

knew and worked with her—whether for a short time, or over the course of years.

In her professional life, Rachel exemplified qualities worth emulating. In her work for the people of New Jersey's 5th Congressional District, she demonstrated a commitment to excellence and always strove to give her best. Her colleagues and friends alike, both on and off Capitol Hill, recognized her for her sharp mind, loving spirit, and inner strength.

Rachel was devoted to causes greater than herself and impacted many lives beyond her work in Congress. In 2006, she participated in the Family Research Council's Witherspoon Fellowship program to prepare for leadership and service in the public arena. She was an accomplished writer, and she also shared her faith, time, and talent through various mission trips as well as through her church family.

Rachel was a blessing in the lives of all who knew her. She loved her God, her country, and her fellow man—and she will be missed. My prayer is that God will comfort her family and friends during this time, and that they will know that Rachel's life will be remembered.

THE 37TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TAIWAN RELATIONS ACT

HON. MIKE COFFMAN

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 18, 2016

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, April 10th marked the 37th anniversary of the enactment of the Taiwan Relations Act. This landmark legislation, one of Congress' great achievements, has guaranteed and continues to guarantee ongoing relations with our friend and partner, Taiwan.

Taiwan's President Ma made a speech at the American Chamber of Commerce in Taipei (AmCham) Hsieh Nian Fan celebration on March 30th, 2016. In the speech, President Ma pointed out that in the US-based Global Finance magazine's ratings of the world's richest countries from November of last year, Taiwan ranked 19th out of 185 countries worldwide. That put Taiwan right behind Germany, and far ahead of countries like France, Great Britain, Japan, and South Korea. Additionally, in the 2015 global competitiveness ratings published by the Institute of Management Development (IMD), in Lausanne, Switzerland, Taiwan ranked No. 11 in the world and No. 3 in the Asia-Pacific Region. Taiwan has created an enviable and thriving innovative economy. I give praise to President Ma's leadership. The United States and Taiwan enjoy a long-standing relationship that stems from our shared values: democracy, the rule of law, and free enterprise. Taiwan is a strong economic partner—in fact they are now our 9th-largest trading partner. In 2014, Colorado's exports to Taiwan reached \$191.5 million. Taiwan is Colorado's 7th largest export market in the world, and 14th largest export market in the world. Colorado companies have substantial opportunities to expand their business and cooperation with Taiwan. Equally important are the Taiwanese-Americans living in Colorado and the wealth of knowledge and entrepreneurial energy they bring.

I offer my warmest and best wishes to the people of Taiwan on this 37th anniversary of the Taiwan Relations Act. I also extend my

congratulations to Dr. Tsai Ing-wen on her victory in the Taiwanese Presidential election. I look forward to the continued and growing friendship and partnership between the United States and Taiwan.

TRIBUTE TO JOSH CALHOON

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 18, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Mr. Josh Calhoon of Minden, Iowa, on his selection to the Tri-Center High School Basketball Hall of Fame. Josh, a 2010 graduate of Tri-Center High School, in Avoca, Iowa, is known for being an outstanding athlete.

The Tri-Center High School Hall of Fame was created in 1991 to honor those students who excelled in high school basketball. In his career, Josh led the Tri-Center Trojans to many victories as a two-year starting varsity team member, a three-year letter winner, first All-Western Iowa Conference selection and was named to the Southwest Iowa All-Star Game. Josh epitomizes the word, "leadership." He scored 818 points during his basketball career and is remembered for his work ethic, especially his willingness to go above and beyond for his beloved Tri-Center Trojans.

Mr. Speaker, I applaud and congratulate Josh for his induction into the Tri-Center High School Basketball Hall of Fame. I am proud to represent him in the United States Congress. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Josh and wishing him nothing but continued success.

RECOGNIZING THE HONORABLE SERVICE OF COLONEL ROCKY MCIPHERSON, UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS (RET)

HON. JEFF MILLER

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 18, 2016

Mr. MILLER of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize and honor Colonel Rocky McPherson, United States Marine Corps (Ret), for his more than fifty years of dedicated service to the State of Florida and our great Nation.

A 1966 graduate of the United States Naval Academy, Rocky received his commission in the United States Marine Corps. For more than 30 years, his military career took him around the globe, which began upon commission with the first of two combat tours and included a myriad of command and leadership roles. In his first combat assignment, Rocky deployed to Vietnam and served as an Infantry Officer with A Company, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines. When he returned home, he attended the Air Force flight school at Reese Air Force Base in Lubbock, Texas. Having earned his wings, he moved on to his next assignment, mission qualification in the all-weather attack aircraft A6 Intruder. As a newly minted pilot, Rocky returned to Vietnam aboard the USS *Coral Sea* (CVA-43) as a Squadron

Landing Signal Officer. During this second combat tour, he recorded numerous sorties over Vietnam and had over 160 carrier landings. His two combat tours earned him the distinction as the only Marine officer with both ground and aviation combat tours during the Vietnam war.

