

impact in their communities and their careers. Each year, forty up-and-coming community and business leaders under 40 years of age are selected for this prestigious honor based on a combined criteria of community involvement and success in their chosen career field. The 2017 class of Forty Under 40 honorees will join an impressive roster of 680 past business leaders and growing.

Karen is an attorney at BrownWinick law firm, focusing on complex residential and commercial real estate transactions. She graduated with distinction from the University of Iowa in 2003 and received her J.D. with honors from Drake University in 2008. She is a member of the Polk County, Iowa State, and American Bar Associations, as well as a member of the Polk County Women Attorneys. Outside of her work, she serves on the boards for Operations Downtown and the Des Moines Social Club. Karen also serves on the Capital Campaign Committee and as a mentor with Community Youth Concepts.

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Karen in the United States Congress and it is with great pride that I recognize her today for utilizing her talents to better both her community and the great state of Iowa. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Karen on receiving this esteemed designation, thanking those at Business Record for their great work, and wishing each member of the 2017 Forty Under 40 class a long and successful career.

#### HONORING CRAIG E. MULLER

#### HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 1, 2017*

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Craig E. Mueller. Craig is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 397, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Craig has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Craig has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Craig has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Craig E. Mueller for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

#### HONORING CHIEF STEPHAN B. WILDER

#### HON. JAMES B. RENACCI

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 1, 2017*

Mr. RENACCI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Stephan B. Wilder, Chief of Police for North Canton, Ohio, who is now retiring after 36 years of service to the city. Chief

Wilder began his law enforcement career with the city in 1981 as an unpaid auxiliary officer. Two years later, he was hired as a part time patrolman, and his full time service to the citizens of North Canton began in 1986. He was promoted to lieutenant in 1996 and became Chief of Police on May 29, 2011.

Before serving the City of North Canton, Chief Wilder was a graduate of Glenwood High School and Kent State University, where he studied Criminal Justice. He went on to obtain his Master's in Criminal Justice Administration from Tiffin University, and his education also includes studies at Northwestern University Center for Public Safety School of Police and Command, as well as the Ohio Police Association of Chiefs of Police Executive Leadership College.

In addition to serving his community in a law enforcement capacity, Chief Wilder has also served North Canton through his active participation in many civic and professional organizations. He has held positions and honors with the North Canton YMCA, North Canton Chamber of Commerce, Junior Achievement, Rotary Club, Knights of Columbus, Ohio Association and the International Association of Chiefs of Police, Stark County Police Chiefs Association, and Boy Scouts of America Buckeye Council. He has been active with the Boy Scouts since he became an Eagle Scout in 1967.

Throughout his career, Chief Wilder has received numerous rewards and honors. He has been honored with the Franklin M. Kreml Leadership Award by Northwestern University and by the Plain Local Schools Foundation and Alumni Association Hall of Distinction.

This week, the City of North Canton celebrates Chief Wilder's distinguished career and his retirement. I offer my congratulations to Chief Wilder on his retirement and thank him for his years of service. North Canton and I are grateful to him for everything he has done as a member of the city's law enforcement and as a leader in the community. I ask my colleagues in the House to join me in paying tribute to a valued public servant and wishing him a happy retirement.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF THE VICTIMS OF THE SUMGAI POGROMS

#### HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 1, 2017*

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the Sumgait pogroms, one of the most horrific attacks against the Armenian people, committed at the hands of Azerbaijanis 29 years ago.

On February 27, 1988, hundreds of Armenian civilians living in the city of Sumgait in Azerbaijan were indiscriminately killed, raped, maimed, and even burned alive for no reason other than their ethnicity. This senseless violence was instigated by hostile, anti-Armenian rhetoric from Azerbaijani citizens and officials against innocent Armenians.

For nearly three decades, Azerbaijan has taken steps to cover up these crimes against humanity and dismiss the atrocities at Sumgait. Even more disturbing is that perpetrators of this event and similar violent attacks have since been lauded as national heroes.

I condemn these horrific attacks. Tragically, the Azerbaijani government's approach toward the Armenian people has not changed much since these attacks were perpetrated. In 2017, we hear the same violent rhetoric and witness the intimidation tactics by the Azerbaijani government against the people of Nagorno Karabakh.

If we do not condemn crimes against humanity and allow them to go unpunished and unrecognized we only strengthen the resolve of those seeking to perpetrate these crimes in the future. The Armenian people have known this for too long, as we prepare to commemorate the 102nd Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide in April.

I will continue to work with my colleagues on the Congressional Armenian Issues Caucus to remember the victims of the pogroms at Sumgait and to condemn all acts of violence against people who are targeted simply because of their existence. I hope my colleagues will join me in rejecting violent rhetoric and intimidation and renewing our commitment to achieving a collective peace.

#### RECOGNIZING RUTGERS CANCER INSTITUTE OF NEW JERSEY AT UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

#### HON. DONALD M. PAYNE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 1, 2017*

Mr. PAYNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the newly formed partnership between the Rutgers Cancer Institute of New Jersey and University Hospital, located in Newark, New Jersey. This landmark agreement, designated by the National Cancer Institute, brings Rutgers' NCI-designated Comprehensive Cancer Center services, as the only one in the state of New Jersey. This will expand the offering of advanced cancer-related services for residents of Newark and the greater Essex County—which includes many constituents in the 10th Congressional District of New Jersey.

The partnership expands the offering of advanced cancer-related services, including clinical trials only available at NCI-designated cancer centers, community outreach and education programs focusing on cancer prevention, and early detection including increased screenings. The focus on early detection and preventions is very important as March is National Colorectal Cancer Month. Colorectal cancer is the third most common type of cancer in men and women in our country. According to the American Cancer Society, it is the third leading cause of cancer-related deaths in the United States when men and women are considered separately, and the second leading cause when both sexes are combined. In 2016, it was estimated that 134,490 new cases would be diagnosed, and that 49,190 people would die from colorectal cancer. The availability of the latest treatment options and clinical trials at the Rutgers Cancer Institute at University Hospital are expected to improve patient outcomes and increase awareness of early detection and prevention to help reduce cancer incidence and burden in the 10th Congressional District.

This partnership embraces University Hospital's patient-centered care model, and will