

Immigration Forum's 2017 Keeper of the Dream Award, and the 2018 FBI National Executive Institute Penrith Award.

I commend Chief Manger for his many years of service, his dedication to the safety of the public and the stability of our democratic institutions. I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking him for his extraordinary service to this institution and wishing him a well-earned, enjoyable, and fulfilling retirement.

REMEMBERING COLONEL CARLYLE "SMITTY" HARRIS

Mr. WICKER. Mr. President, this month, Mississippi said farewell to Col. Carlyle "Smitty" Harris—a war hero, a family man, and a community leader who left a storied legacy.

Many Mississippians know the story of Colonel Harris. In April 1965, during a mission over North Vietnam, Colonel Harris' F-105 was shot down by enemy artillery. He became the sixth American prisoner of war in that conflict and would spend nearly 8 years in captivity. Colonel Harris approached imprisonment with courage and resilience. He introduced his fellow POWs to the now-famous "Tap Code," which allowed them to communicate with one another. His ingenuity helped sustain morale amid vile prison conditions.

Colonel Harris maintained a sharp mind during and after his military deployment. He was committed to a lifetime of learning and had a resume to prove it. While serving on the faculty of the Air War College, he completed two degrees. He continued his education at the University of Mississippi Law School and returned to the classroom several years later for a degree in banking.

Colonel Harris had a demanding work schedule, but he made time to volunteer. He approached numerous local leadership roles with the same dedication he gave to his Air Force and civilian careers. For years, he committed much of his spare time to philanthropic causes, including the Tupelo Rotary Club, the North Mississippi Medical Center, and the Boys and Girls Club.

Although Colonel Harris lived a remarkable life, those who knew him recall a man with a down-to-earth character. Despite his professional accomplishments, he was most proud of his role as a loving husband, father, and grandfather.

I join my fellow Mississippians in saluting Colonel "Smitty" Harris, remembering with gratitude and admiration his life of sacrifice and leadership.

REMEMBERING MICHAEL REMINGTON

Ms. BALDWIN. Mr. President, I rise today to honor the life and service of Michael John Remington. A longtime aide to former Wisconsin Representative Bob Kastenmeier, Mike played a

pivotal role on Capitol Hill in shaping strong intellectual property laws. America is known for and that our artists, musicians, authors, and others have utilized for decades.

Mike was born in 1945 in Baraboo, WI. A graduate of Central High School in Madison, Mike went on to earn his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Mike comes from a family with a deep commitment to public service. His father Frank Remington was a national leader on criminal law and procedure and whose work continues through the University of Wisconsin's Frank J. Remington Center.

Mike's first taste for service came as a Peace Corps volunteer in the Cote d'Ivoire in West Africa, where he helped build homes and a basketball court. Mike went on to earn a Fulbright scholarship which brought him to Paris, France. He was the first American to be a Fulbright scholar at the Conseil d'Etat, equivalent to the U.S. Supreme Court. Shortly thereafter, Mike moved to Washington, DC, to apply his unmatched work ethic and intellect to strengthen the U.S. legal system.

In 1977, he joined the staff of Representative Bob Kastenmeier, who represented Mike's hometown of Madison. During that time, Mike worked closely with Representative Kastenmeier to strengthen intellectual property laws. Later, Mike served as chief counsel to the Judiciary Subcommittee of the U.S. House of Representatives on Intellectual Property and Judicial Administration for 9 years, where he played a pivotal role in the enactment of over 20 public laws aimed at improving the administration of justice. Among his many accomplishments were several key amendments to patent law.

Mike was genuinely committed to bipartisanship, working closely with Members on both sides of the aisle to achieve shared goals around improving the legal system. Mike served as the director of the National Commission on Judicial Discipline and Removal, an entity established by Congress to study and report to the President, Chief Justice, and Congress on issues relating to judicial misconduct and impeachment. He also served as staff to the Presidential Clemency Board in the Ford administration and to the National Information Infrastructure Advisory Council in the Clinton administration.

Following his service on Capitol Hill, Mike became partner at Drinker Biddle in Washington, DC. Mike was also the founding chair of the firm's intellectual property group. Throughout his career, he worked with a diverse array of clients, from a performing rights organization representing thousands of songwriters and music publishers, to a university foundation involved in technology licensing, individual authors and creators, and an alliance of inventors and start-ups.