For the next several tours, Rocky remained stateside. He served as the Marine Corps Representative at the United States Air Force Academy and at Marine Headquarters in Washington, D.C. He then commanded the Marine All Weather Attack Squadron 121 aboard the USS *Ranger* (CV-61); took on the responsibility of training and operations for more than 400 tactical aircraft as Deputy Wings Operations Officer in El Toro, California; and commanded the Marine Air Training Support Group at Whidbey Island, Washington, before returning abroad as Chief of Staff to III Marine Expeditionary Force (MEF) in Okinawa, Japan. Rocky made his final stop at Marine Corps Headquarters as Manpower Division Deputy Director before retiring as Colonel in 1995.

Colonel McPherson's commitment to public service did not end there, however. From 1999 to 2007, he continued to serve in support of our Nation's heroes and in particular the more than 1.5 million veterans and their families in Florida, as the Executive Director of Florida Department of Veterans Affairs. During his tenure, he oversaw the most significant expansion of state veterans' nursing homes and was a driving force behind the Florida World War II Memorial and monument and the expansion of Bushnell National Cemetery. Additionally, he helped to ensure that wounded service members returning home from the Global War on Terror received the support and care they had earned.

Florida is proud of being home to our Nation's servicemembers and veterans, and Rocky understands the critical importance that the military missions based in the state play in providing for our strong national defense. To that end, he has spent the last decade of his career in support of Florida's military installations as part of Enterprise Florida, Inc. He played an integral role in standing up the Florida Defense Support Task Force, created by Florida Statute, to preserve, protect, and enhance Florida's military missions and installations and currently serves as its Vice President of Military and Defense Programs, Strategic Partnerships. Rocky also assisted in creating and publishing the Florida Military Friendly Guide, a summary of all laws and programs in Florida benefitting active duty, Reserve and National Guard personnel and their families, as well as production of the Florida Defense Industry Economic Impact Analysis. Furthermore, he played an integral role in establishing the first-ever program for applying state resources to non-conservation lands transactions in Florida Statute to protect military missions from non-compatible development and other encroachment threats to the military value of Florida installations. He has been an active and valued voice on the State Advisory Council for the Association of Defense Communities.

Without question, Colonel Rocky McPherson can hang his hat up on a career he can be proud of. He has proven to be an accomplished leader who has dedicated his life to serving the State of Florida and the United States of America, and his unwavering commitment to men and women in the Armed

Forces and veterans' community will be felt for years to come.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, it gives me great pleasure to honor Colonel Rocky McPherson, United States Marine Corps (retired). My wife Vicki joins me in thanking Rocky and his wife, Connie, for their dedicated service. This includes Connie's 12 years in the United States Marine Corps. We wish them; their three children, Ashley, Nathan, and Courtney; grandchild; and all of the McPherson family all the best for continued success. Semper Fi.

IN RECOGNITION OF MR. ART
NICHOLAS

HON. THOMAS J. ROONEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 18, 2016

Mr. ROONEY of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Art Nicholas of Englewood, Florida, who was recently awarded France's highest military decoration, the "Knight of the Legion of Honor."

Mr. Nicholas was honored, at a ceremony in Englewood, for his service to France and its people during World War II. The Knight's Cross award was established by Napoleon Bonaparte in 1802. Since World War II approximately 93,000 of these medals have been presented to American servicemen who risked their lives fighting on French soil during the war.

Mr. Nicholas served aboard a landing ship (LCT52) during D-Day, the Allied assault to free occupied Europe in June of 1944. The invasion along France's northern coast was the largest amphibious invasion in history and led to the liberation of France from Nazi forces.

Mr. Nicholas held the rank of boatswain's mate first class and worked as an underwater demolition man at the Gold Beach landing area. Nicholas was also at both Juno Beach and Omaha Beach. Earlier in the war, he participated in the invasion of North Africa in November in 1942 and was also awarded a Purple Heart.

In addition to his combat service, Mr. Nicholas helped build the Amphibious Warfare School in Fort Pierce, Florida as a member of the "Scouts and Raiders." He trained members of the Underwater Demolition Team in Fort Pierce, Florida who were the forerunners of today's Navy SEALs, who conduct quiet forays into enemy territory during conflicts in which the U.S. is involved.

