

of his love, life, and legacy: his six children: Elder JoeAnn (Lucious, Jr.) Moore Taylor, Deacon Steven (Deborah) Moore, of Houston, TX, SSgt. George (Melonie) Henry Moore (USAF) of Orangeburg, SC, Psalmist Kimbur Lee Moore Santacruz of La Place, LA, Sgt. Felix Swanson (USAF) of Dallas, TX, Petty Officer 3rd Karl Moore (USAF) of Houston, TX; along with their mothers: Mrs. Alma L. Henderson and Ms. Minnie Moore; nine grandchildren: Dr. Jessica Diana Jones, Dr. Vincent Johnathan Jones II, Enisha (Galen) Santacruz-Joseph, Sophia Santacruz, Simeka Lou Taylor, Lucious Taylor III, and Tarilyn Taylor, Tatiana Taylor; three great-grandchildren, Luke Daniel Bailey Jones, Farrah, Kayden Swanson and one soon-to-be great granddaughter whose name will be Princess Zoë; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved that I, FREDERICA S. WILSON, a member of the United States House of Representatives representing the 24th Congressional District of Florida, am honored to recognize the late Staff Sergeant Specialist Joe Henry Moore for his commitment, dedication and service to our country.

#### CELEBRATING LEADERSHIP ARKANSAS' XV GRADUATING CLASS

#### HON. BRUCE WESTERMAN

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 16, 2021*

Mr. WESTERMAN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to extend my sincere congratulations to a new crop of emerging leaders from the Natural State.

Leadership Arkansas is a unique program grounded in the belief that real progress is achieved by bringing a diverse set of interests and backgrounds together. First introduced in 2005 by the Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce and Associated Industries of Arkansas, Leadership Arkansas recruits highly motivated individuals to experience first-hand the dynamic interactions between cities, industries, governmental units and the people they serve.

This year's graduating class includes: Allison Bermudez, Jill Bobo, Kent Bridger, Danna Caldwell, Nate Caldwell, John Cantabery, Jennifer Christman Cia, Sammie Cribbs, Jake Fair, Jill Floyd, Jay Geaney, Jeremiah Gentry, Maggie Jo Hansen, Nathan Harris, Jeff Hatley, Allison Hestand, Aaron Huntley, Chad Kinsley, Courtney Little, Rusty Meeks, Jennifer Morales, Joey Msall, David Orr, Ryan Pettigrew, Grace Rains, Brandon Resecker, Karen Shaw, Hunter Stuckey, Ventrell Thompson, Amy Williams, and Drew Williams.

More than 800 Leadership Arkansas alumni have gone on to accept roles of great responsibility in both the public and private sectors. I rise today to congratulate these graduates on this high honor and to thank them for their commitment to serving our home. I am encouraged by the example of leadership, excellence, and professionalism demonstrated by this year's class, and I look forward to seeing how these exceptional individuals will shape the future growth of the State of Arkansas and our Nation.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF NATIONAL INFERTILITY AWARENESS WEEK

#### HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 16, 2021*

Ms. JOHNSON of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate National Infertility Awareness Week and to salute the wonderful progress that has been made over the last four decades to help individuals have families who otherwise could not. It would shock most Americans to know that according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the disease of infertility affects one in eight, or approximately 7.4 million, American women of reproductive age. The disease affects both men and women and it knows no barriers—it affects individuals of all races, religious backgrounds, and economic status. The good news is that since 1978, as a result of extraordinary medical advancements, millions of couples have been able to receive life affirming treatments that have resulted in the delivery of babies. While this is something that most of us take for granted, it is a painful and devastating struggle for millions of couples throughout the world.

As a nurse who has fought for medical advancements in cancer treatment and care, in Diabetes care, and in dozens of health screenings that bring hope of saving lives, I must admit to absolute amazement at the contributions that research scientists and Reproductive Endocrinologists have made in the advancement of Infertility treatments—including a procedure that allows young cancer patients to preserve their fertility prior to undergoing life saving chemotherapy treatments. Organizations like RESOLVE, the National Infertility Association, and the Alliance for Fertility Preservation advocate for the millions of individuals and couples in this country who need the help to have a family. Ms. Barb Collura, the CEO of RESOLVE, recently testified before Congress in support of fertility services for the countless military veterans whose service related injuries have rendered them infertile. I am pleased that these organizations, these Infertility warriors, are active in my own state of Texas as well as throughout the nation.

As a grandmother and great grandmother, and with Mother's Day around the corner, I salute Infertility warriors throughout the country and the world, who advocate on behalf of that most precious of gifts, that of family.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

#### HON. HALEY M. STEVENS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 16, 2021*

Ms. STEVENS. Madam Speaker, on April 15, 2021, I missed Roll Call Vote 112 on the Debarment Enforcement of Bad Actor Registrants Act. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 112.

