

TRIBUTE TO JOHN LERDAL

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 31, 2017

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize John Lerdal of Pleasant Hill, Iowa for being awarded the Pillar of Service Award at the Pleasant Hill Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner and Awards Ceremony earlier this year.

The Pillar of Service Award celebrates a community member who is the model of dedication to the chamber and the community. John is the director of the Pleasant Hill Public Library and has helped lead them through numerous expansions and improvements over the years. He is an active member of the Pleasant Hill Chamber of Commerce, having served as a board member and volunteer at countless chamber events over the years. John has impacted the lives of countless community members, whether it was at the Lions Club handing out hotdogs and popcorn or reading books to children at the public library where the kids know him as "Mr. John."

Mr. Speaker, I'm proud to represent community leaders like John in the United States Congress, and it is with great pride that I recognize him today. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating John for this outstanding achievement and in wishing him nothing but continued success.

HONORING LARRY ODOM

HON. TOM GRAVES

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GRAVES of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the service of retired Colonel Larry Odom. Colonel Odom will be retiring from his position on the Cedartown City Commission at the end of his term this month.

Colonel Odom grew up in Cedartown, Georgia, and attended Berry College in Rome, Georgia, graduating with a degree in Mathematics. He later received a graduate degree in Management from William Carey College in Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

Colonel Odom served in the United States Air Force for just shy of 28 years, flying in combat over Southeast Asia, and later contributing to the maintenance of the Strategic Air Command's nuclear deterrent force.

During this time he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Meritorious Service Medal with Oak Leaf Cluster, and the Legion of Merit Award.

Colonel Odom established Operation Warm Heart while serving at Minot Air Force Base. Operation Warm Heart was created to serve the dependents of those deployed to Operation Desert Storm, and was later expanded into a state-wide program that is still in operation today.

After his retirement from the Air Force, Colonel Odom returned home to Cedartown, where he has worked to improve his community. In the time since he left the military, Colo-

nel Odom has served as Director of Polk County E-911 and on the Cedartown City Commission for over a decade.

His service on the Cedartown City Commission is marked by four years as commission chairman, in the period of 2008-2010 and 2016.

I am proud today to recognize Colonel Odom's time in public service and his contributions to the people of Georgia.

I'd like to close by thanking Larry for his service to his country and community.

TRIBUTE TO KYLE BISCOGLIA

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 31, 2017

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Kyle Biscoglia of Waukee, Iowa for winning the Class 3A, 113 pound bracket at the Iowa High School State Wrestling tournament earlier this year.

Iowa has a long and proud history of strong wrestling programs, producing college and Olympic champions for years. Kyle, a sophomore at Waukee High School, capped off a great season with 54 wins, 1 loss and a state championship medal. He is the first Waukee wrestler to win a state championship in this particular weight class.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to represent Kyle and his family in the United States Congress, and it is with great pride that I recognize him today. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Kyle on competing in this rigorous competition and in wishing him nothing but continued success in his education and wrestling career.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 31, 2017

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, on October 25th and 26th, I was in my District due to events related to wildfires and was unable to cast my votes for Roll Call votes 582 through 590. Had I been present, I would have voted:

Roll Call Vote No. 582: NO—On Ordering the Previous Question;

Roll Call Vote No. 583: NO—Providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to H. Con. Res. 71, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2018 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2019 through 2027;

Roll Call Vote No. 584: NO—On Approving the Journal;

Roll Call Vote No. 585: YES—Johnson for Georgia Part A Amendment No. 3;

Roll Call Vote No. 586: YES—McEachin for Virginia Part A Amendment No. 4;

Roll Call Vote No. 587: YES—Cartwright for Pennsylvania Part A Amendment No. 6;

Roll Call Vote No. 588: NO—Sunshine for Regulations and Regulatory Decrees and Settlements Act;

Roll Call Vote No. 589: NO—Establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2018 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2019 through 2027; and

Roll Call Vote No. 590: YES—Iran Ballistic Missiles and International Sanctions Enforcement Act.

TRIBUTE TO CHASE SHILTZ

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 31, 2017

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Chase Shiltz of Creston High School for winning the Class 2A, 182 pound bracket at the Iowa High School State Wrestling tournament earlier this year. This is Chase's third individual State Wrestling championship.

In addition to the championship win, Chase was also chosen as the 2017 Dan Gable Mr. Wrestler of the Year in Class 2A. Chase was quoted in the Creston News Advertiser as saying, "It shows all of the hard work paid off," Shiltz said. "I credit all of the coaches, workout partners, my parents. It's a big reward for all of them."

Iowa has a long and proud history of strong wrestling programs, producing college and Olympic champions for years. Winning three state championships in a row has been the culmination of years of hard work and commitment, not only on the part of Chase, but also his parents, his family, coaches and fellow teammates.

Mr. Speaker, the example set by Chase demonstrates the rewards of dedication and perseverance. It is an honor representing Chase and his family in the United States Congress, and it is with great pride that I recognize them today. I ask that all of my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Chase on competing in this rigorous competition and in wishing him nothing but continued success in his education and in his future college football career at Northwest Missouri State University.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF HARVEY MICHAEL HORIKAWA

HON. TED LIEU

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, October 31, 2017

Mr. TED LIEU of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to speak about my friend Harvey Michael Horikawa, who passed away earlier this month. Harvey was an amazing individual and it was an honor to have known him.

Harvey was born in Chicago in 1948 and raised in the Los Angeles area. After graduating from UCLA law school in 1973, he was a founding partner in two law firms where he specialized in civil litigation, trials, and administrative law. Mr. Horikawa also worked for three years in the Civil Liabilities Section of the Los Angeles City Attorney's Office, during which he devoted a significant amount of time defending claims against the Los Angeles Police Department. As a result of his extensive jury trial experience, Mr. Horikawa was invited