

sure that Americans and our court system are not overburdened by an ever-changing regulatory framework.

I ask my colleagues to join Mr. Nadler and me in supporting this crucial legislation.

**RECOGNIZING THE SUCCESS AND SERVICE OF GREGORY "GG" JACKSON**

**HON. RALPH NORMAN**

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 11, 2024*

Mr. NORMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Gregory "GG" Jackson, II for his outstanding leadership and service.

GG Jackson is a proud native of Camden, South Carolina, and attended the University of South Carolina after graduating high school in the 11th grade. During his freshman year at USC, he played basketball all while taking 18 course hours and making the Dean's list. Today, he is a long-standing member of the Jackson Ten Center and is a small forward for the Memphis Grizzlies in the NBA. Mr. Jackson is a true example of how hard work and commitment will lead you far in life.

During his time at USC, Mr. Jackson was named the Southeastern Conference (SEC) Freshman of the week in the first week of the season after averaging 15 points and nine rebounds in his first two games. He would then go on to finish the season as the Gamecocks' leading scorer before entering the 2023 NBA draft with an average of 15.4 points per game and leading the Gamecocks with 25 blocks and 24 steals.

With Jackson's dedication, he was selected by the Memphis Grizzlies, becoming a major asset and leader to the team. During his debut, he would go on to score 30 points against the Oklahoma City Thunder. 10 days later he would score 35 points with seven three-point shots against the Golden State Warriors, which made him the youngest player in the NBA to make seven three pointers in one game. Mr. Jackson's achievements do not stop there, as during the regular season finale he would score his career-high with 44 points and 12 rebounds that would also set the record for the most points by a rookie in the Grizzlies franchise history. He now has a four-year contract with the Grizzlies. His story is one that demonstrates that the sky's the limit and that with hard work, you can accomplish anything.

On Tuesday, July 30th Gregory Jackson will be hosting a special community event at the Jackson Teen Center in Camden, South Carolina. This event is dedicated to preparing local youth for the upcoming school year while sharing and celebrating Jackson's remarkable journey that is an inspiration to kids across the area. At this event there will be a Jersey Raising Ceremony that will be honoring Mr. Jackson by raising both his college and professional jersey.

On behalf of the 5th District of South Carolina, it is my most sincere pleasure to recognize GG Jackson for his outstanding leadership and lifelong service to our state. I wish him the best of luck throughout his future endeavors and am confident he will continue to serve and will find great success in all he does.

**HONORING THE CAREER OF STEVE LEE**

**HON. BRAD R. WENSTRUP**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 11, 2024*

Mr. WENSTRUP. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the career of Gallipolis native and Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army, Steve Lee. Steve truly understands what service to our nation means.

Steve has never forgotten about our nation's veterans. In 2004, Steve helped found one of the USO's largest annual events: Cincinnati's Tribute to the Troops, which has raised millions of dollars to help support the important work USOs do for our veterans.

As a Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army, Steve played a critical role in connecting local communities with the Army. Through meeting with local community members, liaisons help communicate the concerns of the public with the Secretary of the Army. Liaisons like Steve also play an important role in recruitment and retention, as he served as the face of the Army to the local community.

As a veteran myself, I have seen firsthand the impact Steve has had on our community and I want to thank him for his tireless commitment to the over 40,000 veterans who reside in southern Ohio.

**RECOGNIZING MR. RONALD RAPER**

**HON. DAVID G. VALADAO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 11, 2024*

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Ronald Raper on Atomic Veterans Day and thank him for his service to our Nation. Mr. Raper was born on May 31, 1938, in Boulder, Colorado. At the age of 18, Mr. Raper enlisted in the United States Navy. In 1958, Mr. Raper was a part of Operation Hardtack I, where he was a member of the flight crew that flew into radioactive fallout to conduct air sampling of nuclear tests at the Pacific Proving Grounds in the Marshall Islands. During this operation, Mr. Raper also contributed to Operation Newsreel, a high-altitude naval study conducted near Johnston Atoll. Following the Vietnam War in 1973, he was deployed with USS *Coral Sea* and played a crucial role in Operation End Sweep. Stationed in the Gulf of Tonkin, North Vietnam, he contributed significantly to the Mine Logistics Carrier Stations, where he helped in the removal of naval mines in the waterways of North Vietnam. To recognize his dedication and leadership during this operation, Mr. Raper's Navy Commander awarded him with a citation for outstanding performance of duty. During his military career, Mr. Raper was stationed throughout the United States and around the world, having served in California, Tennessee, Oklahoma, and Japan. This past year, Mr. Raper was awarded the Atomic Veteran Certificate and Atomic Veteran Service Commemorative Medal from the United States Department of Defense, to honor his service in Operation Hardtack I. This recognition is a testament to Mr. Raper's lifelong career of service and sacrifice in advancing our Nation's

atomic and nuclear weapons program. In addition to this honor, Mr. Raper has received other distinguished awards throughout his career, including the Navy Good Conduct Medal, which he was awarded four times, and the National Defense Service Medal. In 1975, Mr. Raper retired from the Navy after serving 20 honorable years. Mr. Speaker, I ask all my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in honoring the incredible life of Mr. Ronald Raper on Atomic Veterans Day and thank him for his dedicated service to our Nation.

