

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING THE LIVES OF FBI SPECIAL AGENTS DANIEL ALFIN AND LAURA SCHWARTZENBERGER

HON. DEBBIE WASSERMAN SCHULTZ

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 4, 2021

Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ. Madam Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I rise to honor the lives of two fallen FBI agents, Daniel Alfin and Laura Schwartzenberger.

While executing a federal warrant in a child exploitation investigation, Special Agent Daniel Alfin and Special Agent Laura Schwartzenberger were shot and killed in the line of duty in Sunrise, Florida.

They died protecting our most vulnerable citizens and the community they loved.

This was sadly the FBI's deadliest day since the tragic events on 9/11. It has also been more than 30 years since two agents were gunned down together in the line of duty.

A 16-year veteran of the FBI, Special Agent Laura Schwartzenberger's specialty was pursuing crimes against children.

Her work with the FBI's Miami Field Office's Innocent Images National Initiative led to the arrests of those involved in the exploitation of children and "sextortion." She leaves behind a husband and two children.

Special Agent Daniel Alfin was a 12-year veteran of the FBI. He was a veteran agent who led the investigation into a dark web site called Playpen, one of the country's largest child pornography operations. He also leaves behind a wife and one child.

While I did not have the good fortune of knowing these two Special Agents, I know this—these were two brave individuals taken from us and we lost them way too soon.

These were incredible parents, ripped from their families before their time. They were extraordinary public servants trying to make our community a safer place to raise our families.

To their families and loved ones, I struggle to find words that can offer solace and comfort in their time of distress.

The great poet William Wordsworth once said, "Not without hope we suffer and we mourn."

Perhaps he meant that we find hope in the belief that our thoughts and prayers will in time heal their families, and in the hope and belief that the children of these fallen heroes will grow up knowing that their parents made this sacrifice to make their world and our world a better place.

Agents Alfin and Schwartzenberger put their lives on the line every day to make us safer.

We lost them to a senseless act of violence by someone with a total disregard for the lives of others.

We grieve their loss not only to the community they served, but to the families and loved ones they leave behind.

They made the ultimate sacrifice, and we will be forever grateful.

ROE V. WADE

SPEECH OF

HON. DOUG LAMBORN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 3, 2021

Mr. LAMBORN. Madam Speaker, today I rise to commemorate the 48th anniversary of the tragic Roe versus Wade Supreme Court Decision. That fateful decision has ended the loss of over 62 million unborn babies' lives.

Consider that while America is the land of opportunity, more than 62 million unborn Americans were given no opportunity to pursue the incredible opportunities our great nation affords.

At home and abroad, the unborn are under attack. Our colleagues on the other side of the aisle disastrously intend to burden the consciences of millions of Americans by forcing them to use their hard-earned tax dollars to subsidize abortion.

I'm also deeply concerned by the current administration's decision to rescind the Mexico City Policy and instead force taxpayers to fund abortions overseas.

In fact, recent polling shows that three-quarters of Americans want significant restrictions on abortion.

If we are truly representing the American people, we will work as a Congress to pass abortion restrictions here in these halls.

Until that happens, I will continue fighting tirelessly to defend the sanctity of unborn lives.

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES AND JOBS PARITY ACT

HON. GREGORIO KILILI CAMACHO

SABLAN

OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 4, 2021

Mr. SABLAN Madam Speaker, today, I introduce the Employment Services and Jobs Parity Act. This legislation would make long overdue amendments to the Wagner-Peyser Act to include the Northern Mariana Islands and American Samoa.

The Wagner-Peyser Act established the Employment Service which brings together employers looking for workers and individuals looking for work. Despite participating in Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act programs and operating an American Job Center, the Marianas and American Samoa are not eligible for the employment services formula grant that is currently awarded to all other states and insular areas.

In January 2017, the 902 report was submitted to Congress. Both the Special Representatives of the Marianas and the President recommended that the Department of Interior work cooperatively with DOL to extend the Wagner-Peyser Act to the Marianas. But, it will

be up to Congress to act so that all Americans can get the help they need to develop the skills necessary to enter in-demand jobs and career paths.

With widespread unemployment due to the coronavirus, the annual Wagner-Peyser grant would provide timely support to the Marianas and American Samoan workforce through skills assessment, career guidance, and referrals to training for job seekers.

Now is the time to make things right and ensure parity for all Americans. This bipartisan bill is important to the workers in the Marianas and American Samoa. The Representative from American Samoa, Mrs. RADEWAGEN, is an original co-sponsor. I urge all my colleagues to support this bipartisan legislation.