Beyond his public service, Mike was a beloved husband, father, and grand-

father. He enjoyed travel, exploring his talents in cooking, photography, painting, and writing along the way.

In 2015, at an event honoring Representative Kastenmeier, former Wisconsin State Supreme Court Chief Justice Shirley Abrahamson noted Mike's "great influence in Congress and in Wisconsin" and said "there aren't enough Remingtons. Can't get enough Remingtons."

Mike's dedicated public service, love of Wisconsin and our Nation, are a lasting and indelible legacy. I am grateful for Mike's service and leadership.

REMEMBERING TIMOTHY STRACHAN

Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, I rise today to honor and remember an inspiring, beloved former member of the Senate community Timothy Strachan.

Tim, who served as a counsel on the Senate Judiciary Committee from 2005 to 2008, lived an incredible life that was characterized by an unbreakable spirit and the ability not just to overcome adversity, but thrive amid it. He tragically passed away last month after a courageous battle with cancer.

His story was anything but ordinary. As a standout quarterback at nearby DeMatha Catholic High School, Tim was a top college prospect when his life changed in an instant. On a beach vacation ahead of his senior year, he became paralyzed from the neck down after a swimming accident.

Such an earth-shaking disruption to a person's health and dreams for the future would shatter many of us, but Tim was undaunted and set about to reinvent his life's purpose.

He finished high school on time, attended the University of Maryland to study communications, and then earned a law degree from Georgetown University. After his time in the Senate concluded, he joined the Federal Communications Commission as an attorney advisor for its legislative affairs team as well as its lead attorney on wireless communications policy.

After the accident, the remarkable grit, perseverance, and hopeful outlook he characterized were striking, and he quickly became a dynamic motivational speaker whose trademark positivity and ability to connect with people were constantly in demand.

Tim's passion for football never waned. He served as a student assistant coach at the University of Maryland and went on to become the color commentator for its radio broadcasts for over 20 years.

He was also a devoted husband to his dear wife Leslie and cherished father to Olivia, Sophie, and Luke, as well as a fixture in his community who radiated joy and warmth. They, along with legions of admirers across the country, will deeply miss his larger-than-life presence.

I join so many others in extending sincere condolences to all of Tim Strachan's loved ones and friends who

celebrate his life, courageous example, and relentless gratitude. His legacy will be felt for many years to come.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TO DAVID CARDENAS

• Mr. SHEEHY. Mr. President, I would like to take a moment to express my appreciation to David Cardenas for his hard work as an intern in my Washington, DC, office this summer.

David is a native of Kalispell, MT. He attends the University of Alabama, where he is studying to obtain degrees in cybersecurity, finance, and a minor in Mandarin. David has demonstrated a strong work ethic, and his efforts have been key to our mission to serve the people of Montana here in our Nation's Capital.

I want to thank David for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It has been a pleasure having him as part of our team this summer, and I wish him all the best as he continues to build a bright future for himself.●

TRIBUTE TO GARRETT DAHLKE

• Mr. SHEEHY. Mr. President, I would like to take a moment to express my appreciation to Garrett Dahlke for his hard work as an intern in my Washington, DC, office this summer.

Garrett is a native of Bozeman, MT. He attends the University of Montana, where he is studying to obtain a degree in political science. Garrett has demonstrated a strong work ethic, and his efforts have been key to our mission to serve the people of Montana here in our Nation's Capital.

I want to thank Garrett for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It has been a pleasure having him as part of our team this summer, and I wish him all the best as he continues to build a bright future for himself.●

TRIBUTE TO AVA KOTSEN

• Mr. SHEEHY. Mr. President, I would like to take a moment to express my appreciation to Ava Kotsen for her hard work as an intern in my Washington, DC, office this summer.

Ava is a native of Warran Township, NJ. She attends Texas A&M University, where she is studying to obtain a degree in international studies. Ava has demonstrated a strong work ethic, and her efforts have been key to our mission to serve the people of Montana here in our Nation's Capital.

I want to thank Ava for the dedication she has shown while working for me and my staff. It has been a pleasure having her as part of our team this summer, and I wish her all the best as she continues to build a bright future for herself.●

TRIBUTE TO EMMA VENTIMIGLIA

• Mr. SHEEHY. Mr. President, I would like to take a moment to express my appreciation to Emma Ventimiglia for her hard work as an intern in my Washington, DC, office this summer.

