

Just last year, the airport set an annual record when it processed over one million passengers. This new, state-of-the-art concourse will give the airport much-needed space to welcome and process travelers, which will help remove some car traffic on U.S. 1 while giving locals even more nonstop flight options to other parts of the country.

It is my honor to represent Monroe County in the U.S. House of Representatives. Key West is one of the top destinations in the country, and this development project will help even more people experience it for themselves. I applaud all the individuals who worked so hard to make Concourse A reality, and I very much look forward to its completion.

AWARDING CHIEF PETTY OFFICER
JOHN TURNER JR. A CONGRESSIONAL
VETERAN COMMENDATION

HON. PAT FALLON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 10, 2022

Mr. FALLON. Madam Speaker, I am honored and privileged to award Chief Petty Officer John Turner Jr. with a Congressional Veteran Commendation. His service and sacrifice through the United States Navy exemplify his national pride and embodiment as a role-model citizen to serve the country he loves. Chief Petty Officer Turner is truly an ideal candidate to receive the Congressional Veteran Commendation.

Chief Petty Officer Turner served in the Navy as a Cryptologic Technician Technical. With such a talented mind in intelligence and cryptology, Chief Petty Officer Turner assisted with airborne, shipborne, and land-based radar signals.

Chief Petty Officer Turner's tenure in the military consisted of time aboard submarines and surface ships in many locations across the world. From Guam, Germany, Japan, and across many stops from sea to shining sea across America, Chief Petty Officer Turner served with no complaint wherever he was deployed.

Chief Petty Officer Turner used his impressive skill set in operating electronic intelligence-receiving and direction-finding systems, digital recording devices, and analysis terminals. American intelligence is the best in the world because of brilliant patriots like Chief Petty Officer Turner.

Since his retirement from the military, Chief Petty Officer Turner has been an active member in the community with active involvement as a Commander in Hunt County Chapter 81 Disabled American Veterans, as a councilman on the Greenville City Council, and as a service officer connecting veteran families to benefits they earned.

I am beyond honored to have Chief Petty Officer Turner in Texas' 4th Congressional District and am privileged to award such a distinguished citizen for his sacrifices.

HONORING JOE KING

HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 10, 2022

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today as a descendant of Bahamians, to recognize Joe King for his contribution to the City of Miami's designation of the Little Bahamas of Coconut Grove on July 19, 2022.

Since the 19th century, Bahamians played an integral role in the founding of the City of Miami, representing one-third of the registered signatories on July 28, 1896, date of the city's incorporation.

Much like Miami's original Bahamian signatories, Joe King's commitment to preserving the rich Bahamian culture and history of Miami has helped to ensure the designation of the Little Bahamas of Coconut Grove.

Madam Speaker, please join me in honoring Joe King for his contributions to the community and his role in the historic designation of the Little Bahamas of Coconut Grove.

HONORING JANET ARNOLD REES

HON. GREG STANTON

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 10, 2022

Mr. STANTON. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the life and legacy of Janet Arnold Rees. Janet was tirelessly devoted to our community and made it a better place to live through her work as a teacher, theatre producer, entrepreneur, and social worker.

Janet and her family moved to Phoenix in 1957, and she quickly immersed herself in the community. It was through her experience in Jewish youth organizations that she learned the value of making connections between people. She believed in the power of a community and made it a constant theme of her work.

Janet had a creative spirit that helped her inspire others, combat anti-Semitism, and create change. In 1988, she founded the award-winning Arizona Jewish Theatre Company, a point of pride in the Valley and where she served as producing director for 24 years. It was a staple in the performing arts scene and produced plays meant to reflect diverse views within Judaism. The AJTC brought people of all walks of life together—from its cast to its audience—and challenged us all to reject hatred.

Even after the AJTC closed its doors, Janet's boundless passion for serving her community continued, and she joined the Jewish Family & Children's Service. It was there that she continued to change peoples' lives by empowering them through resources that gave them stability and peace of mind. Janet worked closely with seniors, and after the COVID-19 pandemic left many isolated, her creativity led seniors to the internet. It helped many reconnect with loved ones and continue to enjoy special moments with their friends and family.

Janet touched so many lives and leaves behind a legacy that will be felt by generations. We join her loved ones in grief and gratitude, thankful we bore witness to her work. Godspeed, Janet.

IN RECOGNITION OF PHILLIP
BERENBROICK AND HIS SERVICE
TO THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COM-
MITTEE

HON. JERROLD NADLER

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 10, 2022

Mr. NADLER. Madam Speaker, I rise—along with David Cicilline, Chair of the Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law—to thank Phillip Berenbroick for his service to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Phillip came to the Committee after serving as Policy Director at Public Knowledge. Prior to that, Phillip was the Policy Director at the Internet Freedom Business Alliance, and an attorney at Hogan Lovells US LLP, among other roles. Phillip received his B.A. from Tufts University and his J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania Law School.

