

minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today during National Police Week to honor the brave men and women in law enforcement who have made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty. These officers stood on the front lines to protect our communities, uphold the rule of law, and defend the safety of our citizens, often at a great personal risk.

We remember their courage, their selflessness, and their unwavering commitment to service. Behind each badge was a story, a family, and a legacy that will not be forgotten.

We offer our deepest gratitude and our heartfelt condolences to the families who carry the burden of their loss. Their loved ones are heroes, and their memory will live on in our prayers and in the freedoms they helped safeguard.

Let's continue to support all those who wear the badge and to honor those who gave everything to protect us.

REMEMBERING MARIA S. MACIAS SANCHEZ

(Mr. CORREA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. CORREA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Maria Macias Sanchez.

Maria was born in Agua Prieta, Mexico. She then came to the United States in pursuit of the American Dream. She married Ignacio and settled down in my hometown of Anaheim to raise a family of seven children, including our own colleagues, Congresswomen LINDA SÁNCHEZ and Loretta Sanchez. Today, she remains the only mother in the country to have two daughters serve in Congress.

Maria was a teacher who believed that education was the key to the middle class, and she was a role model for our community. In 2008, my alma mater, Cal State Fullerton, designated her as an outstanding alumna.

Maria was a trailblazer for us. Her contributions to our community were tremendous. She will always be in our heart. I thank Maria. We will never forget her.

THANKING POLICE OFFICERS FOR ALL THEY DO

(Mrs. BICE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. BICE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of National Police Week, which serves as a reminder to remember and memorialize law enforcement officers who have fallen in the line of duty.

During this week, I am reminded of a quote from Matthew chapter 5, verse 9: "Blessed are the peacekeepers, for they shall be called the children of God."

Our law enforcement officers put themselves in harm's way every day in

the pursuit of justice and protection of the innocent. They are the thin blue line that represents courage when faced with unbelievable chaos and uncertainty.

One of the greatest strengths of law enforcement is their ability to bridge gaps, forge connections, and build trust within our communities. For our officers, stopping criminals, saving innocent lives, and helping our communities is more than a job. It is a way of life.

I thank them for everything they do to protect and safeguard our communities.

TRUMP APPRECIATES QATAR

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, yesterday President Donald Trump and His Highness Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani of Qatar signed a historic \$1.2 trillion trade agreement, including the purchase of \$96 billion of South Carolina-made Boeing 787 Dreamliners.

As the manufacturing home of 787 Dreamliners, this creates thousands of Boeing jobs in South Carolina and also creates jobs for 200 suppliers throughout the Palmetto State, including AGY of Aiken, Zeus of Orangeburg, and Prysmian of Lexington.

I congratulate Boeing President Kelly Ortberg and the Boeing team.

President Trump is delivering on his promise to bring back Made in America, promoting stability in the Middle East, and liberating Syria.

In conclusion, God bless our troops as the global war on terrorism continues. Trump is reinstituting existing laws to protect American families with peace through strength, revealing war criminal Putin lies, and yesterday Putin threatening Estonia with Russian overflights in the Baltic Sea, verified today by European Parliamentarian Rihards Kols of Latvia.

HONORING FALLEN HEROES OF HARRIS COUNTY

(Ms. GARCIA of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. GARCIA of Texas. Mr. Speaker, this Police Week, I rise to honor four fallen heroes from the Harris County Sheriff's Office whose names will soon be added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial:

Investigator John Coddou was a U.S. Army veteran and a 20-year member of the Harris County Sheriff's Office. His wife said he made people feel seen.

Deputy Rondald Bates served 31 years with the Harris County Sheriff's Office. His son Derrick now proudly carries his badge as a deputy.

Deputy Brad Sweetman spent 39 years in service, but his main job was simply being a daddy and a paw-paw.

Deputy Fernando Esqueda was just 28. He was as good of a musician as he was a crime fighter.

These men were patriots. They loved this country, and Texans are safer because of them. Mr. Speaker, I ask that they never be forgotten by this House and that we enter their stories into the RECORD.

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ELECTED OFFICIALS STORM ICE FACILITY

(Mr. McDOWELL asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. McDOWELL. Mr. Speaker, many of my colleagues on the other side of the aisle have repeated the phrase "budgets are about priorities" a lot lately.

Mr. Speaker, do you know what really signals someone's priorities? It is their actions.

Just last week, we witnessed a group of elected officials storm an ICE facility, demanding sympathy for illegal aliens who are violent gang members, rapists, and murderers.

Mr. Speaker, each of us is elected to represent our constituents and put American citizens first. The idea that someone could take the oath and then storm through law enforcement simply boggles the mind.

If my colleagues want to talk about priorities, Mr. Speaker, here is one they should remember: The safety of law-abiding Americans is more important than the demands of foreign criminals.

RECOGNIZING AT HOME ON THE SOUND

(Mr. LATIMER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LATIMER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the outstanding contributions made by At Home on the Sound to benefit senior citizen residents of Larchmont and Mamaroneck. Tonight, they are celebrating their 15th anniversary with their Crystal Celebration. I can't be there in person, but we are there in spirit.

At Home provides a support system to help seniors continue to enjoy a vibrant lifestyle as they age—able to remain in their homes and highly active. At Home volunteers and professionals deliver a monthly schedule of educational programs, active discussion groups, social gatherings, and the necessary transportation.

When I retire, not that long from now, I know exactly where I can go to learn how to paint and play bridge, canasta, mahjong, and a host of other recreations.

