

both a diagnosis and treatment for their disorder.

Too many children and their families do not have adequate access to high-quality specialty child and adolescent behavioral health care. Child and adolescent psychiatrists practice in a wide range of settings and further facilitate access to treatment through telehealth and collaborative care arrangements with primary care providers, schools, and other systems. And yet, there is still a shortage of inpatient child and adolescent psychiatric beds. According to the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, there are 1,341,682 children under the age of 18 in Maryland, but only 365 practicing child and adolescent psychiatrists, or 1 for every 3,676 children. There are six counties in Maryland that have no child and adolescent psychiatrists available at all. This is simply unacceptable. Children should have access to a full array of prevention, early intervention, and treatment options within all child-facing systems. We need to act now and improve services with integrated care models, including collaborative care arrangements.

Several weeks ago, I had the opportunity to tour Brooke's House, a community-based sober living environment for women in Hagerstown, MD. I had the pleasure of attending the graduation of a resident who has completed treatment and is transitioning out of the residential treatment environment. Brooke's House was the dream of a young Maryland girl who struggled opioid addiction. It provides a community-based, safe, stable, and emotionally supportive living environment for adult women in the early stages of substance abuse recovery. This model of care ensures a tranquil, home-like facility to provide state-of-the-art treatment and recovery services with resources to help residents achieve their dreams of living drug-free and productive lives. This year, Brooke's House will use an ARC INSPIRE grant to expand support and engagement services, specifically by hiring a coordinator for a commercial driver's license—CDL—program to help more women access job training and placement while in recovery. The addition of this coordinator will help expand the CDL program to serve 12 participants.

Behavioral health equity is the right of all individuals—regardless of race, age, ethnicity, gender, disability, socioeconomic status, sexual orientation, or ZIP Code—to access high-quality and affordable healthcare support.

I am excited to see reforms such as the SUPPORT Act, enacted in 2018 with overwhelming bipartisan support, which addresses the opioid epidemic and tackles many aspects of the epidemic, including treatment, prevention, recovery, and enforcement. This year, we begin work to reauthorize key programs within the SUPPORT Act. This bipartisan legislation takes an important step forward in providing additional tools to battle the opioid

crisis. It is imperative we work toward advancing access to high-quality behavioral health care.

The United States is an ever-changing cultural landscape that shapes the way we experience diversity. Cultural values and beliefs not only affect our daily activities, but also influence the way we perceive physical and emotional distress and the need for interventions to deal with them. Mental illness is perceived differently by various cultures, as is the ability to express certain symptoms. Emotional distress and mental health problems occur in all socio-cultural backgrounds as well as ages.

Mental illness affects the lives of so many Americans. We have made great strides as a nation to better support individuals and communities, which is why we recently celebrated the anniversary of the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline. This July, in honor of National Minority Mental Health Awareness Month, let us commit to continue working together on both sides of the aisle to improve mental health care in our country by building on the success of integrated care models and innovative systems.

#### REMEMBERING TOM MENTZER

Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Mr. President, I rise today to pay a heartfelt tribute to my long-time director of communications, Tom Mentzer, who passed away after a lengthy battle with cancer. Tom was a larger than life personality and his loss is still felt deeply by myself and our entire office.

Tom was born in Poulsbo, WA, but spent a large part of his youth in Germany in the cities of Kaiserslautern and Heidelberg. He was a graduate of Heidelberg American High School and went on to DePauw University, where he majored in political science and communications. Tom stayed in Indiana for his graduate work and completed his master's in journalism at Indiana University in 2001.

He began his communications career in 1994 as a reporter for the Heidelberg Herald-Post. Upon completion of his masters, Tom began work with Scripps Howard News Service before joining the Urban Institute. In 2007, he was hired as a press secretary for Congressman Sam Farr. Tom joined my staff in 2010 as a press secretary, and 4 years later, he assumed the role of director of communications, which he maintained until his passing.

Tom was among the best at his craft and he played a role in messaging nearly every piece of legislation from my office. I valued his wise counsel on many contentious issues, and he was by my side during the release of the torture report as well as multiple reelection campaigns, appropriations fights, and Supreme Court nominations. He was essential to our efforts on ending gun violence, climate change, water issues, and the Lake Tahoe Summit.

