# **EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS**

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

## HON. DAVID E. PRICE

OF NORTH CAROLINA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday*, *May* 15, 2018

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, due to the primary election in my home state of North Carolina, I was unable to vote during Roll Call 167, the motion to suspend the rules and pass as amended H.R. 4910, the Veterans Cemetery Benefit Correction Act, as well as Roll Call 168, the motion to suspend the rules and pass as amended H.R. 4335, the Servicemember Family Burial Act.

Had I been present, I would have voted Yea on Roll Call 167 and Yea on Roll Call 168.

RECOGNIZING JACOB STILLMAN, SOLICITOR FOR THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, ON HIS RETIREMENT

## HON. JAMIE RASKIN

OF MARYLAND IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. RASKIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a distinguished constituent, Jacob Stillman, Solicitor for the Securities and Exchange Commission, who has retired after more than 55 years of devoted and exemplary public service with the Commission. Mr. Stillman joined the SEC as a staff attorney in the Office of the General Counsel in 1962, became an Associate General Counsel in 1978, and served as Solicitor from 1999 until becoming Senior Advisor to the Solicitor in 2017. As the Commission's chief appellate lawyer, he advised the Commission on important legal issues of the day and greatly influenced the development of securities doctrine in the federal courts of appeals and the Supreme Court.

His keen legal mind and powerfully lucid legal analysis played a key role in advancing the Commission's mission of protecting both investors and the integrity of the capital markets. During his years of service, Mr. Stillman was deeply involved in articulating and defending the legal foundations underpinning the Commission's authority to regulate insider trading. He also worked zealously on behalf of investors, persuading the courts to accept the Commission's position that the securities laws provided investors certain private rights of action. And he was instrumental in the Commission's successful effort to convince the Supreme Court to accept the fraud-on-the-market theory of investor reliance, a theory that reduced hazards in the market and greatly enhanced defrauded investors' ability to recover unfair losses

Mr. Stillman graduated cum laude from Harvard Law School in 1958 and began his legal career as a clerk to the Honorable Harry E. Kalodner of the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit. He also served as

an officer in the Judge Advocate General's Corps of the U.S. Army before joining the Commission. He has over the years received numerous honors, including the Federal Bar Association's 48thAnnual Justice Tom C. Clark Award for Outstanding Government Attorney, the Philip A. Loomis Award from the Securities Law Section of the Federal Bar Association, and the Distinguished Service Award from the Commission itself. Most recently, he was honored with the William O. Douglas Award, granted by the Association of Securities and Exchange Commission Alumni.

These many awards illustrate how highly-regarded Mr. Stillman is by the bar and by his Commission colleagues. At the peak of his career, he served as the investor's advocate and will always be remembered for his diligent and creative work. I thank Mr. Stillman for his service to the SEC, investors, and the American people.

HONORING JOANN STILLINGS, 2018 CENTRAL OHIO SENIOR CITIZENS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE

## HON. JIM JORDAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. JORDAN. Mr. Speaker, the Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging will host the 43rd annual Central Ohio Senior Citizens Hall of Fame induction ceremony on Wednesday, May 16, in Columbus. I am honored to commend to the House one of this year's inductees, JoAnn Stillings of Richwood.

Mrs. Stillings' service to her community is a model we can all emulate. She currently oversees a commodity food box program for senior citizens in northern Union County, coordinating the schedule of volunteers and greeting each client personally.

Mrs. Stillings also helped create the North Union Personal Needs Pantry, which provides personal hygiene items to low-income families and seniors. She has been tireless in pursuing grant opportunities and holding fundraisers to support this important work, which has assisted more than 8,400 families in its decade of existence.

Mr. Speaker, selection for the Central Ohio Senior Citizens Hall of Fame is a high honor accorded to seniors who have devoted their lives to service to others. I am pleased to join in the accolades for JoAnn Stillings on her induction, and thank the Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging for recognizing her many sacrifices and those of all of this year's inductees.

## PAYING TRIBUTE TO BRIGADIER GENERAL WILLIAM WAY

# HON. DONALD S. BEYER, JR.

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. BEYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Brigadier General William W. Way for his exceptional dedication to duty and service to the United States Army and to the United States of America. General Way is completing nearly thirty years of service to the country, most recently as the U.S. Army Reserve's Director of Government Affairs.

Growing up in Southern California, and having family in the armed forces, national service was always on his mind. General Way started his career in 1982 as an intern for the U.S. Senate Banking Committee while a student at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. He was later commissioned as an Army officer in 1990 after graduating from the University of California Hastings College of the Law.

General Way's military career began with an assignment in Europe in 1990 when 300,000 U.S. forces were stationed there at the end of the Cold War. He served overseas and stateside with front line armored cavalry, rocket, and missile units. His assignments included the 3d Armored Division (Spearhead) and the 4th Infantry Division (Ironhorse). As a Colonel, he was in command of the largest legal unit in the Army with 30 offices in 25 states, Europe and Puerto Rico.

General Way also served in combat in Iraq and in a peacekeeping mission with NATO where he served with German and Austrian Army colleagues as legal advisor regarding crowd and riot control, psychological operations, and building partner capacity. After serving next as Deputy Legal Counsel to the Chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, he was promoted to the grade of Brigadier General. He also served as the acting Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, G–1.

In addition to his diverse assignments he is a graduate of the Joint Forces Staff College, Air War College, and the Army War College.

On behalf of a grateful nation, I join my colleagues today in recognizing and commending General Way for a lifetime of service to his country. We wish Bill, Eileen, Katie and Maggie all the best as they continue their journey of service.

#### AVRYON CARDENAS

# HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

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

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May 15, 2018

Avryon Cardenas 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 Avryon Cardenas 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 Avryon Cardenas 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.

TRI-COUNTY HEALTH NETWORK & FAMILIES PLUS HRSA AWARDS

# HON. SCOTT R. TIPTON

OF COLORADO IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. TIPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank the Tri-County Health Network of Telluride, Colorado and Families Plus of Delta, Colorado for providing exceptional health care to those living in the Third District's rural communities. As a result of their hard work, the Health Resources and Services Administration recently named Tri-County Health Network as a Champion of Information Dissemination and Families Plus as a Champion of Innovation in Health Care Deliverv.

Both awardees were recognized for going above and beyond in providing their communities with access to excellent health care as well as developing innovative strategies and implementing evidence-based practice models that help to improve the quality of health care. They were also noticed for their exceptional job in expanding their work outside their individual organizations through mentoring, coaching, and partnerships.

One of the greatest challenges families in rural Colorado face is a lack of access to health care providers and services. Both Tri-County Health Network and Families Plus have gone above and beyond to fill this void and I am happy to see Tri-County Health Network and Families Plus recognized for their efforts.

Mr. Speaker, Tri-County Health Network and Families Plus exemplary performance in the field of healthcare is incredibly valuable to the communities in our state. We are thankful for their continued efforts to improve the lives of those living in the Third Congressional District and I stand with all Coloradans in thanking them for their work and service.

IN TRIBUTE TO JOHN DREW

## HON. GWEN MOORE

OF WISCONSIN IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Ms. MOORE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize John Drew, Regional Representative for the United Auto Workers (UAW). John Drew is retiring from the UAW after 44 years of service. Originally from a large Irish Catholic family in Waukegan IL, John Drew started working at the American Motors Corp. (AMC) plant in Kenosha . He began as a spot welder on the line at the American Motors' Kenosha plant and quickly became a union activist.

He has served as the elected steward, chief steward, and executive board member in UAW Local 72 including Vice President and President. During a large portion of his tenure at Local 72, it was the largest and most influential labor organization in the state. John Drew was a part of and later led the UAW Local 72 Bargaining Committee which brought Renault vehicles to Kenosha as well as Chrysler car and engine production. He worked with local, state and federal government officials to help keep new engine lines at that plant as long as possible. John was elected Vice President of Local 72, serving with the legendary Rudy Kuzel. Then in 1996, John became President of the Local and continued to fight to keep the Kenosha assembly plant open. In 2004, John went to work for the UAW Regional office representing workers in plants throughout the Milwaukee, Racine, and Kenosha area.

John Drew has consistently fought for social and economic justice issues. In fact, John formed a caucus in the local called "the Fighting Times", with his colleagues Jon Melrod and Tod Ohnstad and exposed racist and sexist practices of management in the plant. AMC financed a multimillion dollar lawsuit to try to squash their voices but the Fighting Times prevailed. John has also been a major force organizing UAW members and retirees to support progressive candidates that would fight for working peoples' interests. John's community engagement led him to an appointment by former Governor Jim Doyle to the UW Board of Regents.

John has a Bachelor's Degree from the George Meany Center in Labor Studies and a Master's Degree in Industrial and Labor Relations from UW Milwaukee. He is also an avid sports fan and a soccer player. He coached soccer for many years and still plays occasionally.

John is married to Lauren Baker, a union and community activist. They have one son, Nick who graduated from Milwaukee Public Schools and UW Madison. He is a professional videographer and union member, in Chicago.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to call John Drew my friend for over two decades. I am pleased to recognize his unwavering commitment to uphold the labor movement and its mission. I have sought his valuable counsel on many occasions and found him to be both honest and sincere. He and his wife Lauren have opened both their hearts and home to me and many others who share their passion to assist people from all walks of life. I have many stories of driving through inclement weather with John and Lauren to reach Martin Luther King Day celebrations in Kenosha. John Drew has left a legacy of strong leadership and has touched many lives in a positive way with his dedication, passion, enthusiasm and motivation. The citizens of the Fourth Congressional District, the State of Wisconsin and the nation have benefited tremendously from his service because he has always been a voice for those who have the least, a voice for working people, a voice for justice and fairness. I am honored for these reasons to pay tribute to John Drew.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

# HON. MARK TAKANO

OF CALIFORNIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. TAKANO. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call vote 178, I inadvertently voted No. I had intended to vote Aye.

#### HONORING THE NEW ROCHELLE FUND FOR EDUCATIONAL EXCEL-LENCE 20TH GALA

## HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor one of New Rochelle's most distinguished organizations, the New Rochelle Fund for Educational Excellence, which is celebrating its 20th Anniversary at their annual Gala. It is my pleasure to also honor The Fund on this historic milestone.

The New Rochelle Fund for Educational Excellence was established in 1998. The mission of the New Rochelle Fund for Educational Excellence is to support our school system and its extraordinary, diverse student body through advancing equity, excellence, and inspiring all public-school students. The Fund partners with the City School District of New Rochelle and the broader New Rochelle community to develop, fund, and implement high-quality educational and enrichment programming to enhance the school experience.

Programs and activities that the Fund supports and publishes include the Museum of Arts and Culture, The Zolcalo at Atlixco, The Martin Silver Fund for Accounting and Business Studies, Arts Out Loud, and Poetry Out Loud. The Fund then publishes the written works from Author Out Loud and Poetry Out Loud. In addition, the Fund has sponsored five concerts at both Carnegie Hall and Lincoln Center which have featured their own students.

The Fund has also helped students focus on the issues of citizenship and governance since 1998, through The Civic Symposium featuring AP Government and AP Macroeconomics students. Annually, the Fund honors High School Seniors who have made major contributions throughout their educational years at the fundraising gala.

The New Rochelle Fund for Educational Excellence has done some tremendous work over the past 20 years and everyone involved should be extremely proud of what the Fund has accomplished. I want to congratulate all the members of The Fund on their 20 years of service to the community, and thank them for all their hard-work. Here's to 20 more successful years.

## DARRIEN ESPINOZA

### HON. ED PERLMUTTER OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Darrien

Espinoza for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Darrien Espinoza is a student at Arvada High School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Darrien Espinoza 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 Darrien Espinoza 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. HAROLD ROGERS OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, May 15, 2018

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Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Mr. Speaker, had a scheduling conflict, and was unable to vote. Had I been present, I would have voted Yea on Roll Call No. 167; Yea on Roll Call No. 168; Yea on Roll Call No. 169; Yea on Roll Call No. 170; Yea on Roll Call No. 171; Yea on Roll Call No. 172; Yea on Roll Call No. 173; Yea on Roll Call No. 174; Yea on Roll Call No. 175; Nay on Roll Call No. 176; Yea on Roll Call No. 177; Nay on Roll Call No. 178; Yea on Roll Call No. 179 and Yea on Roll Call No. 180.

#### DR. ROY HASTICK

## HON. YVETTE D. CLARKE

OF NEW YORK IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Ms. CLARKE of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Dr. Roy Hastick, the President and Founder of the Caribbean American Chamber of Commerce (CACCI) in celebration of his 68th birthday.

