

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP MORAVIA HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM

HON. JOHN KATKO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 25, 2017

Mr. KATKO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the victory of the Moravia High School Boys' Basketball Team in the New York State Public High School Association Class C Championship on March 18, 2017. The Moravia Blue Devils defeated the Lake George Warriors by a score of 54–39 to secure the Blue Devils' first state title in program history.

The Blue Devils, who finished the season 22–5, were determined to win the program's first state title. Junior Kaleb Stayton led the team with 17 points followed by senior Jordan Crossgrove with 12 points. Members of the state championship team include Stayton, Crossgrove, Zack Becker, LinWei Chen, Parker Dickenson, Jack Fedrizzi, Carter Flick, Gavin Genson, Kaden Hooper, Austin Kulas, Dustin Mondics, Gabe Short, Scottie Sovocool, and Zack Stanton. The team is coached by Todd Mulvaney.

I am honored to recognize the teamwork displayed by the Moravia Blue Devils and to congratulate the members of the team, their families, the coaching staff, and teachers at Moravia High School. This is a historic win for Central New York and I am confident that the positive experiences from the 2017 season will yield continued success in both athletics and academics.

HONORING DAVID CAPP

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 25, 2017

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is with profound respect and admiration that I take this time to honor David Capp and to wish him well upon his retirement from his position as United States Attorney. For his relentless dedication to the people of Northwest Indiana and beyond, he is worthy of the highest praise. In honor of Dave's remarkable career, a celebratory event will be held on Wednesday, April 26, 2017, at the Hammond Federal Courthouse.

David Capp graduated from Lew Wallace High School in Gary, Indiana, in 1968. He went on to graduate with a Bachelor of the Arts degree from the University of Wisconsin—Madison in 1972 and earned his Juris Doctor degree from the Valparaiso University School of Law in 1977.

After completing his studies, Dave practiced law in the private sector for eight years before joining the United States Attorney's Office in 1985. From 1991 to 2007, he served as first assistant and was responsible for the daily operations of the office. During his career, Mr. Capp served as interim United States Attorney on multiple occasions under administrations of both political parties. This unique history is a testament to the esteem held for Mr. Capp's impeccable ethics and extraordinary talent. He also became the terrorism coordinator after the tragic events of September 11, 2001. On December 23, 2009, David Capp was nominated for United States Attorney for the Northern District of Indiana and was confirmed by the Senate on April 22, 2010.

Throughout his noteworthy career, Mr. Capp has been unwavering in his professional duties and in his pursuit of justice. Through his work, he has ensured the safety of those he has served, whether from violence, ethical lapses, the despoilment of our environment, or predatory economic activity. David's painstaking commitment to justice has been witnessed time and again. He has left our world a better place to live and given the people of our nation a future that is brighter because he walked among us.

Attorney Capp and I both grew up in the Glen Park neighborhood of Gary, Indiana. Although we did not know each other growing up, I have been blessed by David's friendship for nearly four decades. And not possessing his legal acumen, I am proud to note that he is the unquestioned national expert on fraud committed in uncontested elections.

In summary, I most respect David Capp's commitment to working hard and doing his best. I appreciate his judicious temperament, his dogged belief in doing the right thing—always—and his unshakable devotion to public service.

Mr. Speaker, David Capp is the best. His leadership has introduced permanent positive changes throughout Northern Indiana and our state. His vision has provided all of us with a guide to an improved and gentler future. His is a life we should all seek to emulate.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in paying tribute to an outstanding public servant and to wish him well upon his retirement. David Capp's impact on the region will be witnessed by generations to come, and for his many contributions, he is deserving of our gratitude.

IN RECOGNITION OF MADELAINE WALKER KIRLIN

HON. PATRICK MEEHAN

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 25, 2017

Mr. MEEHAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate my Chief of Staff, Michael Kirlin, and

his wife Emily, who serves as Director of Member Services for the Senate Majority Whip, JOHN CORNYN of Texas, upon the birth of their beautiful daughter. Madelaine Walker Kirlin arrived into the world at 5:50 pm on Monday April 24, 2017 at Sibley Memorial Hospital in Washington, D.C. Madelaine weighed nine pounds and measured twenty-one inches long. Madelaine is their second child, and her big brother Brock is just as excited as his parents.

I would also like to congratulate Madelaine's grandparents, Michael Kirlin of Bethany Beach, Delaware, and Brock and Cameron Hill of Crossville, Tennessee. Congratulations to the entire Kirlin and Hill families as they welcome their newest addition of pure pride and joy.

CELEBRATING THE RETIREMENT OF MS. TRACY CIAMPAGLIO AFTER 29 YEARS OF TEACHING

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, April 25, 2017

Mr. WITTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and celebrate the retirement of Ms. Tracy Ciampaglio after 29 years of teaching.

Tracy began teaching preschool in 1988 while in graduate school. From 1990 to 1994, Tracy taught first grade and preschool, married her husband Timothy and cared for their first child. From 1994 to 1997, Tracy ran a Parents Anonymous group that sought to teach good parenting skills to the community. During this timeframe, Tracy and Timothy welcomed their second child. From 1997 to 2006, Tracy taught preschool through first grade in four different states while Timothy was deployed with the U.S. Coast Guard. This year, Tracy will be retiring after 11 years as a sixth and seventh grade teacher at Holy Cross Academy. During Tracy's 29 years, she has taught 1,650 students.

Tracy's passion for educating can be seen in the lives she has impacted. Through Tracy's classes, many students who had difficulties reading not only received help and care, but also developed a passion for reading. Tracy consistently has former students visit to thank her for how she impacted their education and lives.

As the spouse of an educator and as someone who has known the Ciampaglio family for many years, I know firsthand the commitment and sacrifice that Tracy has made through her life's work of educating our Nation's youth. I admire and applaud Tracy for her lifelong commitment to her calling and for her service to this great nation.

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