

in New York, who will meet with New York City's Jewish and other community leaders and elected officials on Friday morning to honor the 11 Israeli Olympians who were killed by a terrorist group during the 1972 Munich games.

As the new Olympians march in the opening ceremonies of the 2012 games, these community groups and elected leaders will gather together for their own minute of silence, hearing the firsthand account of 1972 Israeli Olympian Avi Melamed. The Munich Massacre, as it has come to be known, occurred during the 1972 Summer Olympics in Munich, Bavaria in southern West Germany, when members of the Israeli Olympic team were taken hostage and eventually killed by the Palestinian terrorist group Black September. Eleven Israeli athletes and coaches and a West German police officer were killed.

On this 40th anniversary of the horrendous act of terror, we are not only reminded of the importance of our special relationship with Israel but also of the existence of evil in this world.

Recently, we witnessed another terrorist attack on an Israeli tour bus in Bulgaria that left at least 7 dead and more than 20 wounded. These kinds of attacks against innocent people are horrifying and reprehensible. Such violence targeting people for their ethnicity, nationality or religion has absolutely no place in our world.

Whenever and wherever we witness the taking of innocent lives for whatever reason, the voices of the concerned people must be heard. While terrorist attacks on the people of Israel were once viewed as a regional problem, today we know that the entire world is no longer safe from the warped minds of those who have no regard for the lives of children and people who do no harm. We must fight against those who choose to recklessly use the fear of terrorism against innocent victims to achieve their own evil political objectives. We must remain vigilant and outspoken.

So I join the New York community this Friday as we come together to condemn such acts of terrorism and to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the massacre in Munich. Whether or not the International Olympic Committee agrees to pay tribute to the fallen, we will observe a moment of silence to pray for the victims and their loved ones.

38TH YEAR COMMEMORATION OF
INVASION AND OCCUPATION OF
CYPRUS

HON. JOHN P. SARBANES

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 25, 2012

Mr. SARBANES. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mark the 38th year of Turkey's invasion, occupation and colonization of the Republic of Cyprus.

On July 1, Cyprus assumed the six-month presidency of the European Union. Turkey, an EU candidate country, refuses to recognize the Cypriot presidency and has acted to "freeze" its communications with the EU. While Turkey refuses to recognize Cyprus, the international community has repeatedly called upon Turkey to withdraw from its occupation of the island republic.

In 1974, Turkey invaded the island citing its purported authority to intervene under the Treaty of Guarantee, a treaty meant to guarantee the independence, sovereignty, constitution and territorial integrity of Cyprus. Turkey asserts that the Constitution of Cyprus is "null and void," yet it justifies its invasion and decades' long occupation of Cyprus upon the Treaty of Guarantee, a treaty which obligates Turkey as a guarantor power to uphold the Cypriot Constitution and preserve the country's independence and territorial integrity.

During Turkey's 38 year occupation of the northern third of Cyprus, it has engaged in the systematic destruction of the island's Hellenic, Christian and Turkish Cypriot heritage. Turkey is extinguishing the voice of the Turkish Cypriots, the community that co-existed with Greek-Cypriots for nearly 500 years until Turkey invaded and forcibly divided the two communities. Turkey's treatment of the indigenous peoples of Cyprus betrays a broader impulse which is manifest in discrimination against Christian and other minorities in territories under its control. Turkey's conduct is so egregious that this year the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom designated it as "a country of particular concern."

Turkey, a nation of nearly 80 million people, has with each passing day altered the cultural heritage and demographics of Cyprus, a country of 1 million people. In 1974, Greek Cypriots numbered 506,000 and Turkish Cypriots numbered 118,000. Since then, Turkey has engaged in a radical alteration of the island's demographics. Turkey has resettled nearly 200,000 mainland Turks and garrisoned 45,000 Turkish soldiers in the occupied areas. Turkey's forced colonization of the occupied areas is eradicating the native Turkish Cypriot community and supplanting it with a Turkish community whose culture and national consciousness is foreign to the indigenous and unique Greco-Turkish culture of Cyprus.

The presence of Turkish troops is justified by the pretext that Turkey is protecting Turkish Cypriots. Yet 58,000 Turkish Cypriots voluntarily carry Republic of Cyprus passports, Turkish Cypriots utilize health care facilities and other services in the Republic of Cyprus, and more than 18 million crossings over the green line have occurred without incident. The reality is that each day Turkish Cypriots are forced by the presence of 45,000 Turkish troops to idly watch as their culture and identity is overtaken by mainland Turkish colonialists.