Mr. Nicholas left the military in 1946. He returned to Michigan and married his wife, Hazel, whom he met in England and has been married to for 69 years.

He opened a business named Corrugated Paper Products, which created shipping containers in Indiana before moving to Florida.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank Art Nicholas for his service and commend him on receiving the highest military commendation the French government awards an individual.

TRIBUTE TO NANCY AND PAT
CORKREAN

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 18, 2016

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Nancy and Pat Corkrean of Winterset for being honored with a 2015 Lifetime Achievement Award by the Madison County Chamber of Commerce.

The Corkreans have actively participated in Madison County organizations for many years. Through their business, Madison County Realty, they have promoted residential development, housing and a strong tax base. They launched Corkrean Homes, a construction company which provides new housing and commercial development. They have been involved in the world-renowned John Wayne Birthplace Museum, the Quilt Museum, and were active in enticing the development of a new Winterset motel. Their commitment to their church, St. Joseph Catholic Church of Winterset is a model for all Madisonians. Winterset and Madison County Iowa are blessed to have two people such as these working hard to make the picturesque region an even greater place to live and work.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to represent Pat and Nancy Corkrean in the United States Congress. I also invite my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in congratulating them on receiving this award and wishing them nothing but continued success as they move forward in building a better Madison County.

IN RECOGNITION OF DR. BEVERLY
W. GLOVER

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 18, 2016

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize Dr. Beverly W. Glover for her noteworthy work with the International Association of Ministers' Wives and Ministers Widows, Inc. Dr. Glover, the wife of Pastor and Moderator Walter L. Glover, Jr., currently serves as the President of IAMWMW, which will celebrate its 75th year of training and preparing ministers and pastor's wives for service in their roles beside their husbands. A celebration will take place in Richmond, Virginia on Wednesday, June 29, 2016. At this celebration, IAMWMW will recognize Dr. Glover as an outstanding leader, retired educator, mother, wife, and faithful follower of Christ.

Dr. Beverly W. Glover is a native of Macon, Georgia. She received her education from Bibb County Public Schools, Savannah State College, Fort Valley State College (now University), Georgia College, and Georgia Southern University. She earned a Doctorate in Administration and Supervision from Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

With a passion for improving the lives of children and young adults, Dr. Glover began

her career as a teacher at Burdell Elementary School in Macon, Georgia. She taught at Danforth Primary School and Bernd Elementary School before moving to Miller Middle School, where she served as Assistant Principal, and then Southwest High School, where she served as Principal. Dr. Glover concluded her remarkable 37-year career with the Bibb County School System serving as the Director of the Joseph N. Neel Alternative School. Here, she worked diligently to ensure success for all students and staff and under her leadership, the school received the Excellence in Education Award.

Not one to rest on her laurels, Dr. Glover is an active member of many religious and civic organizations where she continuously devotes her time to bettering the community. These organizations include the Epsilon Tau Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc.; Phi Delta Kappa; Church Women United; The Links Inc.; NAACP; OES Number 82; and General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, Inc., among others.

Since childhood, the church has always played a vital role in Dr. Glover's life. She is an active member of the Greater Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church where she organized the Deaconess Ministry. She is a member of the Sunday School, Missionary Society, Mission-in-Action, and advisor to the Women's Ministry. Dr. Glover also organized and managed the church's first Vacation Bible School which enrolled and served 225 children the first year. She also serves as Secretary and General Manager of Glover Memorial Mortuary in Macon, Georgia.

Dr. Glover has been a member of the ministers' wives organizations for more than 30 years. She founded the Macon Interdenominational Ministers' Wives and Ministers' Widows local organization. On the state level, Dr. Glover served as Recording Secretary under the leadership of Dr. Ethel Purvis Stokes. She was then elected President of the Georgia Association of Ministers' Wives and Ministers' Widows. Since 2010, Dr. Glover has served as the eighth President of the International Association of Ministers' Wives and Ministers' Widows, Inc.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. once said, "Life's most persistent and urgent question is, 'What are you doing for others?'" Dr. Glover undoubtedly lives by this philosophy. From her work as an educator to her involvement in missions, Dr. Glover has made a tremendous impact on the lives of others. She is a woman of integrity who exudes the genuine principles and values of Christian discipleship. A charismatic evangelical leader and pioneer, her spiritual zeal is both infectious and highly contagious.

Mr. Speaker, today I ask my colleagues to join me, members of the IAMWMW, and the more than 730,000 residents of Georgia's Second Congressional District in extending our sincerest appreciation to Dr. Beverly W. Glover. A woman of many hats, she is an outstanding educator and mentor, strong leader, prominent community activist, and devoted caretaker, but above all, she is a faithful servant of God.