

sincerest condolences. While your daughter may no longer be with us, her loving spirit will live eternally.

HONORING PROFESSOR CAROL ROBERTSON FOR RECEIVING THE PRESIDENTIAL AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE TEACHING

HON. BLAINE LUETKEMEYER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Mr. LUETKEMEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a constituent of mine, Professor Carol Robertson. She has been selected to receive the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching. This is a prestigious award that will be presented in Washington, DC at the Daughters of the American Revolution Constitution Hall. In addition to Professor Robertson having the opportunity to attend various recognition events and development activities, she will also receive a \$10,000 award from the National Science Foundation. A citation from President Obama will be presented as well. Professor Robertson is one of only one hundred and eight teachers to receive this award for the 2014–2015 school year.

Professor Robertson is receiving this award for her work at Fulton High School where she was a science teacher for twenty-eight years. She retired from Fulton High School following the 2015–2016 school year. Professor Robertson also taught as an adjunct professor at Central Methodist University from 2007 through 2014 and Missouri State University from 2014 through 2016. She started teaching as an adjunct professor at Westminster College this school year.

The Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching was established by Congress in 1983. This award is the highest honor bestowed by the United States Government specifically for educators that teach mathematics and science. Since the establishment of the program, over 4,600 teachers have been recognized for their contributions to their students and school districts.

Professor Robertson has had a lifelong interest in science and is passionate about teaching the next generation the importance of engaging in the study of science. Throughout her teaching career, she has seen some of her students obtain a Ph.D. which affirms the dedication with which she teaches. She has utilized partnerships with researchers to enhance the experience of her students. Through those partnerships, students have been able to explore Golden Retriever Muscular Dystrophy, Osteogenesis Imperfecta, Arabidopsis, or maize. This research allowed her students to have real-life applications. Professor Robertson received her B.S. in Science Education and a M.Ed. in curriculum and instruction from the University of Missouri.

I ask you to join me in recognizing Professor Robertson on her achievement and this honor of receiving the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching.

TRIBUTE TO FORMER RECORD AND CLARION OWNER ROGER MOON

HON. JOHN R. MOOLENAAR

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Mr. MOOLENAAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the late editor and publisher of Record and Clarion, Roger Moon. As the son of Paul and Velma, the husband of Patricia and the father of Tracy, Renee and Shane, Roger made many contributions to Gladwin County and the great state of Michigan.

Roger began his career in news when he was twelve years old, working at the Record and Clarion, sweeping and taking out the trash. He completed his degree in Journalism at Michigan State University in 1960. After Roger graduated he returned to Gladwin and began working, yet again, for Record and Clarion. He became the head of the newspaper in 1972 when his father retired. After twenty-one years as the head of the Record, Roger sold the newspaper and retired in 1993.

Roger was more than the editor of the newspaper. Roger also served the community by working as a firefighter for thirty-three years, rising to the rank of assistant chief. He was an active member of the Gladwin Rotary Club and was honored by the organization for his generous donations of time and resources.

Roger loved to hunt and fish, as well as golf. He enjoyed sharing Michigan's outdoor heritage with his children and grandchildren, driving his boat and teaching them to waterski. He was also a Hall of Fame bowler.

On behalf of the Fourth Congressional District of Michigan, I am honored today to recognize Roger Moon for his lifetime of work to the people of Gladwin County.

IN RECOGNITION OF DR. T. BERRY BRAZELTON

HON. WILLIAM R. KEATING

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Mr. KEATING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and accomplishments of Dr. Thomas Berry Brazelton. Throughout his 98 years, Dr. Brazelton has been celebrated as a critically acclaimed leader in pediatric medicine and a change-maker in the lives of countless Massachusetts families.

Although Dr. Brazelton was born in Waco, Texas, the Bay State has been lucky to claim him as its own since 1945, when he completed his residency at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. In the decades since, Dr. Brazelton became a pioneering expert in neonatal behavior, authoring more than 200 journal articles and textbook chapters on the subject. Any parent might recognize his name from one of his thirty books on child development and parenting.

However, his primary contribution to the medical community is the Brazelton Neonatal Behavioral Assessment Scale. The scale itself is a metric to highlight behavioral differences among newborns within the first months of their lives. His methods drew the parallel between differing parental methods and infant

behavioral development in the first four months of a child's life. These discoveries led to his recognition as a tireless advocate for paternal and medical leave, bringing him from the halls of Congress to interviews with Oprah Winfrey and Ellen DeGeneres to advance that cause. His work earned him a Presidential Citation from President Obama in February of 2013. Today, Dr. Brazelton remains an active member of the pediatric medicine community. He has become a fixture at the Baby Center in Hyannis, helping the underprivileged parents of Cape Cod provide for their children.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to recognize Dr. T. Berry Brazelton, not simply for his dedicated service to the communities of Massachusetts, but for the work he has done for families across the globe.

IN HONOR OF BONNIE EDMONDSON, UNITED STATES TRACK AND FIELD COACH

HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to congratulate Bonnie Edmondson of Coventry, Connecticut, an exceptional athlete and public servant, for being chosen as a coach for Team USA's track and field team at the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro.

Bonnie has a long and dedicated track and field career. During her time at Eastern Connecticut State University in 1987, she threw discus and hammer, earning the title of All-American. Thanks to her talent and commitment, Bonnie ranked tenth in the world and fifth in the nation in hammer throw between 1990 and 1996 and won national championships for her skills in both 1990 and 1991. Later, Bonnie dedicated her career to coaching at all levels of the sport. Most notably, she held positions as an assistant coach in the 1998 World Junior Championship and as a coach for the Team USA throwing events in 2012 and 2014 during the IAAF World Indoor Championships. Most recently, she served as a mentor to the 2015 NESCAC hammer throw champion, Lily Talesnick. Currently, Bonnie is a track and field coach at Trinity College, while also working at the Connecticut Department of Education, overseeing a comprehensive school health education program aimed at motivating children to lead healthier lifestyles.

During her years as a thrower, Bonnie's scores in the 1992 Olympic trials would have qualified her for the Games if there had been a women's division in her sport. However, it wasn't until 1995 that the International Olympic Committee established the Women and Sport Advocacy group which works to implement gender equality policies in all Olympic competitions. In 2000, women's hammer throw was included in the Olympics for the first time. Instead of succumbing to disappointment and defeat, Bonnie contributed to the evolution of the sport, and of the Games, by helping to introduce women's events in the hammer throw. Her talent and passion for the sport makes her an incredible coach, and she has served as a wonderful representative of the United States, and of Connecticut, this August in Rio de Janeiro. Bonnie is more than deserving of this opportunity, and her debut at the games is long overdue.