

white Freedom Rider, played a pivotal role in shaping history and leading to the enactment of the Civil Rights Voting Act of 1966. Despite enduring beatings, imprisonment, and defying discriminatory laws by marrying outside his race, Dr. Stoner's unwavering determination has left an indelible mark on our Nation's history.

Beyond his activism, Dr. Stoner's extraordinary actions include enduring physical assaults, facing imprisonment, and challenging discriminatory laws by marrying outside his race. His sacrifices, along with those of his family, are evident in their encounters with challenges, such as the denial to partake in the estate of Pearl K. Stoner.

At the age of 83, Dr. Stoner resides in Jackson, Mississippi, caring for his wife, who is currently receiving care in a skilled nursing home following a debilitating stroke.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Dr. Peter Stoner's contributions to the Civil Rights Movement.

**HONORING JANELLE DUNN AS A
DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN CEN-
TRAL FLORIDA FOR WOMEN'S
HISTORY MONTH**

HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 21, 2024

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, Janelle Dunn is the chief executive officer of True Health, a non-profit federally qualified health center serving low-income and underserved populations within Orange and Seminole Counties. Mrs. Dunn obtained a master's degree in health administration from the University of Central Florida and a bachelor's degree in business administration from Loyola University New Orleans. She is a certified medical practice executive through the Medical Group Management Association, a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Leadership Seminole Class 32, and a proud wife and mother.

Mrs. Dunn's tenure with True Health began in 2012 when she was a center manager. She has held the roles of director of operations and chief operations officer before being appointed CEO amid the global pandemic in 2020. Under Mrs. Dunn's leadership, True Health has grown from seven locations to nine, added two new pharmacies and an optometry and optical department, and acquired the Healthy Start program for Orange County to provide services for mothers and babies. Mrs. Dunn is an advocate for access to healthcare and believes in the innovation and implementation of creative solutions to existing challenges. As illustrated during the COVID-19 pandemic, True Health was the only FQHC in Central Florida to operate a monoclonal infusion center, which allowed patients to recover at home and avoid the hospital.

Mrs. Dunn's transformative leadership has been celebrated with prestigious recognitions, including the 2021 CEO of the Year and 2020 Diversity in Business awards from the Orlando Business Journal. In 2023, True Health was honored as the Healthcare Business of the Year by the Seminole County Chamber of Commerce and recognized as one of the Top 100 Women-Led Organizations in Florida by The Women's Edge. In January 2024, True

Health received the Humanitarian Award from the City of Sanford's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Steering Committee.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MARILYN STRICKLAND

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 21, 2024

Ms. STRICKLAND. Mr. Speaker, on March 20, 2024, I missed Roll Call votes. Had I been present I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 92, and NAY on Roll Call No. 93.

**RECOGNIZING JOE MISLINSKI'S
SERVICE TO OUR NATION AND
THE 10TH CONGRESSIONAL DIS-
TRICT**

HON. BRADLEY SCOTT SCHNEIDER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 21, 2024

Mr. SCHNEIDER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize the outstanding contributions and public service of Mr. Joe Mislinski.

Joe Mislinski is as a distinguished graduate of the United States Military Academy (USMA) at West Point, Class of 1978. A trailblazer in his own right, Joe was part of the inaugural class that permitted members to select specialties beyond combat-arms, choosing the Ordnance Corps. Notably, Joe became the first CSMA graduate to attend the joint service Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) school, reflecting his courage and readiness for challenging assignments.

Joe served with distinction throughout his active-duty tenure, including deployments in the United States supporting the Secret Service and in Germany with the Combat Engineers in the 3rd Armored Division during the Cold War. Joe exhibited unwavering commitment to national defense and global security, championing America's priorities on the world stage.

Following his military service, Joe continued to epitomize the values of Duty, Honor, Country as an active member of the West Point Society of Chicago. Over two decades, in various capacities, including serving as board member and ultimately president, Joe was dedicated to mentoring new cadets and fostering connections among West Point alumni in Chicago.