Born in Grenada, West Indies, Hastick migrated to the United States in 1972 and worked for several years as a social services administrator, community advocate, entrepreneur and newspaper publisher. In 1985, Dr. Roy A. Hastick, Sr. founded the Caribbean American Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Inc. (CACCI) with 10 members. Under his leadership, the organization has become a well-recognized business entity with a membership of over 1,700 in the tri-state area and in the Caribbean. Over the years, CACCI has sustained and developed its mission which is to promote economic development on behalf of Caribbean Americans, African-Americans, women and other minority entrepreneurs. As President and CEO of CACCI, Hastick has been credited for his tireless efforts serving the small business community and fostering a climate of unity and harmony among diverse cultures. Hastick has convened over 800 business development seminars that bring together the CACCI membership with other entrepreneurs and the wider business community

to network and access business resources, in order to make contacts and to explore contracts.

As an ardent supporter of Two-Way trade between the United States and the Caribbean region, Hastick, an elected delegate to the 1995 White House Conference on Small Business, campaigned to get Two-Way trade with the Caribbean region into the final recommendations that were submitted to the United States Congress. Through Hastick's tireless efforts and visionary leadership, CACCI has undertaken and accomplished several challenging initiatives including: providing weekly business clinics, business services for micro enterprises, start-ups and emerging minority and women business enterprises in areas of access to financing, certification preparation and promoting trade and investment opportunities in the Caribbean region. CACCI's most recent small business programs are: MWBE and Financial Literacy seminars. In collaboration with the CACCI membership and the wider community. CACCI provides rapid emergency responses to hurricane disasters in the Caribbean region including St. Kitts Nevis, Antigua and Barbuda, Haiti and Grenada. Hastick has led several trade missions to the Caribbean region, and hosted numerous Caribbean Heads of State on their visits to New York. Under Dr. Hastick's leadership the organization organizes and sponsors the Annual National Caribbean American Heritage Month Conference.

For 16 years, CACCI has managed the cityowned Brooklyn-based micro enterprise incubator, a 9,000 sq. ft. Flatbush Caton Vendors Market, which houses 40 vendors who sell a variety of African and Caribbean artifacts, as well as a small business service center. Through Hastick's collaborative efforts, patience and persistence, his long-term goal of creating a Caribbean American Trade Center will soon come to fruition. The Economic Development Corporation announced that a M/ WBE developer was selected to create a mixed-use project, which in addition to the Caribbean American Trade Center, will have 250 units of affordable housing, an upscale Flatbush Caton Vendors Market and a cultural center. For several years Hastick has served on numerous economic development boards including Governor's Transition Teams, Brooklyn Navy Yard Development Corporation, J P Morgan Chase CAB Board, and New York City and Company, Inc. He has also served as a Delegate to the United Nations for Grenada and has received numerous awards including: National Small Business Advocate of the Year by the United States Department of Commerce; was honored at the White House at New York Day in Washington, DC. He was also the recipient of an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from City University of New York (CUNY). More recently, Hastick received the Goodwill Ambassador Award from the Jewish community for "his impressive record of achievements, promoting economic development, and for working diligently to cultivate understanding and mutual respect." Most recent awards were the NYS Attorney General's (2008) African-American Achiever's Award for exemplary small business leadership; NYC "American Dreamer Award" for service to New York City during Immigrants' Monthly in New York City, and the Caribbean Diaspora Leadership Award presented by Caribbean Tourism Organization. Hastick was recently appointed

by Brooklyn Borough President, Eric L. Adams as a Brooklyn Ambassador. Hastick currently lives in East Flatbush with his wife, and has 4 children and 8 grandchildren.

As a fellow Caribbean Brooklynite, I am beaming with pride as we honor the generous service of Dr. Roy Hastick in commemorating his 68th birthday. New York's Caribbean community has forever changed through his decades of dedicated service. On behalf of New York's 9th Congressional District, I am grateful for our hard-working and impactful community leader, Dr. Roy Hastick.

#### PUEBLO SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP TRIB-UTE

# HON. SCOTT R. TIPTON

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. TIPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Pueblo South High School Colts for winning the Colorado High School State Football Championship.

The Colts' thrilling 25 to 15 victory over the Pine Creek High School Eagles, the defending state champion, is the first time in the history of the program that the Pueblo South High School football team won a state championship title.

Further cementing Pueblo as the state's High School Football powerhouse, 2017 marked the fourth year in a row that a team from Pueblo claimed a state championship. East High School in Pueblo won the previous three Class 3A state championships and Pueblo Centennial High School won 25 years prior. This was also the first 4A state title for Pueblo since Pueblo West won in 2007. The city has a long history of athletic excellence and I am proud to see the Colts join the ranks of their fellow competitors.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to offer my sincere congratulations to the Pueblo South High School football team for their great accomplishment. For many of the teams' players, this win is the achievement of a goal they have worked hard towards for years. I commend their coaches and each member of the team for their sportsmanship and competitive spirit. I look forward to watching them succeed as they continue their bright academic and athletic careers.

### HONORING RABBI DAVID SCHUCK

# HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a spiritual leader in the New Rochelle community, Rabbi David Schuck. Rabbi Schuck has served the community with great distinction and remarkable integrity, and as such is being honored at the Hope Community Services Inc. Annual Gala, celebrating the organization's 34 year anniversary.

Rabbi Schuck grew up in Mt. Laurel, New Jersey, and has a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Middle East History from Rutgers University. Rabbi Schuck was ordained by the

Jewish Theological Seminary in 2004 where he was awarded the Lillian M. Lowenfeld Prize in Practical Theology and the Israel H. Levinthal Prize in Homiletics.

Rabbi Schuck grew up in the Conservative Movement as an active USYer and spent many years as a counselor, group leader, and yoetz for USY Israel Pilgrimage and USY on Wheels. Rabbi Schuck lived in Israel for a few years, and was a participant and a counselor for United Synagogue's Nativ program. He spent two summers as the Scholar in Residence at Camp Ramah New England. After college, Rabbi Schuck lived in Kalwa, India, where he served as a Jewish Service Corps Educator.

Rabbi Schuck was privileged to visit Russia on a rabbinic mission with the UJA Federation of NY, and participated in the Young Rabbis Delegation service-learning trip to Ghana with the American Jewish World Service. He served on the UJA Federation's Commission on Jewish Identity and Renewal for the Former Soviet Union, the Westchester Jewish Council, Pelham Guidance Council, the Westchester Inter-Religious Clergy Network, and the Mount Vernon Soup Kitchen.

Schuck joined the Beth El team in 2015 after serving as the spiritual leader of the Pelham Jewish Center for eleven years. He is an adjunct lecturer in the Professional and Pastoral Skills Department of the Rabbinical School at the Jewish Theological Seminary and a former faculty member in the rabbinical school of the Academy for Jewish Religion. Rabbi Schuck lives in New Rochelle with his wife Tali Aldouby-Schuck, their children Noam, Naday, and Zeev, and their dog Obi.

This year, Hope Community Services is honoring Rabbi Schuck celebrating his years as Rabbi. Congratulations to Rabbi Schuck on this great honor.

#### HONORING NATIONAL SKILLED NURSING CARE WEEK

# HON. JACKIE WALORSKI

OF INDIANA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mrs. WALORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of National Skilled Nursing Care Week and to thank the nurses, staff, and volunteers at nursing care centers like Healthwin Specialized Care in South Bend who provide invaluable services and ensure Hoosiers in our community have what they need to live full and meaningful lives.

My fellow Hoosiers in South Bend and Mishawaka, Indiana, who reside in nursing homes, skilled nursing care, and transitional therapy centers have contributed immeasurably to the heritage and success and growth of our community. Nursing home residents of any age or ability are themselves living history and are precious to us all.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in "Celebrating Life's Stories" in honor of the national theme for this year's Skilled Nursing Care Week. I also urge everyone in our community to visit a loved one, friend, or neighbor currently residing in a skilled nursing care center to show respect for all that they have given to society and to us.

Let no elderly and disabled American wonder if they are valued, appreciated, and loved. Make sure they know that they are. Visiting or volunteering your time at a local care facility is a testament to community spirit, brings honor to our fathers, mothers, grandmothers, veterans, and everyone in residence, and lifts the spirits of caregivers who value your involvement.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ANN M. KUSTER

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire. Mr. Speaker, during the week of Monday, May 7, 2018, I missed Roll Call votes 167 through 179. Had I been present for these recorded votes, I would have voted as listed below:

Roll Call Vote 167: AYE (Suspension Bill);

Roll Call Vote 168: AYE (Suspension Bill); Roll Call Vote 169: NAY (Previous Question):

Roll Call Vote 170: NAY (Rule);

Roll Call Vote 171: NAY (Passage of S.J. Res. 57);

Roll Call Vote 172: NAY (Motion to Table); Roll Call Vote 173: NAY (Previous Question):

Roll Call Vote 174: NAY (Rule);

Roll Call Vote 175: NAY (Passage of H.R. 2152);

Roll Call Vote 176: AYE (Motion to Recommit);

Roll Call Vote 177: NAY (Passage of H.R. 5645);

Roll Call Vote 178: NAY (Titus Amendment); Roll Call Vote 179: AYE (Passage H.R. 3053).

# NICOLE HENSLEY

### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Nicole Hensley for her role in the Women's Hockey Gold Medal finish at the 2018 PyeongChang Olympic Games. This gold medal was the first win in over twenty years by the American Women's Hockey Team.

A native of Lakewood, Colorado, Nicole attended Rooney Ranch Elementary, Dustan Middle School and graduated from Green Mountain High School. She went on to attend college at Lindenwood University in St. Charles, Missouri where she played goaltender on the hockey team. The position of goaltender is one of the toughest positions to play in all of sports. It requires incredible balance, endurance, hand-eye coordination and mental and physical toughness. After graduating in 2006, she became a full-time member of the U.S. women's national team. In 2017, she was part of the U.S. team as they won the gold medal at the World Championships.

The dedication demonstrated by Nicole is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. Nicole is a role model for other athletes to pursue their passion, strive to make the most of their education and develop a strong work ethic to help them in all aspects of life.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Nicole Hensley for her Gold Medal finish at the 2018 PyeongChang Olympic Games and for proudly representing the great State of Colorado. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future endeavors.

HONORING SERGEANT JOHN LAW-RENCE, BEND, OREGON POLICE DEPARTMENT

## HON. GREG WALDEN

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. WALDEN. Mr. Speaker, during National Police Week, I would ask all Members to honor the service and sacrifice of those law enforcement officials who have protected our communities and safeguarded our democracy. Police Week is an opportunity for all Americans to express their appreciation for our law enforcement. Every day, federal, state, and local law enforcement officers in Oregon and around the country protect their fellow citizens from harm, keep the peace, and carry out justice.

Today, I would like to honor Sergeant John Lawrence. He began his career with the Deschutes County Sheriffs Office and later served with the Bend Police Department for 10 years. Tragically, Sergeant Lawrence suffered a fatal heart attack following a shift where he responded to a bank holdup alarm. He was just 43 years old when he passed away. He will be remembered as a dedicated officer, a steadfast friend, and a loving husband and father. His service will be memorialized later this week when his name joins more than 21,000 fellow officers as part of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washinoton, D.C.

This week we mourn for the officers we have lost, and stand together in tribute of their service. We must express our sincerest gratitude and appreciation to Sergeant Lawrence's family. His sacrifice will not be forgotten. I am thankful for the service and diligence of law enforcement officers in Oregon's Second District and around the country. Please join me in honoring their service in defense of our freedom and democracy.

CONGRATULATING ISRAEL ON ITS 70TH ANNIVERSARY

# HON. BRENDAN F. BOYLE

OF PENNSYLVANIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. BRENDAN F. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, May 14, 2018 marks the 70th anniversary of the establishment of the State of Israel-uniting Israelis, the greater Jewish community, and supporters of Israel the world over. Seventy years of independence, vitality, strength and innovation. Since then, our two countries have developed a close friendship based on a shared dedication and enduring, constant commitment to our common values: peace, democracy, and respect for human

rights. Over the past 70 years, Israel has offered invaluable contributions to the international community, including start-up companies. entrepreneurship. cvbersecurity advancements, and much more. Of course, it is also a stable democracy in the world's most challenging, conflict-stricken region in the world. My home city of Philadelphia is a sister city to Tel Aviv in order to foster further cultural ties and cooperation. I have had the honor of visiting Israel several times, where I saw firsthand the strength of the Israeli people. I encourage robust engagement with Israel from all U.S. allies and governments across the globe, and will continue to do all I can to champion peace and further our shared goals.

