

follow.” However, the central question and challenge remain, whether two separate and contradictory narratives can be reconciled for the future sake of both peoples.

Rabbi Dr. Israel Zoberman is the founder of Temple Lev Tikvah in Virginia Beach, Kazakhstan's only born rabbi, he is the son of Polish Holocaust Survivors and spent his early childhood in transit and DP Camps in Austria and Germany. He grew up Haifa, Israel.

HONORING COMMISSIONER L.
JEFFREY GREEN

HON. DEBBIE WASSERMAN SCHULTZ
OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ. Mr. Speaker, it is with great enthusiasm that I rise to recognize Cooper City Commissioner L. Jeffrey Green.

Jeffrey Green began his career with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in January 1988 and recently celebrated his 36th year with the Bureau. Mr. Green currently serves as the Community Relations Coordinator for the Miami Division and is responsible for expanding the FBI's presence in local communities through civic and community engagement.

In addition to his FBI career, Mr. Green is also an elected Commissioner for Cooper City. In this capacity, Commissioner Green is one of five elected officials responsible for governing local municipal affairs. This includes providing oversight of the City's \$60+ million-dollar budget, its public safety operations, and all aspects of running a local government.

Commissioner Green will be ending his term serving the City this November. As a devoted public servant for more than 14 years, Commissioner Green helped transform Cooper City into “Someplace Special” to work, live, and raise a family.

Commissioner Green leads with his heart and has been a calming voice on the City Commission throughout his tenure. On behalf of the people of Florida's 25th District, we are grateful for his leadership and wish him well. We appreciate his invaluable work for the residents of Cooper City.

INTRODUCTION OF THE NORTHERN
MARIANA ISLANDS AND AMERICAN
SAMOA CRIMINAL JUSTICE
SUPPORT ACT OF 2024

HON. GREGORIO KILILI CAMACHO
SABLAN

OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Mr. SABLAN. Mr. Speaker, today, I introduce legislation that gives this House an opportunity to provide more funding for policing.

My bill, the Northern Mariana Islands and American Samoa Criminal Justice Support Act, does this by allowing the Northern Mariana Islands and American Samoa to be treated as two separate entities for the purposes of the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant program. Currently, the Marianas and American Samoa are considered as one

entity for funding, unlike the other U.S. insular areas—Puerto Rico, Guam, and the United States Virgin Islands—which are treated as individual jurisdictions, as are all fifty States.

By fixing this inequity in funding for police in the Marianas and American Samoa, we can ensure our local law enforcement agencies receive the necessary training and equipment they need to keep our communities safe. Making this change will also provide more funding to support prosecutors and the courts, as well as justice-related initiatives aimed at crime prevention.

Local law enforcement is increasingly the first line of defense against the evolving security threats our country faces. We must do all we can to recognize the vital role of our police in maintaining public safety.

The gentlelady from American Samoa, Ms. RADEWAGEN, is an original cosponsor of the bill. I urge all my colleagues to consider this critical and bipartisan legislation for the good of our island communities.

CELEBRATING ASCOT HILLS CHALLENGE 5K RUN/WALK 10TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. JIMMY GOMEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Mr. GOMEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate and honor the Ascot Hills Challenge 5K Run/Walk for their 10 years of organizing a 3.1-mile trail course in Northeast Los Angeles.

Founded by Troy Carbajal, Marleen Fonseca, and David Sifuentes, residents of El Sereno in California's 34th Congressional District, the Ascot Hills Challenge 5K Run/Walk has donated event proceeds to support the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) fire academy magnet school program as well as the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) student police cadet program at Woodrow Wilson High School since 2014.

Both the LAFD fire academy magnet school program and the LAPD student police cadet program offer a rigorous and disciplined curriculum developed for young men and women expressing an interest in a public service career.

Additionally, a portion of the proceeds also goes to assist with the efforts to protect, beautify, and maintain Ascot Hills Park for its continual community use.

