

REMEMBERING CRAIG R. MILLER

**HON. TOM EMMER**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 15, 2023*

Mr. EMMER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Craig R. Miller, of Foley, Minnesota, who recently passed away after a battle with cancer.

Craig was born in Litchfield, Minnesota in 1968 and graduated from Litchfield High School in 1986. After high school he continued his education at St. Cloud State University, graduating with a degree in Aviation and Business Management. For the next two decades, Craig built a successful career at Ben's Structural Fabrication in Waite Park where he became a Vice President.

Outside of his day job, Craig also volunteered at the Clear Lake Fire & Rescue Department for 18 years. During his years in service to the department, he became Assistant Chief and received the Clear Lake Firefighter of the Year Award.

He was an avid hockey fan; Craig played, coached, refereed and was lucky enough to be a Wild season ticket holder for many years. In the spring and summer, Craig loved playing golf, taking care of his yard and smoking meat at his barbeque and sharing with friends and neighbors.

From the fire department to his job at Ben's, Craig took pride in everything he did. To his children Kylie and Steven, and the rest of the Miller family, we offer our sincerest condolences and pray that Craig's memory will comfort them all during this challenging time.

RECOGNIZING THE 7TH UNITED NATIONS GLOBAL ROAD SAFETY WEEK

**HON. RICHARD HUDSON**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 15, 2023*

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today as co-chair of the Global Road Safety Caucus to mark the 7th United Nations Global Road Safety Week (May 15–21, 2023).

The number of deaths on the world's roads remains unacceptably high. Road traffic injuries are a leading cause of death worldwide, with around 1.35 million people killed each year. For people aged 5–29 years, there is no greater threat to their lives.

But this is not just an issue in other countries. The National Safety Council (NSC) says deaths from motor vehicles have risen 9% since 2020 in the United States, with as many as 46,270 Americans dying in vehicle crashes last year. Also, according to the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, road crash deaths are the single greatest cause of death for U.S. citizens residing or traveling abroad.

By recognizing Global Road Safety Week, we can make a difference in stemming the tide of the road crash epidemic in the United States and around the world. Ultimately, we should do everything in our power to protect the lives of all road users, and I hope to work with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to do that.

Mr. Speaker, please join me today in honoring the 7th United Nations Global Road Safety Week

RECOGNIZING NUECES COUNTY 2023 REGIONAL POLICE MEMORIAL CEREMONY

**HON. MICHAEL CLOUD**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 15, 2023*

Mr. CLOUD. Mr. Speaker, it is with profound respect, humility, and gratitude that I join all of Nueces County today in remembering our fallen heroes—and recognize the Nueces County 2023 Regional Police Memorial Ceremony in honoring our heroes service to our community.

Throughout the years, we have lost 28 Nueces County law enforcement officers who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty. These officers dedicated their lives to protecting us, our families, and their community. They leave behind a legacy of duty and sacrifice as a challenge to us who remain in the shadow of their sacrifice. Their service will never be forgotten.

Christ tells us that there is no greater love than for one to lay down their life for a friend—calling those who chose a life of service to others as the greatest in His kingdom.

My prayers are with the families, friends and those who served alongside during this time of both grieving and reflection.

Thank you to all of our law enforcement officers who continue in service of our communities.

I hope my colleagues will also join me in thanking these brave individuals and honoring their legacy.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF ANSEL HOLT ON HIS OFFER OF APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND THE UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY

**HON. ROBERT E. LATTA**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 15, 2023*

Mr. LATTA. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that Ansel Holt of Bowling Green, Ohio, has been offered an appointment to the United States Military Academy in West Point, New York.

Ansel's offer of appointment permits him to attend the United States Military Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2027. Attending one of our nation's military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country, but also guarantees a world-class education while undertaking one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of their lives.

Ansel brings a tremendous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2027. While attending Bowling Green High School, Ansel participated in ice hockey all four years of high school and received his varsity letter. I am confident that Ansel will carry the lessons of his student and athletic leadership to the Military Academy.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating Ansel Holt on his offer of appointment to the United States Military Academy. Our service academies offer the finest military training and education available, and I am positive that Ansel will excel during his career at the Military Academy. I ask my colleagues to join me in extending their best wishes to him as he begins his service to our Nation.

HONORING THE AUGUSTA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN ORISKANY FALLS, NY ON ITS 225TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. BRANDON WILLIAMS**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 15, 2023*

Mr. WILLIAMS of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Augusta Presbyterian Church in Oriskany Falls, NY, which is celebrating its 225th Anniversary this year.