#### MALIK JONES

# HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

# IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## Tuesday, May 15, 2018

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

Malik Jones is a student at Jefferson High School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Malik Jones 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 Malik Jones 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.

#### HONORING BEVERLEY SVED

#### HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

#### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, neighborhoods are strengthened by civic-minded individuals who give their time, energy, and talents to making the community a better place. In Scarsdale, no one has better exemplified that commitment to community involvement than Beverley Sved.

Beverley has had a long, distinguished record of service to Scarsdale. Among her many volunteer roles in the community, she has served as the Mayor of Scarsdale, and prior to that she served as Village Trustee. Beverley chaired the Village Finance Committee and the Planning Board, both challenging positions that she filled skillfully with deft leadership. Beverley could bring the community together to resolve difficult issues, something all good elected officials must be adept at doing.

Further, Beverley has been a leader Committee. These are only some of the highlights of what this highly respected, trusted, insightful and collaborative community leader has contributed to Scarsdale. Beverley's selfless contribution of time and energy to community affairs epitomizes what it means to be a leader

This year, the Scarsdale Bowl, which for over 70 years has recognized community members who have "given unselfishly of time, energy, and effort to the civic welfare of the community," is honoring Beverley Sved at their annual awards dinner on April 25th. They could not have chosen a more deserving honoree As Congressman representing Scarsdale, I want to take this opportunity to congratulate Beverley on this wonderful honor and to thank her for all she has done to better the community. Her tremendous work is evident all throughout Scarsdale and I am honored to have such a great partner in the community.

#### WHY I AM A REPUBLICAN

## HON. EARL L. "BUDDY" CARTER

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I include in the RECORD a statement on behalf of Mr. Hunt Wasden.

I am a Republican because I believe in the freedoms, both economic and social, that were given to us by the founding documents of this great nation. The Constitution begins with "We the People," and later the First and Fourth Amendments solidify the sovereignty of the American Citizen. These documents may be old, but their relevance today is still resounding.

The role of the government should be to protect the people from foreign and domestic threats, while also preserving the individual rights and freedoms of its people, not regulating or infringing upon those rights and freedoms. One of the main reasons Lidentify as a Republican is my strong belief that the work of private citizens, not the government, is the foundation of the American economy. Businesses made by the people for the people not only contribute positively to the nation's overall GDP but also supply Americans with jobs. The truth is, a government that is nineteen trillion dollars in debt should not be dictating how private citizens choose to run their businesses. Due to President Trump's aggressive deregulation and tax policies, our economy is growing at an impressive rate, with the labor department reporting in late March that the jobless rate in America has fallen to the lowest rate since 1973. In addition, the unemployment rate is now at 4.1 percent which is below the level the Federal Reserve considers ideal for a stable and growing economy.

As a Republican I also believe in a tax system that supports businesses, and gives them the means to compete in a global market and also to reinvest not only in the company itself, but also in its employees. President Trump's tax reforms have enabled businesses, from the largest corporations to family-owned small businesses, to give significant bonuses to their employees at all levels, directly citing the new tax plan as the reason why.

Republican policies are making an undeniable impact in the lives of the working class, as many people are now coming to the realization that a hand up is almost always more beneficial than a hand out.

Republican policies are also making an impact abroad. President Trump and Secretary Mattis' strong opposition to ISIS has led to a 98 percent loss in territory held by the terrorist organization. The President also showed strength in garnering multinational support in his strong response to chemical attacks from the Assad regime in Svria.

attacks from the Assad regime in Syria. Abraham Lincoln, the first Republican president, wrote the Emancipation Proclamation in 1863, an order to free all slaves. Later, in 1865, the Republican-controlled 38th Congress passed the 13th Amendment abolishing slavery. The creation of the Fourteenth Amendment, granting citizenship to all persons born or naturalized in the United States, passed soon after, despite opposition from Democrats.

Ronald Reagan once described the difference between Republicans and Democrats as "Two visions of the future, two fundamentally different ways of governing—their government of pessimism, fear, and limits, or ours of hope, confidence, and growth. Their government sees people only as members of groups. Ours serves all the people of America as individuals." The inspiring track record of the Republican Party follows suit with this philosophy, and this track record is another main reason why I am a Republican.

While figures like Abraham Lincoln and Ronald Reagan may come to mind when thinking about the Republican Party, powerful women in the party have changed the course of history as well. Republican Senator Aaron A. Sargent introduced the Nineteenth Amendment which was written by Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Stanton, who worked closely with Republicans to further women's rights in America. Republican Jeannette Rankin was the first woman elected to the U.S. House of Representatives and Margaret Chase Smith was the first woman to serve in both the Senate and the House. In 1981 Ronald Reagan appointed Sandra Day O'Connor as the first woman on the U.S. Supreme Court. Also, George W. Bush selected Condoleezza Rice to be his Secretary of State. She was the first African American woman to hold this position.

Republicans also had a great impact on the Civil Rights movement in our country. In 1954 Chief Justice Earl Warren, a former Republican governor, wrote the majority opinion of Brown vs. Board of Education. The Republican-controlled 68th Congress and President Calvin Coolidge granted citizenship to Native Americans. In 1957 Dwight Eisenhower desegregated Little Rock's government schools over the resistance of Arkansas' Democrat governor. Eisenhower also signed the 1960 Civil Rights Act after a filibuster by Democrats. Further, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 was passed when Republican Everett Dirksen defeated yet another Democrat filibuster.

The Republican Party has been the Party for all people since its creation. Both what the party has done in the past, and what it continues to do today inspires me, and makes me proud to be part of such an important movement. At the end of the day, the principles of economic and individual freedoms defended by the Republican Party have led so many people in America to truly live the American Dream, and will continue to do so for generations to come. AND THAT IS NOT FAKE NEWS.

#### COMMANDER PATRICK MURPHY

# HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud former Federal Heights Police Commander Patrick J. Murphy for his decades of service to the City of Federal Heights, Colorado.

For over thirty years, Commander Murphy has been active within the Federal Heights community and police department.

Commander Murphy started at the Federal Heights Police Department in 1980. He served in various roles at the department and worked his way up to a Commander, retiring from his extraordinary career on March 23, 2018. For nearly 40 years, Commander Murphy brought passion to his job and made a personal investment to the employees within the police department and the Federal Heights community. His hard work and dedication helped make Federal Heights a great place to live and work.

I extend my deepest thanks to Commander Murphy for his service to the community. I thank him for his continuous dedication to serving the people and the City of Federal Heights.

HONORING SERGEANT DAVE BEYER

## HON. KEN BUCK

## OF COLORADO

#### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. BUCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the heroism and bravery of Douglas County Sheriffs Sergeant Dave Beyer. On December 31st, 2017, Sergeant Beyer responded with fellow law enforcement officers to a domestic disturbance call where he was wounded in the line of duty. On behalf of myself and the 4th Congressional District of Colorado, I would like to express my sincerest appreciation for Sergeant Beyer's service to our community. I admire his courage and willingness to stand in harm's way so that the innocent may be protected.

Sergeant Beyer has committed his life to protecting Americans through his service in the U.S. Army Military Police Corps, as a Reserve Deputy with the University of Colorado, with the City of Lafayette Police Department, and then with the Douglas County Sheriff's Office for nearly 20 years.

During the incident on December 31st, Sergeant Beyer sustained injuries while providing cover during a shootout with a barricaded gunman. He also helped place a tourniquet on his colleague, Deputy Michael Doyle, during the exchange of shots. As Sergeant Beyer now confronts his own physical and emotional healing, he will also carry the burden of knowing that one of his fellow deputies didn't make it away from the incident alive. For a profession that treats each other like family, the loss of a colleague is especially painful.

We must never forget the sacrifices paid by our men and women in uniform. Our nation's law enforcers are vital to the safety of Colorado communities. On behalf of the citizens of the 4th Congressional District of Colorado, I extend my best wishes and deepest gratitude to Sergeant Beyer. PERSONAL EXPLANATION

# HON. LUIS V. GUTIÉRREZ

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. GUTIÉRREZ. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably absent in the House Chamber for Roll Call votes 173 and 174 on Wednesday, May 9, 2018. Had I been present, I would have voted Nay.

MICHELLE THOMAS TEACHER LI-AISON SPACE FOUNDATION SE-LECTION

## HON. SCOTT R. TIPTON

#### OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

### Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. TIPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Michelle Thomas, a teacher with the Independence Academy Charter School in Grand Junction, Colorado, for her recent selection as a Teacher Liaison Officer for the Space Foundation. The Space Foundation chose Michelle for her active promotion of space and science education in her school and community.

Michelle was chosen for this position following a rigorous selection process conducted by a panel of space industry experts. She was one of 31 people across the globe who were nominated for this position, and she will join 250 other active Teacher Liaisons.

As a Teacher Liaison Officer she will receive Space Foundation training and resources, take part in specialized NASA workshops, and take on more educational responsibility. This opportunity will allow Michelle to expand her institutional space-based knowledge, further implement space education into her classroom, and in turn elevate her student's education.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to recognize Michelle for her accomplishment. Her talent, hard work, and commitment, has led to her selection as a Teacher Liaison Officer and I have no doubt she will take what she learns from the Space Foundation and give back to her students and the Grand Junction community. I stand with the people of the Colorado's Third Congressional District in commending her for her achievement.

TYLER PITERA

#### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

#### OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

# Tuesday, May 15, 2018

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

Tyler Pitera 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 Tyler Pitera 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 Tyler Pitera 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.

#### HONORING CANTOR EMERITA HELENE REPS

## HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a spiritual leader in the New Rochelle community, Cantor Emerita Helene Reps, who this year is being honored for her 17 years of dedicated service to Temple Israel in New Rochelle at their 110th Anniversary Gala.

Born and raised in the Pittsburgh area to a musical family, Cantor Helene Reps entered Carnegie Institute of Technology—now Carnegie Mellon—as a piano major. Encouraged by the faculty to switch to the vocal department, she received a double major in music and education.

Her first professional opportunity came in 1956, the Mozart bicentennial year, when William Steinberg, conductor of the Pittsburgh Symphony, engaged her as the alto soloist in the Mozart Requiem. Helene called that moment a dream, which was followed by several more roles with the Pittsburgh Opera.

Upon graduation from Carnegie, she moved to New York, teaching in a Harlem junior high school. In 1958, Helene returned to Pittsburgh to marry David Reps, and Tamara, Aaron, and twins Steven and Jennifer arrived for the happy couple soon thereafter. When Davis' work moved the family to New York City, the Cantor at JCC persuaded Helene to enter the five-year cantorial program at the Hebrew Union College School of Sacred Music. Helene called the move a perfect fit, and in 1979 she graduated as one of the very first woman cantors to serve a major pulpit. Helene joined the clergy at Temple Israel in New Rochelle in 1980, where she served the growing congregation until 1997. She conducted services with Rabbi Amiel Wohl and prepared, on average, 40 to 50 children each year for their bar and bat mitzvahs.

These days, Helene spends her time with her husband, now of almost 60 years, enjoying their four grown children and seven brilliant grandchildren. The mark Helene has left on Temple Israel and indeed the entire New Rochelle community cannot be understated. The Temple has chosen an outstanding honoree for this year's Gala, and I'd like to congratulate Helene on this well-deserved recognition.

HONORING THE LIFE OF HUGH KENDALL

# HON. MATT GAETZ

OF FLORIDA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. GAETZ. Mr. Speaker, the Fort Walton Beach/Destin community, the place that I call

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home, recently lost a truly remarkable man. I rise to recognize and pay tribute to the life of Mr. Hugh Kendall.

I was lucky enough to call Hugh a dear friend, as were many in our community. Hugh was such an open and genuinely caring person, that whoever had the privilege to meet him instantly felt like they'd known him for years. He had a contagious positive attitude that he spread with ease wherever he went.

Hugh's life of service began in the United States Air Force in 1963. He was a Vietnam War Veteran, but even though his health suffered due to his exposure to Agent Orange, Hugh always remained positive and proud regarding his service; he once said "I served my country. I did what I was supposed to do."

After retirement from Civil Service, Hugh continued to give freely of his time. He volunteered serving on the Board of Directors for many organizations including Emerald Coast Crime Stoppers, AMI Kids Emerald Coast, Sunset Vettes, and the Greater Fort Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce.

