

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING MARIAN BUSEY ON THE OCCASION OF HER 102ND BIRTHDAY

HON. DOUG LAMBORN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 28, 2014

Mr. LAMBORN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Colorado Springs artist and businesswoman Marian Busey on the occasion of her 102nd birthday.

For a century, since the age of 2, Mrs. Busey has been an artist. As a co-founder of Arati Artists Gallery in Old Colorado City, Mrs. Busey has helped ensure that art in the Fifth Congressional District will live on for centuries to come. It can be argued that Mrs. Busey helped start the vibrant arts scene that now exists in Old Colorado City and the Westside by taking a chance on opening the Arati Gallery back in 1977.

Mrs. Busey has been quoted as saying that she enjoys watercolor painting because, "once you put the brush on the canvas, you're done quickly, you can't complicate the painting." I know I speak on behalf of the Fifth Congressional District when I wish Mrs. Busey a very happy birthday and many more years of complication-free painting.

RECOGNIZING THE CARTER FAMILY AS THE 2013 ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, FARM FAMILY OF THE YEAR

HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, it is with great pleasure that I rise to recognize the Carter Family for being selected as the 2013 Escambia County, Florida, Farm Family of the Year.

Matt Carter discovered his love of both farming and quality produce at an early age while working alongside his father, Lance, at Cray Dairy. Matt also gained additional agricultural knowledge and experience as a member of the Northview Chapter of Future Farmers of America, where he served as chapter president.

In 2008, Matt established his own farming business to provide fresh and high quality vegetables to the Northwest Florida community. As a result of the Carter Family's dedication, their farming operation experienced great success and expanded from their first farmstand on Byrneville Road to a larger venue at the Palafox Farmer's Market.

Matt, his wife of nine years, Dawn, along with their daughters, Emily and Jayden, all contribute to the Carter family farming operation to help sell fresh vegetables at their farmstand, Matt's Produce. The variety of produce at the Carter Farm has grown over

the years and now boasts a bountiful collection including: peppers, tomatoes, squash, potatoes, onions, zucchini, turnips, mustards, collards, cabbage, broccoli, cauliflower, peas, and butter beans. For the past five years, the Carter Family Farm has increased in acreage, new crops have been added, and plans for certifying their farmstand's kitchen are in place. There is no question that the success of the Carter Family Farm and its expansion is largely attributed to the family's hard work and joint effort.

In addition to overseeing the family's farming operation, Matt continues to play an active role in the agricultural community as a member of the EscaRosa Young Farmers and Ranchers.

Mr. Speaker, our great Nation was built in part by the tireless work of farmers and their families. The Escambia County Farm Family of the Year Award is a true reflection of the Carter family's devotion to both farming and family. On behalf of the United States Congress, I would like to offer my congratulations to the Carter family for this great accomplishment. My wife Vicki and I wish them the best for continued success.

IN HONOR OF MR. AND MRS. BILL AND JUDY GRESSER AND DR. AND MRS. ADALBERTO AND MARIA ROBLES

HON. PAUL A. GOSAR

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GOSAR. Mr. Speaker, congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bill and Judy Gresser on the recent sale of their restaurant, the Papa-San Rice Bowl in Yuma, Arizona, and to its new owners, Dr. and Mrs. Adalberto and Maria Robles.

Mr. and Mrs. Gresser opened Papa-San on February 27, 1993 and sold it on February 28, 2014, making them the owners of the restaurant for 21 years and one day. The Gressers were eager to sell the restaurant so they could retire, but they wanted to ensure that the new owners would keep all the restaurant's employees. They chose the Robleses' offer over the various other offers they received because the Robles family agreed to keep the restaurant's employees so that the staff would not lose their jobs during the change in ownership.

I am proud to represent people such as these, who are concerned not only about their bottom line, but also about the people who work for them. Entrepreneurs like the Gresser and Robles families make such a significant contribution to our communities. After all, it is small businesses like theirs that will lead us out of our current economic problems.

Congratulations to Bill and Judy Gresser on 21 years of success and to Adalberto and Maria Robles; may Papa-San have many years of continued success under their ownership.

THE FIRST ONE THOUSAND DAYS

HON. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 28, 2014

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, this week I convened a subcommittee hearing entitled The First One Thousand Days: Development Aid Programs to Bolster Health and Nutrition.

There is perhaps no wiser investment that we could make in the human person than to concentrate on ensuring that sufficient nutrition and health assistance is given during the first one thousand days of life: A thousand days that begins with conception, continues throughout pregnancy, includes the milestone of birth and then finishes at roughly the second birthday of the child.

Consider this: According to the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), 6.6 million children died before reaching their fifth birthday in 2012; an average of roughly 18,000 daily deaths among children under five years old. Among the factors contributing to such a grim tally are malnutrition, obstructed newborn breathing, pneumonia, and diarrhea. All these, and other causes, are ones which we are capable of addressing, if we apply resources and political will to the problem.

The hearing I held complements various hearings our Global Health Subcommittee has held over the past several years. It was inspired in part by what I experienced at the UN Millennium Development Goals Summit in New York in September 2010.

There I had the privilege of participating in an extraordinary roundtable meeting of First Ladies of African nations that concluded with the signing of a declaration to end maternal and child malnutrition, with particular emphasis on "the first 1000 days in the life of a child from the moment of conception." The roundtable focused on that great killer of children, malnutrition.

The roundtable concluded that undernutrition alone remains "one of the world's most serious, but least-addressed problems—killing an estimated 3.5 million children annually." In other words, food insecurity is a plague which ravages our future, ending the lives of little boys and little girls throughout the developing world well before their time. The roundtable also pointed out that 60 percent of the world's chronically hungry are women.

According to the Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition, or GAIN, cosponsor of the roundtable, malnutrition's most devastating impact is actually in the womb, often causing death or significant mental and physical disability to the precious life of an unborn child.

Children who do not receive adequate nutrition in utero are more likely to experience life-long cognitive and physical deficiencies, such as stunting. UNICEF estimates that one in four children worldwide is stunted due to lack of adequate nutrition.

Children who are chronically undernourished within the first two years of their lives also

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