

I believe that both the House and Senate GOP tax bills are an attack on the middle class and only serve to benefit the wealthiest in our nation. The GOP tax plan would raise taxes on millions of families and students, send jobs overseas, devastate our health care system, and overwhelm future generations with crushing debt. I stand with my Democratic colleagues in opposing this plan and urge the enactment of tax reform that puts working Americans first.

PROCLAMATION FOR THE GRACE  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 5, 2017*

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I include in the RECORD the following proclamation for the Grace United Methodist Church:

Whereas, Grace United Methodist Church, founded on the 24 articles of religion or the basic statements of belief, continues to be a beacon of light to our district under the leadership and tutelage of Pastor George Lanier and the service of its members; and

Whereas, Grace United Methodist Church is celebrating Men's Day and the church's 150 year anniversary today, under the general rules of the Methodist Church, "Do no harm, Do good, Practice the ordinances of God"; and

Whereas, this remarkable and tenacious Church of God has empowered our community, spiritually fed its congregants through its ministries and outreach since 1867; and

Whereas, Grace United Methodist Church is celebrating Men's Day to make its ministry spiritually viable year round through constant and fervent prayer, sound thinking, spiritual insight and creative ideas to transform our community inside and outside these walls; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize Grace United Methodist Church for their leadership and service to our District on this the 150th Anniversary of their founding; now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr. do hereby proclaim June 11, 2017 as Grace United Methodist Church Day in the 4th Congressional District of Georgia.

Proclaimed, this 11th day of June, 2017.

HONORING DEAN TRUMP OF PENNSYLVANIA ON HIS RETIREMENT AFTER MORE THAN 17 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE WARRINGTON TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS

**HON. SCOTT PERRY**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 5, 2017*

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, today I extend my sincere congratulations to my constituent, Dean Trump, on his retirement after more than 17 years of service on the Board of Supervisors for Warrington Township, York County, Pennsylvania.

I've long appreciated the commitment of people who devote themselves to serving our

communities. Local elected officials have a direct impact on our residents by setting policy, enacting ordinances, adopting budgets and levying taxes. They're some of the hardest working and most dedicated public officials you'll find. Mr. Trump's commitment and hard work touched the lives of countless people. His legacy of service to our community is commendable.

On behalf of Pennsylvania's Fourth Congressional District, I thank and congratulate Dean Trump on his service and wish him great happiness and success in his future adventures.

TRIBUTE TO RANDY JOHNSON

**HON. VIRGINIA FOXX**

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 5, 2017*

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Randy Johnson, a former committee staff member and long-time friend of the Education and the Workforce Committee who is stepping down as the Senior Vice President for Labor, Immigration, and Employee Benefits at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce after 20 years of service for that respected organization. As his title suggests, Randy's role at the Chamber has required him to be engaged in a number of key public policy issues involving the committee. Although the Chamber is losing a very effective advocate, the policies and laws impacting the American workforce are stronger because of his commitment and engagement.

Before going to the Chamber in 1997, Randy was the Labor Counsel and Workforce Policy Coordinator for the Committee for nine years. During this period, Randy was involved in crafting a number of federal statutes including the Family and Medical Leave Act on which Randy authored a superb minority report predicting many of the challenges that employers have faced in their efforts to comply with that law. He brought that same caliber of foresight and diligence to the legislative process leading up to the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Randy also helped immensely during the transition to a Republican majority of the House after the 1994 elections and was instrumental in ensuring that the Committee hit the ground running during that historic period.

During his time at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, Randy and his staff earned the respect of policymakers because they drilled down into the details of legislation and issues, an attribute which made them effective advocates and credible stakeholders on Capitol Hill. Randy could also be counted on to express with clarity what happens when the rubber meets the road.

The Chamber has always been a prominent voice for employers' interests in labor and workplace issues, but this does not mean the Chamber's positions are always strictly partisan. The Chamber's pragmatic positions on labor and employment issues reflected Randy's influence. Under Randy's leadership, there was always room for discussion whenever it was possible to reach a legislative solution in which all sides could come away with something. His relentless pursuit of results should be commended.

Mr. Speaker, we have not yet learned of Randy's plans after he departs the Chamber

but we expect and hope that we have not heard nor seen the last of him. We need more people like Randy Johnson who find that creating sound public policy is a calling and who possess his attention to detail and determination to seek solutions. We hope he is not content to let his light fade under a bushel and we wish him all the best in his future endeavors.

PROCLAMATION FOR GUS AND  
WILLIE MAE DIXON DAY

**HON. HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, JR.**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 5, 2017*

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I include in the RECORD the following Proclamation for Gus and Willie Mae Dixon:

Whereas, Gus and Willie Mae Dixon have maintained their vows to God and to each other for the past 50 years, during which time they have been blessed and fruitful with child and grandchildren, who are gathered with us as we celebrate their golden wedding anniversary; and

Whereas, since July 1, 1967 Gus and Willie Mae Dixon and family have contributed to our community as humble servants, uplifting the physical, mental, and most importantly the spiritual welfare of all whom they have encountered; and

Whereas, in our beloved Fourth Congressional District of Georgia, we are honored that the fruit of this wonderful marriage has produced one daughter and son-in-law Shannon and Terry Clark, and seven grandchildren; and

Whereas, Gus Dixon is a remarkable and tenacious man of God and Willie Mae Dixon is a phenomenal and virtuous Proverbs 31 woman, both being members of Welcome Friend Baptist Church in DeKalb County, Georgia where, under the leadership of Pastor John Smith, Gus serves as Director of Christian Education and Willie Mae serves as Director of the Mission ministry; and

Whereas, Gus and Willie Mae Dixon are distinguished citizens of Georgia's Fourth Congressional district, being spiritual warriors who possess great compassion for all of God's children, and who are fearless servants and leaders with a vision and passion to improve the lives of others; and

Whereas, the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia has set aside this day to honor and recognize Gus and Willie Mae Dixon as they celebrate their golden anniversary, and 50 years of marital bliss; now therefore, I, HENRY C. "HANK" JOHNSON, Jr. do hereby proclaim July 1, 2017 as Gus and Willie Mae Dixon Day in the 4th Congressional District.

Proclaimed, this 1st day of July, 2017.

IN RECOGNITION OF DAVID LIM

**HON. JACKIE SPEIER**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, December 5, 2017*

Ms. SPEIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor David Lim for his eight years of outstanding service on the San Mateo City Council and as mayor in 2013 and 2017. David's dedication to