He was well known throughout the civic community as a dedicated volunteer giving back to his community, which earned him Ambassador of the Year for the Greater Fort Walton Beach Chamber of Commerce and Volunteer of the Year for Emerald Coast Crime Stoppers.

Hugh's incredible spirit will live on through his beautiful family and the many lives he impacted so greatly.

We lost an amazing father, a loving husband, a devoted friend, and a true gentleman. We will miss the joy Hugh shared but will always remember his smile, his kindness, and his impact on our community. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the United States

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the United States Congress, I'd like to recognize and honor the life and sacrifices of Mr. Hugh Kendall.

I am thankful for the blessing of his compassionate and virtuous soul and for the time that we were able to spend with him here on Earth. I offer my deepest condolences to his family and friends; may they all find peace and comfort in knowing how loved and revered Hugh was by so many. People die only when we forget them, if we remember Hugh, he will be with us always.

CELEBRATING THE 75TH ANNIVER-SARY OF THE MINERAL WELLS AIRPORT

# HON. K. MICHAEL CONAWAY

OF TEXAS IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. CONAWAY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Mineral Wells Airport as they celebrate their 75th Anniversary on May 19, 2018. Since 1943, the Mineral Wells Airport has been a major part of the community and has a long history of supporting our country in times of war.

Originally established as Camp Wolters in 1925, the land that the airport now sits on was utilized as a training site for the 56th Brigade of the National Guard under the command of Brigadier General Jacob F. Wolters. During WWII, Camp Wolters expanded to include an airfield that trained pilots in the United States Army Air Force. The base became an instrumental post for the Army and trained thousands of troops to support the war efforts. During the Cold War, the base fell under the control of the United States Air Force and was renamed Wolters Air Force Base. The renamed installation became a training post for Aviation Engineers throughout the Korean War. In 1956, the base was reverted back to the Army and housed the United States Army Primary Helicopter School. The base was later re-designated as Fr. Wolters in 1963, where it continued training helicopter pilots until its de-activation in 1973.

Since its deactivation, the airfield was converted for public use, which established Mineral Wells Airport. Over the years, the airport averages over 10,000 flights a year and has become a vital component of the local economy. The airport has developed a superb reputation and was even recognized as "Airport of the Year" in 2007 by the Texas Department of Transportation.

The rich history of the Mineral Wells Airport has engrained itself into the identity of Palo Pinto County. I want to congratulate the airport on their anniversary and wish them continued success.

#### SUTTON SPARR

# HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## Tuesday, May 15, 2018

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

Sutton Sparr is a student at Mandalay Middle School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Sutton Sparr 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 Sutton Sparr 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.

#### CONGRATULATING JOANNA DYE ON HER RETIREMENT

#### HON. CHERI BUSTOS

#### OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mrs. BUSTOS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ms. JoAnna Dye, who is retiring from Blackhawk College. Ms. Dye has become a pillar of the Blackhawk community, and she will be greatly missed.

Ms. Dye has worked at Blackhawk College for 34 years, serving as the Financial Aid Director for the last 12 years. She has always gone above and beyond, and received the 2010 Sustained Service Award from the Illinois Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (ILASFAA) in recognition of her notable contributions to Blackhawk College. Additionally, Ms. Dye has worked to deliver professional development, leadership and educational opportunities to colleagues and students throughout Illinois by serving as the Executive Vice President and later the President of the ILASFAA. Her dedication to ensuring all our children have the opportunity to succeed has undoubtedly enriched our community and the lives of those she has touched.

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

HONORING DEPUTY JEFF PELLE

## HON. KEN BUCK

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. BUCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the heroism and bravery of Douglas County Sheriffs Deputy Jeff Pelle. On December 31, 2017, Deputy Pelle responded with fellow law enforcement officers to a domestic disturbance call where he was severely wounded in the line of duty. On behalf of myself and the 4th Congressional District of Colorado, I would like to express my sincerest appreciation for Deputy Pelle's service to our community. I admire his courage and willingness to stand in harm's way so that the innocent may be protected.

Deputy Pelle has committed his life to protecting Coloradans through his service with the Pueblo County Sheriff's Office and then the Douglas County Sheriff's Office.

During the incident on December 31st, Deputy Pelle received gunshot wounds from a gunman who had barricaded himself inside an apartment complex. As Deputy Pelle confronts his own physical and emotional healing, he will also carry the burden of knowing that one of his fellow deputies didn't make it away from the incident alive. For a profession that treats each other like family, the loss of a colleague is especially painful.

We must never forget the sacrifices paid by our men and women in uniform. Our nation's law enforcers are vital to the safety of Colorado communities. On behalf of the citizens in the 4th Congressional District of Colorado, I extend my best wishes and deepest gratitude to Deputy Pelle.

## HONORING KATHY SALOM

## HON. ELIOT ENGEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, as a former classroom teacher I hold a special affinity for fellow educators, especially those who give so selflessly of themselves in service to their community. In the Rye community, no one better exemplifies that selfless commitment than Kathy Salom, and I want to take a moment to honor Kathy the fine recognition she deserves.

Kathy was born Estell Kathleen Millard in Dunsmuir, California in 1945. She attended

San Francisco State University, the University of Hawaii and New York University. Her degrees include Masters and five educational certifications both from California and New York.

In 1969, Kathy married Roberto Salom from Bogota, Colombia. When Roberto accepted a job with the United Nations, they left California where Kathy had been an elementary teacher in the San Francisco Unified School District and Roberto had worked with the Federal Reserve. They moved to Rye, New York where they raised two sons, David born in 1976 and Robert born in 1979. David resides in a group home in Greenburgh and Robert lives in Sudbury, Massachusetts with his wife Dena Manheimer and their daughter Isabel born in 2016. Kathy worked as a teacher for the deaf for BOCES for 36 years, bringing her total teaching experience to 42 years. She was fortunate to work at all grade levels and to use both sign language and an oral approach to educating the deaf and hard of hearing.

In 1992, Kathy joined Hadassah Kehilla and enjoyed planning many special programs for the organization. Later she became involved in the book club and especially loves reading books about Jewish communities around the world. When Kathy retired in 2009, the opportunity to travel around the world became possible. She and her husband Roberto have always explored Jewish communities when traveling. In New Delhi they visited a wonderful little synagogue. In Shanghai they visited the Jewish Museum, in Rome the magnificent Roman Synagogue, and the Ghetto of Venice. As they were standing in the Sephardic Synagogue in Amsterdam, they saw David Salom, their son's name, as one of the founding fathers of the synagogue. So many Jewish experiences in each place they have traveled make them feel part of the diversity of the Jewish world.

For her outstanding work in the field of education and her dedication to the Jewish community. This year, Hadassah Kehilla is honoring Kathy Salom as their 2018 Woman of the Year. They could not have picked a more deserving honoree. As Representative for Rye, I would like to congratulate Kathy on this wonderful honor.

### RAEGAN SWANO

## HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, May 15, 2018

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

Raegan Swano is a student at Oberson Middle School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Raegan Swano 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 Raegan Swano for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained on my way to the House Chamber on May 9, 2018.

Had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 175.

#### HONORING OLYMPIC GOLD MEDALIST JESSIE DIGGINS

## HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Ms. McCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor a hometown Olympic hero from Afton, Minnesota, Gold Medal winner Jessie Diggins. May 12, 2018 will forever be known as Jessie Diggins Day in Afton. In a "Bringing Home the Gold" celebration for Jessie's homecoming, family, friends and fans from far and wide got a chance to meet and cheer their hometown champion in person.

History was made at the Pyeongchang Olympic Games on February 21, 2018. With the eyes of the world upon her in the final 100-meter stretch of the team sprint freestyle cross-country ski race, Jessie Diggins dug deep, somehow finding a burst of energy to surge past her competitors and clinch a thrilling first-place finish. Jessie and her racing partner, Kikkan Randall, didn't just win the race, they won the first-ever Olympic gold medal in cross-country skiing for the United States. Here at home, friends and neighbors throughout the St. Croix Valley cheered on every stride. The entire state of Minnesota shares immense pride in their thrilling victory.

The triumph by Jessie Diggins and Kikkan Randall shows what is possible through vision, determination—and a tremendous amount of hard work. Their victory inspires future generations of young people, especially girls, to dedicate themselves and pursue their dreams.

Jessie continues to inspire us—to act. As a premiere athlete in a sport that depends on the presence of snow, it is not surprising that she is witnessing firsthand the rapid impact our changing climate is having on winter sports. Shortly after the Olympic Games, she shared her experience and her voice on Capitol Hill, speaking truth to power urging my colleagues and me to act now to address our changing climate. Her courage and passion to make a difference for future generations is co1nmendable.

Jessie is a history-maker and a leader. I cannot think of a more fitting tribute to her historic Olympic accomplishment than to be chosen by her fellow Team USA athletes to be the standard-bearer for the closing ceremony of the 2018 Olympic Games. All Americans, but especially all Minnesotans were filled with joy to see Jessie lead her teammates under the United States flag. As the Representative

of Minnesota's Fourth Congressional district, it is a privilege to be able to fly a flag in honor of Jessie and her incredible victory.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in rising to pay tribute to an exceptional athlete and role model, U.S. Olympic Gold Medal winner, Jessie Diggins.

COMMEMORATING THE LIFE OF MR. PETER LIZCANO

## HON. HENRY CUELLAR

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. CUELLAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and service of Mr. Peter Lizcano, a lifetime educator who dedicated his career to the advancement of education in Laredo, Texas. Mr. Lizcano passed away after serving his community for many years.

Mr. Lizcano affected the lives of many young Laredoans during his years working for the Laredo Independent School District (LISD). He served in a variety of roles during his employment, including as a coach and principal. He eventually became assistant superintendent, serving in this office until his retirement. During his tenure, Mr. Lizcano was instrumental in enacting a program that encouraged students who had dropped out of school to return to their educational pursuits.

In addition to Mr. Lizcano's countless contributions to LISD, he was actively involved with the League of United Latin American Citizens Council (LULAC) No. 12. As a LULAC member, Mr. Lizcano helped to initiate several projects, such as the Señor Internacional and Tejano Achievers, to increase scholarship opportunities for students.

Our communities rely on public servants like Mr. Lizcano to inspire and encourage young people to be their very best. His commitment to education has helped build a strong foundation in Laredo, and his legacy will be felt for many generations to come.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to have the opportunity to honor Mr. Peter Lizcano for his contributions to education in South Texas.

## HONORING YVETTE MARRIN

## HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, I want to take a moment to recognize a pillar of the Riverdale community, Ms. Yvette Marrin, an individual who has done so much for the community through her work at the Riverdale Temple for many years. This year, the Riverdale Temple is honoring Yvette at their annual Student Sponsorship Breakfast and they could not have chosen a better honoree.

Yvette has been a member of Riverdale Temple since 2010. She joined the Board of Directors in 2011 and at that time became the chair of the Temple's education committee. She designed and managed a redevelopment of the Temple's gardens and served for several years as webmaster of its website, just two of the numerous tasks that she has undertaken as a member of Riverdale Temple. What has been especially important to Yvette in her volunteer work at the Temple is the creation of the YIVO Jewish Culture Series, a partnership between the YIVO Institute of Jewish Research and Riverdale Temple. This popular lecture series draws people from the broader Riverdale community and has now become incorporated as an ongoing tradition at Riverdale Temple.

In addition, Yvette has been just as active outside the Temple. She earned a Ph.D. in Organizational and Administrative Studies and Special Education from New York University in 1985. Following a career as an educator and school administrator, Yvette became the cofounder of the National Cristina Foundation, a nonprofit charity that in 1984 pioneered the concept of technology reuse to empower people in need on a national scale. The National Cristina Foundation works to enable people with disabilities, students at risk, and persons in need to gain entry to and achieve full participation in a digitally connected world. Many thousands of people have benefited from its work, and there are more than 1200 charities in its national partner network. Yvette is married to Dr. Albert Marrin, the award-winning historian and author of numerous non-fiction history and science books for young adults.

Yvette Marrin is most deserving of this fine recognition and honor. I would like to congratulate her on receiving this great distinction, and thank her for all she has done in the community.

WOODY'S WOOD FIRED PIZZA & WATERING HOLE

# HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### *Tuesday*, *May* 15, 2018

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Woody's Wood Fired Pizza & Watering Hole for receiving the Golden Rotary Ethics in Business Award.

The Ethics in Business Award was established by the Golden Rotary to honor for-profit and non-profit businesses. The recipients of this award must maintain integrity, conviction and possess high ethical standards demonstrated by the treatment of customers, employees, the community and the environment.

