

and service to Veterans and military families is commendable, and we thank them for their efforts.

RECOGNIZING STEVE
ANTONOPULOS

HON. KEN BUCK

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

Mr. BUCK. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the hard work and dedication of Steve "Greek" Antonopoulos who announced that he will be retiring after 45 seasons with the Denver Broncos. Mr. Antonopoulos is the only individual to have worked for the Broncos during all eight of their Super Bowl appearances, as well as under three owners, and ten head coaches.

From Hugo, Colorado, Mr. Antonopoulos grew up watching Broncos games with his father. After graduating from the University of Northern Colorado, he worked as the head trainer at Fort Hays State University in Kansas, and in 1976, he joined the Broncos as an assistant trainer. Mr. Antonopoulos ends his career with the team as the director of sports medicine, a position he has held since 2016. Throughout his time with the team, he treated 983 players and worked a total of 941 games. The dedication that Mr. Antonopoulos has shown in his many years with the Broncos has undoubtedly been instrumental to the team and benefitted Broncos fans across Colorado and beyond.

On behalf of the 4th District of Colorado, I extend my best wishes to Mr. Antonopoulos and his family. Madam Speaker, I am honored to recognize Steve Antonopoulos for his accomplishments.

IN RECOGNITION OF WARRIOR
RUN, PENNSYLVANIA ON ITS
125TH ANNIVERSARY OF INCORPORATION

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Borough of Warrior Run, Pennsylvania on its 125th anniversary. Warrior Run was incorporated on January 25, 1895 after it split with neighboring mining village, Sugar Notch. The occasion will be marked by a festival and parade in late July after a year-long delay due to the pandemic.

The hills and valleys of Warrior Run were once densely forested Native American hunting grounds, inhabited by the Delaware, the Shawnee, and the Nanticokes. The Nattanhutter Path, a trail across the land to a gap in the mountains, became known as Warrior's Path, and the nearby spring was called Warrior Run or Warrior Spring. In 1778, more than one hundred men, women, and children followed the trail to safety in the aftermath of the Battle of Wyoming.

In 1791, Connecticut Yankees Elisha and Anna Blackman and their children were the first settlers on the land that would become Warrior Run. For generations, the Blackman

family cultivated the land on the site of the original homestead and witnessed the changes brought by time, industry, and immigration.

As the American Industrial Revolution boomed, the formerly agrarian community saw the rise of anthracite coal mining. In 1864, the Warrior Run Mining Company opened the Holland and Hillman mine and, by 1867, constructed a breaker at the foot of the mountain to sort coal. With regional railroads completing lines that ran through the area, the coal industry thrived, and the demand for workers increased, attracting immigrants from Europe. Coal mining was dangerous work, so Warrior Run miners joined the United Mine Workers to seek fairer wages and a shorter workday, and they participated in the successful 1902 Anthracite Coal Strike. Mining continued to be the dominant industry well into the 20th century until its decline in the 1950s.

Despite the challenges of life in the shadows of the culm banks, there was evidence of prosperity and growth. Electric streetcars connected nearby towns and villages to the City of Wilkes-Barre, and the Borough was home to many local businesses and establishments. Sport thrived in Warrior Run and brought the community together. The Warrior Run Indians was one of the region's leading baseball teams; the local football team was the undefeated league champion in 1929; and basketball was a popular sport at the local high school.

As the century marched on, the citizens of Warrior Run continued to foster a deep sense of community. They joined local social and charitable organizations to support their fellow residents and celebrate their heritage. Residents gathered at local bazaars and at events hosted by the American Legion, the Fireman's Association, and the Little League, which featured ethnic food and music. They marched through the streets each Memorial Day to honor those who served our country, and they visited the popular Sans Souci Amusement Park.

Through periods of prosperity and hardship, Warrior Run has remained a resilient and vibrant community, and I am honored to join Mayor Tom Shypulefski and all the residents as they celebrate the Borough's 125th anniversary.

HONORING CAPTAIN MIGUEL PEKO
UPON 35 YEARS OF SERVICE

**HON. AUMUA AMATA COLEMAN
RADEWAGEN**

OF AMERICAN SAMOA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

Mrs. RADEWAGEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize a true Samoan warrior, Captain Miguel L. Peko, who will retire later this year from the United States Navy after a remarkable 35-year career as a Midshipman and Aviator.

In American Samoa, military service is more than just a job—it is a calling to serve not only our country, but our fellow countrymen. Contributing to the defense of this great nation day in and day out is a singular honor, and I am proud to represent a place that so values this service that it is continually recognized as one of the top recruiting stations anywhere in America for the U.S. military.

