

Mexico resident Paul Herzog and thank him for his service as he prepares to retire as the Chief Executive Officer at Memorial Medical Center in Las Cruces.

I want to acknowledge the innovation and hard work of a true professional who successfully guided Memorial Medical Center during the past decade. I understand and appreciate the challenges of running a hospital, particularly during an era of drastic changes in the health care industry. Paul Herzog not only overcame those challenges, he also positioned Memorial Medical Center to succeed and provide the best possible care to the community—a standard that should be set for all hospitals.

Paul Herzog has 40 years of experience in the health care industry. He previously led the Albuquerque Regional Medical Center in Albuquerque before taking over as Chief Executive Officer at Memorial Medical Center in Las Cruces.

During his tenure, Paul Herzog led several successful efforts to improve Memorial Medical Center, including:

Overseeing a \$5.7 million renovation of the hospital.

Making cardiology, oncology, women's services and emergency services top priorities.

Developing the Memorial Medical Cancer Center, a medical oncology center, as a department of the hospital contracted with the University of New Mexico for physician services, a research nurse and a nurse practitioner.

Overseeing Memorial Icard Cancer Treatment Center during its accreditation by the American College of Radiology.

Creating an additional 20 Critical Care Unit beds, with a total of 43 Intensive Care Unit/CCU beds.

Creating a new urgent care clinic.

Overseeing the accreditation of the medical residency program.

Creating a neonatal program.

Creating a hospitality program.

Under Paul Herzog's leadership, Memorial Medical Center was named the "Best Practice" in 2011 by the U.S.-Mexico Border Centers of Excellence Consortium for its ability to retain physicians; and named "Best Hospital" by Readers' Choice Awards for 2003–2012.

Paul Herzog has played a pivotal role in ensuring that rural hospitals can provide exceptional care and services to their communities, and his leadership will be greatly missed. On behalf of all New Mexicans, I wish Paul Herzog the best in his future endeavors.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE NORTHEAST PENNSYLVANIA LIONS EYE BANK FOR 55 YEARS OF RESTORING SIGHT

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Northeast Pennsylvania Lions Eye Bank, whose mission for 55 years has been restoring the gift of sight to those with visual impairments. The Northeast Penn-

sylvania Lions Eye Bank serves 37 counties and patients at over 60 hospitals, but their work benefits people across the globe. If no suitable cornea transplant recipient is found locally, they conduct searches nationally and internationally to ensure that all transplantable tissue reaches someone in need.

The Northeast Pennsylvania Lions Eye Bank has helped over 30,000 people worldwide who were in need of corneal donation and transplantation. Specializing in obtaining, evaluating, and distributing corneal tissue, they use state-of-the-art technology and the highest medical standards to certify that all donated eye tissue is completely safe for sight-restoring surgery.

In addition to facilitating tissue donation, the Northeast Pennsylvania Lions Eye Bank provides services for donors, their families, hospitals, and transplant surgeons. The Eye Bank helps transplant recipients connect with support groups and provides an array of educational and informational programs for the public and the medical community. They coordinate with other organ and tissue donor agencies in Pennsylvania and across the country to provide these services.

Each year over 50,000 Americans and hundreds of thousands more around the world suffer from corneal blindness. Since there is no substitute for human corneal tissue, all of the Eye Bank's efforts depend upon the generosity of voluntary corneal tissue donors. Today I salute the Northeast Pennsylvania Lions Eye Bank's efforts to help those selfless donors turn their generosity into the gift of sight for thousands of visually impaired individuals.

HONORING GRANT ALVIN BERGMAN

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Grant Alvin Bergman. Grant is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 247, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Grant has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Grant has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Grant has earned the rank of Brave in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say and became a Brotherhood Member of the Order of the Arrow. Grant has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Grant constructed two animal-accessible benches for the Kansas City Pet Project, to be used by staff and volunteers as well as a meet-and-greet area for potential adopting families.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Grant Alvin Bergman for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

COLORADO PLUS AND WEST 29TH RESTAURANT AND BAR

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Colorado Plus and West 29th Restaurant and Bar for receiving the 2013 Wheat Ridge Reinvestment Award.

This award recognizes businesses that have made a significant investment in their property, improving the overall appearance of the site.

Both Colorado Plus owner Eugene Khang, and West 29th Restaurant and Bar owners Bud and Mary Starker, made huge contributions to the esthetic look of Wheat Ridge over the past few months through the renovation and construction on their two respective businesses.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Colorado Plus and West 29th Restaurant and Bar for this well deserved recognition by the City of Wheat Ridge and the Wheat Ridge Business Association. Thank you for your dedication to our community.

IN RECOGNITION OF JULIENNE SAUER

HON. ERIC SWALWELL

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Mr. SWALWELL of California. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to congratulate Julienne Sauer, of San Ramon, California. Fourteen-year-old Julienne recently was awarded second place in the science category of the Broadcom MASTERS 2013 National Science Fair.

The Broadcom MASTERS National Science Fair challenges sixth, seventh, and eighth grade scientists to explore STEM experiments and projects. Julienne was selected as one of thirty finalists from thousands of nominees by a panel of distinguished scientists and engineers.

Julienne's project was titled Quantum Locking: The Future of Frictionless Motion. She tested two different types of superconductors to explore which produced a magnetic field that would support the most weight. Scientists today are using this type of research to determine how to use frictionless motion to propel high speed rail and other projects. It is important that young scientists like Julienne have opportunities to pursue their passions.

I applaud Julienne's success. Her achievement, especially at such a young age, is remarkable. She is an inspiration and should serve as a role model for other young students looking to pursue a STEM education around the country. I offer Julienne my heartfelt congratulations, and I wish her the best of luck in her future endeavors.