A Golden staple since 1993, Woody's Wood Fired Pizza & Watering Hole is an example of how a for-profit company benefits its community with more than just the product they sell. Woody's contributes to the community through a variety of ways, including donations to medical research.

Woody's is also well known for their environmentally conscience philosophy. Through their waste management program, food composting program, and installation of solar panels, Woody's leads by example and is a symbol of how to work towards reducing our ecological footprint.

To all the employees of Woody's Wood Fired Pizza & Watering Hole, congratulations on receiving the Golden Rotary Ethics in Business Award, and I thank them for their continued commitment to our community. RECOGNIZING MORAVIA MIDDLE SCHOOL

### HON. JOHN KATKO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. KATKO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the teachers, students, and administrators that make Moravia Middle School one of the best middle schools in New York State. On May 5, New York State Education Department officials honored the Moravia Middle School with the "School to Watch" designation, a national distinction recognizing academic and developmental excellence as well as social equity and organizational performance.

In 2006, Moravia was among the first schools in New York to achieve a "School to Watch" status. The School to Watch Program recognizes schools that are exemplars for the implementation of the State Education Department's Essential Elements of Standards-Focused Middle-Level Schools and Programs. Schools are evaluated on 4 categories: Academic Excellence, Social Equity, Developmental Responsiveness, and Organization and Structure. If a school proves it excels in all 4 categories, it is eligible to become a "School to Watch." Moravia has undergone the rigorous re-application process, including student interviews, to claim the accolade every three years since 2006. Moravia has earned the prestigious designation four times in 2009, 2012. 2015. and now 2018 for its curriculum. teacher responsiveness, and its unique school organization.

I am honored to recognize such an outstanding school in Central New York. The teachers and administrators at Moravia Middle School make their students feel important each day by developing a program that guarantees every student will have at least one positive interaction with an adult. I am confident that the positive experiences inside and outside the classroom at Moravia Middle School will yield continued success for its students in the future.

RECOGNIZING THE 100TH BIRTHDAY OF HALINE JULIAN

## HON. JASON SMITH

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 100th birthday of Haline Julian.

On Wednesday, February 28, 2018, Haline Julian of Kennett, Missouri celebrated her 100th birthday with friends, family, and the staff at Kennett OAKS Senior Nutrition Center.

Haline met her husband for the first time in 1942. H.M. Julian was twenty-one and had just entered the military when he was set-up with Haline Overall. They drove to Kennett for their first date, and it was on this date that a romance started that would last well over seventy years.

Haline attended beauty school and after she graduated, opened her own beauty salon. H.M. went to college on the GI bill and received a degree in Vocational Agriculture.

Their family began to grow in 1952 with the birth of their first son Chip, and in 1957 with their daughter Judy. Both children were born at Presnell Hospital in Kennett. The Julian family moved all across Missouri over the years, but Haline has always considered Kennett to be their true home.

It is with great appreciation and respect I recognize the 100th birthday of Haline Julian today before the United States House of Representatives.

IN MEMORY, REMEMBRANCE, AND CELEBRATION OF DETECTIVE MIOSOTIS P. FAMILIA

# HON. ADRIANO ESPAILLAT

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, it is with the utmost respect and solemnity that I recognize and honor the life and service of New York Police Department (NYPD) Detective Miosotis P. Familia. Detective Familia grew up in Washington Heights in Manhattan and began her service with the NYPD in 2005. During her 12-year career she served the City of New York with the 42nd and 46th Precincts in the Bronx.

On July 5, 2017, Detective Familia lost her life while on duty in the Bronx in an unrepentant criminal act of the highest order. Her family; her friends; her neighbors; her community members: and her NYPD colleagues recognized in every action that Detective Familia was fundamentally good and that she always stood for the benefit and needs of everyone else before her own. Joining the NYPD was a lifelong goal that she fought tirelessly for and never stopped working towards. It is this dedication to public service; this driving motivation to working as hard as possible on behalf of her community exemplifies the American Dream. Detective Familia embodied someone who was selfless and who put the needs of New York City residents first.

Shield Number 7370. This number and badge on which is etched are intrinsic to Detective Familia and fundamental to her person. but reflect one part of her life and legacy. Detective Familia's spirit remains in her Mother. her children, her siblings, and extended family. Detective Familia's legacy lives on through her family and the present and future Officers of the NYPD and New York Dominican Officers Association. Memorialized today among other dedicated public servants and in the company of her loved ones and peers, I want to recognize and celebrate Detective Familia. As her daughter Genesis said so beautifully "My mom, she is protector, defender, guidance counselor, spiritual advisor, philosopher, philanthropist, theorist, and mother."

NYPD Commissioner James P. O'Neill, Jr. said "Your mom's legacy will never fade from the importance of memory. Your mom made it her mission to make your home, New York City, a better and safer place for everyone." He continued "And I vow to you, we will continue to find our way forward in her honor, be cause that's what cops do." Be it public service of all forms; joining the esteemed ranks of law enforcement; or as she did with her unique brand of community partnership and engagement, we must honor and stand united in the memory and standard of Detective Familia.

SHARING STUDENTS' 'MARCH FOR OUR LIVES' REMARKS

## HON. STENY H. HOYER

OF MARYLAND IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, on May 9, I came to the Floor and spoke about the March For Our Lives on March 24 and the nine extraordinarily poised students in Morristown, New Jersey, who spoke at the rally there, which I attended. Because they were too long to insert into the Record together, I am submitting them individually. I hope my colleagues will read them and internalize the sense of fear in which our nation's students are living every day—and our responsibility as Members of Congress to do something to address this crisis of gun violence.

#### MARCH FOR OUR LIVES' REMARKS BY CAITLYN DEMPSEY

"Hi. My name is Caitlyn Dempsey, I am a senior at Randolph, NJ. A few weeks ago, in a dark room as my class cowered in the comer, we were taught how to avoid getting sprayed with bullets if a shooter were to break a window. We were given tips on throwing projectiles at the perpetrator. I was in calculus. I should've been learning derivatives and integrals.

Kids debate if they should jump out a window and risk death or broken bones or stay in the classroom if they were accosted by a shooter.

Teachers have to decide if they should throw themselves in front of students.

Teachers consider what it would mean for them if they had to be trained to use firearms.

This is what it's like to be educated in America.

We are being prepared for war.

Because at the base of it, that is what our society is doing. Our children, from kindergarten to high school are battle ready.

And we should angry about that. This is our future. Our lives are on the line. These teachers, the people we look up to and trust, their lives are on the line.

I challenge you to consider how afraid we are. This is not a joke, a ploy, a means to get something done. This is a real, tangible fear that we feel every single day. We talk about it at lunch. In class. On the bus.

This is what it's like to be educated in America. And there's something wrong with that.

As a result, this talented, passionate group of young adults and I have become a force to be reckoned with. However, the assertion that this is a recent movement is incorrect. We have been begging for this since Sandy Hook. Since Columbine. We're done begging. We demand that our legislators take action to create more comprehensive gun legislation. We assert that it is time for our elected officials to be held accountable for their constituents.

A good friend of mine recently reminded me that we have been learning that actions speak louder than words since Kindergarten. So we walked out. So we've written our congressmen. So we planned this March.

Now that is what it should be like to be educated in America. Kids standing up for what they believe in, creating a better future for themselves and the next generation.

I urge students who feel like they have been wronged to stand up, and speak out.

Your voice has been silenced but enough is enough. Thank you so much."

# HONORING DEPUTY MICHAEL DOYLE

# HON. KEN BUCK

OF COLORADO IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. BUCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the heroism and bravery of Douglas County Sheriff's Deputy Michael Doyle. On December 31, 2017, Deputy Doyle responded with fellow law enforcement officers to a domestic disturbance call where he was wounded in the line of duty. On behalf of myself and the 4th Congressional District of Colorado, I would like to express my sincerest appreciation for Deputy Doyle's service to our community. I admire his courage and willingness to stand in harm's way so that the innocent may be protected.

Deputy Doyle has committed his life to protecting Coloradans through his service as a Deputy in the Douglas County Sheriff's Office since 2013.

During the incident on December 31st, he re-entered an apartment building in an effort to retrieve fellow Deputy Zackari Parrish after the initial round of gunshots, but was injured by a second round of gunfire. He also performed life-saving actions on fellow Deputy Jeff Pelle after Deputy Pelle had been wounded. As Deputy Doyle now confronts his own physical and emotional healing, he will also carry the burden of knowing that one of his fellow deputies didn't make it away from the incident alive. For a profession that treats each other like family, the loss of a colleague is especially painful.

We must never forget the sacrifices paid by our men and women in uniform. Our nation's law enforcers are vital to the safety of Colorado communities. On behalf of the citizens in the 4th Congressional District of Colorado, I extend my best wishes and deepest gratitude to Deputy Doyle.

HONORING THE LIFE OF VIRGINIA BROWN SWINDLE

# HON. JASON SMITH

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Virginia Brown Swindle from Senath, MO.

Virginia Brown Swindle was born in Monette, AR. on May 13, 1927, to Robert Edgar Young and Emmaline Qualls Young. She was the second youngest sibling among eight brothers and one sister.

Working at Wal-Mart in Kennett for 22 years has kept her young and strong. Throughout her life she has owned a grocery store, drove a truck, been an emergency medical technician (EMT) and a certified nursing assistant, cleaned the Senath Baptist Church, and worked as a greeter at the Wal-Mart in Kennett.

Virginia worked all her life and until she earned her general educational development (GED) in her forties. After earning her GED, she trained to be an EMT. She bravely utilized this training when she went to work for the Senath nursing home where she was able to utilize her CPR training to save the lives of some of the residents.

At the age of ninety-one, retirement isn't in her sights yet, because she loves working. Virginia loves life and enjoys all of the people she meets as a greeter at the local Kennett Wal-Mart.

It is with great appreciation and respect, I honor the life of Virginia Brown Swindle before the United States House of Representatives.

#### HONORING AL HABERGER

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

#### OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Al Haberger and his service to Napa County. Mr. Haberger was instrumental in conserving the natural beauty and character of the Napa Valley by establishing the Napa County Agricultural Preserve, the first of its kind in the nation.

The Napa County Agricultural Preserve helped secure the future of Napa County as an internationally renowned grape-growing region. Mr. Haberger had the foresight to recognize that without proper protections, Napa's wine industry would not be able to grow and flourish. It was Mr. Haberger's determination that led to his idea for an agricultural preserve receiving public attention, and his passion for Napa County that led to its public support.

The initial 1968 zoning ordinance protected 23,000 acres of agricultural land from overdevelopment, stretching from Napa to Calistoga. Today, the preserve has grown to 31,609 acres, from which no land has ever been removed. Instead, the ordinance allowed Napa County to grow steadily while balancing the needs of residents, developers, and farmers. All of us who enjoy the beauty and open space of Napa County today are indebted to Mr. Haberger's vision that agriculture is the highest and best use of the land.

The agricultural preserve has ensured that Napa County will be an agricultural center of California well into the future, and the continued source of some the finest wines in the nation and in the world. In addition, the Napa Valley Agricultural Preserve has led in agricultural protection and preservation in California for the last half century, thanks to Mr. Haberger and his efforts.

Mr. Speaker, Mr. Haberger is proof that one person can truly make a difference, as he did in helping establish the Napa County Agricultural Preserve. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor Al Haberger here today.

HONORING THE POLICE ASSOCIA-TION OF NEW ROCHELLE 100TH ANNIVERSARY

# HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, this year, a very special organization in my district is celebrating a remarkable milestone. I'd like to take a moment to honor that organization, the Police Association of New Rochelle, which will reach its 100th Anniversary in 2018.

The New Rochelle PBA has been a vital part of New Rochelle's rich history since 1918. The organization prides itself on the contributions it has made to the community, both inside and out of New Rochelle. Whether its distributing free holiday presents to children; donating turkeys during Thanksgiving for those in need; visiting sick children in medical facilities; implementing search and rescues programs for those with special needs; making donations to various local and national charities; honoring our veterans; or rehabbing properties for New Rochelle families in need, the New Rochelle PBA has always been there for the community.

A 100th Anniversary is a remarkable feat for any organization, let alone one that has been as active and engaged as the New Rochelle PBA. On this wonderful occasion, I would like to send my congratulations to leadership, membership, and supporters of the New Rochelle PBA and thank them all for 100 amazing years of service to our community.

