

unintended consequences. Many radio stations that are co-located on TV towers could be forced to shut down during spectrum relocation. With 670 radio stations possibly being impacted, we must ensure our local radio stations are protected in a process from which they will receive no benefit.

I appreciate the inclusion of section 603, which makes funds available for radio broadcasters to address this problem. This section incorporates the fundamentals of the bill that Representative GENE GREEN and I introduced in H.R. 3685, the Radio Consumer Protection Act. Our bipartisan bill established a radio protection fund to reimburse impacted stations for their costs incurred as a result of the repack.

I am also appreciative of the addition of FM translators in section 603. Many FM and AM stations rely on these translators to provide service in rural and remote areas across America. Passage of H.R. 4986, ensures that the spectrum repack fund will include FM translators.

In closing, I think it is fitting that H.R. 4986 is named the "RAY BAUM'S Act" in honor of the former staff director of the Energy and Commerce Committee, Ray Baum. Ray dedicated his life to serving the people of Oregon and the people of this country. It has been more than 25 years since Congress last reauthorized the FCC and I can think of no better way to honor Ray.

I urge support for H.R. 4986.

IN RECOGNITION OF MASOOD KHATAMEE, MD

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 7, 2018

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Professor Masood Khatamee, MD as he is honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award by Banou, Inc. at their Nowruz celebration on March 16, 2018. It is truly a fitting tribute to honor Dr. Khatamee at this commemoration of the Persian New Year as he is an ardent supporter of the Iranian-American community.

A Clinical Professor at the New York University School of Medicine Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Dr. Khatamee is a leader in both the medical and Persian communities. Dr. Khatamee served as President of the Iranian American Medical Association from 1999 to 2000, is a member and a past president of the Board of Directors of the Shiraz University School of Medicine Alumni Association and is an Honorary Member of the Russian American Medical Association.

Dr. Khatamee is a renowned physician, receiving the distinction of Physician of the Year by the White House and the United States Congress as well as the selection as a Top 10 Iranian-American Physician in the United States, among other awards and accolades. Notably, Dr. Khatamee was also nominated for the 2016 Nobel Peace Prize in Medicine.

In addition to his work at the New York University School of Medicine, Dr. Khatamee is the Executive Director of the Fertility Research Foundation, Founder and Director of the Society for the Prevention of Human Infertility and a lecturer at the Columbia School of Biomedical Engineering.

Mr. Speaker, I sincerely hope that my colleagues will join me in congratulating Dr. Masood Khatamee on receiving the Banou, Inc. Lifetime Achievement Award. This honor is truly deserving of this body's recognition.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. CARLOS CURBELO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 7, 2018

Mr. CURBELO of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 89.

ON THE LIFE OF ANGUS McEACHRAN

HON. STEVE COHEN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 7, 2018

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Angus McEachran, the editor of The Commercial Appeal, the daily newspaper of my hometown of Memphis. McEachran died Monday at 78. Known as a rough and tough, no-nonsense newspaperman, McEachran started off as a copy boy at the Memphis newspaper and presided over two of its signature stories as Metro Editor—the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in 1968 and the death of Elvis Presley in 1977.

Over the years, he nurtured the careers of hundreds of reporters, editors and photographers and opened opportunities for African Americans and other minorities while broadening the scope of the newspaper's reporting to more accurately reflect the whole community. After Memphis, he was executive editor, then editor, at The Birmingham Press Herald before moving on to become editor of The Pittsburgh Press where the newspaper won back-to-back-Pulitzer Prizes for investigative journalism in 1986 and 1987. Returning to his hometown of Memphis as editor and president of The Commercial Appeal in 1993, he added a third Pulitzer.

Mr. McEachran retired in 2002 having worked his entire career in the Scripps Howard chain of newspapers. I extend my condolences to his family and friends across the country.

CELEBRATING QUEEN CITY AIRPORT'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. CHARLES W. DENT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 7, 2018

Mr. DENT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Queen City Airport located in Allentown, Pennsylvania. Throughout its history, the airport has served the Lehigh Valley community in a variety of ways. From its beginnings as a military base during World War II to the small business transportation hub it is today, Queen City Airport has been vital to Pennsylvania's 15th Congressional District.

Originally Convair Airfield, the 325-acre airport was built by Consolidated-Vultee Aircraft Incorporated in September 1943. The space functioned as the test site for the Navy's Seawolf torpedo bombers, which were built at the nearby Mack Trucks' plant. Eighty-six bombers were tested at the Convair facility, but the war concluded before any of the planes were commissioned for duty.

The City of Allentown purchased the government land on July 10, 1947, and in addition to the land, the government parted with Convair Airfield—valued at over \$1 million—for \$1 under the condition that Allentown maintained the land for aviation purposes.

After Allentown acquired Convair Airfield, the military called upon the airfield for training exercises during the Cold War. In 1948, the Pennsylvania National Guard leased the airport for Army reserve flight training. This prevented Lehigh Valley reservists from needing to travel long distances to receive critical training. The National Guard once again used Convair in 1949 for Operation Vulture One, which was a series of simulated bombing attacks.

The lease was transferred to Air Products & Chemicals, an industrial gas business with deep Lehigh Valley roots, in 1951. The company utilized Convair for mounting oxygen generating equipment on military trailers and producing valves and gauges. Air Products & Chemicals remained at Convair for 15 years before ending its lease with Allentown in 1966.

On May 15, 1961, Allentown took over the day-to-day operations of the airfield and officially renamed it Queen City Municipal Airport. This marked the beginning of private use of the land, starting with Spirax-Sarco, a maker of steam and heat transfer systems. The city sold the airport to the Lehigh-Northampton Airport Authority in 2000 after fifty years of ownership.

Today, Queen City Airport is home to 90 planes that are used by small business owners in the Lehigh Valley. The airport allows these business owners to avoid long waits behind commercial flights at Lehigh Valley International Airport (LVIA) and freely conduct their business travel. Additional hangars to accommodate more planes are in the airport authority's long-term plan since Queen City has experienced increased utilization in recent years.

Mr. Speaker, I would ask the House to join me in acknowledging Queen City Airport's history of serving our government as well as the 15th Congressional District of Pennsylvania. May it continue to prosper and refine its legacy in the Lehigh Valley.

IN APPRECIATION OF INDUCTEES INTO IDAHO HALL OF FAME

HON. MICHAEL K. SIMPSON

OF IDAHO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 7, 2018

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Bonnie Stoddard of Dubois, Robert Brown of Idaho Falls, Frank Priestly of Franklin, R.J. Smith of Tendoy, and Stan Boyle of Idaho Falls on their inductions into the Eastern Idaho Agricultural Hall of Fame.

Now 87 years old, Bonnie Stoddard has dedicated her life to documenting agricultural