Phillip joined the Committee in 2020 as Counsel to our Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law. For over two years, he played a critical role in advancing the Subcommittee's priorities. As Counsel, Phillip helped develop a breadth of legislation addressing key issues, from tackling the rise and abuse of market power online, to modernizing the Administrative Procedure Act, to supporting local newspapers and broadcasters during the pandemic. His commitment to protecting American consumers and workers was further reflected in his work conducting oversight of federal agencies, as well as investigating mergers that raise significant antitrust concerns.

Phillip was essential in the Subcommittee's 16-month investigation into the state of competition in the digital economy, with a focus on the challenges presented by the dominance of Amazon, Apple, Facebook, and Google. As part of the small team conducting one of the most comprehensive probes into corporate power in the 21st century, Phillip brought his dedicated work ethic as the lead attorney responsible for investigating Apple. He helped review numerous internal documents and communications from the investigated firms; met with antitrust experts; and assisted with interviews of more than 240 market participants, former employees of the investigated firms, and other individuals. His work was critical to much of the Subcommittee's achievements. This included preparing Members for a hearing with the CEOs of Amazon, Apple, Facebook, and Google, and the publication of a Report entitled "Investigation of Competition in Digital Markets: Majority Staff Report and Recommendations," which the Committee on the Judiciary formally adopted in April 2021. He was also instrumental in helping to secure Committee passage of a suite of legislation to restore competition online in June 2021.

Throughout all of his work, Phillip brought his passion for a more just society and his commitment to excellence. Our Committee, Congress, and the American people greatly benefited from his service.

While we will miss Phillip greatly, we are glad he is not going far, and is continuing his career in public service as a Senior Counsel to Senator Robert Menendez of New Jersey.

We thank Phillip Berenbroick for his service to the Committee and wish him the best of luck with this new chapter.

HONORING COUNTESS BALOGUN

HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 10, 2022

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today as a descendant of Bahamians, to recognize Countess Balogun for her contribution to the City of Miami's designation of the Little Bahamas of Coconut Grove on July 19, 2022.

Since the 19th century, Bahamians played an integral role in the founding of the City of Miami, representing one-third of the registered signatories on July 28, 1896, date of the city's incorporation. Much like Miami's original Bahamian signatories, Countess Balogun's commitment to preserving the rich Bahamian culture and history of Miami has helped to ensure the designation of the Little Bahamas of Coconut Grove.

Madam Speaker, please join me in honoring Countess Balogun for her contributions to the community and her role in the historic designation of the Little Bahamas of Coconut Grove.

INTRODUCING HOUSE RESOLUTION
SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND
IDEALS OF NATIONAL POPPY
DAY

HON. ANDRÉ CARSON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 10, 2022

Mr. CARSON. Madam Speaker, I rise to introduce a bipartisan resolution recognizing and supporting the goals and ideals of National Poppy Day on the Friday before Memorial Day, with Congresswoman SPARTZ.

The importance of this day cannot be overstated. This bipartisan National Poppy Day Resolution recognizes the sacrifices of America's veterans and fallen service members.

In the last several decades, Memorial Day has become synonymous with the start of summer, and not as it was intended as a time to mourn and remember the U.S. military personnel who have fought and died while serving in the United States armed forces. While the United States has great respect for those who serve in the Armed Forces, we often focus on the living veterans. There are many parents, spouses, siblings, and children who still mourn their fallen service member.

Yes, there are ceremonies to remember those we have lost, such as the ones at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, at the Pentagon, and small ones at National Cemeteries. However, as a Nation we no longer take the time to remember those who have shed blood in the name of freedom.

The red-flowered corn poppy has long been a marker of respect and a way to raise awareness and support for members of our nation's veteran communities, servicemembers and their families, and the families of those who died in service to their country. Poppy Day is widely recognized by America's allies, especially in Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Great Britain, and Ukraine, but is less recognized here at home.

The red-flowered corn poppy became forever linked to soldiers who paid the ultimate

sacrifice on the battlefields of World War I, as result of the poem "In Flanders Fields." The poem, written by a Canadian soldier actively serving on the front-lines of WWI to honor his fellow soldiers killed in battle, reads:

In Flanders Fields the poppies blow,
between the crosses, row on row

Around the world, the red-flowered corn poppy continues to serve as the living symbol of the blood shed by those who served and is worn as a gesture of gratitude and recognition of the sacrifices people have made in service to their country. Many nations incorporate the poppy into their Veterans or Remembrance Day ceremonies.