RECOGNIZING THE 100TH BIRTH-DAY OF TRESSIE ELIZABETH BUTT HUMPHREY

## HON. JASON SMITH

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. SMITH of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the remarkable 100th birthday of Tressie Elizabeth Butt Humphrey. Tressie

was born to Henry Clay Butt and Zelma Josephine Slownesky Butt on May 3, 1918. A 1936 graduate of Steelville High School, she married the late Luther Theodore Humphrey with whom she shares two children, Loretta Mae and Selma Jean, as well as six grandchildren, eighteen great-grandchildren, and nineteen great-grandchildren.

Tressie is a former teacher of the Slowensky one-room school house, a lifetime member of the Order of the Eastern Star of Missouri, and the owner of a Missouri Century Farm. Tressie has achieved a great milestone in

her life by celebrating her 100th birthday. She is a woman of character and is greatly beloved by all who know her. She has displayed exceptional leadership, contributing greatly to our society throughout her years. For all of these reasons and many more, it is my pleasure to recognize Tressie before the United States House of Representatives.

RECOGNIZING WILLIAM "BILLY" LEO

# HON. HENRY CUELLAR

OF TEXAS IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. CUELLAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the life of Mr. Billy Leo, an outstanding public servant of La Joya, Texas.

Mr. Leo was born on May 24, 1947 in Laredo, Texas, but lived most of his life as a resident of La Joya, Texas. Mr. Leo led a busy career in public service, first as a member of the La Joya ISD school board, where he would serve as President in 1975 and 1979. Thereafter, he followed the path of his late father by being elected Mayor of La Joya in 1981. He served in this office until 1986, when he became the Hidalgo Country Clerk until 1994. During this time, he also worked as a delegate to the Democratic National Committee. He took up the role of Mayor of La Joya again from 2003 to 2011.

Through his unwavering service to the Democratic Party, citizens and politicians alike began to fondly refer to Leo as "Mr. Democrat." Leo worked tirelessly to bring prosperity and progress to his home community. In 2012, Leo was honored by the Hidalgo County Commissioners court for his service. Mr. Leo was also a dear friend of former Texas Governor Ann Richards. He received the Ann Richards Award in 2014 for his work as part of the Democratic Party.

Mr. Leo is noted as once saying, "I worked hard and cared for my city. That's all I want to be remembered for. I was here and I think this is the best city there is."

Mr. Leo is survived by his wife, Dr. Filomena Leo; his daughter and son-in-law, Noralisa Leo and Eduardo Herranz of Arlington, VA, his son Michael Leo of Palmview, TX, his daughter Lita Leo of La Joya, TX, his son and daughter-in-law Billy Leo Jr. & Anne Leo of Cedar Park, TX, and daughter Letty Leo of Cedar Park, TX; 5 grandchildren; He is also survived by brothers James Leo (Lydia) of Mission, TX; Henry Leo of La Joya, TX; Leo J. Leo Jr. (Martha) of Mission, TX; and sister Nellie Leo of La Joya, TX.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to have the opportunity to recognize Mr. Billy Leo.

HONORING DEPUTY ZACKARI PARRISH

# HON. KEN BUCK

OF COLORADO IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. BUCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the heroism and bravery of Douglas County Sheriff's Deputy Zackari Parrish. On December 31, 2017, Deputy Parrish responded with fellow law enforcement officers to a domestic disturbance call and subsequently fell in the line of duty. On behalf of myself and the 4th Congressional District of Colorado, I wish to express my deepest admiration to him for his sacrifice and my sincerest sympathy to his family, friends, and colleagues.

Deputy Parrish's bravery on that morning and his attempts to talk down the gunman were lauded by his commanding officers. But sadly, Douglas County lost one of its finest on that day. We can never repay the sacrifice made by Deputy Parrish, but we can commit ourselves to never forget the price he willingly paid for us.

Mr. Speaker, I am confident that Deputy Parrish's courage will live on in the lives of his family members, in the actions of his fellow colleagues, and in the hearts of our Colorado community. I am thankful for the men and women like him who stand up for righteousness in this world. HONORING ROBERTA ROBINSON-FRAZIER

## HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

OF NEW YORK IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, It is my great honor to recognize an individual who has served her community with great distinction for many years, both personally and professionally, Ms. Roberta Robinson-Frazier.

Roberta taught elementary school in NYC public schools for 35 years and served as a Legislative Aide to my friend and colleague in government, Assemblyman J. Gary Pretlow. She currently serves on the Community Advisory Board of Rockland Community Mental Health Center—Yonkers, Inc. and is co-ward leader of the 3rd Ward of the Yonkers Democratic Party. Roberta is also a member of the Black Women's Political Caucus of West-chester, WESPAC, and the Yonkers branch of the NAACP. She was secretary of the Hudson River Community Association for many years and has served on the boards of the YWCA and the South Yonkers Youth Council.

Roberta's work has been recognized by a wide-array of civic organizations. She received the Humanitarian Award from the Yonkers YWCA, the NYCLU Myron Isaacs Community Service Award, the Martin Luther King Drum Major Award for community activism, and was an honorary Grand Marshall of the Yonkers African-American Heritage Festival.

This year, Philipse Manor Hall in Yonkers is honoring Roberta with their 2018 Patron Saints of Yonkers Award. The honor is welldeserved. On this special occasion, I'd like to extend my congratulations to Roberta and thank her for all she has done to better our community.

TRIBUTE TO U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION AGENTS AND OFFICERS

# HON. MARTHA McSALLY

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Ms. McSALLY. Mr. Speaker, the mission of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) is broad and diverse. The men and women of CBP protect our borders at and between ports of entry; they protect the American people against terrorists and the instruments of terror; and, they enforce the laws of the United States while fostering our Nation's economic security through lawful cross-border commerce and travel. CBP employees provide selfless service to their nation and they do so with honor and distinction under an everpresent threat.

I would like to pay tribute to the agents and officers who lost their lives in the service of our Nation. We owe them more than a tribute on this day, but our gratitude begins with that.

Lawrence B. Pierce; Supervisory Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Border Patrol; Chula Vista, California; End of Watch: August 17, 1995.

James P. Epling; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Yuma, Arizona; End of Watch: December 16, 2003. Travis W. Attaway; Senior Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Harlingen, Texas; End of Watch: September 19, 2004.

Jeremy M. Wilson, Senior Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Harlingen, Texas; End of Watch: September 19, 2004.

George B. Debates; Senior Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Casa Grande, Arizona; End of Watch: December 19, 2004.

Nicholas D. Greenig; Senior Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Tucson, Arizona; End of Watch: March 14, 2006.

David N. Webb; Senior Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Ajo, Arizona: End of Watch: November 3, 2006.

Ramon Nevarez, Jr.; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Lordsburg, New Mexico; End of Watch: March 15, 2007.

David J. Tourscher; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Lordsburg, New Mexico; End of Watch: March 16, 2007. Clinton B. Thrasher; Air Interdiction

Clinton B. Thrasher; Air Interdiction Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; McAllen, Texas; End of Watch: April 25, 2007. Richard Goldstein; Border Patrol Agent;

U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Indio, California; End of Watch: May 11, 2007. Robert F. Smith; Air Interdiction Agent;

U.S. Customs and Border Protection; El Paso, Texas; End of Watch: May 22, 2007.

Eric N. Cabral; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Boulevard, California; End of Watch: July 26, 2007.

Julio E. Baray; Air Interdiction Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; El Paso, Texas; End of Watch: September 24, 2007.

Luis A. Aguilar; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Yuma, Arizona; End of Watch: January 19, 2008.

Jarod C. Dittman; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; San Diego, California; End of Watch: March 30, 2008.

Nathaniel A. Afolayan; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Artesia, New Mexico; End of Watch: May 1, 2009.

Cruz C. McGuire; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Del Rio, Texas; End of Watch: May 21, 2009.

Robert W. Rosas, Jr.; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Campo, California; End of Watch: July 23, 2009.

Mark F. Van Doren; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Falfurrias, Texas; End of Watch: May 24, 2010.

Charles F. Collins II; CBP Officer; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Anchorage, Alaska; End of Watch: August 15, 2010.

Michael V. Gallagher; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Casa Grande, Arizona; End of Watch: September 2, 2010.

John R. Zykas; CBP Officer; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; San Diego, California; End of Watch: September 8, 2010.

Brian A. Terry; Border Patrol Ágent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Naco Cochise, Arizona; End of Watch: December 15, 2010.

Hector R. Clark; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Yuma, Arizona; End of Watch: May 12, 2011.

Eduardo Rojas, Jr.; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Yuma, Arizona; End of Watch: May 12, 2011.

Leopoldo Cavazos, Jr., Border Patrol Agent, U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Fort Hancock, Texas; End of Watch: July 6, 2012.

James R. Dominguez; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Cline, Texas; End of Watch: July 19, 2012. Jeffrey Ramirez; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Laredo, Texas; End of Watch: September 15, 2012.

Nicholas J. Ivie; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Bisbee, Arizona; End of Watch: October 2, 2012.

David R. Delaney; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Big Bend National Park, Texas; End of Watch: November 2, 2012.

Darrell J. Windhaus; CBP Officer; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Brownsville, Texas; End of Watch: December 29, 2013.

Alexander I. Giannini; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Benson, Arizona; End of Watch: May 28, 2014.

Javier Vega, Jr.; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Santa Monica, Texas; End of Watch: August 3, 2014.

Tyler R. Robledo; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Carrizo Springs, Texas; End of Watch: September 12, 2014.

Jose D. Barraza; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Sierra Blanca, Texas; End of Watch: April 18, 2016.

Manuel A. Alvarez; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Casa Grande, Arizona; End of Watch: August 11, 2016.

David Gomez; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; El Paso, Texas; End of Watch: November 16, 2016.

Isaac Morales; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; El Paso, Texas; End of Watch: May 24, 2017.

Rogelio Martinez; Border Patrol Agent; U.S. Customs and Border Protection; El Paso, Texas; End of Watch: November 19, 2017.

#### RECOGNIZING PRESIDING JUDGE GEORGE B. DANIELS

## HON. NYDIA M. VELAZQUEZ

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize and extend my sincerest wishes to Presiding Judge George B. Daniels of the United States District Court of Southern District in New York on the occasion of his 65th birthday and life of service.

Judge Daniels began his legal career as a criminal defense attorney for the Legal Aid Society of New York, one of the oldest non-profit providers of legal aid across the nation. Judge Daniels earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in American Studies from Yale University in 1975. In 1978, obtained a law degree from the University of California, Berkeley. Among other accomplishments in a distinguished career, in February of 2000, he was appointed to the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, where he serves today.

Judge Daniels is an adjunct Professor at Brooklyn Law School, serves on numerous boards and commissions and is engaged with many law and professional organizations. The members of New York's legal community are grateful for his service and are inspired by his lifelong contributions towards strengthening our judicial system to protect and uphold the rights and liberties of all Americans.

I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking Judge George B. Daniels for his life-time of public service and to wish him a memorable 65th birthday.

#### HONORING DEPUTY TAYLOR DAVIS

#### HON. KEN BUCK

OF COLORADO IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. BUCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the heroism and bravery of Douglas County Sheriff's Deputy Taylor Davis. On December 31, 2017, Deputy Davis responded with fellow law enforcement officers to a domestic disturbance call where she was wounded in the line of duty. On behalf of myself and the 4th Congressional District of Colorado, I would like to express my sincerest appreciation for Deputy Davis' service to our community. I admire her courage and willingness to stand in harm's way so that the innocent may be protected.

Deputy Davis has committed her life to protecting Americans through her service in the San Diego Sheriff's Office, the Black Hawk Police Department, and then the Douglas County Sheriff's Office.

During the incident on December 31st Deputy Davis received gunshot wounds from a gunman who had barricaded himself inside an apartment complex. As Deputy Davis now confronts her own physical and emotional healing, she will also carry the burden of knowing that one of her fellow deputies didn't make it away from the incident alive. For a profession that treats each other like family, the loss of a colleague is especially painful.

We must never forget the sacrifices paid by our men and women in uniform. Our nation's law enforcers are vital to the safety of Colorado communities. On behalf of the citizens of the 4th Congressional District of Colorado, I extend my best wishes and deepest gratitude to Deputy Davis.

RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING DR. ROBERT UNDERWOOD FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE ISLAND ON HIS RETIREMENT AS PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF GUAM

## HON. MADELEINE Z. BORDALLO

OF GUAM

### IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Ms. BORDALLO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and commend Dr. Robert A. Underwood for his service to the people of Guam as the 10th President of the University of Guam. Robert has served as the longest president of the university and retired on May 4, 2018.