Joe has also served as chair of my Military Service Academy Selection Committee for the 10th Congressional District. As Representative for the 10th District of Illinois, one of my most significant responsibilities is nominating students to our Nation's esteemed military academies. Since my first term in the 113th Congress, Joe has generously volunteered his time and extensive institutional knowledge to assist me in interviewing and ultimately nominating our future military leaders.

As Joe embarks on a new chapter with his family in Connecticut, his commitment to service remains undiminished, as he will serve as coordinator for admissions to West Point for the state of Connecticut. Joe's legacy will continue to inspire us all, underscoring the profound influence of one individual on our com-

munities. Once again, I extend my deepest gratitude to Joe Mislinski for his distinguished service to the Nation, the 10th District of Illinois, his tireless efforts in support of West Point, and his continued commitment to excellence in all endeavors.

**IN REMEMBRANCE OF TERESA
DARLENE MCDOWNEY**

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 21, 2024

Mr. WITTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Teresa Darlene McDowney, who passed away on Thursday, February 22, 2024. She was born on July 15, 1971.

She was employed with the King George Sheriff's Office as an Animal Control Officer from 2013 to 2020 and was employed with the Westmoreland County Sheriff's Office at the time of her passing. While with the Westmoreland County Sheriff's Office, she served as the Animal Shelter Manager, Animal Control Officer, and Animal Advocate. In every position, Teresa was a dedicated worker. Even when she was not working with the Sheriff's Office, she would often answer text messages about dangerous dogs in the middle of the night and help the community with animal related matters.

Teresa was often described as a sweet and kind lady, often assisting her family, friends, and the community. While Teresa was a genuinely kind and sweet natured person, she was also very straightforward—leaving little room for misinterpretation. If Teresa said it, she meant it. She was a protector of her family and what was right.

Teresa leaves to cherish her precious memory, her husband, Kevin McDowney of Colonial Beach, VA, and son, Nathaniel Pittman of Williamsburg, VA.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you to join me in celebrating the life of Teresa McDowney. May God bless her family and her community during this time.

**HONORING SONYA STALNAKER AS
A DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN
CENTRAL FLORIDA FOR WOM-
EN'S HISTORY MONTH**

HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 21, 2024

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, Sonya Stalnaker is a Union commercial painter by trade. She started in 2001 as an apprentice and completed the Painter's apprenticeship of the IUPAT in 2005. She has spent her last 23 years dedicated to her Union, her family, and doing what she loves: painting and helping others.

She has served in the capacity of shop steward on the job and part-time instructor at the Painter's apprenticeship. Working hard and coming up in the ranks, she served as Financial Secretary in Local 1010 for the previous 5 years. She was the Commercial Paint Coordinator for the Florida Finishing Trades (Painter's apprenticeship) from 2021 to 2023.

Last year, she ran for President and won the election becoming the first woman President for Local 1010. In 2018, she was elected President of Central Florida's Chapter of the Coalition of Black Trade Unionists.

She strides every day to teach, educate, and do what needs to be done to help make a difference in her Union, home, and her community. She is a selfless type of person that does all she can to be better so that she can continue doing the work that needs to be done, helping those in need and fighting THE GOOD FIGHT.

HONORING NINA PLAUSHIN

HON. TIM WALBERG

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 21, 2024

Mr. WALBERG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Nina Plaushin, Vice President of Federal Affairs and Regulatory Strategy at ITC, the largest independent transmission company in the U.S.

Nina is retiring after more than 25 years of dedicated service, managing the twists and turns of congressional and regulatory policy.

During this time, Nina was known as a leader in the industry, always to be consulted for her expertise and deep breadth of knowledge.

She has served various roles within industry groups, including as President of the WIRES Coalition, President of Americans for Clean Energy Board Grid Board and Chair the EEI Energy Delivery Executive Advisory Committee.

Before her illustrious work at ITC, she served as Legislative Director for Congressman Thomas C. McMillen, another figure larger than life—quite literally.

Nina's leaving a lasting legacy at ITC and on American energy more broadly.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Nina Plaushin for her outstanding career.

Her retirement marks the end of an era of exceptional service and leadership.

We wish her all the best in her well-deserved retirement.