In the United States, the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars first called attention in the 1920s to the importance of the poppy flower in honoring the fallen. They continue to distribute poppies and promote the importance of a National Poppy Day on the Friday before Memorial Day and Veterans Day, raising money for disabled veterans.

With wider recognition of National Poppy Day and wearing a red poppy, we honor every servicemember who has died in the name of liberty, freedom, and democracy. Additionally this provides us the opportunity to thank their families, veterans, and current service members for our freedom now and for generations to come. In the words of American Moina Michael:

And now the Torch and Poppy Red,
We wear in honor of our dead.
Fear not that ye have died for naught;
We'll teach the lesson that ye wrought

Our Resolution would begin on May 26, 2023. We should honor past and current members of the Armed Forces of the United States and their families. We should encourage all citizens, residents, and visitors of the United States to join in observing "National Poppy Day." Wearing a red poppy the Friday before Memorial day—and through the weekend—is a simple declaration of our admiration for and thanks to those individuals who shed blood to preserve freedom.

In this body we have people who have served and those who have lost. At the very least we should honor them.

We invite all Members of Congress to wear their poppy red, support the goals and ideals of National Poppy Day on May 26, 2023 and every year after, to pay tribute to those who have sacrificed for our country—both living and dead. I also invite all of my colleagues to join me in sponsoring this resolution.

HONORING TECHNICAL SERGEANT
VIRGIL POE, ONE OF THE
GREATEST GENERATION

HON. DAN CRENSHAW

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 10, 2022

Mr. CRENSHAW. Madam Speaker, on Friday, July 1st this year, Sergeant Virgil Poe, age 96, passed away surrounded by family in Houston, Texas.

Virgil was born on June 28, 1926, near Mansfield, Arkansas. He lived the first ten years of his life in Hoberg, Missouri. At ten years old, Virgil's parents, Loyd and Elsie Poe, moved to Portsmouth, Iowa where his father worked as a banker. He graduated from high school in Harlan, Iowa in 1944.

Virgil was drafted in June 1944 and reported to the famed Fort Leavenworth in Kansas to serve his country in the United States Army. He would go on to take basic Infantry Training at Camp Wolters, Texas.

Virgil fought for the Allies with selflessness and nobility. He served in the 7th U.S. Army in France, Belgium, and Germany as a rifleman, truck driver and heavy artilleryman until Germany's surrender in 1945.

Following Germany's surrender, Virgil did not rest. Upon his return to America, he boarded a troop train to Seattle with other soldiers shipping to fight the Japanese in the Pacific Theater. While en route to the Pacific, Virgil and the other servicemen learned Japan had surrendered.

After the war, Virgil was sent back to Ft. Hood, where he would meet his wife, Dorrace, at an evening service at the Church of Christ in her nearby hometown of Temple, Texas. His battalion eventually moved to Camp Polk in Louisiana, where Virgil served as the Administrative NCO in the newly organized Rocket FA Battalion Headquarters. He also served as Supply Sergeant in the same battalion.

Virgil was honorably discharged from the service in August 1946. He and Dorrace married shortly thereafter in October of 1946.

Virgil went on to Abilene Christian College, where he graduated in 1952. Upon graduation, he worked faithfully for 42 years at Southwestern Bell Telephone Co./AT&T as an engineer across the Midwest, including in Dallas, Houston, and St. Louis.

In 2020, the President of the Republic of France authorized the National French Legion of Honour Medal, the highest military medal in France, to Virgil Poe. 75 years after the landing at Normandy the French consulate in Houston awarded the medal to Mr. Poe to honor him for his service in France during World War II. Indeed, Mr. Poe was an exemplary member of the Greatest Generation.

Virgil and Dorrace remained happily married for 72 years before her passing in April 2019. He is survived by his daughter, Jayne Poe Massey, of Jersey Village, Texas; son, former Congressman Ted Poe and wife, Carol; eight grandchildren and eighteen great-grandchildren. Please join us in honoring a true American hero and patriot.

HONORING U.S. NAVY COMMANDER
SHERRI R. ZIMMERMAN

HON. JOAQUIN CASTRO

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, November 10, 2022

Mr. CASTRO of Texas. Madam Speaker, today, I rise in honor of retired Navy Commander Sherri R. Zimmerman, a distinguished military leader who graciously served on my 2018 Military Service Academy Nominations Board.

Commander Zimmerman enlisted in the Navy in 1993 and quickly distinguished herself as a talented leader. In 1994, she enrolled in the U.S. Naval Academy, and graduated four years later with a Bachelor of Science degree in English and a commission as a Cryptologic Officer.

Commander Zimmerman attended the Navy Cryptologic Division Officer training in Pensacola, Florida. Subsequently, she reported to