Emma is a native of Chevy Chase, MD. She attends Boston College, where she is studying to obtain degrees in economics and psychology. Emma has demonstrated a strong work ethic, and her efforts have been key to our mission to serve the people of Montana here in our Nation's Capital.

I want to thank Emma for the dedication she has shown while working for me and my staff. It has been a pleasure having her as part of our team this summer, and I wish her all the best as she continues to build a bright future for herself.●

TRIBUTE TO MAXWELL LERAY

• Mr. SHEEHY. Mr. President, I would like to take a moment to express my appreciation to Maxwell Leray for his hard work as an intern in my office this summer.

Maxwell is a native of Great Falls, MT. He attends Grand Canyon University, where he is studying to obtain a degree in government with an emphasis in legal studies. Maxwell has demonstrated a strong work ethic, and his efforts have been key to our mission to serve the people of Montana here in our Nation's Capital.

I want to thank Maxwell for the dedication he has shown while working for me and my staff. It has been a pleasure having him as part of our team this summer, and I wish him all the best as he continues to build a bright future for himself.●

TRIBUTE TO KADEN LEVERENZ

• Mr. SHEEHY. Mr. President, I would like to take a moment to express my appreciation to Kaden Leverenz for her hard work as an intern in my office this summer.

Kaden is a native of Mt. Vernon, IN. She attends the University of Montana, where she is studying to obtain a degree in wildlife biology. Kaden has demonstrated a strong work ethic, and her efforts have been key to our mission to serve the people of Montana here in our Nation's Capital.

I want to thank Kaden for the dedication she has shown while working for me and my staff. It has been a pleasure having her as part of our team this summer, and I wish her all the best as she continues to build a bright future for herself.●

TRIBUTE TO AVA WILLIAMS

• Mr. SHEEHY. Mr. President, I would like to take a moment to express my appreciation to Ava Williams for her hard work as an intern in my office this summer.

Ava is a native of Billings, MT. She attends Montana State University in

Billings, where she is studying to obtain a degree in political science with a minor in English. Ava has demonstrated a strong work ethic, and her efforts have been key to our mission to serve the people of Montana here in our Nation's Capital.

I want to thank Ava for the dedication she has shown while working for me and my staff. It has been a pleasure having her as part of our team this summer, and I wish her all the best as she continues to build a bright future for herself.●

CAPTAIN GEORGE KRIETEMEYER

• Mr. TUBERVILLE. Mr. President, when natural disasters strike, you can always count on the U.S. Coast Guard. This month, the Guard celebrates 235 years of excellence and lifesaving emergency missions. And that is because of heroes like CAPT George Krietemeyer of Opelika.

Growing up in the post-World War II era, Krietemeyer said his favorite pastime was watching John Wayne save the day in war movies. Like John Wayne, George wanted to be that hero for fellow Americans in times of need. He dreamed of attending the Naval Academy, but through a series of events, found himself attending the Coast Guard Academy in Connecticut. This experience would launch him into an over 30-year career in the Guard. He decided to attend flight school after a few years in duty where he trained to fly both airplanes and helicopters. Through his extensive training, Captain Krietemeyer established himself as a leader among the ranks.

He flew many missions during the Cuban Missile Crisis and learned firsthand the power of peace through strength. Captain Krietemeyer recalls witnessing the very moment when Soviet ships turned around and a near-war was avoided. He took the lead of developing a training school in North Carolina unlike anything the Coast Guard had before and served as the chief of training for the whole Coast Guard right here in Washington, DC. He spent 2 years at the helm of the U.S. Coast Guard Aviation Training Center in Mobile, AL. Captain Krietemeyer directly oversaw the training of nearly 15,000 guardsmen, and our Guard is no doubt much stronger because of his leadership.

Following his military retirement, Captain Krietemeyer took his family back to Mobile. For more than 30 years, his family resided in the Port City. Whether working as a Navy consultant or in the Mobile mayor's office, he continued to play an integral role in developing efficiency and promoting quality management wherever he served. The city of Mobile received the Alabama Quality Award as the result of his work.

Even though he is retired now, Captain Krietemeyer hasn't slowed down a bit. He stays both physically and mentally active by playing tennis and