HONOR VETERANS BY FULLY
FUNDING GOVERNMENT

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I am submitting this statement for the RECORD to show the sentiments of two of the greatest generation war heroes that breaking up the veterans funding does not serve veterans.

Today, Congressman John D. Dingell, Democrat of Michigan, and Former Senator Robert Dole, Republican of Kansas, issued the following statement urging Congress to take immediate action to re-open the entire federal government:

“As two proud World War II veterans blessed also to serve this great nation in Congress, we consider our bipartisan work together in helping to create a National World War II Memorial to be among our greatest accomplishments and a true honor to our brothers-in-arms. If this Congress truly wishes to recognize the sacrifice and bravery of our World War II veterans and all who’ve come after, it will end this shutdown and re-open our government now. The current shutdown has slowed the rate at which the government can process veterans’ disability claims and, as the VA has stated, it is negatively impacting other services to our nation’s veterans. Piecemeal or partial spending plans do not adequately ensure that our veterans—and indeed all Americans—have access to the system of self-government established to serve and protect them.”

SILVER DOLLAR CITY’S “OUTLAW
RUN” GOLDEN TICKET AWARD

HON. BILLY LONG

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor the Branson, Missouri theme park, Silver Dollar City, for winning the Golden Ticket Award for “Best New Ride” in the theme park industry for their new wooden roller coaster, Outlaw Run.

This prestigious \$10 million wooden roller coaster was also ranked seventh among the Top 50 Wooden Coasters Worldwide by Amusement Today magazine’s awards on September 7, 2013, at Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk in California. Silver Dollar City was also voted as one of the Top 10 Best Theme Parks in the world—a first for Missouri.

As an economic driver to the famous entertainment town of Branson, Missouri, Outlaw Run created an additional 100,000 visitors during summer 2013.

These awards are a huge honor to Silver Dollar City. Silver Dollar City wanted to leave a worldwide footprint when it comes to family friendly destinations, and through hard work and determination was beyond successful.

HONORING FLETCHER GRANT
HOKE

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Fletcher Grant Hoke. Fletcher is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 247, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Fletcher has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Fletcher has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Fletcher has earned the rank of Warrior in the Tribe of Mic-O-Say while serving as his troop’s Patrol Leader. Fletcher has also contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project. Fletcher extended a path towards the Butterfly Garden at Hodge Park Living History Museum in Kansas City, Missouri, making it more easily accessible.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Fletcher Grant Hoke for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

TELLER STREET GALLERY AND
STUDIOS

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Teller Street Gallery and Studios for receiving the 2013 Wheat Ridge Cultural Commission Award.

This award recognizes a business which has made an impact on our community by promoting culture and the arts, and supporting opportunities in art education for all ages.

Teller Street Gallery and Studios has been in business for a little over one year and is a member of the Wheat Ridge Business Association. Being in the business of fun and creativity, they love participating in local events, such as hosting kids’ art activities at the 2012 Carnation Festival, Ridge at 38 Event, and Wheat Fest. Teller Street made the backdrop for the photo booth for the August 15th Cruiser Crawl, and the trophies for the 2013 Carnation Festival Chili Cook-Off. They also have the privilege of providing after-school art programs for kids from the Wheat Ridge 5–8 School, and judging the Everett Middle School art show last spring.

In addition to encouraging art in the community, they enjoy supporting local charities and organizations such as the Wheat Ridge Feed the Future Backpack Program and hosting fundraisers like the painting party for Saints Peter and Paul School’s silent auction kick-off.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Teller Street Gallery and Studios for this well deserved recognition by the City of Wheat Ridge and the Wheat Ridge Business Association.

Thank you for your dedication to our community.

TRIBUTE TO EUGENE “GENE” B.
GLICK

HON. TODD ROKITA

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Mr. ROKITA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and salute a remarkable Hoosier, Eugene “Gene” B. Glick, who passed away on October 2, 2013. I wish to express my heartfelt gratitude and appreciation for his leadership and service to our community, state, and country.

Mr. Glick was born in Indianapolis and had an early foray into business as both advertising salesman for the Daily Echo at Shortridge High School and as the operator of a charter bus service at Indiana University. He went on to earn his bachelor’s degree in business from Indiana University.

Mr. Glick served his country in the Army during World War II. After returning to Indianapolis, his Gene B. Glick Co. became one of the largest privately held real-estate development firms in the country. He also went on to launch many philanthropic efforts in our community. To many in Indianapolis, Mr. Glick was a smart businessman and generous philanthropist. To his peers, he was a thorough boss who taught them about responsibility and accountability.

Mr. Glick, and his late wife Marilyn, were deeply committed to the greater Indianapolis community. Signs of their extensive philanthropy efforts are spread generously throughout Central Indiana. Among them, the Glick Eye Institute at the Indiana University School of Medicine, the Indianapolis Cultural Trail, the Arthur M. Glick Jewish Community Center, the Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center, the Indianapolis Museum of Art, and more. The couple also supported several charitable organizations such as the Indiana Authors Award, Eugene & Marilyn Glick Family Foundation, Gene B. Glick Family Housing Foundations, the Glick Fund of the Central Indiana Community Foundation, and more.

Mr. Glick was devout in the Jewish faith, a wonderful family man, leaving four daughters and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren. His legacy is more than I am able to fit into this memorial. Indianapolis, Indiana, and our nation is a better place because of the imprint of Mr. Glick.

RECOGNIZING DR. ARVID C.
JOHNSON

HON. BILL FOSTER

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, October 4, 2013

Mr. FOSTER. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pride that I rise today to recognize Dr. Arvid C. Johnson as the ninth president of the University of St. Francis, located in Joliet, Illinois.

Dr. Johnson earned a doctorate in management science from the Stuart School of Business at the Illinois Institute of Technology. Before joining the University of St. Francis, Dr.