Always ready with a humorous quip, Tom understood how to lighten the

mood during the most difficult of days. His zeal for life was infectious, and it extended to many things outside of the office, including travel, sports, cooking, food, and drinks. Tom had a unique ability to connect with people from all walks of life and was a mentor to many in our office. He had an empathy that I admired, and I, like so many others, will greatly miss his wry take on issues of the day.

Tom was private about his cancer diagnosis, and many did not know the extent of the disease. Although he did not beat cancer, he was determined not to let it define him. He was fond of a quote by the late comedian Norm MacDonald, who said, "I'm no doctor, but I'm pretty sure if you die, the cancer dies at the same time. That's not a loss. That's a draw."

I will forever be grateful for Tom's wisdom and dedication to my office and the people of California. I offer my sincere condolences to Tom's family and his wife Kristen, with whom he shared the better part of 22 years of his life. I wish all of them the best during this difficult chapter of their lives.

#### TRIBUTE TO DAVID GRANNIS

Mrs. FEINSTEIN. Mr. President, I rise today to give a belated and fond farewell to a valued and long-standing member of my staff, Mr. David Grannis.

Every Member of this Chamber understands the importance of having wise counsel in their corner. It is not only important, but essential, in order to produce meaningful results for your constituents. To that end, David Grannis was an essential part of my team for the past 5 years while serving as the chief of staff to my office.

I previously offered a similar tribute to David in 2016, when he left his position as staff director for the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence to serve as the Principal Deputy Under Secretary at the Department of Homeland Security's Office of Intelligence and Analysis. I will be forever grateful for his return to my personal office, where he ably guided my staff through multiple Supreme Court nominations, impeachments, all-night vote-a-ramas, a global pandemic, and an insurrection. I will also always remember his support during a particularly difficult period after my husband's passing in 2022.

David has had a long and distinguished history of public service. In addition to his time with the Department of Homeland Security, he served on the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence for over a decade, beginning as my designee in March of 2005, then serving as my staff director beginning in January of 2009 when I took over as chair of the committee. Prior to joining the Intelligence Committee in 2005, David worked on the House Select Committee on Homeland Security and was the senior policy adviser to Representative Jane Harman on matters of national security.

Before coming to Congress, David worked for 2 years at the National Research Council's Board on Chemical Sciences and Technology on projects studying the ability to make explosives more detectable and identifiable. He has a master's of public policy from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government, where he worked for former Secretary of Defense Ash Carter.

As my chief of staff, David led with wit and wisdom and demonstrated an uncanny ability to get the job done. He has been by my side for countless meetings with foreign leaders, ambassadors, military commanders, corporate chiefs, and local officials. David has served as a mentor for many members of my staff and his professionalism and dedication are second to none. He is someone that I am proud to call a friend.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank David's wife, Kerry Searle Grannis, and their three wonderful children: Owen, Amelia, and Nathaniel. The chief of staff job is certainly not always easy. I appreciate their support of David throughout his tenure with my office, and I hope his next venture will allow for more time with his family.

While I am sad to see David leave, I am thrilled that he has taken on a new role as the executive director for the Commission on the National Defense Strategy. I have every confidence that his steady hand, insight on the issues, and decisive leadership will serve the commission well.

I thank David for his years of dedicated service to the people of California. I wish him all the best in his future endeavors, and I will deeply miss him.

#### TRIBUTE TO WENDY SHERMAN

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to Wendy Sherman, a fellow native Marylander and a distinguished daughter of Baltimore—and a true friend of mine—as she retires tomorrow from her position as Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of State.

As Deputy Secretary of State since the start of the Biden administration, Ms. Sherman has been entrusted with handling some of the most intractable diplomatic engagements our country has to manage. It is no wonder that one of her senior colleagues in the administration told the *New York Times* recently that she is the one most often deployed to have “hard conversations in hard places.” This included a vital meeting with her Russian counterpart in Geneva in January of 2022 where she delivered the U.S. Government's final warnings to the Kremlin about the high costs they would incur should they invade Ukraine.

Wendy's early career was built around assisting women who had been abused and people in poverty, helping them to succeed despite underprivileged circumstances. The circle of peo-

ple benefiting from her sharp intelligence and good heart widened quickly over the years. Advancing from her early career as a social worker, she became the executive director of EMILY's List, an important organization for the advancement of women in American politics, to the director of Maryland's office of child welfare, and later to become the founding president of the Fannie Mae Foundation.

