

Her mother, Dionne Mhoon, affectionately described Aréanah as a “firecracker” and a goal-setter, noting that her daughter wrote down everything she wanted to achieve and accomplished all of it.

Aréanah’s father, Allen Preston, described her as a “beautiful soul” who “always saw the best in people” and had long wanted to be a police officer. He said, “she was trying to make a change on this earth.” He recalled that she followed “half” her family into the public safety profession.

Her aunt, Sonia Rawsk, described her niece as a “wonderful” person with a bright future and “a definite role model with a career path that just didn’t stop.” Loyola University Chicago echoed these sentiments, expressing shock and sadness at her tragic passing, and remembering her for her kindness, intellect, and commitment to service.

Aréanah’s dedication to her community extended beyond her work as a police officer. She earned a bachelor’s degree in criminal justice and law enforcement administration from Illinois State University, where she met professor Charles Bell. He described her as a “very engaged, very vocal student, very respectful of others’ opinion, and just very passionate about making a difference and showing young people that policing is a profession that can make a difference in the community.” He added that she was “very aware of a lot of the problems, that in her opinion, had manifested in the Chicago community.” Professor Bell said that Aréanah was still working in patrol but “was looking forward to moving up in the ranks.” He referred to her as a “reformer” who saw a problem and was dedicated to making a difference.

Following a class trip to Holocaust sites in Germany and Poland in 2019, Aréanah stated in an article published on her school’s website that she was determined to enter the police academy to help build trust between underrepresented communities and law enforcement. “I know a big thing for our trip was finding voices for those who didn’t have a voice,” Preston said. “When I got back, I wanted to be an officer. I felt like I could be a person to fight for justice.”

Aréanah was a beacon of hope and held all the promise in the world to reform public safety. Her determination to make a difference and build bridges between our communities and law enforcement was truly inspiring. It is a travesty that we have lost someone who had the potential to be a catalyst for change in the way we approach public safety. We must stand together in condemning unjust acts against public servants and work collectively to ensure the safety of those who put their lives on the line for us.

I would like to share the words of Aréanah’s mother: “If you guys believe in the power of prayer, if you guys believe in God, keep us in your prayers. Don’t stop praying for us, even when all of this is gone, don’t stop praying for us.” She said that at the end of the day, she knows her family will be all right, because “God is good and joy comes in the morning.”

I ask my colleagues in Congress to hear her call, to keep the Preston family in our thoughts and prayers, and to work together to ensure that the sacrifices made by public servants like Aréanah Preston are not in vain. Let us honor her life, legacy, and dedication to protecting and serving the entire City of Chicago, and strive to build a safer, more just society for all.

HONORING SERGEANT JOSEPH ZYGAROWSKI

HON. GUS M. BILIRAKIS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 11, 2023

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and service of my constituent, Sergeant Joseph Zygarski. Joseph was a mechanic assigned to the 10th Transportation Battalion, 7th Transportation Brigade (Expeditionary) at Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Virginia. Enlisting in the United States Army in 2018, he began his training at Fort Jackson in South Carolina before additional training at Fort Lee Virginia. His Commanders described Joseph as an exceptional soldier and model leader.

Throughout his military career he was awarded several accolades including the Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal with an oak leaf cluster, the National Defense Service Medal, the Global War on Terror Ribbon, and the Army Service Ribbon. He will be posthumously awarded the Meritorious Service Medal.

Joseph Zygarski will be remembered for his life of service to his community and country. I extend my deepest condolences to his family. May his memory be eternal.

RECOGNIZING MR. JEFFREY W. DONAHUE AS HE CELEBRATES HIS 100TH BIRTHDAY

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 11, 2023

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Jeffrey “Jeff” W. Donahue, a resident of Virginia’s 11th Congressional District, as he celebrates his 100th birthday on May 14th of this year.

I had the honor of meeting Mr. Donahue in 2019 at a Memorial Day Ceremony in the town of Vienna, Virginia. A veteran of World War II, Mr. Donahue was a naval aviator flying an F4F in combat missions in the Pacific Theater while serving aboard the USS *Salamaua*. His remarks at the ceremony focused on his service to his country and the sacrifices made by many members of his generation who lost their lives in the war. He was 96 at the time, yet he spoke with clarity as though he were talking about events he had just experienced. Following World War II, he continued his military service in the reserves, when he was called once more to serve as a flight instructor in Pensacola, Florida during the Korean war.

Like so many military veterans, Mr. Donahue took advantage of the G.I. Bill to earn a bachelor’s degree from the University of Connecticut. He then pursued a career in the insurance industry with Fireman’s Fund Insurance, which took him and his growing family on a journey to many cities on the east coast until their final move to Fairfax County in 1970.

