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RECOGNIZING THE PHYSICIAN SHORTAGE IN THE UNITED STATES

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

Mr. COSTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to address the physician shortage in the United States, and our need to act swiftly for the future.

If this pandemic has taught us one thing, that is the need to have an adequate number of physicians throughout our country. The current health crisis has emphasized the importance of making those kinds of investments in our healthcare system.

Earlier this month, the House passed the HEROES Act. I incorporated legislation that I had introduced that would expand medical education in underserved areas, like the San Joaquin Valley, that I represent. This legislation is critical to addressing the doctor shortages today and tomorrow in our country.

In January, I introduced the Expanding Medical Education Act. That is what we need to do.

I am pleased that my colleagues in the House supported this effort and included it in the HEROES Act. These are our heroes.

As negotiations for the next coronavirus relief bill continue, I urge my colleagues in the Senate to act, to recognize the importance of this issue. Do not delay. The need to enhance our healthcare capacity has never ever been more apparent.

As a result of COVID-19, we need doctors today, we need doctors tomorrow, and we need a part of our entire healthcare system to rebuild it, to invest in it. Those are the kind of investments we need to make.

I will continue to fight for every dollar to ensure that our Valley residents have access to the healthcare they deserve.

RECOGNIZING THE CAREER OF RICK BECK

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

Mr. NEWHOUSE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the career of Rick Beck, a teacher who has shaped the future of foreign language learning in the Yakima Valley.

Drawing from German culture and his own high school experience, Rick developed a nationally-recognized German language program in the West Valley School District.

Through years of hard work and curriculum development, Mr. Beck created bonds with his students, teaching them about language, leading exchange trips to help them better understand German culture, and inspiring several to pursue higher education in German linguistics and international relations. In November 2019, West Valley High School and German teacher Rick Beck were recognized by the American Association of Teachers of German as a German Center of Excellence, a crowning achievement of Rick's career.

Now, as Rick enters into retirement, his legacy and the language program he developed will continue to inspire students at West Valley High School and beyond.

I thank Rick for his service and commitment to students across the globe. I wish him the best in his retirement.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF ROBERT GALLAGHER

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

Mr. LAMALFA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and legacy of a good friend and great leader from south Sutter County, Robert Gallagher.

Born and raised in Rio Oso, California, Bob spent his life dedicated to family, farming, and service to his country.

After serving in the Army Air Corps during World War II, Bob returned home to the family farm, which has been owned and operated by the Gallagher family for the last seven generations. There, he and his wife of 53 years, Marian, raised their seven children. Indeed, they have a very large, proud Irish family.

When he was not with his family, Bob served as a Sutter County supervisor, and was chairman of the board. And this is a legacy that has been passed down to his grandson, James, who also served as a Sutter County supervisor, and indeed has gone on to serve in the California legislature.

Now, Bob was always a fun guy, and a guy I enjoyed meeting up with every time I had a chance to be in Sutter County. He would be known for a quip like—really helpful to politicians— "Don't put your mouth in gear before you put your brain in gear," which is something that can be very helpful in a lot of venues.

He had a passion for family, for baseball, and treating people well. That is his legacy. We will miss him. What a dear man and a dear friend. God bless him and his family.

SUICIDE PREVENTION HOTLINE

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

Mr. STEWART. Madam Speaker, I recently had an experience with a group of, maybe, 50 people, and I asked them: How many of you have been impacted by suicide or an attempted suicide, someone in your family, someone that you love and care about? Nearly every hand went up.

We are experiencing a crisis among our youth, a crisis among our veterans, and now with COVID-19, a crisis among the general population as we go into our social isolation. It is worse now than it was, and it has been a crisis for a long time.

There is a tool that will help. The Suicide Prevention Hotline number that creates a national hotline number, 988. No matter where you are in the country, if you are in the middle of a mental health crisis you can get help.

We have been working on this for 3 years. It is bipartisan, it is bicameral, it will save thousands of lives, especially now in the midst of this other crisis that is creating so much emotional stress on so many Americans.

Madam Speaker, I am asking the leadership, bring it up, finish it, give us unanimous consent today. Let's make this tool available to help Americans who need the help, please.

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REMEMBERING ARNOLD AND LORLEE TENENBAUM

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

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the lives of Mr. Arnold Tenenbaum, who passed away on March 24, and his loving wife, Mrs. Lorlee Tenenbaum, who passed away just 5 days later on March 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Tenenbaum were pillars in the Savannah community and committed their lives to serving others through their work with United Way, the Georgia Chamber of Commerce, food banks, and more.

Mr. Tenenbaum was a renowned businessman, philanthropist, and civic leader, and Lorlee joined alongside him in giving back to their community through serving on numerous boards and spearheading projects to promote Savannah's bright future.

Arnold was influential in both his business ventures, leading Chatham Steel Corporation, and his pursuits to better the lives of youth in his community through his efforts to improve public education in Savannah.

Devoting their lives to helping others and always bringing positivity to every room they entered, they greatly impacted the culture of Savannah.

The Tenenbaums loved others deeply and were loved by many, including their four amazing children.

I am proud and thankful to have had such an honorable couple dedicate their lives to serving their community in the First Congressional District of Georgia, and I am grateful for the lasting impact they made on Savannah.

My heart goes out to their family and friends and the entire Savannah community during this most difficult time.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair