

students, the bank sponsors two programs focused on financial education. These programs allow for second-graders to learn the basics of money and banking and for high school students to explore money management and gain tools for future financial success. Employees of the bank have also spent time volunteering for local organizations such as the Scarborough Land Trust. In celebration of 150 years in business, Biddeford Savings Bank gave each of its employees \$150 to donate to any nonprofit of their choice, including Biddeford Food Pantry and the Maine Cancer Foundation. These volunteer opportunities have allowed for employees to better understand the local economic culture and recognize concerns, which allows for them to better serve their customers.

With 150 years of banking experience, Biddeford Savings Bank offers a variety of banking options for individuals and businesses with varying financial needs. The bank continues to promote the financial stability and prosperity of its customers, supporting the success of Mainers across generations. I join with its customers in congratulating Biddeford Savings Bank for improving its longstanding leadership in the communities it serves throughout Southern Maine.●

250TH ANNIVERSARY OF MADBURY, NEW HAMPSHIRE

● Mrs. SHAHEEN. Mr. President, the town of Madbury, NH, is celebrating its 250th anniversary this year. Madbury is a classic New England community, proud of its rich history, its tradition of direct town meeting democracy, and its family-friendly quality of life. Admittedly, I am not an entirely objective observer, as Madbury has been my home for nearly four decades. It is where I raised my family and have so many dear friends, and it is where I first got involved in local politics, serving on the town's zoning board. The roughly 1,800 residents of Madbury look forward to a nearly yearlong celebration of the anniversary, beginning with a special observance at our annual town meeting on March 13.

Of course, the human history of what is now Madbury—located today in Strafford County in southeast New Hampshire—goes back many centuries prior to the arrival of the first English explorers and settlers. In the 17th century, the Native American Chief Moharimet convened counsels in this area, and today our elementary school is named in his honor.

Madbury was originally a part of the settlements of Dover and Durham called Barbadoes, named after the West Indies island of Barbados, where local settlers sent lumber in exchange for sugar and molasses. It was named for the English town of Modbury, the ancestral home of Sir Francis Champenowne, who immigrated to what is now Madbury in the 1640s. Madbury was incorporated as a parish in 1755 and as a town in 1768.

One of our early residents was Major John Demerritt, who in 1774 joined with other New Hampshire patriots in storming the King's Fort William and Mary in New Castle, seizing its armory of weapons and gunpowder. The "Powder Major," as he came to be known, stored a portion of this armory at his farm, which still sits on Cherry Lane. It was later used by revolutionaries at the Battle of Bunker Hill.

Our Madbury town flag—thought to be the first town flag in New England—features an ax, a plow, and a rose. The ax represents forestry, which first attracted settlers to Madbury to supply shipbuilders at Dover, Durham, and Portsmouth. The plow symbolizes our agricultural past. The rose symbolizes the former Elliot rose nursery, which in the mid-20th century boasted the longest greenhouse in the world at 1,400 feet in length.

Madbury is proud of its long and rich history, and we entered the 21st century as a forward-thinking community with a vibrant economy. Though surrounded by industrial areas, Madbury has remained largely rural in character, proud of its small town charm, hospitality, and lifestyle.

I look forward to celebrations of Madbury's 250th anniversary later this year, including a parade and other festivities on Madbury Day in June and a Revolutionary War reenactment in the fall. I salute my fellow residents of Madbury on this landmark anniversary of our beloved town.●

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:10 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment and an amendment to the title, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 188. An act to prohibit the use of Federal funds for the costs of painting portraits of officers and employees of the Federal Government.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1132. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for a 2-year prohibition on employment in a career civil service position for any former political appointee, and for other purposes.

H.R. 2226. An act to amend the Truth in Lending Act to provide a safe harbor from certain requirements related to qualified mortgages for residential mortgage loans held on an originating depository institution's portfolio, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3737. An act to provide for a study on the use of social media in security clearance investigations.

H.R. 4043. An act to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 to reauthorize the whistleblower protection program, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4607. An act to amend the Economic Growth and Regulatory Paperwork Reduction Act of 1996 to ensure that Federal financial regulators perform a comprehensive re-

view of regulations to identify outdated or otherwise unnecessary regulatory requirements imposed on covered persons, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4725. An act to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to require short form call reports for certain depository institutions.

H.R. 4768. An act to require the President to develop a national strategy to combat the financial networks of transnational organized criminals, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4986. An act to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to reauthorize appropriations for the Federal Communications Commission, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 1132. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for a 2-year prohibition on employment in a career civil service position for any former political appointee, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 2226. An act to amend the Truth in Lending Act to provide a safe harbor from certain requirements related to qualified mortgages for residential mortgage loans held on an originating depository institution's portfolio, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

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H.R. 4986. An act to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to reauthorize appropriations for the Federal Communications Commission, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and placed on the calendar:

H.R. 4043. An act to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 to reauthorize the whistleblower protection program, and for other purposes.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. ISAKSON, from the Committee on Veterans' Affairs: