

Technical College of Missouri as of July 1, 2014. Throughout the name changes for the college, Dr. Claycomb stated, "We have maintained the main purpose of preparing students for the workforce."

At Dr. Claycomb's hiring, the original board members charged him with specific goals, which he attributes to his success while president of the college. They first asked him to improve staff morale which Dr. Claycomb passionately started working on and believes it is a continuous process. Secondly, he was tasked with developing sound financial practices for the college. In the years that Dr. Claycomb has been president, there have been strong audits for the college. Their third goal was to continue the effort to define the college as a legal entity that is separate from the Linn R-2 school system. These goals helped Dr. Claycomb successfully lead the college into what it is today.

In 2015, Dr. Claycomb was chosen as one of the few to receive the Missouri Pioneers in Education from the Missouri State Board of Education and the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. This was awarded to him in acknowledgement of over fifty years of an outstanding career and contributions to public education. At the 2016 commencement at State Technical College of Missouri, Dr. Claycomb received an honorary degree from the college. Also at commencement, it was announced that the Information Technology Center would be renamed the Dr. Donald M. Claycomb Information Technology Center. Dr. Claycomb's wife Linda's statement explains why these awards were given, "This wasn't a job for Don Claycomb, Don lives and breathes this place. It's in his blood."

Dr. Claycomb will get to spend more time with his family now that he is retired. He will celebrate his 27th wedding anniversary this summer with his wife, Linda. She holds a doctorate and teaches nursing education at Columbia College at the Columbia and Lake of the Ozarks campuses. Dr. Claycomb has appreciated his wife understanding his job and the time it took him away from the family. Dr. Claycomb and Linda have five children and five grandchildren. He looks forward to spending more time with them. In addition to his family, Dr. Claycomb enjoys collecting antique tractors, reading books, and gardening. These hobbies will fill his days now that the new president has taken the helm of State Technical College of Missouri.

I ask you to join me in recognizing Dr. Claycomb on his retirement from State Technical College of Missouri after twenty-three years of commitment to the college, students, and community.

IN RECOGNITION OF CAPTAIN
WILLIAM C. OSTENDORFF

HON. THOMAS J. ROONEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 14, 2016

Mr. ROONEY of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the distinguished career of Captain William C. Ostendorff, who recently completed his second term as a Commissioner at the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). After a varied and distinguished career as an engineer, legal counsel,

policy advisor, and naval officer, Captain Ostendorff now departs the NRC to return to teaching at the United States Naval Academy.

Prior to his appointment to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Captain Ostendorff served at the National Academies where he was the Director of the Committee on Science, Engineering, and Public Policy. He was also the Director of the Board on Global Science and Technology. He came to the National Academies after serving as Principal Deputy Administrator at the National Nuclear Security Administration from April 2007 until April 2009. From 2003–2007, Captain Ostendorff was a member of the staff of the House Armed Services Committee. There, he served as counsel and staff director for the Strategic Forces Subcommittee with oversight responsibilities for the U.S. Department of Energy's atomic energy defense activities as well as the U.S. Department of Defense's space, missile defense, and intelligence programs.

Captain Ostendorff was an officer in the United States Navy from 1976 until he retired in 2002 with the rank of Captain. During his naval career, he served on six submarines, including command of the USS *Norfolk* from 1992–1995. While in the Navy, he also served as Director of the Division of Mathematics and Science at the United States Naval Academy. He holds a bachelor's degree in systems engineering from the United States Naval Academy, law degrees from the University of Texas and Georgetown University, and is a member of the State Bar of Texas.

Mr. Speaker, I thank Captain Ostendorff for the duty and honor he has consistently displayed throughout his years of outstanding service to our nation. His unparalleled experience and knowledge of nuclear security and defense issues have made him an invaluable resource for our nation, and we are truly better off because of his service. I wish him all the best as he returns to the United States Naval Academy.

CELEBRATING THE GENERAL
MILLS 150TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. KEITH ELLISON

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 14, 2016

Mr. ELLISON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate and honor General Mills for their 150th year of hard work, leadership and community service in the food and service sector. General Mills, then named the Minneapolis Milling Company, first began when Cadwallader Washburn opened his first flour mill in Minneapolis. John Crosby joined eleven years later and together they reorganized business practices that farmers deemed unfair. They soon won the Gold Medal at the international Miller's Exhibition, which inspired them to name their flour "Gold Medal". The company has since expanded to a highly successful multi-national food corporation that has also tried its hand in the restaurant, toy, and fashion industries.

In 1928, the name changed to General Mills. The same year the company had 5,800 employees with annual sales of \$123 million mostly due to their strongest products of Softasilk cake flour and Wheaties cereal. By 1928, General Mills was the largest flour mill-

ing company in the world. General Mills' diversification and technology allowed them to produce military equipment and dehydrated food for World War II mobilization efforts. By the 1990's, General Mills went international, competing in European and Mexican markets.

General Mills shares its wealth of food expertise through philanthropic work to increase food security, advance sustainable agriculture and protect our natural resources. In 2015, its foundation donated 20 million meals. General Mills strives to ensure the world's watersheds are restored and protected, and to increase the world's pollinator populations. General Mills has partnered with many non-profit organizations in pursuing these goals.

From Betty Crocker to the Pillsbury Dough Boy, General Mills is responsible for some of our most iconic food brands. Whether it is a box of Cheerios, a can of Crescent Rolls, or a bag of Gold Medal Flour, nearly every American household can claim to have a General Mills product. Without a doubt, General Mills will continue to innovate and develop offerings that meet our nation's palate preferences and nutritional needs. I am proud to represent the congressional district where General Mills was started and remains today. I congratulate General Mills and its hardworking employees for their accomplishments and lasting legacy.

HONORING MS. SANDY ELLES

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 14, 2016

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Sandy Elles, the 2016 recipient of the Napa County Farm Bureau Distinguished Service Award in honor of her service as the Executive Director for the past fifteen years.

A native of Burlington, New Jersey Ms. Elles earned a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from American University and a Bachelor of Arts in Urban Planning from Rutgers University. After moving west to California, Ms. Elles built a successful career as both a business leader and public servant.

Ms. Elles worked with Blue & Gold Fleet in San Francisco from 1981 until 2001, while also serving on the Cotati City Council from 1990 to 1998. During that time, she received the prestigious American Planning Association award for Distinguished Leadership from an Elected Official, and the Sonoma County Conservation Council recognized Ms. Elles as the 1996 Environmentalist of the Year.

After retiring from Blue & Gold Fleet, Ms. Elles served as Executive Director of the Napa County Farm Bureau from 2001 until June 2016, providing guidance to Napa Valley farmers. Under her direction, the Napa County Farm Bureau won the California Farm Bureau Federation Golden State Hall of Fame Award for the best County Farm Bureau in both 2009 and 2010.

Ms. Elles has also been a leader in many other community organizations, including the Napa Chamber of Commerce and Jack L. Davies Napa Valley Agricultural Land Preservation Fund. She was also an instrumental figure in launching ferry service to the San Francisco Giants downtown ballpark from 1998 to 2000.

Mr. Speaker, Ms. Elles has led an impressive career in both business and public service and has dedicated her time and skills to