

from underserved communities shatter barriers to academic and professional success.

Each year, TELACU's Continuum of Education—comprised of the College Readiness and College Success Programs—helps more than 2,000 TELACU Scholars as they pursue their high school, college, and graduate studies. These programs offer scholars critical financial resources and a comprehensive support system to help them achieve their educational and career goals.

Historically, approximately 98 percent of high school TELACU Scholars graduate, and almost all of them pursue higher education. More than 99 percent of college TELACU Scholars earn at least a Bachelor's degree, with an increasing number going on to seek advanced degrees.

TELACU Scholars are predominantly Latinos from some of the most economically depressed communities in Los Angeles. Our communities, our state, and our nation are all strengthened when these scholars earn high school diplomas and college degrees. With TELACU's help, these graduates become independent, well-educated professionals and role models who inspire, empower, and invest in the next generation of Latino leaders.

Today, the TELACU Scholar Alumni network stretches all over the world. They are researchers and engineers, entrepreneurs and CEOs, educators and policy-makers. They are leaders who help to maintain the United States' promise as a place where immigrants can use their own talents to pursue their dreams.

Mr. Speaker, in recognition of the thousands of students, families, and communities that have been helped by TELACU, I urge my colleagues to join me in congratulating TELACU on its 50th anniversary and the TELACU Education Foundation on its 35th anniversary. Let us also celebrate the remarkable TELACU Scholars honored at the foundation's annual "Building the Dream" Gala. I wish TELACU and the TELACU Education Foundation the very best as it continues its mission of helping underserved communities pursue socioeconomic equity with the help of educational opportunities, community development, and economic empowerment.

RECOGNIZING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF RAYMOND NICHOLAS ADLER

HON. MARK DESAULNIER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

Mr. DESAULNIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and service of a longtime Concord resident, Mr. Raymond Nicholas "Nick" Adler.

Nick Adler was born on March 29, 1946, in Evansville, Indiana, to Merrie Claire Northrup and Dr. Raymond Adler. He attended Reitz Memorial High School and worked for his grandfather's grocery store as a customer service clerk. After Nick graduated high school, he entered St. Meinrad Seminary but after much reflection, he chose a different path, earning a history degree from the University of Evansville.

Nick worked as a school teacher for a period of time, but eventually pursued a career

in the medical field by enrolling at the University of Portland, where he graduated with a Nursing Science degree. During this period, he met the love of his life, Marie "Cookie" Garaventa and on July 27, 1974, Nick and Cookie were married. As their family grew, Nick worked as a visiting nurse for Contra Costa County and then began a 35-year career working as an office manager for Concord Disposal Service. During his tenure, Nick provided exceptional customer service and volunteered with many community organizations. He continued his passion and pursuit for higher education by earning a master's degree in national security and he enjoyed listening to many audiobooks, until his unexpected passing on March 24, 2018.

Nick is survived by his loving wife, Cookie; devoted children: Paul Adler (Lisa), David Adler (Nicole), Nicole Impagliazzo (Maron) & Angelina Kosich (Greg). Nick's greatest passion in life was entertaining his beloved eleven grandchildren: Nicholas, Alessandra, Joseph, Mark, Michael, Siena, Andrew, Christopher, Arianna, Luke, and Carly. He is also survived by his brothers: Steven Adler, Michael Adler (Jen) & John Adler (Diana); sisters: Merrie Stradtner and Jennie Evans (Don), along with numerous nieces and nephews.

His generous loving spirit, strong sense of faith, funny sense of humor, and quick wit will be missed by all who knew him.

TRIBUTE TO THE DETER MOTOR COMPANY

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate the Deter Motor Company of Atlantic. The company opened their doors in 1964 with a plan to help people with their transportation needs.

The dealership is a full service business and offers numerous brands at its current location on Second Street in Atlantic. The company has 32 employees who assist customers in sales and service. Rod Deter, manager of the Deter Motor Company, said, "it is a challenge to learn a new business after a career in electronics and software. Any business is about helping people no matter what the product is. I have always liked the car business, because it is a rewarding career to get people into the vehicle they want and to keep it running properly."

Mr. Speaker, I commend Rod and his staff for their dedicated service to Atlantic. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating the Deter Motor Company for their many achievements in the auto industry and in wishing Rod, his family, and employees nothing but the best.

RECOGNITION OF THE 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL

HON. ALBIO SIRES

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

Mr. SIRES. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize the upcoming 70th anniversary of the founding of the State of Israel and the strong bond of friendship between the United States and Israel.

The United States and the State of Israel share democratic freedoms and values, and embrace those values as the cornerstones of a vibrant democratic society. Israel has continued to stand as a stalwart of democracy and a beacon of hope for Jewish immigrants from all over the world. As an immigrant myself, I value the democratic principles which are the linchpin of our nation.

I have visited Israel and been fortunate enough to witness the special relationship the U.S. and Israel share. We share the common goals of peace, freedom, and the pursuit of security and prosperity for our citizens and for the region. It is my pleasure to help honor the State of Israel on its 70th birthday, and recognize the importance of the friendship between our two countries. I hope all my colleagues and fellow Americans will join me in taking pride in the unique contributions that our Israeli community has made to our nation.

Again, congratulations to Israel and its people all across the world on their 70th independence day.

EXHAUCE KUMESO

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Exhauce Kumeso for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Exhauce Kumeso is a student at Arvada K-8 and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Exhauce Kumeso is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Exhauce Kumeso for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. MARK POCAN

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

Mr. POCAN. Mr. Speaker, on April 16, 2018 I was not able to participate in the 6:30 p.m.