

Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 139.

**HONORING IMPACT100  
WESTCHESTER**

**HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 17, 2018*

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, I want to congratulate Impact100 Westchester, an international nonprofit women's collective giving organization, on their successful fifth grant cycle, as they have broken an amazing milestone by providing more than one million dollars in grant money to other nonprofits across Westchester County.

Impact100 Westchester was established in 2014 with 132 women joining in its first year, and has nearly tripled since its founding. The group is entirely volunteer, run by dedicated constituents striving to make a difference throughout Westchester County. Local organizations who have benefitted from Impact100's grant giving range from those dealing with children's mental health, access to education programs, environmental improvements, work training for the impaired, immigration groups, and support for survivors of abuse.

In addition to their philanthropy, Impact100 hosts their own volunteer events across Westchester, continuing to support other nonprofits with their Hands on Impact, with the Day of Service and with educational events which benefits and gives back to their community.

During their short tenure, Impact100 Westchester's success has been reliant on its memberships, volunteers, leadership, advisory council and relationship with the community. I am honored to have Impact100 Westchester in my district, and to recognize them on this wonderful occasion of their Fifth Anniversary. Congratulation to everyone involved with Impact100 Westchester, and thank you to all the caring members who have collectively granted over one million dollars to support and better our community.

**INTRODUCTION OF THE LOCAL  
TASK FORCES ON 21ST CENTURY  
POLICING ACT**

**HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON**

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 17, 2018*

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, today, I introduce the Local Task Forces on 21st Century Policing Act, to assist localities in carrying out the recommendations of the federal Task Force on 21st Century Policing and the Department of Justice's Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, both of which have detailed the need to strengthen relations between local communities and local law enforcement. The bill would provide grants to local governments to create local task forces on 21st century policing to bring police, representatives of the community and public officials together to identify best policing practices for local police and other ways to strengthen relations between the community and police departments. No new funds are needed. Exist-

ing funds from the Department of Justice would support local governments establishing the task forces by listing these task forces as an acceptable use of Byrne Justice Assistance Grants. Given the continuing controversy surrounding police shootings of unarmed African American men, with no solutions in sight, this bill is more timely every day.

The task forces, modeled after the federal Task Force on 21st Century Policing, would allow local communities to identify the best ways to create an effective partnership between local law enforcement and the communities they serve, while reducing crime, increasing trust and combating racial profiling. The task forces could create a partnership to implement practical policing practices acceptable to all concerned.

The creation of task forces could be an important step toward easing the tensions between local law enforcement and many communities. In addition, the task forces could serve to engage local law enforcement and local stakeholders in a transparent public problem-solving process instead of the current situation that encourages parties to choose sides.

**TRIBUTE IN HONOR OF BREANNA  
I. NIXON**

**HON. MIKE BISHOP**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 17, 2018*

Mr. BISHOP of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I include in the RECORD the following Proclamation:

Whereas, the 8th Congressional District of Michigan joins in celebration as we commemorate BreAnna I. Nixon as she is recognized with the Youth on the Move Award by the Greater Lansing Area Club.

Whereas, Ms. Nixon has dedicated her time to developing as an entrepreneur and an athlete. She has taken the initiative to create a yard business where she shovels snow, mows lawns and rakes leaves for regular clients throughout the year. Like others in her family, BreAnna is active in sports as a member of track, volleyball and basketball teams. In 2017 she placed second in the citywide shotput tournament with a throw of 24.8 feet. She has shared her passions with those around her and dedicated herself to the ideals that advance our community.

Let it be known, that the Member of the United States Congress, the Honorable Michael D. Bishop of the 8th Congressional District of the State of Michigan, hereby recognizes BreAnna Nixon for her outstanding achievements. Therefore, this document is signed and dedicated to honor this milestone. May others know of my warmest wishes and continued support in the future.

**ANITA MARCUSSEN**

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 17, 2018*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Anita Marcussen

for being selected as the 2017 Woman of the Year by the Arvada Chamber of Commerce.

Each year the Arvada Chamber recognizes Arvada's finest men and women for their involvement and dedication to the community. Anita's community involvement through many community activities, including the Arvada Historical Society, Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities, Arvada West High School Foundation and Arvada K-8 Elementary have helped to enrich the City of Arvada. Anita's spirit of service and true passion for giving to others is why she has been selected as the 2017 Woman of the Year.

Congratulations to Anita Marcussen for this well-deserved award, and I thank her for her contribution to our community.