Service to his country and community defines Mr. Donahue’s life. For years, he has been an active member of his church and volunteered as a tutor for elementary school children into his mid-90s.

There is an adage that age is just a number, which certainly holds true for Mr. Donahue and his wife, Barbara. Over their 72 years together they have raised 6 children, 5 of whom graduated from James Madison High School. As their family tree grows, they now have 13 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren who affectionately call them Pop and Gram.

Mr. Speaker, as we celebrate Jeff’s 100th birthday, I want to extend my best wishes for a joyful gathering of family and friends. I also extend my appreciation for his service to our country. Happy 100th birthday, Jeff.

HONORING TAHREEM ALAM

HON. ILHAN OMAR

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 11, 2023

Ms. OMAR. Mr. Speaker, today I recognize Tahreem Alam, a fellow in my Washington, D.C. office for all of the hard work she has done for me, my staff, and the State of Minnesota.

Daughter of Bangladesh immigrants, Tahreem along with her older sister and younger brother grew up in Blacksburg, Virginia. She is a graduate of Virginia Tech, where she earned her bachelor’s degree in Multimedia Journalism, International Relations, and Arabic with minors in Women’s and Gender Studies and Middle East Studies. She earned her Master of Arts degree in Middle East Studies at the Elliott School of International Affairs at George Washington University.

I got to know Tahreem, after she was selected to serve as a legislative intern in my congressional office from a pool of highly qualified applicants in the spring of 2022 and she later returned that fall for a nine-month fellowship. During the last year and half, Tahreem has proven to be a talented and brilliant young woman, always ready to learn something new. She has demonstrated a high-level of professionalism, dedication, and confidence in all her assigned tasks. It has been my pleasure to get to know Tahreem and see her flourish.

Every Member of Congress works with many exceptional staff, from the staff in their own personal offices, to committee staff, and floor staff. It has often been said that without staff this institution would not run, and I agree. Without the many fine staff with whom I have had the good fortune to work with, I and other Members of Congress would not be able to do the kind of work we do for our constituents every day.

Tahreem should be proud of the service she has provided to our District and country. She has assisted my office in multiple areas, including communications, appropriations, and constituent engagement and advocacy. She has been an exemplary public servant during her time with the office. Tahreem is deeply committed to her studies, our community, and to ensuring that she is an active participant in making our country a better place. I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to Tahreem for all of the fine work she has done and wish her continued success in the years to come.

On behalf of Minnesota’s 5th Congressional District, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring and thanking Tahreem for her service.

HONORING MOMS ORANGE COUNTY

HON. J. LUIS CORREA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 11, 2023

Mr. CORREA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor MOMS Orange County, one of Orange County's largest nonprofits dedicated to newborn and pregnancy health.

For more than three decades, MOMS OC has supported the needs of over 2,500 underserved pregnant and parenting families each year. This important resource provides low-income women and their families with free prenatal care, health and infant development screenings, mental health services, and resource referrals. They also offer parenting and health classes for mothers, fathers, and other caregivers in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese.

MOMS OC is committed to increasing women's access to quality prenatal and postnatal care, regardless of their race, sexuality, creed, class, or family composition, by helping to dismantle barriers to equitable health care.

The services MOMS OC provides lead to real positive outcomes for the families they support. Despite coming from low-income backgrounds, the children supported by MOMS OC are at health and developmental levels that exceed those of the general population. After graduating from MOMS OC's care 99 percent of children served have medical homes, 98 percent of children are up-to-date with appropriate immunizations, and 99 percent of children are on track for their developmental milestones.

Since its founding in 1992, MOMS OC has uplifted more than 100,000 families, including babies that have grown up to become healthy and successful Orange County parents. Through health coordination, education, and access to community resources, MOMS OC provides low-income parents with the tools and support to ensure their babies have the healthiest possible start to life.

I thank MOMS OC for their work empowering and supporting Orange County families.

RECOGNIZING MICHAEL O'REILLY
AS THE ROTARY CLUB OF HERN-
DON-RESTON'S CITIZEN OF THE
YEAR

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 11, 2023

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize Michael O'Reilly as the Rotary Club of Herndon-Reston's Citizen of the Year. Mr. O'Reilly is the 54th recipient of this highest honor, presented annually by the club.

Mike was selected for his many years of tireless service to the town. A former Herndon Mayor and Town Council member, he was committed to using his position as an elected official to better the lives of the people of Herndon. During his term he was able to maintain a high level of service while also accomplishing such things as opening a new Police Station, opening a well-regulated day labor site, and opening a new Senior Center.