IN RECOGNITION OF LLOYD ELLEFSON'S 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. MIKE GALLAGHER

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 4, 2021

Mr. GALLAGHER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor World War II veteran Lloyd Ellefson as he celebrates his 100th birthday.

Mr. Ellefson grew up in Appleton, Wisconsin on his family's farm. In 1942, his 21st birthday, Lloyd registered for the draft and joined the U.S. Army. Lloyd was stationed at Fort Sill in Oklahoma, where he trained as an auto mechanic with the 93rd Armored Field Artillery.

Lloyd served under General George Patton in both France and Italy during WWII. He was first stationed in Naples, Italy where he remembers being "boomed" by the German Air Force. Lloyd's service then brought him to the shores of Southern France where he recalls seeing all the ships waiting in the calm waters of the Bay before the fighting began. Lloyd was the only mechanic sent to the D-Day invasion, and he and his battalion received a Bronze Arrowhead for their service and bravery in the invasion.

Beloved husband, father, grandfather and soldier, Lloyd is a tribute to the "Greatest Generation" and a grateful nation and state thank him for his service.

Madam Speaker, I urge all members of this body to join me in applauding Lloyd Ellefson for his service in WWII and wishing him a happy and healthy 100th birthday.

HONORING PAM RUDD

HON. JAMES COMER

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 4, 2021

Mr. COMER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Pam Rudd of Hopkinsville, Kentucky for her six decades of public service and enormous contributions to the betterment of her community. In 1971, Ms. Rudd started working

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for Hopkinsville Parks and Recreation part-time while serving as a physical education teacher. Upon her retirement from the school system in 1977, Ms. Rudd worked full-time as program coordinator for Hopkinsville Parks and Recreation. While at the department, she had served under nine directors, including a stint of her own as interim director from 2005 to 2007. As program coordinator, Ms. Rudd has played an integral role in the department's transition from a city-county entity to the city-managed Hopkinsville Parks and Recreation Department. She also played a lead role in the design and planning of Hopkinsville's award-winning Tie-Breaker Baseball Softball complex in 2001, which would go on to serve many children in the region. Pam's years of service came to a summit when Ms. Rudd was recognized as a Kentucky Recreation and Parks Society Fellow in 2015. She was also fittingly selected for the Kentucky Recreation and Parks Society Hall of Fame in 2019. I am honored to share the exceptional history of Ms. Rudd's six-decade career. I want to thank Ms. Rudd for being an extraordinary leader to her community and the 1st Congressional District of Kentucky.

IN HONOR OF MARINETTE F.
"MARI" BARB

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN
OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, February 4, 2021

Mr. WITTMAN. Madam Speaker, it is with deep sadness but great respect that I take this time to remember Marinette F. "Mari" Barb of Williamsburg, VA. Mari passed away on January 20, 2021 after more than a century of life. Mari bravely served the United States for many years, and her life after service was equally memorable and noteworthy.

Mari was born on September 16, 1919 in a small town in the south of France. Two decades later, she joined the French Underground when her home country was occupied by Nazi Germany. During this time, Mari worked with the O.S.S., the predecessor of the CIA. Mari constantly risked her life, helping Allied soldiers and airmen who found themselves behind enemy lines. Using forged Algerian identification papers, Mari saved the lives of countless soldiers by smuggling them back to Allied territory.

Immediately after the war, Mari met her husband, James, while he was in France with the U.S. Army. She moved to the United States with Jim and was made an American citizen by an Act of Congress. A career in intelligence took Mari and Jim to the Pacific Island of Saipan, on two tours in Vietnam, and took Mari to Hong Kong for an extended stay. Mari and Jim made frequent returns to Camp Peary in Williamsburg between overseas assignments.

Once they retired, Mari and Jim moved to Williamsburg, VA permanently. There they became staples of the community, frequenting trivia nights and live music venues. In addition to retiring from work, Mari retired from cooking, so Mari and Jim could always be found at one of their favorite restaurants. Mari is survived by three sisters and many family members spread across both France and the United States. Madam Speaker, I ask you rise

with me in memory of Marinette F. Barb. She will be profoundly missed, but her memory lives on in her friends and family.

CELEBRATING THE CAREER AND
LEGACY OF HAMILTON COUNTY
JUDGE ETHNA COOPER

HON. BRAD R. WENSTRUP

OF OHIO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, February 4, 2021

Mr. WENSTRUP. Madam Speaker, I rise today to thank Judge Ethna Cooper for her many years of service to Hamilton County and its residents.

