way."

After the YMCA, Betty also worked at the Chamber of Commerce.