After he left elected office, Mr. O'Reilly continued his service to the community. He

served five years as a member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority (MWAA). At the time he joined the MWAA Board, Dulles was undergoing major renovations and upgrades, spending roughly two million dollars a day, building a new runway, building an underground rail system, expanding the main terminal, and reconfiguring the entrance and approach roadways to accommodate expected growth.

During his time with MWAA, he was involved in the negotiations for the design, financing, and construction of Phase 1 of the Silver Line Metrorail Project and the procurement and contract award for Phase 2 of that project. The opening of the Herndon Station and the Innovation Station would not have been possible without his tenacity and commitment to his vision of extending rail to Dulles.

In his professional life, Mike is the owner of the O'Reilly Law Firm in Herndon and serves on the Board of Directors of the Dulles Regional Chamber of Commerce. As a leader in the Chamber, he chairs the Herndon Committee, which engages and supports Herndon businesses.

Among his many contributions to the greater community, Mike has worked to prevent and end homelessness in his position as Chairman of the Governing Board of the Fairfax Falls Church Partnership. Under his leadership, Fairfax County was able to reduce the homeless population by 46 percent through collaboration between faith-based groups, service providers, and community volunteers.

Mr. O'Reilly now serves as the Chairman of the Board for Arts Herndon. In this role, he is working to bring a new Art Center to downtown Herndon, aided by a 1.2-million-dollar Fairfax County construction grant that he, in conjunction with the Mayor and Town representatives, worked to obtain.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating Michael O'Reilly on this award and thanking him for his committed and selfless service to our community.

CELEBRATING THE GRAND
OPENING OF DELCO TRAILERS

HON. PAT FALLON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 11, 2023

Mr. FALLON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the grand opening of Delco Trailers' new 550,000 square foot manufacturing facility in Brookston, Texas. Delco Trailers specializes in the production of a wide range of trailers to accommodate all kinds of livestock, cargo, vehicle, and equipment needs.

Founded in 2006 by Chief Executive Officer John Dyck, Delco Trailers rose from humble beginnings to become one of the most respected names in the industry. With its \$29 million venture into Lamar County, Delco Trailers will boost economic growth, create 300 new well-paying jobs, and construct new fleets of trailer equipment to serve North Texas' transportation needs.

Moreover, Delco Trailers has pledged to finance workforce development initiatives and give back to the community through future expansions. This will create additional job opportunities and strengthen the economic success of Lamar County. I'm proud to represent such distinguished business owners in my district.

I have requested the United States flag to be flown over our Nation's Capitol to recognize this historic investment for the people of District 4. Congratulations to Delco Trailers on their new launch, and I wish them the best.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JAMES T.
STOVALL, III

**HON. AUMUA AMATA COLEMAN
RADEWAGEN**

OF AMERICAN SAMOA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 11, 2023

Mrs. RADEWAGEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of James T. Stovall, III who passed away unexpectedly on April 27, 2023. An accomplished lawyer, Mr. Stovall was a trusted advisor to decades of Micronesian leaders and provided the government of the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) with more than 50 years of legal counsel.

Born in Montgomery, Alabama in 1937, Mr. Stovall earned his Juris Doctor (J.D.) from the University of Alabama. He served in the U.S. military in Korea and Germany as member of the Judge Advocate General's Corps (JAG).

His work on behalf of Micronesia began in the early 70s with the Micronesian Committee on Future Political Status and Transition (CFPST). After his service with the JAG Corps., he was designated by the Washington, D.C. law firm of Clifford & Warnke to provide legal advice to the Micronesian Status Negotiations. He worked on negotiations for the original Compact of Free Association (COFA) and this work carried through as an advisor to the Joint Committee on Compact Review and Planning in their current negotiations between the COFA states and the U.S. Mr. Stovall also served as trusted adviser to all nine FSM Presidents, from first FSM President Tosiwo Nakayama in 1979 through current President David Panuelo, and he was instrumental in securing the FSM's membership in the United Nations in 1991.

Mr. Stovall is survived by his wife of 60 years, LouAnn, along with 2 daughters and 3 grandchildren.

Mr. Stovall mentored several generations of Micronesian lawyers and government officials during his service and continued to do so right up until his unexpected illness. His passing is not just a loss for the FSM, but for the Pacific region at large. He will be missed.

HONORING THE NORTHWEST INDI-
ANA BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY
HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2023

HON. FRANK J. MRVAN

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 11, 2023

Mr. MRVAN. Mr. Speaker, it is with great respect and admiration that I rise to commend several exceptional leaders from Indiana who will be honored as the Northwest Indiana Business and Industry Hall of Fame Class of 2023. This year's inductees include Jeff Good, Richard Pellar, Jeanne Robbins, and Rick Urschel. Karen Lauerman will also be honored posthumously for her truly significant impact on our community. In addition, Chester, Inc. will