This annual event not only connects residents with valuable resources and organizations in the community, but also serves to encourage youth to exercise and participate in public service.

With limited green space in Northeast Los Angeles, we are grateful to have leaders like Troy, Marleen, and David who ensure that Angelenos get to experience the green spaces in Los Angeles through events like the Ascot Hills Challenge 5K Run/Walk.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in celebrating this milestone for the Ascot Hills Challenge 5K Run/Walk, and I look forward to seeing all that they do in the next 10 years and beyond.

RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER AS
SEPSIS AWARENESS MONTH

HON. MARCUS J. MOLINARO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Mr. MOLINARO. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise to recognize September 2024 as Sepsis Awareness Month. We honor individuals who have been affected by sepsis and pledge unwavering support and recognition of the diagnosis to patients and families.

Sepsis is a life-threatening medical emergency triggered by the body's extreme response to an infection. It occurs when an existing infection spurs a chain reaction throughout the body and rapidly leads to tissue damage, organ failure, and death without treatment. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, an estimated 1.7 million American adults are diagnosed with sepsis and 350,000 adults die or are discharged to hospice as a result of it every year. Accordingly, 1 in 3 people who die in a hospital had sepsis during that hospitalization and for every hour treatment is delayed, the risk of death increases by 4 percent to 9 percent. This life-threatening medical emergency is the leading cause of death in U.S. hospitals.

To raise awareness around this devastating diagnosis, we must educate people, share survivor stories, and support innovation and research. According to the Sepsis Alliance, an estimated 37 percent of U.S. adults have never heard of sepsis, reinforcing the need to arm communities with the resources to recognize and respond to it. Our commitment to accelerating education of the diagnosis must remain a priority to save lives and limbs from sepsis.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues in the House join me in recognizing the month of September to advocate for patients diagnosed with sepsis and for the tireless work of the families, caretakers, and researchers supporting those who have been impacted by it.

RECOGNIZING CONSTITUTION
WEEK

HON. THOMAS MASSIE

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Mr. MASSIE. Mr. Speaker, the Constitution of the United States of America, the guardian of our liberties, embodies the principles of limited government in a republic dedicated to rule by law.

September 17, 2024, marks the two hundred and thirty-seventh anniversary of the framing of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention.

It is fitting and proper to accord official recognition to this magnificent document and its memorable anniversary, and to the patriotic celebrations which will commemorate it.

To honor this year's Constitution Week, I ask my fellow citizens, and especially my fellow Members of Congress, to reaffirm the ideals the Framers of the Constitution had in 1787 by vigilantly protecting the freedoms guaranteed to us through this guardian of our liberties.

I extend my sincerest gratitude to the members of the John Guill-Polly Hawkins Craig Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution for their steadfast commitment to honoring the history of our great Nation and for hosting a Constitution Week celebration for my constituents.

HONORING NATIONAL HISPANIC
HERITAGE MONTH

HON. FRANK J. MRVAN

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Mr. MRVAN. Mr. Speaker, it is with great respect that I rise to celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month and its 2024 theme, Pioneers of Change Shaping the Future Together. From September 15, 2024, through October 15, 2024, in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, the people of the United States will reflect on the outstanding contributions Hispanic Americans have made for the future success of our great Nation.

Hispanic Heritage Month begins each year on September 15 and recognizes the anniversaries of the independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. Mexico and Chile observe their independence days on September 16 and September 18, respectively. This month, we take the time to commend the many inspiring Hispanic leaders that work to create programs and opportunities that are crucial for the progress of the Hispanic community in Northwest Indiana and beyond.

I am proud and honored to highlight recent efforts made in the region to strengthen educational opportunities for the Hispanic community. In 2020, Indiana University Northwest in Gary, Indiana, was designated as a Hispanic-Serving Institution by the United States Department of Education. Purdue University Northwest in Hammond, Indiana, received the same designation in 2024. The Hispanic-Serving Institution designation provides universities with resources for the implementation of programs, facilities, and services to enhance educational opportunities for Hispanic Americans. I believe that this remarkable program not only empowers the Hispanic community throughout Northwest Indiana but is truly vital for the prosperity of our country.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to join me in celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month and in honoring the leaders and members of the Hispanic community who have worked to improve the quality of life for all Americans for generations to come. Our Nation's success is reliant upon the rich heritage and cultural diversity of its people.