**RECOGNIZING MASTER GUNNERY SERGEANT (RET) CARROLL BRAXTON, USMC**

**HON. JENNIFER WEXTON**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 11, 2024*

Ms. WEXTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate my constituent, Prince William County, Virginia resident, United States Marine Master Gunnery Sergeant (Ret.) and proud World War II and Korean War Veteran Carroll Braxton on the occasion of his 100th Birthday, and to thank him for his years of dedicated service.

MGySgt (Ret.) Carroll Braxton was born on July 14, 1924 in Manassas, Virginia. Shortly after President Roosevelt cleared the path for citizens "regardless of color, race, creed or national origin," to enlist, Mr. Braxton, along with several of his high school classmates, enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in 1943. Completing Boot Camp at the segregated, Monford Point Base in North Carolina, Mr. Braxton earned his Eagle, Globe, and Anchor, stating that "We were 'the chosen few,' and as an experimental group, we had to prove we could make it."

After graduating from Boot Camp, he served as a Marine Drill Instructor until his deployment overseas with the Fifth Replacement Depot Company. Mr. Braxton and his unit island-hopped through the Saipan, Peleliu, and Okinawa campaigns in 1945 where he earned the rank of Sergeant. In 1946, Carroll left the Active-Duty Marine Corps and joined the Marine Reserves, only to be called back to active duty at Camp Lejeune during the Korean War.

After the war, Mr. Braxton returned home to Manassas and married his wife Celestine and welcomed two children Monique and Robert. Mr. Braxton retired from the United States Marine Corps in 1979, as a Master Gunnery Sergeant after 33 years of distinguished and dedicated military service. Though retired, Mr. Braxton continued his dedication and service to his country working as a procurement analyst at the Cameron Station Army Base in Alexandria. Living the values of the Marine Corps, Mr. Braxton also served his community, serving as a Deacon and Board of Trustees Chair at the First Baptist Church of Manassas, and establishing the local American Legion Post. In 2012, President Obama awarded Mr. Braxton and the Monford Point Marines the Congressional Gold Medal. In 2020, Prince William County renamed one of its schools, Unity Braxton Middle School, in honor of Celestine and Carroll and their incredible years of service.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and our colleagues join me today in congratulating Master

Gunnery Sergeant (Ret.) Carroll Braxton on the occasion of his 100th birthday, and for his outstanding service and sacrifice, on behalf of a grateful Nation.

COMMEMORATING THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE JENNY LIN FOUNDATION

**HON. ERIC SWALWELL**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, July 11, 2024*

Mr. SWALWELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the Jenny Lin Foundation, which provides music education and public safety programs, on the occasion of its 30th anniversary, which our community will commemorate this month.

The Jenny Lin Foundation was created in 1994 in response to the tragic murder of its namesake, a 14-year-old Castro Valley resident, in her own home after returning from school. Jenny was a straight-A student passionate about music and friendship.

To keep Jenny's memory alive, her parents, Mei-Lian and John Lin, established the non-profit in Castro Valley to their daughter's name. The Foundation provides student music scholarships, public safety community events, and an annual summer music program.

The hallmark summer music program is free of charge to students in the Bay Area and offers programs for orchestra, band, and choir. After the five-week program, participants perform in large concerts for the community to enjoy.

In 2023, over 200 students from 29 schools across 12 Bay Area cities participated in the

program cosponsored by Chabot Community College.

The Jenny Lin Foundation also hosts safety fairs and workshops to inform our communities about child safety precautions for parents and children. One specific advocacy effort was the Foundation's work to increase the number of books covering safety themes available at East Bay public libraries. In 2023, the Jenny Lin Foundation received the Jefferson Award for Public Service. This is the most prestigious public service award in the United States and was well-deserved.

I join the community in continuing to mourn the tragic loss of Jenny 30 years ago and admire Mei-Tian and John's resilience demonstrated through their community engagement and advocacy after such a tragic loss. May their efforts continue to uplift and support the community and keep the memory of Jenny alive in our hearts.