

his community through his Eagle Scout project which was renovating the Marian Grotto beside Mary Immaculate Catholic Church.

Madam Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Christopher James Lewellyn for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

THANKING PHILIP L. PARKER FOR
HIS SERVICE TO THE GREATER
DAYTON, OHIO REGION

HON. MICHAEL R. TURNER

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 8, 2021

Mr. TURNER. Madam Speaker, I am honored to pay tribute to a respected community leader and trusted friend from my congressional district, Philip L. Parker, for his outstanding leadership and service to the business community and the Greater Dayton, Ohio region.

Phil Parker became president and CEO of the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce on April 29, 1994 and retired on July 31, 2020. Before joining the Chamber, Phil was Executive Director of the Home Builders Association of Dayton and the Miami Valley.

For nearly a half-century, Phil has worked to make the Miami Valley a better place to live, work, and raise a family. When I served as mayor of the city of Dayton, and throughout my time in Congress, Phil and I worked together on many issues and community projects to advance our shared goals of promoting economic and job growth throughout Southwest Ohio.

During his 26-year tenure as president and CEO of the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce, Phil directed one of the 25 largest Chambers of Commerce in the nation. He oversaw the implementation of numerous transportation initiatives, such as the development of Austin Boulevard and much-needed improvements of U.S. Route 35 and I-70. Under his leadership, the Dayton Area Chamber was consistently recognized as one of the very best in the nation. In 1998, the Dayton Chamber was named Chamber of the Year by the Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives.

Phil has been actively involved as a local, regional, state, and national volunteer, serving more than 500 volunteer hours a year over nearly 46 years. The generous amounts of time and energy he has contributed to a variety of volunteer and civic organizations, including the Greater Dayton Jaycees, the United Way, and the American Red Cross, have benefited our entire community.

Phil has served on more than 50 boards over the years and currently sits on a dozen local boards including Greene Memorial Hospital, Soin Medical Center, Kettering College, and is a member of the Dayton Rotary Club.

Madam Speaker, I appreciate this opportunity to extend my heartfelt congratulations to Phil Parker as he celebrates his retirement. I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking a truly outstanding citizen for his lifetime of service to the people of Southwest Ohio.

INTRODUCTION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FEDERAL OFFICIALS RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT EQUALITY ACT

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 8, 2021

Ms. NORTON. Madam Speaker, today, I introduce the District of Columbia Federal Officials Residency Requirement Equality Act, which would require certain federal officials who serve the District of Columbia to live within its boundaries. In nearly every other jurisdiction in the United States, federal district court judges, federal circuit court judges, U.S. Attorneys, U.S. Marshals and federal court clerks are required by federal law to reside within the jurisdictions where they have been appointed—but these same officials appointed to serve only the people of the District are not bound by this same requirement. Even in the territories, such officials are required to live in those jurisdictions, other than the U.S. Attorney and U.S. Marshal appointed for the Northern Mariana Islands who at the same time are serving in the same capacity in another jurisdiction. The only other exceptions exist for such officials appointed to the Southern District of New York and the Eastern District of New York, which are the only districts that serve different parts of the same city. My bill would put the District on equal footing with almost every other jurisdiction by ensuring that our federal judges, U.S. Marshals, U.S. Attorney and federal clerk live among the residents they have been appointed to serve, in keeping with the federal law that applies elsewhere in the United States.

The requirement that these federal officials live in the jurisdictions they serve is significantly related to knowledge of the effect of their decisions, an important reason the residency requirement is enshrined in federal law. As stated in the official commentary to the Code of Conduct for United States Judges, "a judge should not become isolated from the society in which the judge lives." The same holds true for other federal officials. My bill recognizes that the District deserves federal officials with the same understanding and links to the community as Congress has seen fit to require for federal officials in other jurisdictions.

I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE POPE FRANCIS PREPARATORY SCHOOL BOYS ICE HOCKEY TEAM

HON. RICHARD E. NEAL

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 8, 2021

Mr. NEAL. Madam Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Pope Francis Preparatory School Boys Ice Hockey Team on winning the 2021 U.S.A. Hockey High School Division I National Championship. This milestone achievement deserves the highest praise for the hard work and dedication of these exemplary athletes and coaches. Despite the countless challenges posed by this unprecedented season, the perseverance

and commitment to success demonstrated throughout the year led their team to victory on the biggest stage in high school hockey.

The 2021 U.S.A. Hockey High School Division I Tournament brought twelve of the most elite high school hockey teams from across the country to compete for this year's National Championship. Members of the Pope Francis Boys Ice Hockey Team not only performed with exceptional mental and physical fortitude, but also displayed remarkable sportsmanship and character on their path to victory. They represented the First District of Massachusetts with great honor and distinction, and I am confident that the lessons learned during this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity will serve these young men well in their future endeavors.

The Pope Francis Boys Ice Hockey Team was led by their Head Coach, Brian Foley, who has provided crucial guidance and instrumental mentorship to his young athletes both on and off the ice over the past eighteen seasons. Coach Foley was assisted by Assistant Coaches Steve Ashe, Tim Keeney, and Dan Fenton, and the victorious student athletes are Matt Hanscom, Zach Buffone, Jack Moltenbrey, Jacob Iby, Ryan Hemenway, Ryan Leonard, Brandon Spaulding, Colin Foyle, Evan Phaneuf, Drew Bolduc, Jack Kennedy, Ryan Shaw, Bryce Russ, Joey DiMichele, Stephen Rougeot, Jack Turowsky, Matt Burke, Derek Rhodes, Ryan O'Leary, Ryan Rhodes, Ben Zaranek, and Josh Iby.

Madam Speaker, I would like to once again acknowledge the Pope Francis Preparatory School Boys Ice Hockey Team for their superb achievement. I am proud of this group and I wish them much continued success.

HONORING SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY'S ACHIEVEMENT OF ITS 1ST FCS CHAMPIONSHIP

HON. KEVIN BRADY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 8, 2021

Mr. BRADY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Sam Houston State Bearkats and their first NCAA FCS title in program history.

Throughout the season, the team faced countless unprecedented challenges. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the FCS football season was moved to Spring 2021. Additionally, following the February Winter Freeze, players and coaches used feed shovels to clear snow off the field for practice. Meanwhile, due to renovations to the football facilities, the Sam Houston St. players were without locker room and shower facilities.

Despite the season's difficulties, Sam Houston State's resilience made the year one that will not be soon forgotten. The Bearkats finished their regular season undefeated with a 10-0 record. The team clinched its eighth Southland Conference championship. Additionally, coach K.C. Keeler won the Southland Conference Coach of the Year. With such a successful regular season, the Bearkats entered the postseason with momentum and with the No. 2 seed in the FCS playoffs.

After defeating Monmouth, South Dakota St., and James Madison, the Bearkats secured their place in the FCS title game. The 2021 FCS Championship Game, played in

Frisco, TX between the Sam Houston State Bearkats and the No. 1 seed South Dakota State Jackrabbits, was an instant classic. After a back and forth game, the Bearkats' resilience proved to be the difference. With only 16 seconds left in the game, Eric Schmic found Ife Adeyi for a 10-yard touchdown to take the lead. With a 23–21 victory, Sam Houston St secured its first FCS Championship in program history.

This was not only a first for Sam Houston State and Texas, but it was also a first for Coach K.C. Keeler, who became the first coach to win an FCS Championship at two different schools: first at the University of Delaware and now at Sam Houston State. Coach Keeler also became the all-time winningest coach in FCS playoff history with 24 wins. The Bearkats' Jaquez Ezzard was also named the FCS Championship Game's Most Outstanding

Player. The team's achievement will be long remembered. As Coach Keeler said to his team after the game: "It's immortality for the rest of our lives and beyond that . . . Sam Houston State is the national champion."

I join the rest of the state of Texas in honoring Sam Houston State and the Bearkats for their historic victory. They truly represent the best of Texas and its fighting spirit of strength and determination.