Few people know more about that kind of honor through service and duty than Captain Peko. This son of Utulei and Fagatogo flew combat missions in support of Fleet and Joint Operational commanders, coordinated maritime homeland defense efforts across the unified combatant commands, and had a direct impact on the formation of senior military leaders during his most recent post as Director of the Joint Advanced Warfighting School.

Captain Peko's career has garnered numerous decorations for excellence and leadership, including a Legion of Merit, four Air Medals, a Meritorious Service Medal, and a Joint Commendation Medal.

Finally, I would also like to recognize those who stood with him in these years, Captain Peko's family. Behind this successful military career is a wife who went months without her husband, daughters who spent hours of their young lives speaking to their father through a phone or on a video screen, and worried parents who prayed daily for their son's safety.

I thank Mrs. Kerrith Ann Peko and daughters Brenna and Alyssa, for their patience and for all the sacrifices that they have made over the past years. I congratulate Lolesio and Belinda Peko on the immense pride that they must feel for their son's exemplary service. God bless Captain Peko.

HONORING 100 YEARS OF WOMEN
AT WILLIAM JEWELL COLLEGE

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, I proudly pause to commemorate the 100-year anniversary of female admittance into William Jewell College. Through its history, the progressive institution has prioritized individual expression and creative thinking. Today, William Jewell is recognized for producing innovative thought-leaders making an impact in Missouri communities and beyond.

Founded in 1849 in Liberty, Missouri, William Jewell College prides itself in fostering an environment for students of diverse backgrounds to thrive. Jewell holds true to its founding vision as an institution that develops high-achieving leaders who shape a changing world. After four-years, Jewell graduates leave with an arsenal of knowledge, creativity, and fundamental leadership skills.

Since the 1920–1921 academic school year, William Jewell has encouraged women to pursue a co-education at the same level as men. More than 12,000 women have walked the halls of William Jewell in pursuit of a world class education. Not only does this milestone recognize the talented pool of William Jewell alumna, but the future female leaders eager to follow in their footsteps.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in recognizing 100 Years of Women at William Jewell College. William Jewell's century-long investment in women is reflected in the people of Missouri's Sixth Congressional District's commitment to educational prosperity.

HONORING THE LIFE OF FORMER
KANSAS ATTORNEY GENERAL
VERN MILLER

HON. RON ESTES

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

Mr. ESTES. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the legacy of a quintessential Kansas lawman, Vern Miller, who passed away at the age of 92. Mr. Miller's career in law enforcement spanned over 50 years with terms as Sedgwick County Sheriff, Sedgwick County District Attorney, and Kansas State Attorney General.

A U.S. army veteran born and raised in Wichita, Mr. Miller's career in law enforcement began in 1948 when he started as a deputy for the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Office, eventually serving three terms as Sheriff of Sedgwick County.

While serving as Sheriff, Mr. Miller drove the 155 miles to Oklahoma City University to attend night classes, earning his law degree in 1966. After passing the bar exam, Mr. Miller was elected as Kansas Attorney General in 1970 and again in 1972, winning all 105 counties in the state. As Attorney General, Mr. Miller vigorously enforced the laws of Kansas, focusing on drug rings and illegal gambling carts throughout the state.

Mr. Miller was a dedicated public servant whose work ethic and devotion to the law and to his fellow Kansans will be deeply missed. My heartfelt condolences go out to his family during this most difficult time.

CONGRATULATING KATORI HALL

HON. STEVE COHEN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

Mr. COHEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Memphis playwright, Katori Hall, who was awarded a Pulitzer Prize for Drama on Friday for her play "The Hot Wing King," which is set in a kitchen in Memphis. Ms. Hall won the prestigious national recognition as a nominee for a Tony Award for "Tina: The Tina Turner Musical," a Broadway musical about the singer from Nutbush, Tennessee. In its citation, the Pulitzer Board "The Hot Wing King" a "funny, deeply felt consideration of Black masculinity and how it is perceived, filtered through the experiences of a loving gay couple and their extended family as they prepare for a culinary competition." Ms. Hall, a graduate of Craigmont High School, first gained national acclaim for her 2006 play "The Mountaintop," set in Room 306 of the Lorraine Motel in Memphis, where Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. spent his last night in 1968. That play, which debuted in London, won the Laurence Olivier Award for Best New Play. Hall is the creator of the cable television blockbuster "P-Valley," set in a Mississippi Delta strip club. I wish her well in what is already a very promising career.

