

health services in 2023 is honestly a follow-on to Debbie's visionary leadership.

Over the years, Norwich Bully Busters has perfected utilizing cost-effective strategies to engineer the spread of positivity within a community. When she became inspired with the idea of "Buddy Benches," as a platform for students to meet new friends on the playground, Debbie activated her network of volunteers to help construct and then paint welcoming backdrops on benches. By way of her positive, purposeful engagement, there are now more than 80 Buddy Benches placed throughout Norwich schools. By way of another example, Debbie has remained a constant presence in the Norwich school system, hosting conversations with students and teachers in the classroom.

There are countless more cases of Debbie acting as a source of light for Norwich youth. Norwich Bully Busters eventually evolved to establish summer programming, led by Debbie, which combines community service, activities, and ideas for future careers. As a matter of fact, Norwich's newly elected State Representative Derell Wilson grew up participating in this summer program. When another student felt their passion to pursue arts over summer vacation was turned down, Debbie's response was, "What do you need?" And so, she provided that student with a space to develop and ultimately lead an arts program amongst other peers. Their production was performed at Norwich's local theatre, and that student now has a history of working on Broadway. Clearly, Debbie and her organization have had a lasting impact upon those who have grown up in Norwich.

Debbie has also used her position through Norwich Bully Busters to stir anti-bullying conversations well outside Norwich. She again activated her network to push the envelope at the Connecticut legislature, which has since enacted laws including An Act Concerning School Learning Environments and An Act Concerning Behavior in Schools. The latter of those two laws specifically requires boards of education to develop policies on bullying, and I can assure you Debbie played a part in the establishment of Norwich public schools' policy for bullying behavior.

Mr. Speaker, Debbie continues to build upon the altruistic energy that stands behind Norwich Bully Busters. She has created a self-nurturing support system, comprised of individuals who have been socialized to understand that actions matter, the infectious power that exists through positive engagement, and are now pursuing their own visions of community development. Debbie is the definition of what it means to be a first generation American. We are forever indebted to her service. To that end, Mr. Speaker, I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing Debbie's legacy of leadership.

HONORING THE LIFE OF GAIL
MOORE

HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 24, 2023

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the life and legacy of a very respected member of our beloved Bucks County, Gail Moore.

Born in 1946, Gail grew up in Levittown, Pennsylvania and enjoyed a successful career as a Registered Nurse at Lower Bucks Hospital as part of the surgical, IV, and home health care teams. She went on to serve as the Director of Claims at United Healthcare. After her nursing career, Gail continued to be a beacon of light in the healthcare industry, opening her own business providing care for women suffering from cancer.

Gail married her high school sweetheart, Zane Edward Moore, while he was serving in the U.S. Army, and they have two sons, Zane Edward Moore, Jr. and Christopher Stephen Moore. She is also survived by her five loving grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of myself, my family, and our entire staff, we send our deepest condolences to Gail's family and all who knew and loved her. Gail will be deeply missed and remembered for her love and devotion to her family, friends, and her community.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY
OF SENATOR JIM BROYHILL

HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 24, 2023

Mr. HUDSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of Senator Jim Broyhill. Sadly, Senator Broyhill recently passed away on February 18, 2023.

After graduating from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1950, Senator Broyhill began his career working for his family's furniture company, Broyhill Furniture Industries. He was first elected to Congress in 1962 as the representative for North Carolina's ninth congressional district, the district I am honored to represent today. He served the ninth district from 1963 to 1969. He also represented North Carolina's tenth district from 1969 to 1986 before he was appointed to represent North Carolina in the U.S. Senate in 1986. Over the course of his more than 23 years in Congress, Senator Broyhill was known for his dedicated constituent service and efforts to work across the aisle to achieve results for North Carolina and our nation. He served on the Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee, the Post Office and Civil Service Committee, and the Small Business Committee in the House of Representatives and the Armed Services Committee and the Judiciary Committee in the Senate. He rose to become the ranking Republican member on the House Interstate and Foreign Service Committee and was awarded "Watchdog of the Treasury" by the National Association for Small Business each year that he was in Congress. After his time as a federal legislator, Senator Broyhill remained dedicated to serving the people of North Carolina. Among his many impressive achievements, he served as the Chairman of the North Carolina Board of Economic Development and the Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Commerce.

I would like to extend my most heartfelt appreciation in recognition of Senator Broyhill as we honor his extraordinary life. Through his exceptional leadership and dedicated service to North Carolina and our nation, he set an excellent example for all in public service to emulate. Senator Broyhill was an important

mentor and friend to many elected leaders in North Carolina, including myself. I am greatly appreciative of the wisdom and guidance he provided me over the years. I know I speak for our entire community in extending my condolences to Senator Broyhill's family and many friends. His legacy of service will live on forever.

Mr. Speaker, please join me today in honoring the life and legacy of Senator Jim Broyhill for his exemplary service and exceptional commitment to North Carolina and our Nation.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. EARL BLUMENAUER

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 24, 2023

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Mr. Speaker, had I been present for the vote today for the Green Amendment No. 10, I would have voted "aye." Had I been present for the Jacobs Amendment No. 13, I would have voted "aye."

Had I been present for the Massie Amendment No. 15, I would have voted "no."

Had I been present for the McCormick Amendment No. 17, I would have voted "no."

Had I been present for the Roy Amendment No. 19, I would have voted "no."

Had I been present for the Roy Amendment No. 20, I would have voted "no."

Had I been present for the Democratic Motion to Recommit on H.R. 5, I would have voted "aye."

Had I been present for the vote on H.R. 5, I would have voted "no." This legislation is misleadingly titled as "Parents Bill of Rights" while ignoring the partnerships that already exist between parents and educators. Further, it dismisses educators' experience and dedication to their students at a time where our country is facing shortages. It will exacerbate censorship at a time when the American Library Association already reported a 38 percent increase in book banning. Lastly, but most importantly, this legislation creates a more harmful environment for students. Every student in every community deserves access to high-quality public education and to feel safe at school regardless of race, gender identity, religion, or sexuality.

Additionally, had I been present for the vote on H. Con. Res. 25, I would have voted "aye."

RECOGNIZING TRIPLE NEGATIVE
BREAST CANCER MONTH

HON. JASMINE CROCKETT

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 24, 2023

Ms. CROCKETT. Mr. Speaker, as a congresswoman, and a champion of health care initiatives, and as a voice for breast cancer survivors, a disease that affects minority women and all women, I am here today to talk about the pressing need for increased funding for triple-negative breast cancer. Breast cancer is a devastating disease that affects far too many of us. But triple-negative breast cancer, in particular, is one of the most aggressive and deadly forms of breast cancer.

Women with triple-negative breast cancer often face a worse prognosis and limited treatment options. This is why we need to increase