

promising young lives tragically cut short in the barbaric terrorist attacks on March 22 in Brussels, Belgium.

Stephanie Moore Shults was born and raised in Lexington, Kentucky. She was a graduate of Bryan Station High School and of Transylvania University in Lexington. We will never forget this daughter of Kentucky, her love of her family and her husband, and her sense of adventure, as she lived and worked in Europe.

We will never forget the anguish felt by Stephanie and Justin's families as they searched for their children in the aftermath of the attack; we will never forget their grief when they learned what happened; and we will never forget the ideology of evil and religious intolerance that is responsible for taking these two innocent Americans from us.

If the terrorists' objective was to undermine our country's will to fight extremism or to compel us to surrender our liberty to their oppressive, totalitarian vision of the world, then it has failed. The terrorists' cowardly act only invigorates our Nation's resolve to overcome and defeat this evil.

As we continue to pray for these families, I would like to ask Congressman ROE and Congressman COOPER to join me and for all of my colleagues to stand and please join us in a moment of silence and prayer to honor these young American people.

RECOGNIZING FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY'S RESEARCH ON THE ZIKA VIRUS

(Ms. GRAHAM asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. GRAHAM. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize Florida State University for the important research they are conducting into the deadly Zika virus. In coordination with Johns Hopkins and Emory Universities, Florida State researchers have made crucial breakthroughs that will be useful in slowing or preventing the virus from spreading.

As you know, Zika has wreaked havoc across South America, and it poses a great threat to our country, especially to my home State of Florida. There have already been more than 80 Zika cases reported in Florida, and as summer approaches, the situation will likely worsen.

We can't wait any longer. It is time to put politics aside and for Congress to do its job. We must fully fund research, prevention, and response efforts to fight this deadly virus before it spreads.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JOHN COLLINS

(Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life and legacy of a dear friend, John Collins.

John was a man of unwavering courage and dedication to our community and our country. At a very young age, John answered the patriotic call to join our proud Marine Corps, where he served for 23 years. During that time, John fought in the Korean war and was promoted on the battlefield from sergeant to lieutenant.

In 1971, after retiring from the military as a major, John moved to Florida, where he began another successful career with the Miami-Dade Police Department, where he served 26 years.

John was dedicated to his wife, Mary, a good friend with whom he celebrated 50 years of marriage this past September, and he loved their three sons and seven grandsons, three of whom continue John's legacy of service in our military.

John Collins stayed engaged in good causes in our community, joining the Veterans Committee in his hometown of Miami Lakes. May God bless and keep John Collins in his bosom and may his memory live forever in the hearts of those he knew. Semper fi, mi amigo.

TODAY WE MARK EQUAL PAY DAY

(Mr. LANGEVIN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LANGEVIN. Mr. Speaker, today we mark Equal Pay Day, the day when women's wages finally catch up to what men were paid in the previous year.

Mr. Speaker, it is unconscionable that in the United States today, women earn on average 79 cents for every dollar that a man makes. For women of color, this gap is even wider, 61 cents for African American women and 55 cents for Latinas.

This pay gap is harming working families in every State, particularly harmful to the two-thirds of families where women are the primary breadwinners. Lower paychecks mean less money for groceries, less money for rent, less money for child care or other necessities. Mr. Speaker, this has to change.

I am proud to be an original cosponsor of the Paycheck Fairness Act, which would make it easier for women to win pay discrimination cases and harder for companies to justify unequal salaries. I urge Republican leaders to bring this bill to the floor for a vote.

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CONGRATULATING VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY WILDCATS

(Mr. MEEHAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. MEEHAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the 2016 NCAA Men's Basketball National Champions, the Villanova University Wildcats.

As head coach Jay Wright is fond of saying, Villanova basketball can be defined in one word: attitude. I might say it is an infectious attitude. Over the course of a magical 3-week run in the NCAA tournament, the Wildcats showed why. It was a run that culminated in one of, if not the greatest championship games in NCAA men's basketball history. It was a game that featured two intensely competitive teams, two of basketball's most talented coaches, and an ending for the ages.

Junior Kris Jenkins' championship-winning buzzer beater is the sort of moment that, for millions of kids across this country practicing in the driveways or at their neighborhood parks, dreams are made of.

Villanova's program has a long and storied history of success, both on the court and off, and in the classroom. It is a tradition of humility, grace, and integrity that our entire region can be proud of. Villanova is not a large school, but it has built a world-class basketball program deeply rooted in its values.

I congratulate National Coach of the Year Jay Wright, his players and their families, and the entire Villanova community on their victory.

PAYCHECK FAIRNESS ACT

(Mr. CÁRDENAS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CÁRDENAS. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to talk about my youngest daughter's future and the future of young women across America.

My daughter, Alina, will be graduating high school next month and building a career very soon. My eldest daughter will be graduating with her master's degree next month. Ten days later, she will be giving birth to her first child.

The point I am making is that women across America make 79 cents for every dollar that a man makes for doing the same work. Minority women suffer most when Congress is inactive about making the proper changes to create inequity in our country. Minority women earn as little as 55 on the dollar when they perform the same work that a man does.

I pose this question to my colleagues: When we act to close the pay gap, who does this hurt?

And the answer is simple: No one is hurt. America benefits.

I am proud to support the Paycheck Fairness Act, along with 193 members of the House Democratic Caucus, and I look forward to working with the rest of my colleagues in the House so we can work to implement it in the San Fernando Valley and across the United States of America. Let's work together to correct this inequity.