Robert was born in Guam in 1948 and educated in Guam and California. He was my predecessor here in Congress, and represented our island in this House during the 103rd to 107th Congresses from 1993 to 2003.

Robert's career has been one of exceptional service to our island and people. He became the 10th President of the University of Guam on May 19, 2008 and has since implemented numerous initiatives over the past decade. Upon becoming the l0th President, Robert refined the institution's mission to "Ina, Diskubre, Setbe", to transform UOG to the age of globalization, sustainability, and performance improvements. Robert led the University of Guam to receive a record eight years of accreditation in 2008, and resulting in another record 8 years of accreditation in 2016. During his tenure as president, enrollment at the University of Guam increased by 16 percent and graduation rates improved by 5.5 percent. Numerous undergraduate and graduate degree programs were implemented, as well as financial assist-

were implemented, as well as financial assistance opportunities to attend the University and for off-island travel through student exchange programs or short-term activities to expand and improve the student experience. Robert led the effort to improve financial accountability which resulted in the University being designated as a federal low-risk auditee from 2008 through 2011 and 2015 through 2017.

He guided an aggressive fundraising effort for the capital improvements campaign through the UOG Endowment Foundation which currently totals over \$3 million. Robert established the Research Corporation of the University of Guam (RCUOG) to create an efficient and effective environment to support management of its federal grants portfolio and today provides support to the 84 different grants and contract projects equating to \$12.3 million. He ensured engagement with the Guam Open Research & Education Exchange (GOREX) initiative to expand UOG's technological capabilities and outreach with the Region, Asia, Australia, Hawaii, and mainland United States.

Additionally, Robert established the President Lecture Series as a way for leaders to speak with students regarding unique or highly visible topics, and where students and the island community can dialog and grow from the experience. He reinstituted the Triton Athletics Program through the new Athletics Director to increase student recruitment. Robert also led UOG Green strategic initiatives and conducted nine annual UOG Regional Conferences on Island Sustainability to address local, regional, and global matters in areas of responsible environmental stewardship, strong economic development, and social progress and wellbeing.

Robert made many indelible contributions to the University of Guam and our community at large. On behalf of the people of Guam, I congratulate Dr. Robert A. Underwood on his vast accomplishments and service to Guam. I extend my sincere gratitude to Robert's five children, two grandchildren and his wife, former Guam Senator Nerissa Bretania Underwood for their support of Robert throughout the years. Again, I thank Robert for his leadership in moving our island forward, and I look forward to many more years of service for the people of Guam.

#### HONORING JOANNE ROBINSON-BOETTCHER

# HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a true public servant, Ms. Joanne Robinson-Boettcher, an individual who through her personal and professional work has left an indelible mark on her community and the people who live in it.

Joanne was a New York City schoolteacher, a public relations specialist at General Foods,

and an independent image consultant on industrial television projects. She currently serves on the Board of Directors of Peace Action New York State and is a member of the Black Women's Political Caucus of Westchester and the Yonkers branch of the NAACP. She has also served as a co-chair of Women of Westchester, a delegate to the UN for Peace Action International and has served on numerous boards, including My Sisters' Place, WESPAC, and the Friends of Philipse Manor Hall.

As if this resume wasn't impressive enough, in 1990 Joanne was named Woman of the Year for Westchester County, and has also been an honorary Grand Marshall of the Yonkers African-American Heritage Festival. She was the recipient of the Alice C. Scott Award for Dedicated Community Leadership, the Martin Luther King Drum Major Award for community activism, and the NYCLU Myron Isaacs Community Service Award.

In short, Joanne Robinson-Boettcher has done a tremendous amount of wonderful work to better our world. This year, the Friends of Philipse Manor Hall in Yonkers is honoring Joanne with their 2018 Patron Saints of Yonkers award. They have chosen a terrific honoree. Congratulations to Joanne on receiving this well-deserved honor.

HONORING THE 100TH ANNIVER-SARY OF CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF ES-TABLISHMENT OF THE CZECH AND SLOVAK REPUBLICS

## HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. CLEAVER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate two significant anniversaries for two of America's closest allies. One hundred years ago, Czechoslovakia was formed through the Pittsburgh Agreement following the dissolution of the Austro-Hungarian Empire at the end of World War I. Additionally, this year marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of Czechoslovakia, from what many refer to as the "Velvet Revolution of 1989" or the "Gentle Revolution," peacefully becoming two democratic countries by mutual consent: the Czech Republic and the Slovak Republic on January 1, 1993. The Pittsburgh Agreement and the Velvet or Gentle Revolution, whichever you prefer, are monumental events for these great nations as it opened the door for democracy and prosperity for the people of the former Austro-Hungarian Empire.

During their brief history as independent, democratic nations, both the Czech Republic and Slovak Republic have formally become members of the European Union, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and the United Nations, showcasing their commitment to democracy through institutional participation and military cooperation in NATO missions around the globe.

Let it also be known that the Czech Republic has a local tie to Missouri's Fifth Congressional District. When applying for admission into NATO, the Czech Republic had the official documents signed at the Truman Presidential Library in Independence, Missouri. Visiting diplomats from the Czech and Slovakian governments will gather again May 15–16, 2018 in Kansas City for a diplomatic luncheon and to commemorate the anniversary of the Czechoslovakian Declaration of Independence, which officially created the nation state of Czechoslovakia in 1918.

Mr. Speaker, please join me and all of Missouri's Fifth Congressional District in expressing our sincerest congratulations to the Czech Republic and the Slovak Republic for their monumental achievements in independence and their tireless efforts in promoting democracy, not only within their borders, but throughout the world. I urge all of my colleagues and fellow citizens across the country to join me in showing our appreciation to these two great nations and their commitment to continued friendship with the United States and democracies everywhere.

> HONRING OFFICER THOMAS O'DONNELL

# HON. KEN BUCK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. BUCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the heroism and bravery of Castle Rock Police Department Officer Thomas O'Donnell. On December 31, 2017, Officer O'Donnell responded with fellow law enforcement officers to a domestic disturbance call where he was wounded in the line of duty. On behalf of myself and the 4th Congressional District of Colorado, I would like to express my sincerest appreciation for Officer O'Donnell's service to our community. I admire his courage and willingness to stand in harm's way so that the innocent may be protected.

Officer O'Donnell has committed his life to protecting citizens through his service in law enforcement for the past 17 years, including his work for the Castle Rock Police Department since 2008. He also serves as an Entry Team Leader on the Douglas County Regional SWAT Team.

During the incident on December 31st, Officer O'Donnell received gunshot wounds from a gunman who had barricaded himself inside an apartment complex. As Officer O'Donnell confronts his own physical and emotional healing, he will also carry the burden of knowing that one of his fellow law enforcement officers did not make it away from the incident alive. For a profession that treats each other like family, the loss of a colleague is especially painful.

We must never forget the sacrifices paid by our men and women in uniform. Our nation's law enforcers are vital to the safety of Colorado communities. On behalf of the citizens of the 4th Congressional District of Colorado, I extend my best wishes and deepest gratitude to Officer O'Donnell.

COMMEMORATING NATIONAL POLICE WEEK

## HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, as a member of the Law Enforcement Caucus and

the Ranking Member of the Judiciary Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations, I rise to commemorate National Police Week, which runs from May 13 through May 19.

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It is altogether fitting and proper that we do this.

The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial is the nation's monument to law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty.

Dedicated on October 15, 1991, the Memorial honors federal, state and local law enforcement officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice for the safety and protection of our nation and its people.

Carved on its walls are the names of 21,541 officers who have been killed in the line of duty throughout U.S. history, dating back to the first known death in 1791.

Added to the Wall this year will be the names of the 129 police officers killed in the line of duty in 2017.

Mr. Speaker, enshrined on the Memorial Wall of Honor also are the names of 1,731 fallen peace officers from the state of Texas, the most of any state, including 115 members of the Houston Police Department who gave their lives to keep their city safe.

Mr. Speaker, today there are more than 900,000 law enforcement personnel serving the people of our country, the highest amount ever.

About 12 percent of them are female.

These brave men and women risk their lives to keep the peace and keep us safe but they are too often taken by the violence they are working to prevent.

Every year, a law enforcement officer is killed somewhere in the United States every 58 hours, and there are also 58,627 assaults against our law officers each year, resulting in 16,667 injuries.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to represent the people of the 18th Congressional District of Texas in paying tribute to the 129 fallen heroes who will be joining the 21,541 gallant men and women who gave the last full measure of devotion to the communities they took an oath to protect and serve.

Among those fallen Texans are Sergeant Steve Albert Perez of the Houston Police Department whose watch ended on September 7, 2017, when he drowned answering the call of service during the severe flooding caused by Hurricane Harvey; and Assistant Chief Deputy Clinton Greenwood of Harris County Constable Office, Precinct 3, whose watch ended April 3, 2017 when he was ambushed when he arrived to work at the Baytown, Texas Courthouse.

Mr. Speaker, I ask for a moment of silence in memory of the 129 officers whose names will be added to the National Peace Officers Memorial Wall of Honor.

HOUSTON LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

MEMORIALIZED ON THE WALL OF HONOR

1. Timothy Scott Abernethy; End of Watch: December 7, 2008; Houston, Texas, P.D.

2. Charles H Baker; End of Watch: August 16, 1979; Houston, Texas, P.D.

3. Johnny Terrell Bamsch; End of Watch: January 30, 1975; Houston, Texas, P.D.

4. Claude R Beck; End of Watch: December 10, 1971; Houston, Texas, P.D.

 Jack B Beets; End of Watch: March 30, 1955; Houston, Texas, P.D.
 Troy A Blando; End of Watch: May 19,

1999; Houston, Texas, P.D.

 James Charles Boswell; End of Watch: December 9, 1989; Houston, Texas, P.D.
 C E Branon; End of Watch: March 20,

1959; Houston, Texas, P.D.
9. John M Cain; End of Watch: August 3,

1911; Houston, Texas, P.D.

10. Richard H Calhoun; End of Watch: October 10, 1975; Houston, Texas, Police Department

11. Dionicio M Camacho; End of Watch: October 23, 2009: Harris County, Texas, S.O.

12. Henry Canales; End of Watch: June 23, 2009: Houston Texas, P.D.

13. Frank Manuel Cantu Jr; End of Watch: March 25. 2004: Houston, Texas, P.D.

14. E C Chavez; End of Watch: September

17, 1925; Houston, Texas, P.D. 15. Charles Roy Clark; End of Watch: April

3, 2003; Houston, Texas, P.D.16. Charles Robert Coates II; End of Watch:

February 23, 1983; Houston, Texas, P.D. 17. Pete Corrales; End of Watch: January

25, 1925; Houston, Texas, P.D.18. Rufus E Daniels; End of Watch: August

23, 1917; Houston, Texas, P.D.19. Johnnie Davidson; End of Watch: Feb-

ruary 19, 1921; Houston, Texas, P.D. 20. Worth Davis; End of Watch: June 17,

1928; Houston, Texas, P.D.

21. Keith Alan Dees; End of Watch: March 7, 2002; Houston, Texas, P.D.

22. Reuben Becerra Deleon Jr; End of Watch: October 26, 2005; Houston, Texas, P.D. 23. William Edwin Deleon; End of Watch:

March 29, 1982; Houston, Texas, P.D. 24. Floyd T Deloach Jr; End of Watch: June

30, 1965; Houston, Texas, P.D. 25. George D Edwards; End of Watch: June

25. George D Edwards; End of Watch: June 30, 1939; Houston, Texas, P.D.

26. Dawn Suzanne Erickson; End of Watch: December 24, 1995; Houston, Texas, P.D.

27. J C Etheridge; End of Watch: August 23, 1924; Houston, Texas, P.D.

28. James E Fenn; End of Watch: March 14, 1891; Houston, Texas, P.D.

29. E D Fitzgerald; End of Watch: September 30, 1930; Houston, Texas, P.D.

30. C Edward Foley; End of Watch: March 10, 1860; Houston, Texas, P.D.

31. Joseph Robert Free; End of Watch: October 18, 1912; Houston, Texas, P.D.

32. Guy P Gaddis; End of Watch: January 31, 1994; Houston, Texas, P.D.

33. James T Gambill; End of Watch: December 1, 1936; Houston, Texas, P.D.

34. Florentino M Garcia Jr; End of Watch: November 10, 1989; Houston, Texas, P.D.

35. Ben Eddie Gerhart; End of Watch: June

26, 1968; Houston, Texas, P.D.36. G Q Gonzalez; End of Watch: February

28, 1960; Houston, Texas, P.D. 37. Charles R Gougenheim; End of Watch:

April 30, 1955; Houston, Texas, P.D. 38. Carl Greene; End of Watch: March 14,

1928; Houston, Texas, P.D. 39. Leon Griggs; End of Watch: January 31,

1970; Houston, Texas, P.D. 40. Maria Michelle Groves; End of Watch: April 10, 1987; Houston, Texas, P.D.

