

staff present in the Chamber and throughout the Capitol please rise for a moment of silence in honor and remembrance of the dedication and service of the fallen United States Capitol Police Officers Brian D. Sicknick and Howard Liebengood.

#### NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION DAY

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

Mr. JOYCE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, today, we celebrate National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day to recognize and thank the 700,000 men and women who make up the thin blue line. In my district, these dedicated professionals work around the clock to protect and serve our communities.

It was President Ronald Reagan who said: "Evil is powerless if the good are unafraid."

From responding at a moment's notice to calls for help to executing high-risk warrants, we rely on our police officers, our sheriffs, and our troopers to keep us safe. An outstanding example of this work is police Chief Ron Camacho, who has been an exemplary leader for young officers in his department.

His message of mentorship, community policing, dignity, and respect have been instrumental in leading the Chambersburg Police Department, and I am grateful for his leadership.

On this National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day, please join me in thanking the officers who have dedicated their lives to service. Their hard work, long hours, and personal sacrifices should never go unnoticed.

#### CELEBRATING THE CITY OF WALNUT'S 65th ANNIVERSARY OF INCORPORATION

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

Ms. SÁNCHEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 65th birthday of the city of Walnut, California.

On January 20, 2024, the city of Walnut celebrates 65 years since its incorporation. A longtime ranching community, the Walnut area was primarily used for cattle and sheep grazing, as well as growing wheat, grapes, and fruit trees.

Walnut has since grown into a diverse, successful city that I am proud to represent as part of California's 38th Congressional District.

Walnut is beloved for its historic charm and traditions such as the Walnut Family Festival and Winter Jam.

From the iconic windmill in Suzanne Park to the wildlife sanctuary at Mt. SAC to the beautiful groves of walnut trees to its wonderful senior center, the city of Walnut has much to offer residents and visitors alike.

I wish a happy birthday to the city of Walnut.

#### NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT APPRECIATION DAY

(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 before you today to celebrate National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day. I would take this time to honor the more than 800,000 sworn officers currently serving in the U.S. for their continued dedication to upholding the law and ensuring our safety. Words cannot describe how difficult and how important your jobs are.

Established in 2015, National Law Enforcement Appreciation Day takes place annually on January 9. It is a special time in our country because it allows us to truly recognize the brave men and women of this country who serve in law enforcement.

Thank you to the Capitol Police, the Secret Service, and the Metropolitan Police Department for keeping us continually safe here in our Nation's Capital.

Thank you to the law enforcement in my home State of Pennsylvania, the State troopers, as well as the local police forces across the 15th District for their unwavering commitment to protecting so many communities.

Thank you again to all law enforcement across United States for your admirable service to our country.

#### VISIT TO EAGLE PASS, TEXAS

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

Mr. DAVIS of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, my second trip to the southern border as a Member of Congress was to Eagle Pass, hosted by the gentleman from Texas, Mr. Tony Gonzalez.

While there, we met with local border community elected officials who expressed how an influx of migrant crossings overwhelmed their communities. We toured the Eagle Pass Port of Entry, where I saw firsthand field operations and the economic impact of the international rail bridge closure: a daily revenue loss of about \$50 million.

Del Rio Sector statistics reveal over 90,000 encounters, 39,000 known got-aways, 250 criminal arrests, and 30 migrants on the terror watch list.

There is only one way to address this evolving situation: bipartisanship.

Our southern border situation is not a Democratic or a Republican issue, but an American issue. We must find common ground for Eastern North Carolinians and the American people.

#### IN HONOR AND REMEMBRANCE OF TOM DIANA

(Mr. LAWLER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1

minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. LAWLER. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor and remember a pillar of our community in Yorktown, Supervisor Tom Diana. Tom's life was a remarkable journey of service and dedication to his community.

A proud graduate of Lakeland High School, Tom embarked on a path of public service that defined his life and legacy.

Tom's career in law enforcement spanned several decades and included stints with the Putnam County Sheriff's Office, the Yorktown Police Department, the Cortlandt Police Department, and finally, the Westchester County Police Department.

His service was marked by an unwavering commitment to excellence, including as a K9 officer. His service extended beyond the badge as a member of the Yorktown Town Board for 7 years before culminating as Town supervisor.

He loved the job, and the town loved him.

Last Monday, I was proud to be on hand for his swearing in. Tom talked about the importance of community and his commitment to serving a cause greater than himself, his love of Yorktown, and his appreciation to its residents for giving him the opportunity to serve.

Four days later, he was taken from us suddenly. Tom's loss has been felt profoundly, and we will miss his leadership, his infectious smile and laugh, and his optimistic and positive approach to governing.

This morning, we laid Tom to rest, joined by his beloved wife, Donna; his daughters; grandchildren; and the beloved Yorktown community.

We will always cherish Tom for his warmth, his humor, and the profound kindness he extended to all. His legacy will continue to inspire us.

We thank Tom for his service, and may God watch over his family.

#### BRUNSWICK AFFORDABLE BEACH

(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. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in regard to the City of Brunswick, Georgia, being voted Among the 15 Most Affordable Beach Towns in the United States.

This past year, according to the list, Brunswick is among the most affordable beach towns to live in the country.

Apartment Therapy stated that: Brunswick offers low-country living at an affordable price plus the small town charm of a coastal southern city.

Brunswick provides easy access to both Jekyll and Sea Islands, as well as a nicely preserved historic district with Victorian-era homes dating back to the early 1800s.

The city is fond of community and often gathers to celebrate the area's rich cultural history.