At Home on the Sound complements the already active senior recreation programs offered by the Village of

Larchmont, the Village of Mamaronneck, and the town of Mamaroneck, providing a complete menu of services and programs for those 60-plus years of age in our area.

I congratulate them on 15 great years. The best is yet to come.

RECOGNIZING SERGEANT OLAV CHANEY

(Mr. CRANK asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CRANK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Sergeant Olav Chaney, of the Colorado Springs Police Department, for his 35 years of service to our community.

I had the pleasure of taking Sergeant Chaney and his family last night on a Capitol tour, and a delightful family he has.

Sergeant Chaney has also served us in the United States Army. He has become a recognized leader within the police department, and Sergeant Chaney helps lead the Downtown Area Response Team and the Homeless Outreach Team, where he serves our vulnerable population with compassion and with grace.

Sergeant Chaney has also served as Santa Claus for the Toys for Tots program. He is part of the honor guard, and he is an active participant in the Cadet Explorers program.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues in Congress to join me in thanking Sergeant Olav Chaney for his dedication and his service to the Pikes Peak region, to Colorado, and to America.

HONORING ROBERT WILLIS

(Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. WILLIAMS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on behalf of Georgia's Fifth Congressional District to honor Mr. Robert "Bob" Willis on a very special 99th birthday.

Mr. Willis has lived a life of service, and I am proud to help him celebrate his 99 years of life and more than 75 years of uninterrupted service to Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Born in Louisville, Kentucky, in 1926, Mr. Willis served in the Navy during World War II and was initiated into the Beta Mu Chapter at Kentucky State University in 1949. From there, Mr. Willis would go on to serve in many leadership roles in the fraternity, including district director of Georgia and southern regional vice president.

Mr. Willis' unceasing fraternal dedication has earned him the Alpha Award of Merit from General President Darryl Matthews, the highest award that Alpha Phi Alpha can bestow on a member.

Mr. Willis is an exemplification of Men of Distinction, his brotherhood's moniker. I congratulate him on his

99th birthday and for his life of service to his community. I hope that he is enjoying this day in Atlanta.

HONORING DEPUTY SHERIFF JOHN RANDALL MCCRARY

(Mr. STRONG asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. STRONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today during National Police Week to honor the life and sacrifice of Deputy Sheriff John Randall McCrary of Lauderdale County, Alabama.

Deputy McCrary dedicated over 15 years to law enforcement, serving with both the Lauderdale County Sheriff's Office and the Rogersville Police Department, where he was promoted to investigator.

In 2016, Deputy McCrary was shot in the line of duty. Though he survived the attack, he endured years of medical complications until his untimely passing on February 28, 2024.

This week, his name was added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial here in Washington, D.C., where his sacrifice will be remembered for generations to come.

To the McCrary family in north Alabama, I extend my deepest gratitude and heartfelt condolences. As we remember Deputy McCrary, let us also honor all the brave men and women in law enforcement who sacrificed their lives for our safety.

This week serves as a great reminder of the daily courage it takes to wear the badge and of our responsibility to support those who protect and serve each of us.

REMEMBERING SUSAN TOSE SPENCER

(Ms. LEE of Nevada asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. LEE of Nevada. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mourn the loss of a true trailblazer and my dear friend, Susan Tose Spencer. She was the first and only general manager, legal counsel, and vice president in NFL history, leading the Philadelphia Eagles.

After moving to Las Vegas, Susan started her nonprofit, A Level Playing Field, which donated thousands to local high school football teams like the one at Rancho High School. She also helped launch a rowing program at Nevada State, which at the time did not have any competitive sports programs.

So many in Las Vegas and elsewhere have been touched by Susan's generosity and tenacity. Susan touched so many lives. Her mark on Las Vegas, Philadelphia, and the NFL will always be remembered.

SHOWING APPRECIATION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT

(Mr. LAMALFA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1

minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, this week is National Police Week. It is always time every day to remember and give thanks to those who put on the uniform and stand in the line of fire for all of us.

I don't want to recite the number of officers killed and injured on duty. I want to talk about the upside of what they mean to us and what they mean for keeping us out of harm's way. They are there for us 24/7.

The number of officers we do lose should impact all of us greatly, but they are indeed the front line. This week, we can show at least some level of appreciation by passing legislation that will help them do their jobs.

One of these bills tracks violence against officers so we can respond in a meaningful way with meaningful action for them. Another is to help the retired officers keep the weapons they train with. Another one gives qualified officers more flexibility to carry their firearms. Indeed, it is a commonsense step.

Mr. Speaker, the badge doesn't completely come off when the shift ends. During this week, we ought to show our thanks, as we do every day.

REMEMBERING THE TAMIL GENOCIDE IN SRI LANKA

(Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commemorate the 16th anniversary of the Tamil genocide in Sri Lanka.

Today and every day, we stand in unity with the Eelam Tamil community. Survivors and their families are enduring ongoing struggles and oppression while they seek justice and recognition for their suffering from the Sri Lankan Government.

We must shine a light on the Tamil people and what they have endured. We must advocate for a peaceful resolution that respects the rights and dignity of all. We must ensure that the atrocities, like those that have happened with the Tamil genocide, never happen again.

The Tamil community's resilience in the face of adversity is a testament to their unwavering spirit and determination for justice.

Let us all stand together with the Eelam Tamils.

FULLY FUND CRISIS SERVICES FOR LGBTQ+ YOUTH

(Ms. ELFRETH asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ELFRETH. Mr. Speaker, the Trevor Project estimates that at least one LGBTQ+ youth attempts suicide every 45 seconds. That is less time than my remarks will take today.