Along the way, Ms. Sherman also worked closely with our former colleague Senator Barbara Mikulski as her chief of staff during her time in the House of Representatives, and so she worked on many legislative issues and constituent services that were important for the people of Maryland.

Ms. Sherman later served during the Clinton administration as an Assistant Secretary and then counselor at the U.S. Department of State and then as special adviser to President Bill Clinton and Secretary of State Madeleine Albright as North Korea policy coordinator. She was instrumental in negotiations related to North Korea's nuclear weapon and ballistic missile programs. Wendy directly contributed to our country's national security, as she secured a deal in which North Korea agreed not to produce, test, or deploy missiles with a range of more than 300 miles, preventing North Korea from fielding missiles that could strike the United States.

Working closely with Secretaries of State Hillary Clinton and John Kerry, Wendy returned to the Department during the Obama administration and continued her work to further our international goals as Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs, the fourth-ranking official in the U.S. Department of State, and the first woman to rise to that rank.

As the lead negotiator for the Iran nuclear deal, Wendy led six arduous negotiating rounds between Iran and six world powers to reach consensus on Tehran's nuclear program. As leader of a special task force following 2012 Benghazi attack, Wendy leveraged her experience to help implement recommendations to improve protections for Foreign Service personnel, bolstering the safety and security of our diplomats serving our countries overseas. For these and many other diplomatic accomplishments requiring toughness, fortitude, and diplomatic savvy, she was awarded the National Security Medal by President Barack Obama.

Out of government, Wendy continued to work closely with Madeline Albright as vice president and senior counselor at Albright Stonebridge Group, before returning to the national security sector again in her present capacity.

Wendy has further leveraged her diplomatic experience to the benefit of academia and the nonprofit world, serving as professor of the practice of public leadership and director of the Center for Public Leadership at the Harvard's Kennedy School. She was

also a senior fellow at the School's Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs. She has served on the President's Intelligence Advisory Board, as chair of the Board of Directors of Oxfam America, and on the DOD's Defense Policy Board and the Congressional Commission on the Prevention of Weapons of Mass Destruction, Proliferation, and Terrorism. Through these diverse roles, Wendy has helped to not only shape the next generation of diplomats and foreign affairs professionals, but the future of diplomacy.

This month, Wendy Sherman retires as one of the most accomplished diplomats in American history. Wendy will be missed by me and by her wide circle of professional colleagues and admirers. I have no doubt that she will continue to impart her wisdom and experience even as she returns to the private sector.

Wendy Sherman is the embodiment of a fine public servant and a true stateswoman, by turns persuasive and toughminded as the situation calls for, inspiring future generations to follow in her footsteps. I wish her all the best for her future endeavors.

#### MARC FOGEL

Mr. TESTER. Mr. President, I rise today to share a few words in honor of the 62nd birthday of Marc Hilliard Fogel, an American currently imprisoned in Russia.

Marc is an American schoolteacher, a father, a husband, and an uncle. And in August of 2021, after living and teaching in Russia for 9 years, Marc was arrested and sentenced to 14 years in Russian prison. His imprisonment is unjust and unacceptable, plain and simple.

I recently met with Marc's family, who currently reside in Montana, and I would like to honor his birthday today by taking the time to share some of what they shared with me as they work tirelessly to bring him home.

Marc is a dedicated partner to his wife Jane, an inspiring dad to his two sons Sam and Ethan, and a caring son to his 94-year-old mother Malphine. He is a committed brother to his sisters Anne and Lisa and an uncle to Anne's three children. He is a sports fanatic, a fan of Steely Dan, an avid reader, a passionate teacher, and a world traveler. If you talk to his family, they will tell you about his infectious personality, his love for learning and teaching, and his dedication to community. He devoted his life to children, and was steadfast in guiding his students to learn, grow, and think independently. And today, he is marking his 62nd birthday not with his loved ones, but in Russian prison.

As we approach the second anniversary of Marc's detention, it is our duty to use all the tools at our disposal to bring Marc home. This week, I introduced a bipartisan resolution calling for his immediate release, and I am