#### HONORING MORGAN MASSEY

#### HON. H. MORGAN GRIFFITH

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 16, 2021*

Mr. GRIFFITH. Madam Speaker, I rise in honor of Evan Morgan Massey of Richmond, Virginia, who passed away on March 10, 2021 at the age of 94. Morgan Massey was a business leader and philanthropist whose visionary leadership in the coal industry made an impact across the globe and certainly in the Ninth Congressional District of Virginia I represent.

Mr. Massey was born on December 29, 1926. He trained for service as an aviator during World War II and later graduated from the University of Virginia. He joined his family's firm, A.T. Massey Coal Company, in 1949. Mr. Massey helped drive the company from a midsize operation to one of the largest coal companies in the United States. The family sold the company to St. Joe Minerals in 1973, and Mr. Massey continued to run the company until he retired in 1991.

Following retirement, Mr. Massey extended his endeavors across the globe, developing operations abroad and championing new uses for coal. He expanded mining into China and Venezuela and founded the Evan Energy Company to improve coal mining safety in South America and China. Mr. Massey supported research such as that at Virginia Tech which generates rare earth minerals from coal and coal byproducts. A tireless innovator and entrepreneur, Mr. Massey remained active in his office daily even late in life.

Beyond his role in business, Mr. Massey served Richmond's philanthropic community through the Massey Foundation, founded by his uncle and father, and the Joan and Morgan Massey Foundation. His interests included higher education, medical research, and the development of new technologies, and his philanthropic support of these causes have improved the lives of many.

Mr. Massey's survivors include his daughters, Elizabeth Anne Massey, Susan Chapman Massey and Nancy Lee Massey; sons, Evan Morgan Massey, Jr. and his wife, Robin, John William Massey and his wife, Kelli, Charles Taylor Massey and his wife, Sarah and Craig Lewis Massey and his wife, Sky; 15 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. I offer them my condolences on this loss of the great business leader and philanthropist.

#### FAREWELL TO AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF ROMANIA, GEORGE CRISTIAN MAIOR

#### HON. DEVIN NUNES

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 16, 2021*

Mr. NUNES. Madam Speaker, I rise today to bid farewell to Ambassador George C. Maior, who will be ending his posting as Romania's Ambassador to the United States at the end of May. After serving as Ambassador to the United States since 2015, he will be greatly missed by all who have had the pleasure of working with him. He has consistently devoted his impressive reserves of energy,

enthusiasm, and wisdom in representing Romania, while working to develop the bilateral relationship between Romania and the United States.

Ambassador Maior's diplomatic career spans three decades. He joined the Romanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 1992 and served in the Department of Treaties and later the Department of Strategic Affairs. From 1997 to 1999, he served as the Chargé D'affaires at the Romanian Embassy in Dublin, Ireland and in 2004, he was conferred the rank of Ambassador.

Throughout his career, he has served in top positions dedicated to public service, including as State Secretary and head of the Department for Euro-Atlantic Integration and Defense Policy within the Romanian Ministry of National Defense.

In November 2004, Ambassador Maior was elected as Senator in the Romanian Parliament, where he served as Chairman of the Committee for Defense, Public Order and National Security; member of the Joint Committee for the Parliamentary Oversight on the Foreign Intelligence Service Activity; and member of the Senate Committee for Human Rights, Cults and Minorities.

In 2006, he was nominated to serve as the Director of the Romanian Intelligence Service (SRI). During his eight years as Director, the SRI bolstered its bilateral and multilateral partnerships with intelligence services around the world. Ambassador Maior was consistently recognized by the United States Government for his outstanding partnership and exceptional leadership in that position.

I wish Ambassador Maior and his wife Anamaria the greatest success and happiness as he moves to his next assignment as Romania's Ambassador to Jordan. While he will be missed in the United States, I am confident he will continue to emphasize the strategic importance of the bilateral relationship between our two nations.

IN RECOGNITION OF CONNIE DORL

**HON. VICKY HARTZLER**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 16, 2021*

Mrs. HARTZLER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge the service of Connie (Connie) Dorl, and to congratulate her on her March 26th retirement.

Connie has served at the USDA in Johnson and Henry counties for the last 31 years. She has helped many farmers, producers, and ranchers within these counties of Missouri's 4th District over those three decades. Connie has been with the USDA through all the years' changes and has never failed to help others through her work. It is dedicated professionals like Connie who enable our farmers to succeed and feed the world.