TRIBUTE TO ROSELEE NICHOLS
ROBERTS

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

Mr. CALVERT. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to my good friend and former House staff member Roselee Roberts, who passed away on April 22, 2020 in McDaniel, MD, on Maryland's Eastern shore. Roselee was a tireless advocate for America's space program and she will be deeply missed by many.

Roselee was born on April 24, 1942 in Baltimore, Maryland. After high school, she attended the University of Miami in 1960 and graduated with honors and a degree in math and economics in 1964. While in college, Roselee ran the campus speaker's bureau, where she met her future husband, William "Art" Roberts. After graduating, she was recruited and hired into a management position with AT&T's Southern Bell Co. at their Jacksonville, Florida office. About a year later, she and Art wed and moved to Reston, Virginia. A few years later, Roselee was selected to serve as a Junior Economist on President Lyndon Johnson's Council of Economic Advisers.

Following positions with the Office of Management and Budget and as Rep. Bill Nelson's (D-Florida) chief aide on the House Budget Committee, Roselee launched her space career by serving as a staff member on the House Science and Technology Committee's Space and Aeronautics Subcommittee. In 1985, she left Capitol Hill for a position in the McDonnell Douglas legislative affairs office, which later merged with the Boeing Corporation. In that era, the space and aeronautics industry was predominantly comprised of men with military backgrounds. To support and encourage women in the industry, Roselee helped establish Women in Aerospace. The group now includes more than 2,000 individual and corporate members.

In 2005, I was truly blessed to have Roselee head back to the House and serve as the staff director for the House Space and Aeronautics Subcommittee while I held the gavel as Chairman. With the space shuttle program and International Space Station facing significant challenges, the space industry was at an inflection point at that time. Thanks in large part to Roselee's determination and leadership, we were able to successfully pass and have a NASA authorization bill signed into law for the first time in five years. After serving in the House again, Roselee moved over to NASA headquarters for her final government post as the Special Assistant to the agency's Deputy Administrator.

Roselee is survived by her husband, Art, of 54 years; their children, Elizabeth (Libby) Roberts Holah and husband, Greg; and granddaughters Olivia Holah and Violet Holah, and Leigh Roberts Melton and husband, John; granddaughter Harper Melton and grandson Hunter Melton. I extend my heartfelt condolences to the Roberts family, her friends, and everyone fortunate enough to have known Roselee. Although she may be gone, the many contributions Roselee made to our country will have a lasting impact.

REMEMBERING NIKHIL BADLANI
FOR HIS TALENTS, PASSIONS,
KINDNESS, AND LASTING MEM-
ORY IN NEW JERSEY'S 11TH CON-
GRESSIONAL DISTRICT

HON. MIKIE SHERRILL

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

Ms. SHERRILL. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize Nikhil Badlani, a talented and compassionate 11-year old boy from West Orange, NJ whose enthusiasm and laughter brought joy to all who met him.

Nikhil was an excellent student. He received straight A's and had an advanced understanding of science and math. From the time he was three years old, Nikhil knew all there was to know about dinosaurs and he brought his passion and curiosity for understanding the world into the classroom.

Beyond his studies, Nikhil was a talented musician and at the age of 11 he was already excelling at both the piano and trumpet. His talent was undeniable and he was accepted to play trumpet with the Youth Orchestras of Essex County. Nikhil also loved the theater and he was a captivating actor.

It is impossible to fathom that on June 11, 2011 Nikhil was tragically killed when a distracted driver failed to stop at a stop sign. Nikhil is fondly remembered by his friends and family for his talent, energy, and kindness. Nikhil's life inspired his family to create the Nikhil Badlani Foundation in his honor, which provides lessons for musicians, scholarships for graduating seniors and brings traffic safety awareness and advocacy to our community.

In the years since his passing, community members have come together to celebrate his life and promote traffic safety in his honor. As this year marks ten years since that tragic day, South Orange Township will commemorate this milestone with a moment of silence at the crash site before unveiling its new name, "Nikhil's Way." Nikhil will never be forgotten.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE CARE
ECONOMY AND IMPORTANCE OF
SUPPORTING HOME AND COMMU-
NITY-BASED SERVICES

HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 15, 2021

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the importance of the care economy and the need for significant investment in home and community-based services to meet the needs of seniors, people with disabilities, and caregivers who serve them.

The vast majority of America's seniors and people with disabilities prefer to receive long-term services and supports in the home or in the community. However, there are currently significant roadblocks to quality, accessible home and community-based services. Many HCBS are provided through Medicaid, which has restrictive eligibility criteria and often has long waitlists for these services. Additionally, the direct care workforce that provides HCBS face low pay and few if any benefits, resulting in high turnover that impacts the services they