150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PENNSYLVANIA FISH AND BOAT COMMISSION

(Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission, or the PFBC, on their 150th anniversary.

The PFBC was founded on March 30, 1866, following a convention in Harrisburg that was held to investigate water pollution caused by the effect logging in the Commonwealth was having on mountain lakes and streams. The discussion at that meeting prompted the current Governor, Andrew Curtin, to sign a law naming James Worrall as the State's first Commissioner of Fisheries, creating what would become the Nation's second oldest fish or wildlife agency.

Since its founding 150 years ago, the PFBC has grown to employ more than 400 people and operates on an annual budget of nearly \$60 million funded by anglers and boaters through license and registration fees, among other methods. The PFBC is responsible for policing 86,000 miles of Pennsylvania streams, nearly 4,000 lakes, more than 60 miles of Lake Erie's shoreline, and around 400,000 acres of wetlands.

As an avid fisherman, I am proud of the work done by the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission in keeping our lakes and streams healthy.

FUNDS FOR ZIKA VIRUS RESEARCH

(Ms. JACKSON LEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, at the beginning of March, I held a briefing in Houston with leaders of the health community and our research community on the Zika virus. At that time, we had at least one case diagnosed in the city of Houston.

Since that time, we have watched the Centers for Disease Control travel to Puerto Rico, and we have seen the potential for a Zika epidemic in the United States, first starting in Florida and Texas. There are conditions in our particular area that are susceptible to the transmission of the Zika virus. Today, the Centers for Disease Control has indicated it may be more dangerous than we ever would have expected.

Over 2 months ago, I believe, the President submitted to Congress a request for \$1.9 billion in an emergency supplemental. All of my constituents in the health profession are begging for this supplemental to be passed.

Yesterday I sent out a statement asking for the Speaker and the majority leader to bring the supplemental to the floor. It is an emergency.

Having gone through a number of epidemics in our community and in this Nation, it is time that we put the American people's interests first. It is now the time, Mr. Speaker, to pass the emergency supplemental and save lives.

SOUTHWEST BORDER SECURITY

(Mr. GUINTA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GUINTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise to highlight the connection between drug and human trafficking at the southwest border, where Mexican cartels control both. Last week I traveled to Texas and New Mexico to learn more about this connection.

The President's disregard of our immigration laws is encouraging people to risk their lives to enter the United States, enriching the same cartels that smuggle deadly heroin. Last year in New Hampshire, my home State, more than 400 Granite Staters died of a heroin or opiate overdose. There were nearly 50,000 in the United States last year.

That number is, unfortunately, trending upward, despite the best efforts of law enforcement. Border Patrol agents report that cartels are forcing illegal immigrants to carry heroin in exchange for protection. Sanctuary cities serve as way stations in this drug trade.

A secure border is a humane border. The Southwest Border Security Threat Assessment Act would compel Homeland Security to develop a better plan. Border agents need more support, as do police, across New Hampshire and this country, working to keep drugs off of our streets. Enforcing interior immigration laws would be an excellent first step.

EQUAL PAY DAY

(Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on Equal Pay Day to call for action to close that persistent wage gap that occurs in the workplace to the detriment of women.

My grandmother worked all of her life. I would see her leave in the morning and go to the bus stop. She worked at a convalescent home where she made 3 meals a day for 170 people. She worked 6 days a week. On Saturday, she would make an extra meal so they could serve it on Sunday. On Sunday, she would take off work and go to church.

When my grandmother could no longer stand on her feet, she retired. She retired on Social Security, which was \$484 a month—just enough to live at my mom's home in her retirement. She had no savings and no pension. One

of the reasons is because, even though women work very hard in this country, they don't get paid what their counterparts—the males—do. And so women are twice as likely to retire in poverty.

When women succeed, America succeeds. And that is why I am a proud sponsor of the Paycheck Fairness Act.

EQUAL PAY ACT

(Ms. MCSALLY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. MCSALLY. Mr. Speaker, in 1963, the Equal Pay Act was signed into law, making it illegal for an employer to pay women less than a man for the same work. Yet the reality is today, over 50 years later, women are still making less than men. This is unacceptable and something which we all have a stake in fixing.

Here in the House, we are working on putting forward new ideas and solutions to empower women to fight for equal pay. We must also continue to encourage young girls to enter STEM and other higher-paying fields and to make sure they know they can be whatever they want to be.

Lastly, we must do a better job recognizing that caring for aging parents or children is a responsibility for women and men in our society.

Mr. Speaker, I have been fighting my whole life for women's rights and equality. I know we still have work to do, and I am committed to making equal opportunity for women a reality. After all, this is America, where we pick the best man for the job, even if it is a woman. And that means making sure she is getting paid what she deserves.

CONGRATULATING RIBAUTL HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAM

(Ms. BROWN of Florida asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. BROWN of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate the Ribault High School girls basketball team. Yes, the Ribault High School Trojans basketball team defeated Riverdale Baptist at Madison Square Garden to bring home to Jacksonville the Dick's Sporting Goods High School National Championship trophy.

Beyond a doubt, the Ribault High School girls basketball team is a powerhouse in the State of Florida and across the Nation. Given that the team has won 10 previous State titles and has been ranked as high as ninth in the country, they are a force to be reckoned with.

This outstanding achievement is tremendously exciting for the entire Jacksonville community, and I am proud to say once again that, on behalf of the constituents of Florida's Fifth Congressional District, I hereby honor the Ribault Trojans girls basketball