

RECOGNIZING MS. MISS COYLE

HON. GUS M. BILIRAKIS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 24, 2026

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the extraordinary contributions of a dedicated community leader in my district, Ms. Missy Coyle. Missy has devoted the past 14 years to coalition and volunteer work, using her time, talent, and expertise to strengthen the Pasco County community.

As the current Coordinator for the Alliance for Substance Addiction Prevention, Missy oversees the largest prevention organization in the county. She coordinates community events, leads initiatives to support those in need, and consistently shows up day in and day out at the All Ways Center to provide assistance, guidance, and compassion to individuals facing challenges.

Missy's dedication extends to times of crisis. During the 2024 hurricane season, she played a critical role in transforming the All Ways Center into a hurricane respite center, helping hundreds of residents access essential resources and support when they needed it most. A veteran and a nurse, Missy brings her skills, discipline, and empathy to every aspect of her service, ensuring that her community receives care, stability, and hope. Her tireless commitment, leadership, and selflessness make a profound difference in the lives of those she serves. Missy Coyle exemplifies the spirit of "Heroes Among Us," giving of herself to improve her community and uplift those in need.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Ms. Missy Coyle for her outstanding dedication and service. For her compassion, leadership, and unwavering commitment to the people of Pasco County, I am proud to honor Missy Coyle as a 2026 Heroes Among Us recipient for Florida's 12th Congressional District.

RECOGNIZING THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF SAKA NAKODAR DAY

HON. JOSH HARDER

OF CALIFORNIA

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Mr. HARDER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to solemnly commemorate the 40th anniversary of Saka Nakodar and to stand in remembrance with the Sikh community at the Stockton Gurdwara Sahib.

On February 4, 1986, four young Sikh students—Ravinder Singh, Balbir Singh, Jhilman Singh, and Harminder Singh—were shot and killed by Indian security forces in Nakodar, Punjab. They were peacefully protesting the desecration of the sacred Sikh scripture, the Sri Guru Granth Sahib, when their lives were tragically taken. "Saka," the Punjabi word for massacre, has since come to define that painful day in Nakodar and the injustice that followed.

Forty years later, we remember these young men not only for the manner in which they died, but for the principles they stood for: faith, dignity, and the fundamental right to peacefully assemble and express their grievances. Their

loss reverberated throughout the Sikh diaspora and remains a deeply felt wound for families who continue to seek truth, accountability, and justice.

Here in Stockton, home to one of the oldest and most vibrant Sikh communities in the United States, the remembrance of Saka Nakodar carries profound meaning. The Stockton Gurdwara Sahib has long served as a spiritual anchor and a gathering place for reflection, resilience, and community solidarity. For generations, it has been a space where faith and civic engagement walk hand in hand, and where the values of seva, justice, and equality are upheld.

As we mark this 40th anniversary, we reaffirm our commitment to protecting the civil and human rights of all people. The tragedy of Saka Nakodar stands as a reminder that peaceful protest is a cornerstone of democracy and that freedom of religion and expression must always be defended. We also honor the strength of the Sikh community, whose perseverance in the face of hardship reflects a legacy of courage and unity.

Today, we stand with the families of Ravinder Singh, Balbir Singh, Jhilman Singh, and Harminder Singh. We honor their memory, we acknowledge the pain carried for four decades, and we renew the call for truth and accountability.

I am honored to join the Stockton Gurdwara in commemorating the 40th anniversary of Saka Nakodar and to ensure that the sacrifices of these young men are never forgotten.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JAKE AUCHINCLOSS

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. AUCHINCLOSS. Mr. Speaker, I was necessarily absent from votes on March 17, 2026 through March 19, 2026.

Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 88; YEA on Roll Call No. 89; NAY on Roll Call No. 90; NAY on Roll Call No. 91; YEA on Roll Call No. 92; NAY on Roll Call No. 93; NAY on Roll Call No. 94; NAY on Roll Call No. 95; and NAY on Roll Call No. 96.

RECOGNIZING MS. KELLY MOTHERSHEAD

HON. GUS M. BILIRAKIS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. BILIRAKIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the exceptional contributions of a dedicated community leader in my district, Ms. Kelly Mothershead. Kelly is an extraordinary advocate for the Pasco County community, demonstrating a tireless commitment to improving the lives of her neighbors and strengthening local organizations.

For many years, Kelly has served on the Board of the Alliance for Healthy Communities, consistently showing up at events, assisting with fundraising, and lending her expertise and energy to support the organization's mission. Her dedication goes beyond tradi-

tional board responsibilities; she has created a scholarship fund to provide transitional living opportunities for those in need, ensuring vulnerable members of our community have a pathway to stability and independence.

Everything Kelly does, she does with heart, soul, and unwavering compassion. Her efforts have a lasting impact on the community, fostering hope, opportunity, and stronger support systems for Pasco County residents. Kelly Mothershead exemplifies the spirit of service and selflessness that defines a true community hero.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Ms. Kelly Mothershead for her outstanding dedication to the people of Pasco County. For her generosity, leadership, and tireless advocacy, I am proud to honor Kelly Mothershead as a 2026 Heroes Among Us recipient for Florida's 12th Congressional District.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF MAJOR IRENIO BORJA SAN NICOLAS

HON. JAMES C. MOYLAN

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, March 24, 2026

Mr. MOYLAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Major Irenio Borja San Nicolas, as we approach the anniversary of his passing on April 7, 2025.

Major San Nicolas lived a life defined by service—service to this Nation and to our beloved island of Guam. His story reflects a generation of individuals who stepped forward when called and carried that responsibility with quiet strength.

A proud son of Guam, he was shaped by the values that define our island—respect for others, resilience in the face of hardship, and a deep sense of responsibility to family and community. These values guided him as he answered the call to serve in the United States Marine Corps.

During his military career, he took on leadership roles that required not only skill, but trust. He served during the Vietnam era, demonstrating discipline, courage, and a steadfast commitment to those he led. Notably, Major San Nicolas made history as the first CHamorro commissioned officer to command Marines on Guam. This achievement reflects not only his professional excellence, but also the barriers he helped break and the path he helped pave for future generations of leaders from our island.

Leadership in the Marine Corps is earned, not given and he earned that trust through integrity, capability, and a deep sense of duty. But what makes his legacy especially meaningful is that his service did not end when he returned home.

Following his military career, he continued to serve the people of Guam. In Talo'fo'fo and beyond, he remained engaged in community and civic life, contributing in ways that strengthened the island he loved. His leadership was steady and often quiet—grounded not in recognition, but in responsibility. He represented a kind of leadership that is deeply felt across our communities—a reliable presence, someone who showed up, who contributed, and who led by example.

Major San Nicolas' life reflects a broader story—one shared by many from Guam who served in uniform, returned home, and continued to give back. It is a story of humility, of resilience, and of a lifelong commitment to others.

As we reflect on his life, we are reminded that service does not end after we are gone, it lives on in the values we uphold, in the com-

munities we strengthen, and in the example we set for future generations. Major San Nicolas embodied that commitment. His life was one of purpose, discipline, and enduring service. His contributions—both in uniform and at home—leave a lasting imprint on our island.

We extend our deepest condolences to his family and loved ones. We recognize that behind every life of service is a family that

shares in that sacrifice. We hope they find comfort in knowing that his legacy continues to live on in the community he helped shape.

Mr. Speaker, today we honor more than a memory, we honor a life that continues to guide us. With immense gratitude, we honor the legacy of Major Irenio Borja San Nicolas—a Marine, a leader, and a proud son of Guam.