In addition to helping agricultural communities, Connie has also been a dedicated military spouse and mother. She has been able to balance these three elements of her life in such a successful way that she has been there for anyone in need. Those who know Connie can attest to her untiring support of her family and Missouri's agricultural communities.

I would like to recognize Connie's dedication and 31 years of service and congratulate her on her retirement.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. ANNA G. ESHOO**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 16, 2021*

Ms. ESHOO. Madam Speaker, I was unable to be present during roll call vote number 106. Had I been present I would have voted YES.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 16, 2021*

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Madam Speaker, I was unable to be present for a recorded vote on April 15, 2021 during a period of time for H.R. 1502, the Microloan Improvement Act. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 114.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF SHIRLEE LAFLEUR

**HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, April 16, 2021*

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and legacy of Shirlee Lafleur a beloved mother, wife, daughter, sister, friend, a community leader in South Florida, and a longtime member of my staff.

Shirlee Moreau was born on November 10, 1969, in Miami Beach, Florida to Eugenie V. Moreau and Avenant Moreau, Sr. She was the second of three children born to this union.

Shirlee found her true purpose in life on January 26, 2002, when she laid the foundation for one of the most beautiful and God-blessed families by marrying Pierre Paul Lafleur. Their love produced two talented and amazing daughters, Amanda and Samantha around whom they centered their lives, and who like their parents excel in the classroom and in the many activities in which they take part. While Shirlee was dedicated to helping others, she was even more devoted to her two blessings from God, always glowing and excited when talking about them.

God touched Shirlee in a very special way and she, in turn, touched the lives of so many others. A faithful member of Antioch Missionary Baptist Church, led by Reverend Arthur Jackson, III., she was very proud of her membership and was not shy about inviting others to find solace in the bosom of Christ. Shirlee had a very close and personal relationship with Christ. Her faith was grounded in belief in Psalm 18:2, "The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower."

Shirlee was especially proud of her American and Haitian heritage. She fought tirelessly for the rights and well-being of Haitians throughout the diaspora and was an unparalleled leader in the Haitian community and at the forefront of immigration issues, given Miami's unofficial status as the second capital of Haiti due to its large concentration of people

of Haitian heritage. It was her Haitian roots and strong cultural beliefs in the importance of faith, family, and friends instilled in her by her mother, Eugenie Moreau, that made her such a dogged advocate for others.

Shirlee was an outstanding student at North Miami High School. Although she was quiet, she was well liked for her friendly nature and helpful attitude that would become the trademark of her life. As a flagelette of the North Miami marching band, she began to blossom into the social butterfly that she would later become.

After graduating from high school, Shirlee continued to excel academically earning a degree in business administration from Florida International University. Even more impressive, Shirlee worked while in college to support herself, which is indicative of her independent spirit. Upon graduation, she developed what initially began as an internship into a permanent supervisory position with Dade's Team Metro. She was a natural for the position which required her to help Miami Dade residents resolve often complex issues with county services.

In 1998, she elevated her burgeoning career in public service by accepting a position as a legislative assistant in the office of then-Florida State Senator Kendrick B. Meek. Shirlee's commitment to helping her community shone even brighter as a member of Senator Meek's staff and she continued to be one of his most trusted staff members when he ascended to the United States House of Representatives.

Shirlee played a prominent role in several incidents that made national and international headlines. She was the central cog to many of the life-changing efforts that the congressional office undertook during her tenure. She was integral in helping to facilitate the efforts to liberate the nearly 300 Nigerian schoolgirls, known as the Chibok Girls, kidnapped by Boko Haram as part of the international #BringBackOurGirls campaign that I had pledged to wage until all of the girls are returned home. Shirlee helped coordinate documentation and travel for several of the girls who escaped their captors to find safe havens and a brighter future in the United States.

This effort was not the exception, but the norm. She worked through the night many times to stave off a deportation of parents who were casualties of a sometimes-harsh immigration system. Families were reunited and their stories made headlines, but Shirlee, a central figure in turning miraculous efforts into reality, was soon on to the next challenge within only a few minutes. Without exaggeration, her work has saved the lives of thousands who have sought refuge in our great nation.

In one of the rare times she was unable to avoid the spotlight, she was recognized in a May 2013 Miami Herald article for organizing an eleventh-hour effort to prevent a father from being ripped from his family and deported to Mexico. When an 18-year-old asked at a town hall meeting if there was anything that could be done to save his father who was set to be deported at 4 a.m. the following morning, I was initially stunned by the short window within which there was to work, but knew that if anyone could keep this family together, Shirlee could. Needless to say, she did and as the article noted as a true testament to her commitment, "Shirlee Lafleur called everyone."