

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN RECOGNITION OF MR. NICK MANGANARO ON HIS 90TH BIRTHDAY

HON. LOU BARLETTA

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 8, 2015

Mr. BARLETTA. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to recognize Mr. Nick Manganaro as he celebrates his 90th birthday. Nick began working at Medico Industries at the young age of 13, and he has continually served my local community in his duties at the company's Hanover Township facility.

The son of Italian immigrants, Nick was born on May 23, 1925, and graduated from Pittston High School in 1943. He proudly went on to serve in the Navy during WWII and was stationed in Panama. Upon returning to Pittston in 1946, Nick immediately resumed his work at Medico Electric Motor Company.

To this day, Nick is still employed by Medico Industries, where he has worked for 77 years. His work ethic is unparalleled. A wearer of many hats, Nick has worked on the rigging crew, operated cranes, drove tractor trailers, and maneuvered all of the construction equipment. Within the company, Nick is considered to be a father figure to many employees, always willing to provide support and guidance to those in need. He is admired by his coworkers and customers for his bright attitude, modest demeanor, and dedication to the company.

Though he cannot perform all the job functions he once could, Nick continues to work seven days per week—a habit that is indicative of his tireless, hard-working character. He still lives at the Manganaro family homestead, where he resides next door to his sister, Maria Capolarella Montante. The two have one living brother, Joe Manganaro. Outside of work, Nick is a member of St. Rocco's Parish in Pittston, and is a life-long member of the San Cataldo Society in Pittston, a social organization that is united in celebrating its member's Italian heritage, familial values, and religious principles.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to recognize Mr. Nick Manganaro on this important milestone, and I admire his diligent work ethic and sense of commitment. I thank Nick for his service to our country and community, and I hope that he will celebrate this year in the company of his family and friends.

COMMEMORATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NATIONAL NEGRO GOLF ASSOCIATION

HON. MARCIA L. FUDGE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 8, 2015

Ms. FUDGE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to mark the 50th anniversary of the National Negro Golf Association (NNGA) and to recog-

nize the organization for its efforts to increase interest in the game, particularly among African American communities.

Sports often reflect the racial and social trends in the larger American society; and perhaps no game illustrates the gradual progression in race relations quite as clearly as golf.

Nearly 50 years ago, a small group of black students gathered in Lebanon, Pennsylvania to establish the NNGA. Its history would become part of the greater ongoing struggle to overcome a legacy of social exclusion. While NNGA's mission focuses on recreation, it has become an agent for social change.

Today, NNGA has grown to over 200 members in seven chapters, including a chapter in the 11th Congressional District of Ohio, my home district. Its interest in diversity and inclusion has inspired the association to raise hundreds of thousands of dollars for the United Negro College Fund and has helped professional African American golfers further their careers in this once exclusive sport.

Over the course of its history, the fraternal spirit of the NNGA membership has positively impacted the lives of its members and future generations of young golfers. Happy 50th Anniversary to the National Negro Golf Association.

CONGRATULATING BRIGADIER GENERAL KRISTIN K. FRENCH ON HER RETIREMENT

HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 8, 2015

Mrs. BUSTOS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Brigadier General Kristin K. French on her retirement from her long and heroic service in the U.S. Armed Forces.

Completing her studies at the historic grounds of West Point Military Academy in 1986, Brig. Gen. French would later go on to complete two masters degrees in Logistics Management and Strategic Studies. After serving all over the world in operations such as Operation Desert Fox in Kuwait, Operation Joint Endeavor in Croatia, Operation Iraqi Freedom in Iraq and Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan, she assumed command of the Joint Munitions and Lethality Life Cycle Management Command and Joint Munitions Command at the Rock Island Arsenal in Rock Island, Illinois in July of 2013.

A highly decorated officer, her awards include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal and the Army Achievement Medal. Brig. Gen. French is married to Lieutenant Colonel Rick French, and together they have a daughter and a son.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank Brigadier General Kristin French for her dedicated service in the Armed Forces, bravely protecting

and defending American citizens. I congratulate her on her well-earned retirement after nearly 30 years of service, and I wish her and her family the very best the future has to offer.

CONGRATULATING CURT FRYE

HON. ADRIAN SMITH

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 8, 2015

Mr. SMITH of Nebraska. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Curt Frye of Wayne, Nebraska, on his recent retirement after 30 years of service to the students and faculty at Wayne State College.

Mr. Frye taught for 18 years in Nebraska public schools before becoming Associate Dean of Students at Wayne State in 1985. In the years following, he served in numerous roles including Dean of Students, Vice President of Student Affairs, and Interim President before being named President in 2011.

Having served at the college longer than any of his predecessors, Mr. Frye is known for his dedication to seeing Wayne State students succeed. I had the opportunity earlier this year to visit the College Center in South Sioux City, a unique partnership established under Mr. Frye's leadership to provide a high-quality, affordable education to more students in the region. Despite his retirement, Mr. Frye's vision and tireless work for the college he loves will continue to benefit Wayne State students for years to come.

On behalf of the people of Nebraska's Third District, I thank Mr. Frye for his decades of service to Nebraska education and congratulate him and his wife Dianne on the start of this new chapter in their lives.

STUDENT SUCCESS ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. GENE GREEN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 25, 2015

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 5) to support State and local accountability for public education, protect State and local authority, inform parents of the performance of their children's schools, and for other purposes:

Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas. Mr. Chair, I rise today to express my opposition to H.R. 5, the Student Success Act. This bill undermines the fundamental purpose of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), which was created to ensure that disadvantaged children are provided a high-quality education that allows them to compete on a level playing field with their more-advantaged peers.

Among its many problematic provisions, this bill cuts crucial education funding, fails to hold states and districts accountable for supporting

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