Recent discoveries of natural gas off the coasts of Cyprus and Israel have seen these two democracies engage in a cooperative and productive manner for the development of the only Western, democratically controlled energy source in the region. Where Israel and Cyprus have conducted themselves as peaceful democracies, Turkey is using its presence in occupied Cyprus to challenge Israeli interests in the region. It was not so long ago that Turkey held itself out as an ally of Israel.

Cyprus is the canvas that reveals the true face of Turkey—occupier, colonizer and foe of Western democratic values. It is time for this Chamber and the United States to stand with the people of Cyprus and demand that Turkey withdraw its troops and "cease and desist" from its unlawful colonization of this small and peaceful country.

CONGRESSIONAL REPLACEMENT
OF PRESIDENT OBAMA'S EN-
ERGY-RESTRICTING AND JOB-
LIMITING OFFSHORE DRILLING
PLAN

SPEECH OF

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 24, 2012

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 6082) to officially replace, within the 60-day Congressional review period under the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, President Obama's Proposed Final Outer Continental Shelf Oil & Gas Leasing Program (2012-2017) with a congressional plan that will conduct additional oil and natural gas lease sales to promote offshore energy development, job creation, and increased domestic energy production to ensure a more secure energy future in the United States, and for other purposes:

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Chair, while the American people are asking Congress to help create jobs and stabilize the economy, the House Majority would rather spend valuable time on handouts to big oil and gas. For the 11th time this Congress, Members are being asked to support giveaways to big producers and polluters. It is ironic that this bill is being debated at the same time the U.S. Chemical Safety Board released its report that the Deepwater Horizon disaster was caused by a lack of adherence to safety guidelines. Instead of thoughtful efforts to ensure health and safety of workers and the public, as well as the protection of the environment, H.R. 6082 ignores any lessons from that tragedy while opening huge portions of our coasts to drilling. In addition, as someone who has fought to make sure the American taxpayer is properly compensated for energy resources extracted from federally leased lands, I am disturbed that this bill would not ensure oil companies pay their fair share for drilling on public lands. This bill does nothing to help our country build a strong energy future or get Americans back to work. I urge my colleagues to vote "no."

HONORING THE LEADERSHIP ALLI-
ANCE ON ITS 20TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. MAZIE K. HIRONO.

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 25, 2012

Ms. HIRONO. Mr. Speaker, today I commemorate the 20th anniversary of the Leadership Alliance. The Leadership Alliance, established in 1992, is a national academic consortium of leading research universities and minority serving institutions with the mission to develop underrepresented students into outstanding leaders and role models in academia, business, and the public sector.

Through an organized program of research, networking and mentorship at various critical transitions along the entire academic training pathway, the Leadership Alliance prepares young scientists and scholars from underrepresented and underserved populations for

graduate training and professional apprenticeships. Leadership Alliance faculty mentors provide high quality, cutting-edge research experiences in all academic disciplines at the nation's most competitive graduate training institutions and share insights into the nature of academic careers.

Chaminade University, located in Honolulu, Oahu, has been a member institution of the Leadership Alliance since 2007. In the past five years, 16 students have participated in the Summer Research Early Identification Program—performing research at Brown, Harvard, Tufts, Yale, and other universities.

Nearly 70 percent of Leadership Alliance early identification students enroll into a graduate level program and, of that 70 percent, 25 percent enroll into PhD programs. Chaminade students have had transformative summer research experiences, encouraging their pursuit of graduate degrees, particularly in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM).

One Chaminade student, Natasha Flores, was able to do research at Yale University. Since graduating, she has conducted cancer research at the National Cancer Institute and has just completed her second year in a Cancer Biology Ph.D. Program at Stanford University. Joseph Tillotson, a 2011 Chaminade graduate, completed two summers of research through the Leadership Alliance and will be beginning Ph.D. studies in Pharmacology and Toxicology at the University of Arizona this fall.

Leadership Alliance Doctoral Scholars are diversifying the academy at research-intensive institutions and are engaging in career positions in government and industry.

Congratulations to the Leadership Alliance on two decades of committed service to supporting a diverse and competitive research and scholarly workforce in the United States.

HONORING MRS. GLORIA
LANGSTON OF ROCHESTER, NEW
YORK

HON. LOUISE McINTOSH SLAUGHTER
OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 25, 2012

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor a constituent in my district who, along with her late husband and family, has made a positive impact in the Rochester, New York area. I am profoundly appreciative of this monumental opportunity to pay homage to Mrs. Gloria Langston.

In July 1960, Mrs. Langston, along with her now-deceased husband, Andrew, relocated from the State of Georgia to Rochester, New York. From the time Gloria and Andrew Langston arrived in Rochester until today, the Langston family has made positive and substantial contributions to the Rochester area.