Judge Cooper was appointed to the Hamilton County Court of Common Pleas by Governor Taft in 2003.

In addition to her service on the Court, Judge Cooper founded and has served as the Presiding Judge of the Hamilton County Felony Veterans' Treatment Court since 2011.

This court was the first Felony Veterans' Treatment Court in the United States, addressing the issues that led to a veteran's contact with the criminal justice system.

Judge Cooper has served Hamilton County with diligence and honor.

I want to thank Judge Cooper again and wish her the best in the future.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF
DEBORAH MOSELEY

HON. BRIAN BABIN

OF TEXAS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, February 4, 2021

Mr. BABIN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the service of Deborah "Debbie" Moseley, the Executive Director of The Bridge Over Troubled Waters in Pasadena, Texas. Commonly referred to as "The Bridge," this organization has assisted men, women, and children affected by domestic and sexual violence or homelessness in southeastern Harris County, Texas. For thirty-four years, Debbie has served the organization as an advocate in the field of domestic and sexual violence.

Debbie began working as a volunteer at The Bridge in 1986 alongside her mother and grandmother. A year later, she started working with The Bridge's children's programs on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. In 1988, Debbie began to work full-time at The Bridge as a Resident Advocate. Over the years, she has held many leadership positions in each of the different programs that The Bridge offers, including Shelter Coordinator, Resale Shop Coordinator, Non-Resident Director, and Advocacy Director. In 2003, Debbie was named the Executive Director and has served in that role ever since.

Under Debbie's leadership, The Bridge connected with community leaders and the community at-large, built a new location, and started Destiny Village—a long-term housing program for survivors of violence with disabilities and children. In addition, she has significantly increased the Bridge's share of funding granted by the Victims of Crime Act to provide critical support services to victims of domestic violence.

Debbie is a Licensed Social Worker and has dedicated her life to community and volunteer service. She serves on the boards of numerous community organizations such as: the Harris County Coordinating Council, the Texas Council on Family Violence, the Harris County Adult Fatality Review Team, the Pasadena Chamber of Commerce, the Pasadena Police Academy, and the Bridges to Life prison ministry. She is also active in the New Hope Church of Pearland, the Pasadena Kiwanis, the Bay Area Kiwanis, the Pasadena Rotary, the Salvation Army, and the Texas Invitational.

For her community and civic involvement, Debbie has received numerous recognitions including: the Governor's Victim Services Division "Pathfinder" Award in 2007, Debbie Moseley Day in Pasadena Texas, the Rotary Club's Paul Harris Fellow Award in 2010, Rotary Director of the Year in 2016, and the Stella Trimble Community Service Award in 2017.

In 1985, Debbie married the love of her life, Tom Moseley. Debbie is the mother to four children: John Miles of Burleson, Texas; Aaron Miles, also of Burleson; Derek Miles of League City; and Staff Sergeant Josh Moseley, who is stationed as a United States Marine Corps recruiter in Arlington, Texas. Debbie and Tom are the proud grandparents of eight grandchildren.

Madam Speaker, I would like to thank Debbie Moseley for her lifetime of dedicated service to the survivors of domestic and sexual violence and wish her the very best during her well-deserved retirement.

CAPTAIN DAVID SAGEL

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Thursday, February 4, 2021

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Captain David Sagel of the Westminster Fire Department who passed away on January 24, 2021 after courageously battling work-related cancer for more than a year and a half.

Captain Sagel served in the Westminster Fire Department for 34 years, in roles as a firefighter and engineer to lieutenant and captain. Throughout his career, Captain Sagel was best known for his passion for community service. In his off-duty time, he instituted and led a foster home renovation program where he worked with Adams and Jefferson Counties to identify foster homes in need of repairs and recruited the help of other fire department members and local businesses to assist in renovating them at no cost to the families. For many years, he served as the organizer for the "Hot Times KOOL Cars" event in conjunction with KOOL 105.1 FM, which was an annual car show that raised money for Children's Hospital of Colorado.

Captain Sagel's passing during Fire Fighter Cancer Awareness Month is an important reminder to redouble Congress' efforts to prevent occupational cancers of firefighters and invest in additional healthcare research and development of new safety equipment to protect firefighters as they work to protect our communities.

Captain Sagel was a beloved and devoted husband and a loving father. He was a master craftsman who loved woodworking and restoring cars and tractors. He spent his free time