RECOGNIZING THE LIVES OF OFFICER ALLEN LEE HARMON AND OFFICER OTIS LEE ROBISON

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 21, 2024

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the lives of fallen officers Allen Lee Harmon and Otis Lee Robison of the Lincoln Police Department.

November 16th will mark the 50th anniversary of Officer Harmon and Officer Robison's paying the ultimate sacrifice while in the line of duty. On November 16, 1974, the two men tragically lost their lives.

On November 15, 2024, the City of Lincoln will hold a remembrance event at Lincoln City Hall to honor the lives of Officer Harmon and Officer Robison.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in remembering Officer Harmon and Officer Robison and honoring them for their brave service and dedication to their community.

RECOGNIZING MRS. AMY BUSH

HON. DAVID G. VALADAO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 21, 2024

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate Mrs. Amy Bush for her dedicated service to the Hanford community and to congratulate her on her well-earned retirement as Head Coach of the Sierra Pacific High School Girls Basketball Team. Mrs. Bush, a teacher at Kings River Hardwick Elementary School in Hanford, became the Head Coach of the Sierra Pacific High School Girls Basketball program in 2015. Under her leadership, the Golden Bears have won an impressive 213 games and maintained a winning percentage of almost 80 percent. Over the past nine seasons, the Golden Bears have also earned two undefeated Tri-County Conference Championships and six East Sequoia League Championships. In 2017, the team won their first California Interscholastic Federal (CIF) Section Championship and advanced to the CIF Semifinals. Just one year later, Mrs. Bush led the team to victory at the CIF State Southern Regional and Division V State Championships—the first in Sierra Pacific High School's history. During her tenure, Mrs. Bush has received numerous awards to recognize her accomplishments as Head Coach. In 2018, she was named the Cal-Hi Sports Division V State Coach of the Year. Two years later, she earned the CIF Central Section National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) Coach of the Year and was nominated for Federation's State NFHS Coach of the Year. This season, Mrs. Bush has been honored as the Tri-County Conference Co-Coach of the Year. In addition to her achievements on the court, Mrs. Bush has worked hard to ensure the Golden Bears are active in the Central Valley community. Over the years, the team has put together several donation drives to support local residents, including drives to support the families of fallen firefighters and police officers. The team also volunteers every year at the Episcopal Church of the Savior Parish Soup Kitchen. During the COVID-19 Pandemic, the team donated food

items to the Kings Pantry to give back to local families. The success of the Sierra Pacific High School Girls Basketball Team is a true testament to Mrs. Bush's character and dedication to the program. While she will be missed as Head Coach, I am confident that her leadership will have a lasting impact on the Golden Bears for years to come. Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in thanking Mrs. Amy Bush for her dedication to the Sierra Pacific High School Girls Basketball Team and the Central Valley. I wish her a happy and well-deserved retirement.

HONORING JESSICA PAUL AS A DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN CENTRAL FLORIDA FOR WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, March 21, 2024

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, Jessica Paul is a St. Cloud resident and local business owner, who advocates for the needs of all members of her community.

As a lifelong resident of the Whitted Historic Community, the Paul roots run deep, in Osceola County. She is a phenomenal mother to her handsome son, Jase.

Jessica works to unite voices big and small and has extensive experience connecting elected officials to pressing developmental issues facing the Whitted Historic Community, including environmental concerns that directly impact quality of life. Jessica serves on the Osceola County CDBG Citizens Advisory Task Force for District 5, ensuring every voice gets heard. She is also an active member of St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church of Narcoossee.

Personally, she takes an active volunteer role in coordinating local events for the Markus Paul Foundation, which honors her late cousin, a hometown hero and NFL legacy. Jessica is passionate about making a positive impact on her community through this foundation.

Jessica and her twin sister were showcased as part of Spectrum News 13's Everyday Hero and a video spotlight series presented by Experience Kissimmee. The feature highlighted their positive reputation for being good neighbors and contributing to the well-being of their community.

Jessica finds solace and joy by spending quality time with her supportive family. She attributes her unwavering dedication and drive to her parents, Larry and Karen Starke Paul, who taught her and her siblings the importance of hard work and compassion.