**CONGRATULATING GARRY MOORE  
ON RETIREMENT**

**HON. CHERI BUSTOS**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 17, 2018*

Mrs. BUSTOS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Garry Moore, who is retiring from 25 News Today. Mr. Moore is a pillar of the Peoria community and will be greatly missed.

Mr. Moore has greatly enriched cultural arts within Peoria through his years of leadership. Mr. Moore first moved to Peoria to attend Bradley University where he earned a Bachelor's and Master's Degree in Liberal Studies and Broadcast Production and Management. Since then, he has become an anchor and producer for 25 News Today, which is Central Illinois' longest running morning news program, in addition to serving as President of the Peoria Local of the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists. Furthermore, he has worked to educate our community through his role as an adjunct professor at Illinois State University and by holding drumming classes throughout the area. Mr. Moore has also developed and championed several youth empowerment programs throughout Rockford.

It is because of dedicated leaders such as Mr. Garry Moore that I am especially proud to serve Illinois 17th Congressional District. Mr. Speaker, I would like to again formally congratulate Mr. Garry Moore on his well-earned retirement and thank him for all of his contributions and service to our community.

**HONORING THE LIFE OF DARRELL  
FOSTER ALLEMAN**

**HON. DARIN LAHOOD**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 17, 2018*

Mr. LAHOOD. Mr. Speaker, today I would like to honor and remember the life of Darrell Foster Alleman.

Darrell was born on July 12, 1929, in LaSalle, Illinois and was raised on his family farm in Eden, Illinois. Darrell rented his first farm at 18 years old, following his high school graduation, and worked the land for 70 years until he retired. In 1951 he married Jeanne Lorraine Anderson. Together they had 4 children, Debra Lynn, Kimrey Darrell, Janeen Roxanne, and Scott William.

Active in his community, Darrell served as Putnam County Republican Party Chairman. He held the position for 29 years where he met Presidents Ford, Reagan and H.W. Bush. Beyond his political activity, Darrell was a leading member of the Granville Rotary Club where he received the club's prestigious Paul Harris award and maintained perfect attendance up until his passing.

Darrell was an avid baseball fan and worked to share the sport with his family, friends and community as a whole. He built what he called the "Alleman Field of Dreams" on his farm where local baseball teams could play and practice. It has since become a community icon where every year for the past 4 years a charity baseball game is held and Field of Dreams the movie is shown and enjoyed by all.

We mourn the passing of this hard working and dedicated family man, farmer and community activist. Please join me in honoring and celebrating this life well lived.

HONORING JACOB ANDREW  
MAGYAR

**HON. SAM GRAVES**

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 17, 2018*

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Jacob Magyar. Jacob is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 314, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Jacob has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Jacob has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Jacob has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Jacob for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

HONORING MARCELO DEFREITAS

**HON. MIKE THOMPSON**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 17, 2018*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Marcelo Defreitas as the 2018 Honorary Alcalde for the City of Sonoma, California. Mayor Madolyn Agrimonti nominated Mr. Defreitas as Alcalde, the Spanish word for mayor, in recognition of his contributions to our community.

Mr. Defreitas is from the Southern part of Brazil, Rio Grande do Sul, in the city of Uruguaiana. He grew up on a cattle ranch with his parents, Jurema De La Vega Rodrigues de Freitas and Homero Maydana Rodrigues de Freitas and two older brothers, Homero and Jose Mario.

Mr. Defreitas studied public relations in college in Brazil and began working in his field at

the largest publishing company in South America. In 1984, he moved to San Francisco to finish his degree and to learn English. After graduating from the University of San Francisco with a degree in graphic arts, he earned a Bachelor of Fine Arts from the Academy of Art University. In 1988, he joined Primo Angeli Inc., and worked his way up from junior designer to art director.

Mr. Defreitas has served as the President of the Board of Directors for La Luz Center since 2016. He has been instrumental in organizing fundraisers such as "Noche de Moon," which has furthered the Center's role in the immigrant community. He has also fundraised and organized committees to support local nonprofits, including the Sonoma Valley Museum of Art, Jack London State Park, Lyon Ranch and Sonoma Valley Fund.

Recently Mr. Defreitas' service has expanded to include helping victims of the October wildfires. Through his 10 to 12 hour work days at La Luz Center, he helped distribute \$1.2 million in disaster unemployment assistance, individual assistance disaster relief funds, rent assistance and other services. This is not out of character for him. As he says, "service is my passion."

Mr. Speaker, Mr. Defreitas is the hard working leader and dedicated community member we should all strive to be. He has seamlessly blended his professional and personal passions, leaving a legacy of community collaboration. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor Marcelo Defreitas as Sonoma's 43rd Honorary Alcalde.

70TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE  
STATE OF ISRAEL

**HON. SCOTT TAYLOR**

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, April 17, 2018*

Mr. TAYLOR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to include in the RECORD remarks on behalf of my constituent, Rabbi Dr. Israel Zoberman. Rabbi Zoberman is the Founding Rabbi of Congregation Beth Chaverim in Virginia Beach, Virginia. Born in Chu, Kazakhstan (USSR) in 1945, he is the son of Polish Holocaust Survivors.

"What a joyful milestone the 70th anniversary celebration of the world's only Jewish State and only democracy in the Middle East is, shouldering the 4,000 year old loaded legacy of a restored Jewish people to full dignity! The historic return into sovereign Jewish statehood of an ancient people deprived of its homeland for 2,000 years of a trying experience that almost upended it in the Holocaust should be applauded by the entire human family. No other people exercised such a comeback. The Jewish people have proved its authentic bond with its birthplace the Land of Israel, which has served as the daily focus of its prayerful supplications and soulful aspirations. It has never abandoned its prophetic promise that Israel was destined to survive and thrive that it may continue to bless humanity.

A narrow stretch of land along the Eastern Mediterranean Sea is saturated with the Biblical Book of Book's undying memories of a covenanted Jewish people determined to turn human passion into heartfelt compassion and life's wilderness into an oasis of love. The miraculous ingathering of the exiles from the earth's four corners, including

close to a million Jewish refugees from Arab lands, a revitalized Hebrew language and flourishing culture, creating an amazing start-up nation from most humble beginnings, while fatefully and successfully tested in costly wars—are all testimony to the unyielding power of the human spirit to turn adversity into advantage, pain into promise and violence into vision.

Wherever disaster strikes on the globe, whether man-made or natural, you find Israelis on challenging humanitarian missions, at times first on the scene. This was showcased last February when Israelis assisted with trauma counselling (sadly Israel has much experience in this field) following the shooting of 17 students at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida; and reached out when an earthquake hit Papua, New Guinea. A Jewish state is bound to reaffirm the thundering call of its prophets, philosophers and poets, anchored in its 1948 Declaration of Independence, to establish a model society for all its citizens, narrowing economic and social gaps, rejoicing in Jewish religious pluralism, and protecting the disadvantaged as well as endangered refugees.

Israel is a model of heroic courage and uplifting audacity in the face of stubborn non-acceptance, with finally Egypt, the largest Arab country, and Jordan breaking the circle of enmity. It is ever ready to embrace all its Arab neighbors and particularly the Palestinians in the peace of Shalom and Salaam to jointly transform shared pain into wellsprings of creative hope for future generations, thus fulfilling Israel's fondest prayer. In resolving the 150 year old tragic conflict with the Palestinians, Israeli security more than ideology should be paramount, though the two may overlap. The Zionist enterprise regarded realistic compromise with the recalcitrant Arabs as essential while guarding against untenable messianism.

With adverse demography in mind, Israel's major concern is to remain both Jewish and democratic. The Palestinians, who have been abused as pawns by their Arab brethren, need yet be educated by courageous leaders to give up their destructive and improbable dream of replacing Israel, and not be financially rewarded for brutal terrorism which postpones peace. Gaza's ruling Hamas would do better spending outside funds to help their impoverished people whom they use as human shields, rather than waste it on rockets and tunnels aimed at Israel. We recall the disturbing collaboration with Hitler of the Palestinian Grand Mufti Haj Amin al-Husseini.

Israel is the only country whose very existence is being questioned, with signs of radicalization in its sizable Arab Israeli community. Terrorizing and nuclear ambitious Iran, which denies the Holocaust, and its Lebanese and Palestinian proxies are near Israel's borders. The United Nations falsely singles Israel out for constant rebuke while sheltering culprit regimes which violate basic human rights. The United States through indefatigable Ambassador Nikki Haley stands tall with Israel, its true ally and trusted friend in the shrinking community of democracies. However, the Iranian Shiite menace to both Israel and the Arab Sunni world has opened a venue of opportunity exemplified in Saudi Arabia allowing Air India to use its territory to fly to Tel Aviv, Israel which is also a first for India's airlines!

President Trump Jerusalem Declaration (what an anniversary gift!) that Jerusalem is indeed Israel's rightful capital will resonate in long Jewish memory where friends and foes are never forgotten. President Donald Trump's proud act of conscience finally lends a superpower's support for Israel's indisputable glorious links to both earthly and