Among their many extraordinary contributions, perhaps one of their most transformational is the establishment of the Monroe County Broadcasting Company and the subsequent birth of WDKX-FM radio station. WDKX is named in honor of Frederick Douglass, Martin Luther King, Jr. and Malcolm X, and the Monroe County Broadcasting Company was the first ever African American corporation to apply for a frequency with the Federal Communications Commission.

WDKX-FM began its service to the Rochester community on April 6, 1974, and today—38 years later—the station continues its service to our community, 24 hours a day and seven days a week. It is the only independently owned and operated commercial radio station in Rochester, New York.

Gloria Langston has an unwavering commitment to uplifting and enhancing the Rochester community, and she exudes a deep sense of community awareness and pride. These admirable characteristics are reflected in the management and staff of WDKX-FM radio. The station is far more than a source of entertainment. It is an invaluable community partner; one that promotes philanthropy for good causes, provides information to enhance health and wellness and provides platforms and opportunities for Rochester area residents to learn about important community activities and initiatives that improve our quality of life.

Because of the countless contributions Mrs. Gloria Langston has brought to Rochester, it is my great pleasure to salute her today. It can be truthfully said that Rochester, New York is a better place because Gloria Langston has walked among us.

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF IBEW
LOCAL 110

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 25, 2012

Ms. MCCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor the 100th anniversary of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local Union 110 in Saint Paul, Minnesota, and the hundreds of working families the union represents.

IBEW Local 110 has earned an honored place in the Minnesota labor tradition. From the earliest days of the union, even before its formal charter on July 29, 1912, Minnesota electrical workers began banding together to form an organization that would help protect workers and their families. These efforts provided a voice for workers and began the roots of a new local union.

Membership in the new Local 110 proved valuable for workers and their families. The union set a standard for all workers in our state and provided much needed resources for safety, skills training, fair wages and retirement security. This support became even stronger through Local 110's decision to affiliate with the allied unions of the Saint Paul Building Trades Council.

Times were at once exciting and challenging for early Minnesota electrical workers. From 1910 to 1913, sixty of their fellow brothers died due to illness and accidents caused by frequently dangerous work environments. In order to combat the alarmingly high number of deaths within the industry, Local 110 began its first apprenticeship program to educate its members, and made sure that they were properly protected in the field. During June of 1913, the first test for those members that worked with electricity was held, and all members were required to take the examination. Through the efforts of the local union, every member passed the test.

International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 110 has always made sure their

members were given the highest standard of care and consideration. Today, this band of brothers now includes sisters too. Local 110 has grown to represent 2100 members in 13 counties of Minnesota. The union remains focused on creating positive relationships between workers and their employees as well as elevating the standards within the industry.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to submit this extension of remarks to honor the members and families of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local Union 110 on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of this proud union.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. GARY C. PETERS

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 25, 2012

Mr. PETERS. On Monday, July 23, 2012 I unfortunately missed two votes due to a delay in my flight to Washington, DC. Had I been present I would have opposed both bills.

H.R. 2362, the Indian Tribal Trade and Investment Demonstration Project Act of 2011 benefits one particular country, and is redundant to H.R. 205 the HEARTH Act which has passed both the House and Senate and is waiting to be signed by the President. S. 2039 would undermine an important policy in place to protect federal taxpayer dollars and prevent wasteful spending. While I was not able to cast my vote against these bills, had I been present I would have voted "no." I was happy to see that both were defeated.

INTRODUCTION OF THE GIVE
WORKPLACE GENDER VIOLENCE
VICTIMS THEIR DAY IN COURT
ACT OF 2012

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 25, 2012

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, when at work, most employees feel safe from violent behavior; however, violence in the workplace is not uncommon. The Bureau of Justice Statistics estimates that in 2008, 12,633 rapes and sexual assaults occurred while U.S. employees were working or on duty. When sexual violence happens at the workplace, women are often traumatized again when learning that the remedy is workers compensation. This downgrades the crime to an 'on-the-job occurrence' and prevents victims from suing employers when the crime occurred due to lack of safeguards and protections by employers.

Workers compensation systems were designed to create accident-free workplaces and allow employees hurt on the job to receive payment for medical expenses and lost wages. Using workers compensation as a way for employers to avoid lawsuits stemming from their own negligence is offensive to victims of this terrible crime. When sexual violence occurs on the job, employers should not be allowed to hide behind a system intended to compensate for job-related accidents. This is why I am reintroducing the Give Workplace