HONORING MS. ALIANNA SIGLER
OF ELIZABETH CASHWELL ELEMENTARY ON WINNING CUMBERLAND COUNTY SCHOOLS 2025
TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Ms. Alianna Sigler on being named Cumberland County Schools Teacher of the Year.

Ms. Sigler has over nine years of teaching experience and has spent the last two years in her current role with Elizabeth Cashwell Elementary. She has won the admiration of both students and parents alike due to her focus on student-centered education.

As the son of a retired Cabarrus County teacher, I understand the sacrifices our teachers and educators make every single day on behalf of our students, and I want to personally thank Ms. Sigler for all of her hard work. I feel so proud and blessed that we have such selfless and devoted teachers, like Ms. Sigler, in our community.

Again, congratulations to Ms. Sigler on winning this prestigious award. She should feel immensely proud of all she has done to educate our students and instill in them a lifelong love of learning.

Mr. Speaker, please join me today in congratulating Ms. Alianna Sigler on being named Cumberland County's Teacher of the Year.

CONGRATULATING MILES
KRAJEWSKI

HON. DUSTY JOHNSON

OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Miles Krajewski on his remarkable 2024 Paralympic performance. Miles and his teammate, Jayci Simon, made Paralympic history for the United States by becoming the first Americans to medal in Paralympic Badminton. Miles and Jayci earned the silver medal for Mixed Doubles in Paris. Hailing from Yankton, South Dakota, Miles represented our state with dedication and skill, serving as an inspiration to many.

Miles graduated from Yankton High School earlier this year and will attend the University of South Dakota this fall as a business student. As an alumnus, I'm confident the University of South Dakota will be a great place for Miles to continue excelling as a student and athlete.

At 19 years old, Miles has achieved significant success. Prior to competing at the 2024 Paralympics, he represented Team USA in Santiago in 2023. There, Miles won two gold medals in SH6 Badminton events where he secured first place in Singles by defeating the defending champion, and with Jayci Simon they won gold in Mixed Doubles after prevailing in four matches. Miles later earned bronze in Men's Doubles and Mixed Doubles in an impressive run at the 2024 Badminton World Federation Para-Badminton World Championships.

I am proud to recognize and congratulate Miles for his hard work, dedication to the sport, and performance throughout his career. I wish him continued success in his future endeavors. I thank Miles for representing South Dakota well.

HONORING MR. LARRY LAVELLE
CHRISTIAN

HON. MARC A. VEASEY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

Mr. VEASEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the life and accomplishments of Larry Lavelle Christian—a hero in our Tarrant County community and beyond.

Larry Lavelle Christian grew up in Jones, Louisiana. As an adult, Mr. Christian ultimately moved to North Texas. As a professional truck driver, he drove through the entire county. "Country boy," as he was known in his childhood, was a steadfast figure of reliability in the trucking community, always trying to be helpful and uplift his fellow truckers.

Following the death of his wife, Mr. Christian leaned on his faith and felt called to retire. Upon his retirement and in one of the darkest moments of his life, Larry wanted to help others. Each week, Mr. Christian collected food donations and delivered them to underserved neighborhoods.

Mr. Christian's dedication to the fight against food insecurity illustrates his character and commitment to our community. Mr. Christian's leadership and dedication has made a true difference in the state of Texas. He has been recognized by the Midwest Food Bank Texas, a nonprofit focused on combating hunger. In collaboration, they launched a major effort to obtain and distribute food to those in need. Their combined work led to \$673,000 worth of food being provided to families, children, and seniors throughout Texas. I am pleased to honor Mr. Larry Lavelle Christian today.