

Just as importantly as coming to the rescue of folks in distress, the U.S. Coast Guard Maritime Force Protection Unit Bangor quietly protects the Navy vessels homported in our region as they make the first and final stretches of their missions. I'm looking forward to welcoming members of the unit to Port Angeles when their new facilities are complete.

Mr. Speaker, this weekend our grateful community will recognize the *Active's* crew and Maritime Force Protection Unit Bangor at the 2018 Port Angeles Maritime Festival.

They deserve every bit of recognition. The men and women serving our region in the Coast Guard work selflessly around the clock to protect our fishermen, the environment and our region's security.

Please join me in honoring them today.

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HONORING RYAN GRAHAM, COMMANDER OF THE QUEENS COUNTY COUNCIL VFW

### HON. GRACE MENG

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 8, 2018*

Ms. MENG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the service of Ryan Scott Graham as the commander of the Queens County Council of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. Ryan graduated from John Adams High School in Ozone Park, New York in 2001. He then enlisted in the United States Air Force, where he served from 2002 to 2008. While in the Air Force, Ryan was deployed to Baghdad in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. His honorable service included working as a stock control technician at Hurlburt Field to provide support for 257 special operations forces, and as a computer systems analyst at Langley Air Force Base to provide support for 136 combat air force units across the globe. For the last four years, Ryan has tirelessly advocated on behalf of the veterans of Queens County as commander of the Queens County Council VFW.

During his time as commander, he diligently worked with local, state, and federal government officials to promote legislation benefiting veterans and improving VA services. Ryan is committed to helping his fellow veterans and will continue in his role as a legislative advocate for the VFW and the veterans of Queens County.

Ryan is extremely well-respected in the Queens County community and is very attentive to the needs of his local veterans, providing them with the resources and support they need. When WWII veteran Leonard Miller's flagpole was destroyed twice by two major storms, Ryan and the Queens County Council VFW came to his aid and replaced the flagpole allowing Mr. Miller to again proudly display the American flag.

For his service to the veterans of Queens County and to our country, I ask all of my colleagues in the House of Representatives to join me in honoring Mr. Ryan Graham.

REMEMBERING JOHN WESLEY WARDROP

### HON. BRADLEY BYRNE

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 8, 2018*

Mr. BYRNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remember a great Alabamian who tragically died the morning of Thursday, May 31 in a single-car crash near Atmore, Alabama.

At 10 a.m., an Alabama Army National Guard Humvee was involved in an automobile accident on I-65 that killed one soldier and injured the other. John Wesley Wardrop, 38, of Satsuma was killed when his 2009 military Humvee left the roadway and overturned.

Wardrop had devoted much of his life to serving our state and nation. He was a squad leader for the Alabama National Guard's 1165th Military Police Company out of Fairhope. At the time of the crash, he was on a mission preparing for his unit's annual training.

Wardrop was a staff sergeant for the National Guard. He served our country in the military for over twenty years and completed four tours of duty overseas.

Family members say that Wardrop was a man of steadfast faith. The night before his passing, he visited Living Hope Church in Saraland and made a donation to support the children's bible school program. He embodied what it means to be a servant leader.

Sergeant Wardrop left this worldly place helping others. That legacy of service and sacrifice is how he should always be remembered.

On behalf of Alabama's First Congressional District, I want to share our deepest condolences with his wife, Terri, and their two children, Madi and Logan. I hope you can take comfort in knowing that Sergeant Wardrop will forever be remembered for his service and sacrifice to our community, state, and nation.

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IN RECOGNITION OF THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF SHILOH MANOR

### HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 8, 2018*

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Shiloh Manor, a senior housing complex located in the South Side neighborhood of Easton, Pennsylvania. The vision of Shiloh Manor began in the mind of the late Pastor Fred Davis of the Shiloh Baptist Church. In 1987, while attending a world conference in Japan, Pastor Davis met a former associate and a Philadelphia realtor who specialized in building complexes for senior citizens. With their renewed fellowship, Pastor Davis and Mr. Hatton developed a strategy to apply for a HUD sponsored loan to build a senior citizen's home. On their third application attempt in 1992, the application was approved for \$3.7 million dollars. Since the completion of Shiloh Manor in July 1993, the Greater Shiloh Church congregation, now led by Senior Pastor Phillip Davis, as well as the Board of Directors and the larger community rejoice in the Manor's 58 units, which provide affordable housing for senior citizens of diverse backgrounds.

The story of Shiloh Manor exemplifies how a group of inspired individuals can create meaningful change in their community. I commend the late Pastor Davis and those who carry on his vision for a strong, inclusive community. I wish them well as they celebrate this milestone anniversary through fellowship and worship.

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IN RECOGNITION OF THE 80TH BIRTHDAY OF ELIZABETH ROSE O'HANDLEY

### HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 8, 2018*

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Elizabeth O'Handley, a resident of Rockland, Massachusetts, who today celebrates her 80th birthday.

Elizabeth, more affectionately known as Betty or Betty O', was born on June 19, 1938 to Daniel and Rose MacDonald. She is the oldest of three sisters, mother to nine children, grandmother to 42, biological and through love, and great-grandmother to 10.

In her 40s, Betty made the decision to return to school to pursue her degree. She worked a full-time job and a part-time job and attended nursing school full-time while raising the 7 of her children who were still at home. There were many nights when she could be found at Dunkin' Donuts doing homework or studying because it was quieter than at home.

She currently works at the Brockton VA Hospital, where she has worked for over 35 years in the spinal cord injury unit. She was the recipient of the Pierik Award in recognition of her outstanding nursing skills.

Betty has been a devoted parishioner of Holy Family Church in Rockland since 1970 where all of her children were confirmed. She has lived her life as a woman of great faith who shared this by providing religious education to children through teaching CCD for many years. She has shown that being trustworthy, generous, and making everyone feel included are traits to be emulated. The words "great" and "exceptional" do not even begin to describe the truly amazing people like Betty.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to honor Betty O'Handley on this joyous occasion of her 80th birthday. I ask that my colleagues join me in wishing her continued health and happiness.

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HONORING REPRESENTATIVE LESTER WOLFF

### HON. THOMAS R. SUOZZI

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, June 8, 2018*

Mr. SUOZZI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of the illustrious public service career of former member of this body—Congressman Lester Wolff—who will soon be celebrating his 100th birthday.

In recognition of his monumental contributions to the preservation and protection of our environment, especially on Long Island's beautiful North Shore, I am proposing the renaming of the Oyster Bay National Wildlife