Augusta Presbyterian Church was first formed on September 7, 1797, when Reverends Asabell North and Joel Bradley formed a Congregational society in Augusta's log schoolhouse with nine charter members.

For the first 8 years, services were held everywhere from private homes to schoolhouses, in barns and in the open air. From 1805–1816, the congregation worshipped in the Town Hall. In 1816, the present Augusta Presbyterian Church building was completed, and the congregation has met there ever since.

For 225 years, this church has been a symbol of the community, bringing generations together and helping others in any way they can. I commend the Augusta Presbyterian Church for their 225 years in the community and know that they will continue to serve for many years to come.

HONORING REV. ANTHONY AZZARTO, S.J.

**HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 15, 2023*

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I am paying tribute today to Reverend Anthony Azzarto, S.J., from Jersey City, New Jersey, and extending my condolences to his family. Rev. Azzarto's passing has profoundly impacted the Saint Peter's Preparatory School and the Jersey City community. He was associated with the school for more than six decades, leaving a lasting mark on generations of graduates, their families, and his colleagues. He taught the value of community and recognized the good in others. He genuinely cared for every school community member; we will never forget his legacy. I am including in the RECORD Rev. Anthony Azzarto's obituary.

Rev. Anthony Azzarto, S.J., an iconic Jesuit priest who had an extraordinarily impactful six-decade association with Saint Peter's Preparatory, died on April 15, 2023, in the Jesuit infirmary at Murray-Weigel Hall on the campus of Fordham University. He was 84.

Michael Gomez, Ed.D., Preparatory's president, said, "Whether he was preaching to 950

students, celebrating Mass in your backyard with family and friends, or leading a faculty and staff retreat, Fr. Azzarto always taught us the importance of human interactions—and seeing the good, seeing God in each one. He always reminded us to walk the road together, and he has walked with thousands and thousands of folks—on our dark and lonely roads and on the roads to our greatest heights. Those lessons live on in the fabric of Saint Peter's Prep."

James Horan, Preparatory's vice president, who has known Fr. Azzarto as a friend and colleague for 49 years, referred to him as "a towering Jesuit," adding, "He was the absolute embodiment of Prep's core identity as a Jesuit institution. His impact on this school has been nothing short of profound and transformational—in the truest sense of those often overused adjectives—affecting generations of graduates, their families, and his professional colleagues. His passing leaves an almost unthinkable void, but his legacy will remain an indelible part of this campus for future generations. He will be the ultimate touchstone whenever someone references the Jesuit ideal of being a 'man for others.'"

In 1963, seven years after entering the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) at Bellarmine College (Plattsburgh, NY), Fr. Azzarto arrived at Preparatory's downtown Jersey City campus and quickly distinguished himself as a faculty member who was highly relatable to his teenage students, and whose daily activities were defined by a genuine care for each member of the school community. This included creating and moderating cocurricular activities that provided new opportunities for all students to become involved in school life.

He left Prep in 1966 to continue his religious studies and was ordained a priest on June 12, 1969. He had earned his B.A. and M.A. degrees from Loyola Seminary (Fordham University), and he went on to earn his M.Div. degree from Woodstock College, MD. He returned to campus in 1972, and over the next five decades he served as counselor, chaplain, alumni chaplain and teacher, including classes as varied as British literature, prayer and the saints. Also, in his role as chaplain he led the Emmaus retreat program for nearly 20 years.

From 1980 to 1985, Fr. Azzarto was assigned to Saint Joseph's Church in Benin City, Nigeria, where he served as pastor. In addition to his parish duties, he ministered at the local leper hospital and prison, and he was part of a team of New York Jesuits instrumental in building the Society of Jesus in Africa. He was a tireless promoter of Jesuit vocations in Nigeria and remained very proud of the wonderful Jesuits serving the church in Nigeria and throughout Africa. In addition to serving several summers in Nigeria when he was teaching at Saint Peter's, he returned to Africa from 2005 to 2006, serving in Lagos, and then he returned to Prep. In 2018, he was assigned to the Jesuit community at Murray-Weigel Hall in the Bronx, praying for the Church and the Society of Jesus and continuing his ministry at Prep, especially in conjunction with the school's Alumni Spirituality Committee.

