

1977 and joining the faculty two years later. Having learned under her, I later felt very proud to become her colleague on the PA faculty. As Director of Clinical Education from July 2013 through May 2017, she oversaw the clinical curriculum, clinical site development and student placements. She now holds PA—C Emeritus status.

Her passion as an educator has benefitted generations of students, not just locally but at the state and national levels.

She has served as a curriculum consultant, visiting lecturer, site visitor for the Accreditation Review Commission on Education of the Physician Assistant, and grant reviewer with the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Bureau of Health Professions. She was a gubernatorial appointee to the State of California Physician Assistant Committee, now known as the PA Board, from 1982 to 1992, serving as Committee Chair from 1987. But she has always returned to work with and for the underserved communities of Los Angeles.

Her specialties include family medicine, adolescent medicine, women's health, occupational health, as well as quality assurance and utilization review. Her research interests include evaluation of student performance, faculty development, learning styles, educational methodology and technology and standardized testing. In May 2012, she was inducted into the Pi Alpha National Honor Society for Physician Assistants. Not content to serve others in her professional life, she has been an active volunteer with disadvantaged young adults, community health and geriatric wellness programs.

I salute Janice Tramel for her lifelong commitment to serving and uplifting others, and for four decades of working to provide outstanding health care and train succeeding generations of care providers.

HONORING ANTHONY P. RESCIGNO,
PRESIDENT OF THE GREATER
NEW HAVEN CHAMBER OF COM-
MERCE, ON THE OCCASION OF
HIS RETIREMENT

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 11, 2017

Ms. DeLAURO. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to rise today to join the many family, friends, and colleagues who have gathered to extend their congratulations to an outstanding member of our community, and my dear friend, Anthony P. Rescigno, as he marks his retirement as President of the Greater New Haven Chamber of Commerce. For nearly two decades, Tony has led the Chamber with a unique combination of dedication and innovation, ensuring it has been a strong voice on behalf of and invaluable resource for its members.

Tony's professional career has spanned both the private and public sectors. After graduating from the University of New Haven, he began a remarkable career at Plasticrete in Hamden, Connecticut which would eventually culminate in he and twelve other employees purchasing the company and later creating a subsidiary, Plasticrete Distributors where he served as President. Tony entered public life in 1989 when he was elected First Selectman

of North Haven, a position which he held for more than a decade. It was when he left public office that he took the reins at the Greater New Haven Chamber of Commerce.

Since its inception, the Greater New Haven Chamber of Commerce has strived to help businesses of all sizes and focus throughout the region to build on their success. Under Tony's direction, the Chamber sought to expand that mission through advocacy, education and networking. The Leadership Center, home to both Leadership Greater New Haven and Executive Orientation, offers aspiring community leaders and business executives a series of practical, hands-on training programs in professional development and education in social and economic issues. Understanding that attracting and retaining young, energetic professionals is vital to the growth and success of New Haven, PULSE is a group for local young professionals, ages 21–40, with a mission of connecting its members with each other and with the community through social and professional networking events, educational seminars and community service projects. The Chamber has also renewed its focus on advocating for its members with local, state, and national officials, as well as providing strategic business development planning and other resources.

For the last seventeen years, Tony's leadership has strengthened the Chamber's involvement in economic development across the region, encouraged the development of young professionals and entrepreneurs, and created invaluable partnership and networking opportunities for its members. While his daily presence will most certainly be missed, his vision and good work has left a legacy on which the Chamber can continue to build for many years to come.

I would be remiss if I did not take a moment to extend a personal note of thanks to Tony for his many years of friendship. Whether as President of the Chamber, First Selectman of North Haven, or business leader, Tony has always been a willing partner in helping to move our communities forward.

For his lifetime of invaluable contributions to Greater New Haven, I am honored to have this opportunity to extend my sincere thanks and heartfelt congratulations to Tony as he celebrates his retirement. I wish him and his wife, Lynne, all the best for many more years of health and happiness as they enjoy this next chapter of their lives.

CONGRATULATING MAJOR JASON
LEE SCHENCK UPON HIS GRAD-
UATION AS AN AIR FORCE LEG-
ISLATIVE FELLOW

HON. KAY GRANGER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 11, 2017

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank Major Jason Lee Schenck for his successful tenure as an Air Force Legislative Fellow in my office.

For the past year, Major Schenck has been a diligent, valued member of my staff. In my capacity as Chairwoman of the Defense Appropriations Subcommittee, I have come to rely on his advice and counsel on issues affecting the military. Major Schenck's insight,

intellect and ability to clearly communicate complex issues were invaluable assets during his tenure on Capitol Hill.

While serving in my office, Major Schenck met and married Navy Commander Josephine C. Nguyen, MD, who was serving as a Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Fellow to Congressman KEVIN BRADY (TX–08).

Prior to his time on Capitol Hill, Major Jason Lee Schenck served as the Commander, 48th Comptroller Squadron and the 48th Fighter Wing Staff Agencies, Royal Air Force Lakenheath in the United Kingdom. While stationed in the U.K., Major Schenck was responsible for managing a \$215 million annual budget, overseeing pay services for over 6,400 personnel, and providing full spectrum financial management services in support of United States Air Forces in Europe's largest fighter wing.

Major Schenck is from Phillipsburg, New Jersey and enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1996. After earning a Bachelor of Science, Business & Management, cum laude, from the University of Maryland, he received his commission in 2004 through the Air Force Officer Training School, Maxwell AFB, Alabama.

Major Schenck's presence in my office will be missed by not only me, but by his coworkers as well. Please join me in thanking Major Schenck for his service, and in wishing him well in his new endeavor.

HONORING MR. RON PINCIARO

HON. ELIZABETH H. ESTY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, December 11, 2017

Ms. ESTY of Connecticut. Mr. Speaker, I, along with my colleagues, Congressman JOHN LARSON, Congressman JOE COURTNEY, Congresswoman ROSA DeLAURO, and Congressman JIM HIMES, rise today to honor Ron Pinciario upon his retirement after serving as Executive Director of CT Against Gun Violence for 16 years. Ron's leadership has been instrumental in advancing common sense policies that save lives and have made Connecticut one of the leading states in the fight to stop the tragedy of gun violence.

During his years of leadership, Ron has been a tireless advocate for ensuring all people have the right to live free from violence. Thanks in no small part to his work, Connecticut is a leader in gun violence prevention policy, and our state is recognized as having the second strongest gun safety laws. In fact, gun deaths in Connecticut have declined by 28 percent since 2010, and leading academic researchers on violence have attributed Connecticut's decline in violence to smart policies. For instance, Ron's work with the Connecticut General Assembly helped ensure the passage of our state's prohibition on those under restraining orders for domestic violence from possessing firearms, reporting requirement for lost or stolen firearms, and long gun permit requirement. The organization has also ensured that policy discussions incorporate the problems faced by all Connecticut communities, rural, suburban, and urban, because all people have the right to live free from violence.

What's more, under Ron's leadership, CT Against Gun Violence has ensured gun violence prevention activists address gun suicides. Guns are used in nearly half of suicides