Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. have made a tremendous impact in their local community through raising $18,963 in support of American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, raising $7,800 in support of American Diabetes Association for Step Out to Fight Diabetes, and donating 160 toys to children in transitional housing due to domestic violence.

Omega Psi Phi's cardinal principles are Manhood, Scholarship, Perseverance, and Uplift. The members of the Pi Lambda Lambda Chapter uphold these principles by serving the community and offering a lending hand to their neighbors.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating the Pi Lambda Lambda Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. on their civic accomplishments. I thank the fraternity for their service-oriented goals and making a positive difference in the lives of Prince William County residents.

RECOGNIZING DR. TERRY GORDON AS THE 45TH RECIPIENT OF THE BERT A. POLSKY HUMANITARIAN AWARD FOR HIS WORK AS A CHAMPION OF AUTOMATED EXTENERAL DEFIBRILLATORS

HON. BETTY SUTTON

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 26, 2012

Ms. SUTTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor an extraordinary individual who has tirelessly advocated to save the lives of children and others by getting life-saving automated external defibrillators, AEDs, placed in schools across the nation.

Dr. Terry Gordon is the 45th recipient of the Bert A. Polsky Humanitarian Award given out each year by the Akron Community Foundation to an individual or couple who best exemplifies selfless dedication to humanitarian causes in Akron, Ohio.

A Cleveland Clinic trained cardiologist, Dr. Gordon practiced invasive cardiology at Akron General Medical Center for over 21 years prior to his retirement. In 2000, while serving as President of the Summit County American Heart Association, a 15 year old football player at Barberton High School by the name of Josh Miller collapsed on the field and suffered sudden cardiac arrest. There was no AED on site and, sadly, Josh died of sudden cardiac arrest. The tragic loss of this young man full of promise was devastating to not only Josh's parents and family, but to the entire community.

Upon learning of this tragic loss of life and realizing the school did not have an AED on site, Dr. Gordon began raising funds to place AEDs in every junior and high school, making Summit County, Ohio, the first county of its size to do so and earning him the National Physician of the Year award for 2002 from the American Heart Association. His efforts also resulted in AEDs placed in every police, highway patrol and sheriff's vehicle in Summit County.

Dr. Gordon continued his advocacy at the state level, and in 2005 helped procure $2.5 million from the State of Ohio, which in partnership with the American Heart Association and Akron General Medical Center, placed over 2,200 AEDs in schools throughout Ohio. He later worked with the Ohio General Assembly to allocate an additional $2.5 million needed to complete the task of placing 4,500 devices in Ohio schools.

In 2007, I was proud to partner with Dr. Gordon on this important mission and introduced the Josh Miller HEARTS Act. Named after the Barberton High School football player who we lost to sudden cardiac arrest, the bill establishes a grant program to get automated external defibrillators into elementary and secondary schools across the nation. The Act passed the U.S. House of Representatives in both the 110th and 111th Congress and is pending action in the 112th Congress.

In addition to his work advocating for AEDs in schools, Dr. Gordon remains actively engaged in our community, serving on various volunteer boards. He was a founding member of Stewart's Caring Place, a facility of wellness for those with cancer and their loved ones. He has been a member of The Youth Motivational Task Force for many years, has been a longstanding board member of the American Heart Association and is co-host of 'Docs Who Rock', a fundraiser for the Summit County United Way. Dr. Gordon is also an accomplished author, whose work includes the book No Storm Lasts Forever.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the selfless dedicated service of Dr. Terry Gordon and in congratulating him on receiving the 45th Polsky Humanitarian Award.

HONORING THE SERVICE AND SACRIFICE OF UNITED STATES ARMY SERGEANT FIRST CLASS RYAN SAVARD

HON. RON BARBER

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 26, 2012

Mr. BARBER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor United States Army Sergeant First Class Ryan J. Savard, who was killed in action on October 13, 2012, while on patrol in Khanabad District, Afghanistan. He leaves behind his wife, mother, father and numerous friends.

Born in Salt Lake City, Utah, Sgt. 1st Class Savard moved to Arizona where he attended Buena High School in Sierra Vista before joining the Army in 2001 to work on helicopters. Over the course of his career, Sgt. 1st Class Savard worked with the Special Forces and was assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, U.S. Army Special Operations Command based at Fort Bragg, NC. He was on his fifth Special Forces deployment to Afghanistan, not including a previous deployment to Iraq in 2003.

We will remember Sgt. 1st Class Savard as an exceptional soldier. Over his career he earned more than a dozen honors including two Bronze Star Medals, two Purple Hearts, three Army Commendation Medals, a Joint Service Achievement Medal, three Army Achievement Medals, four Army Good Conduct Medals, a National Defense Service Medal, an Afghanistan Campaign Medal with Bronze Service Star, a Kosovo Campaign Medal with Bronze Service Star, a Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal and a Global War on Terrorism Service Medal. For his bravery in action, he was awarded a Defense Meritorious Service Medal, a Purple Heart and a Bronze Star posthumously.

I ask the House of Representatives to join with me in extending our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Sgt. 1st Class Savard. All who live in this great nation owe Sgt. 1st Class Savard and his family a debt of gratitude for he has paid the ultimate price for our safety and security. His sacrifice reminds us of all of our men and women in uniform who are in harm's way each day whom we must keep in our thoughts and prayers. We will always remember Sgt. 1st Class Savard for his courage and selfless sacrifice.

HONORING KNAUS SAUSAGE HOUSE ON THEIR 100TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. MICHELE BACHMANN

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 26, 2012

Mrs. BACHMANN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Knaus Sausage House on their 100th anniversary this year. It is my honor to join with the Kimball community in celebrating the dedication and services that this company has provided and continues to provide.

Three generations have been involved with this business and the fourth generation is already involved. Over the last 100 years, the Knaus Sausage House has grown to include groceries, a deli, and a bakery. The family's outstanding efforts in providing great service and great products are what make this a growing, viable business as they keep up with changing times. Many farmers and hunters depend on the market to do custom processing and cut meat for them. The Knaus Sausage House services are a valuable asset to the community and their long-term dedication does not go unnoticed.

It is small businesses including Knaus Sausage House that help communities flourish in America today. Mr. Speaker, please join with me in congratulating Knaus Sausage House on their 100th anniversary.

HONORING THE FAKLIS' 100 YEARS IN TARPON SPRINGS, FLORIDA

HON. GUS M. BILIRAKIS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 26, 2012

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and congratulate the Faklis family of Tarpon Springs, Florida, on the 100th anniversary of Faklis' Department Store and Shoe Repair Service. Throughout their many decades in the United States, the Faklis family has lived the American dream, applying hard work and determination to create a successful small business in our community.

In 1909, two young brothers—Nikita and Nicola Papafaklis—arrived in America from Symi, Greece, in search of a better life for themselves and their families. Shortly thereafter, another brother, Vasile, arrived in America. Vasile and Nikita soon settled in Tarpon Springs and established their own small business. This small business opened as a custom shoe maker. The business evolved into a