Over his career at Saint Peter's, Fr. Azzarto's impact began in the classroom and stayed with the graduates as they proceeded into adulthood. He officiated at countless weddings, baptisms and funerals of Prep alumni and their families. Somehow he was virtually always available, and he served in that capacity while also finding time to attend many of Prep's athletic events, especially contests at the freshman and JV levels. A proud Brooklyn native, a 1956 graduate of that borough's Jesuit high school, Brooklyn Prep, and an avid sports fan, Fr. Azzarto

was known for his ongoing loyalty to the Dodgers, and he knew his support of Prep's underclassmen would be most impactful to the young athletes.

His presence also extended off campus, including organizing and officiating at liturgies, called "Prep on the Road," held at the homes of Prep families in various geographic areas.

## INTRODUCTION OF THE IMPROVING REENTRY FOR DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA RESIDENTS IN THE BUREAU OF PRISONS ACT OF 2023

### HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 15, 2023*

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, today, I introduce the Improving Reentry for District of Columbia Residents in the Bureau of Prisons Act of 2023. This bill would require the Federal Bureau of Prisons (BOP) to place D.C. residents serving sentences for D.C. Code felonies in BOP facilities within 250 miles of D.C. Under the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997, individuals serving sentences for D.C. Code felonies are in BOP custody.

Currently, more than 2,000 D.C. residents are serving sentences for D.C. Code felonies, and they are in BOP facilities across the United States. While Congress will not provide funding to BOP to build a new facility for these D.C. residents, there are more than enough existing BOP facilities within 250 miles of D.C. to house all these D.C. residents. Under this bill, BOP could place a D.C. resident outside 250 miles upon the request or consent of a resident, and BOP could place a D.C. resident outside 250 miles without consent in extraordinary circumstances.

This bill would help D.C. residents in BOP maintain relationships with family and support networks and help them reenter society.

I strongly urge my colleagues to support this bill.

## RECOGNIZING RIVERVIEW HIGHLANDS GOLF CLUB SERVICE TO THE CITY OF RIVERVIEW AND THE PEOPLE OF SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN

### HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 15, 2023*

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Riverview Highlands Golf Club in the city of Riverview, Michigan on the occasion of their 50th anniversary. The contribution that they have made to the quality of life of the residents of Southeastern Michigan is worthy of commendation.

The course's first 9-hole "Gold Course" opened on May 15, 1973. It was one of the first projects of the now famed golf architect, Bill Newcomb, who would go on to design classics like The Medalist in Marshall, Michigan and Calderone Farms in Grass Lake. Just a few years later in 1976 the club would build its "Red Course", borrowing heavy equipment and labor from the City's neighboring landfill,

a testament to the unique blend of Downrivers' industrial heritage and its reverence for connecting residents to the outdoors. In 1981, Riverview Highlands was again graced with a renowned architect, Arthur Hill, who designed its "Blue Course," thus bringing the course to its current state of 27 holes.

Each year, Riverview Highlands hosts 50,000 rounds of golf. The club is one of only 6 Michigan courses selected for the National USGA Junior Drive, Chip and Putt site. Through concerted stewardship, River Highlands has transformed from its original 9 course to a full-fledged facility for every aspect of your golf game. They boast an outdoor driving range, chipping green, as well as a new indoor "Learning Center" that allows golfers to escape the rain and snow . . . a reality Michigan golfers know all too well.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me today in honoring Riverview Highlands Golf Club. Their dedication to providing a quality afternoon on the course or a memorable evening in the clubhouse has not wavered for 50 years and we thank them for it. Keep up the good work.

## HONORING LANGSTON WHITE

### HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON

OF FLORIDA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 15, 2023*

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the service and accomplishments of Langston White, my intern who is transitioning from my office to further his education at Hampton University.

Langston White is a graduating senior at Cleveland Heights High School completing his senior project with my office. He will attend Hampton University next year as a Business Administration major with a focus in Finance.

The son of Daiedra and Garrett White, Langston is from Cleveland, Ohio. He is a member of the Minority Student Action Network and Students Advocating for Youth where he volunteers his time to advocate for rights and equity across communities. In his time as a high school student, Langston has advocated for the equity and fair treatment of Black Americans, stood by and protested for sexual assault survivors, and interned for the NAACP.

During his time in this office, he spoke to constituents daily, researched legislative topics, and attended briefings on various subjects. He has displayed a great work ethic and professionalism.

On behalf of Florida's 24th Congressional District, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Langston White for his exemplary character, dedication to teamwork, and willingness to learn.

## REINTRODUCTION OF THE RESPECT FOR GRIEVING MILITARY FAMILIES ACT

### HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, May 15, 2023*

Mr. GARAMENDI. Mr. Speaker, today I reintroduce the "Respect for Grieving Military