HONORING SUMMER BRITCHER OF PENNSYLVANIA FOR HER CAREER ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE AT THE 2018 WINTER OLYMPICS IN SOUTH KOREA

HON. SCOTT PERRY
OF PENNSYLVANIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, March 7, 2018

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, today I extend my sincere congratulations to Miss Summer Britcher of Glen Rock, Pennsylvania, for a great run at the 2018 Winter Olympics in PyeongChang, South Korea. Summer represented the United States on the Olympic Luge team, and is a true champion—of which the citizens of the 4th Congressional District couldn’t be more proud.

Summer’s career highlights thus far are remarkable. Her five World Cup career victories make her the all-time singles leader in USA Luge history. She won the 2012 Youth Olympic Games Gold medal in team relay, the Silver medal in team relay at Junior World Championships in Austria, earned the 2013 Norton Junior National Championship, and was named the 2017 U23 World Champion. Summer also finished 15th at the 2014 XXII Olympic Winter Games in Sochi, Russia.

Although the end result at the 2018 Winter Olympics wasn’t as she’d hoped, Summer was the epitome of true grit, character and sportsmanship. She summarized the experience with the following statement: “I love my teammates, and I think the important thing that I feel (is) incredibly lucky to be a part of this team and to have them in my life.” Summer set the standard—in performance, perseverance and sportsmanship—for all to follow.

On behalf of Pennsylvania’s Fourth Congressional District, I commend and congratulate Summer Britcher on her hard work and determination that has led to these exceptional achievements. We look forward to her future adventures.

RECOGNIZING THE OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT OF DR. LEONARD L. HAMLIN, SR.

HON. DONALD S. BEYER, JR.
OF VIRGINIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, March 7, 2018

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to officially recognize the outstanding public achievement of Dr. Leonard L. Hamlin, Sr. Since November 1996, Dr. Hamlin has served as Pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church in Arlingon. Under Dr. Hamlin’s leadership, Macedonia Baptist has experienced continuous growth in membership which today stands at approximately 1,300 members. During Dr. Hamlin’s time at the Church, he’s led the development of Annual Leadership Conferences, major renovations of the upper level of the Church, the implementation of Before and After Care School Program and the partnership with the Arlington Housing Corporation for the development of thirty-six affordable housing units which opened in May 2011.

Dr. Hamlin is a pillar of the Nauck community and Arlington is truly blessed to have had his service. Godspeed to Dr. Hamlin as he leaves Macedonia Baptist to take on a senior position at the National Cathedral.

TUOLUMNE COUNTY ALLIANCE FOR RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT FOUNDER’S DAY CELEBRATION

HON. TOM MCCLINTOCK
OF CALIFORNIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, March 7, 2018

Mr. MCCLINTOCK. Mr. Speaker, Tuolumne County Alliance for Resources & Environment, known by its acronym TuCARE, was founded in 1988 by a group of concerned citizens who believed forest regulations were dooming rural communities to economic ruin. It has grown in to an effective grassroots organization dedicated to educating the public and legislators about the wise use of our natural resources.

The group emphasizes “Multiple Use is Wise Use”, meaning the public lands and resources contained therein are intended for a variety of public uses, including timber production, recreation, watershed sources, and biodiversity in habitat.

Officers and members of TuCARE make presentations before legislative bodies and present to public and private organizations on behalf of Tuolumne County natural resource issues. As part of their mission to educate, TuCARE publishes news articles and position papers on topics such as vegetation management including the use of herbicides; “No Net Loss” of private lands, wildlife protection overreach, and the development of water storage and mineral extraction on both public and private lands.

TuCARE has engaged on many important land use issues, including opposing the expansion of Yosemite National Park and working tirelessly to keep the Stanislaus National Forest a multiple use forest. The group also worked to promote the Clavey River Project that would have increased county water supplies and generated electricity through hydro projects and supported the continuation of Forest Reserve Funds that guaranteed local communities a share of the receipts from timber harvests from local public lands.

Over the years, TuCARE has continued to press for reduced restrictions on private property owners, including the elimination of severe ESA, CEPA and NEPA regulations that discourage a vibrant local economy and negatively affect the ability to manage resources.

During the past 30 years, TuCARE has held countless natural resource tours and summits for the public, including legislators, decision makers, educators and the public, both young and old. Since the tours began, TuCARE has had the privilege of educating over 30,000 individuals about the wise use and management of our natural resources. Nearly 300 dedicated men and women have volunteered untold hours to respond to the resource education needs of the public as part of TuCARE’s extensive list of past (and present) Board of Directors. These individuals share a passion for the need to educate so others can make better, informed decisions about our resources.

TuCARE volunteers are working to ensure the perpetuity of our resources for future generations and to help local economies prosper despite restrictive environmental rules and regulations.

TuCARE’s members have consistently supported the organization’s efforts both financially and physically—attending 30 years of annual resource summits, annual dinners and responding to “boots on the ground” needs for rallies and public displays of support. It has been a true group effort, with men and women from all walks of life joining together to ensure the promise of life, liberty and prosperity.

IN HONOR OF SYLACAUGA WINNING AHSAA CLASS 5A HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL TITLE

HON. MIKE ROGERS
OF ALABAMA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, March 7, 2018

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I ask for the House’s attention today to recognize Sylacauga High School Varsity Boys for winning the Alabama High School Athletic Association (AHSAA) Class 5A basketball state title for the first time since 1988.

The Aggies beat the Eufaula Tigers 79–78 March 3, 2018 at the Legacy Arena at the BJCC in Birmingham, Alabama.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating the students and faculty of Sylacauga High School, the coaches, the players and all the Aggies fans on this exciting achievement.

Go Aggies.

H.R. 4607

HON. PETER A. DeFAZIO
OF OREGON
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Wednesday, March 7, 2018

Mr. DeFAZIO. Mr. Speaker, due to flight delays, I was unable to vote on H.R. 4607, the Comprehensive Regulatory Review Act. I would have voted against this legislation. Changing the Economic Growth and Regulatory Paperwork Reduction Act (EGRPRA) review process timeline from every ten years to every seven will drive up the deficit, and gives financial regulators little time to implement recommendations. I was especially appalled with