41. Gary Allen Gryder; End of Watch: June 29, 2008; Houston, Texas, P.D.

42. Antonio Guzman Jr; End of Watch: January 9, 1973; Houston, Texas, P.D.

43. Howard B Hammond; End of Watch: August 18, 1946; Houston, Texas, P.D.

44. James Donald Harris; End of Watch: July 13, 1982; Houston, Texas, P.D.

45. David Michael Healy; End of Watch: No-

vember 12, 1994; Houston, Texas, P.D. 46. Timothy A Hearn; End of Watch: June

1978; Houston, Texas, P.D.
 47. Oscar Hope; End of Watch: June 22, 1929;

Houston, Texas, P.D. 48. Elston M Howard; End of Watch: July

48. Elston M Howard; End of Watch: July 20, 1988; Houston, Texas, P.D.

49. David Huerta; End of Watch: September 19, 1973; Houston, Texas, P.D.

50. James Bruce Irby; End of Watch: June 27, 1990; Houston, Texas, P.D.

51. Bobby L James; End of Watch: June 26, 1968; Houston, Texas, P.D.

May 15, 2018

52. John C James; End of Watch: December 12, 1901; Houston, Texas, P.D.

53. Rodney Joseph Johnson; End of Watch: September 21, 2006; Houston, Texas, P.D. 54. Ed Jones; End of Watch: September 13,

1929; Houston, Texas, P.D. 55. P P Jones; End of Watch: January 30.

55. P P Jones; End of Watch: January 30, 1927; Houston, Texas, P.D.

56. Frank L Kellogg; End of Watch: November 30, 1955; Houston, Texas, P.D.

57. S A Buster Kent; End of Watch: January 12, 1954; Houston, Texas, P.D.

58. James F Kilty; End of Watch: April 8, 1976; Houston, Texas, P.D.

59. Kent Dean Kincaid; End of Watch: May 23, 1998; Houston, Texas, P.D.

60. Louis R Kuba; End of Watch: May 17, 1967; Houston, Texas, P.D.

61. J D Landry; End of Watch: December 3, 1930; Houston, Texas, P.D.

62. Robert Wayne Lee, End of Watch: Janu-

ary 31, 1971; Houston, Texas, P.D. 63. Fred Maddox Jr; End of Watch: Feb-

ruary 24, 1954; Houston, Texas, P.D. 64. Eydelmen Mani; End of Watch: May 19,

2010; Houston, Texas, P.D.65. A P Marshall; End of Watch: November

8, 1937; Houston, Texas, P.D.
66. Charles R McDaniel; End of Watch: Au-

gust 4, 1963; Houston, Texas, P.D. 67. E G Meinke: End of Watch: August 23.

1917; Houston, Texas, P.D.

68. Harry Mereness; End of Watch: October 18, 1933; Houston, Texas, P.D.

69. Noel R Miller; End of Watch: June 6, 1958: Houston, Texas, P.D.

70. Kenneth L Moody; End of Watch: November 26, 1969; Houston, Texas, P.D.

71. Horace Moody; End of Watch: August 23. 1917: Houston, Texas, P.D.

72. William Moss; End of Watch: September

12. William Moss; End of Watch: September
12, 1983; Houston Airport Police, Texas.
73. Dave Murdock; End of Watch: June 27,

1921; Houston, Texas, P.D.

74. William E Murphy; End of Watch: April 1, 1910; Houston, Texas, P.D.

75. David Franklin Noel; End of Watch: June 17, 1972; Houston, Texas, P.D.

76. M E Palmer; End of Watch: March 24, 1938; Houston, Texas, P.D.

77. Isaac Parson; End of Watch: May 24, 1914; Houston, Texas, P.D.

78. Ross Patton; End of Watch: August 23, 1917; Houston, Texas, P.D.

 Stephen Albert Perez; End of Watch: August 27, 2017; Houston, Texas, P.D.
 80. W B Phares; End of Watch: September

81. Herbert N Planer; End of Watch: Feb-

82. Ira Raney; End of Watch: August 23,

83. Winston J Rawlings; End of Watch:

84. Jerry Lawrence Riley; End of Watch:

85. John Charles Risley; End of Watch: Oc-

86. Sandra Ann Robbins: End of Watch:

87. George G Rojas; End of Watch: January

89. John Anthony Salvaggio; End of Watch:

91. Jeffery Scott Sanford; End of Watch:

92. Kathleen C Schaefer; End of Watch: Au-

93. Robert Schultea; End of Watch: August

94. Daryl Wayne Shirley; End of Watch:

September 14, 1991; Harris County, Texas,

28, 1976; Houston, Texas, P.D.88. Michael P Roman; End of Watch: Janu-

November 25, 1990; Houston, Texas, P.D. 90. Louis L Sander; End of Watch: January

tober 23, 2000; Harris County, Texas, S.O.

March 17, 1991; South Houston, Texas, P.D.

30, 1930; Houston, Texas, P.D.

1917; Houston, Texas, P.D.

ruary 18, 1965; Houston, Texas, P.D.

March 29, 1982; Houston, Texas, P.D.

June 18, 1974; Houston, Texas, P.D.

ary 6, 1994; Houston, Texas, P.D.

gust 18, 1982; Houston, Texas, P.D.

April 28, 1982; Houston, Texas, P.D.

25, 1956; Houston, Texas, P.D.

21, 1967: Houston, Texas, P.D.

S.O.

95. Richard Snow; End of Watch: March 17, 1882; Houston, Texas, P.D.

96. Bruno David Soboleski; End of Watch: April 12, 1991; Houston, Texas, P.D.

97. Jerry Leon Spruill; End of Watch: October 27, 1972; Houston, Texas, P.D.

98. R H Sullivan; End of Watch: March 9, 1935; Houston, Texas, P.D.

99. John W Suttle; End of Watch: August 3, 1959; Houston, Texas, P.D.

100. Cuong Huy Trinh; End of Watch: April 6, 1997; Houston, Texas, P.D.

101. Alberto Vasquez; End of Watch: May 22, 2001; Houston, Texas, P.D.

102. James T Walker; End of Watch: March 8, 1963; Houston, Texas, P.D.

103. Victor R Wells III; End of Watch: October 2, 1980; Houston, Texas, P.D.

104. R O Wells; End of Watch: July 30, 1927; Houston, Texas, P.D.

105. Albert Charles Wilkins; End of Watch: January 6, 1978; Harris County, Texas, C.O.

106. Kevin Scott Will; End of Watch: May 29, 2011; Houston, Texas, P.D.

107. Henry Williams; End of Watch: February 8, 1886; Houston, Texas, P.D.

108. William C Williams Jr; End of Watch: April 16, 1930; Harris County, Texas, S.O.

109. Edd Williams; End of Watch: January 12, 1974; Harris County, Texas, S.O.

110. James Franklin Willis; End of Watch: July 1, 1964; Houston, Texas, P.D.

111. Marvin Alton Winter; End of Watch: December 4, 1937; Harris County, Texas, C.O., Pct. 4.

112. Andrew Winzer; End of Watch: February 18, 1988; Houston, Texas, P.D.

113. Jeter Young; End of Watch: June 19, 1921; Houston, Texas, P.D.

114. Herman Youngst; End of Watch: December 12, 1901; Houston, Texas, P.D.

115. Joe A Zamarron; End of Watch: April 18, 1981; Houston, Texas, P.D.

#### NUCLEAR WASTE POLICY AMENDMENTS ACT OF 2017

# SPEECH OF

# HON. DINA TITUS

# IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 10, 2018

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 3053) to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, and for other purposes.

Ms. TITUS. Mr. Chair, I include in the RECORD a letter from the Office of the Governor of Nevada in support of House Amendment No. 3.

#### OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR,

May 9, 2018. DEAR MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REP-RESENTATIVES, As the House of Representatives prepares to vote on the Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 2018, H.R. 3053, I write as I have done previously, to reiterate the firm and consistent position of the State of Nevada on the proposed Yucca Mountain nuclear waste repository.

My position, and that of the State of Nevada, remains identical to my previous letters to the House Energy and Commerce Committee, Subcommittee on Environment, in May 2015, January 2016, April 2016, and April 2017: the State of Nevada opposes the project based on scientific, technical, and legal merits. And as I have reminded members of this body on previous occasions, under the Nuclear Waste Policy Act (NWPA) of 1982, only the Governor is empowered to consult with the Federal government on matters related to the siting of a nuclear waste repository.

In the past thirteen months as H.R. 3053 moved through subcommittee and committee, Members of Nevada's congressional delegation have communicated our specific concerns about the provisions of the bill. The full committee responded by eliminating the unwise and likely unconstitutional proposals to usurp Nevada's jurisdiction over water resources and air quality. Nonetheless, our primary objection remains the fundamentally flawed adherence to the 1987 NWPA amendments that unfairly and without scientific justification singled out Nevada as the only state where a proposed nuclear waste repository is being considered. The bill continues the truncation of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) licensing proceeding in ways that would limit Nevada's ability to protect public health and safety and the environment.

Yucca Mountain is an unsuitable site for a high-level nuclear waste repository because of its geology and hydrology. Fractured rock above and below the repository tunnels would allow highly corrosive oxidizing groundwater to transport dangerous radioactive material from the waste packages into the water table, where they would be transported to an aquifer from which water is used for a variety of purposes. In 2009, the NRC licensing boards admitted 218 Nevada contentions, supported by over one thousand pages of documentation that challenged the safety and environmental impacts of the DOE license application. If the NRC process is restarted, Nevada will fully adjudicate these contentions through trial-like hearings and cross-examination of expert witnesses. Nevada intends to prevail in this process, which could take five years and \$2 billion to complete, and which will inevitably be followed by years of litigation.

H.R. 3053 continues to ignore the primary recommendation of the Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future, a consent-based siting process for a repository, and again singles out Nevada as the nation's only repository. As I have stated before, if the Congress had embraced such a process when my predecessor, Governor Kenny Guinn, vetoed the selection of Yucca Mountain 16 years ago, we would today be closer to a long-term solution for managing the nation's spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste. As a nation, we should be able to do better than simply repeating this failed exercise, wasting billions of ratepayer and taxpayer dollars, trying once again to force an unsafe site on an unwilling State

BRIAN SANDOVAL,

Governor

BERNADA BAKER AND PAUL WALL

Sincere regards,

## HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, what do a university teacher and a star hip-hop artist have in common? They both care deeply for a young girl named Bella.

Giving back to others comes naturally to Bernada Baker. As a faculty member at Texas Southern University, she shapes and molds her students, encouraging them to think "outside the box" not only about their academic work but also about their professional and personal lives. She is the founder of the Princess Within, a foundation dedicated to empowering young women and giving them the tools necessary to believe in themselves and achieve success as professionals, students, and friends.

But her latest act of generosity tops all of her previous charity.

The devastation of Hurricane Harvey rendered Bella, an innocent infant, and her father homeless after the terrible storm swept away the car that had been serving as their living space. Desperate for help, her father put out a plea on social media for aid in caring for his young daughter.

Baker happened to see his post and volunteered to help babysit the infant. She reached out to some of her friends and managed to raise a modest sum of money to purchase some clothes and crib for her. She was, as she said, "just trying to help."

Baker eventually took Bella into her home as her father began to search for employment. As the days passed by, Baker grew to love the young girl and eventually found that she wanted to adopt her to be her own daughter. Bella's father agreed—it was in his daughter's best interest for her to be under Baker's care and thus consented to transfer his parental rights.

The adoption process is long and expensive, and Baker found it difficult to raise the money required to officially bring Bella into her family.

Cue Paul Slayton, better known by his stage name Paul Wall as one of the most renowned hip-hop artists to come out of Houston. He heard about Baker and Bella, and he thought back to the kindness shown to him by his stepfather growing up, who decided to adopt him after his biological father rejected him. Thus, he decided to come to Baker and Bella's aid.

In conjunction with Cricket Wireless's foundation, Cricket Cares, he surprised Baker with several gifts for Bella and a check for \$5,000 to help her pay to complete the adoption process.

Mr. Speaker, the largesse of Bernada Baker and Paul Wall is an exceptional demonstration of the Golden Rule, and their kindness and love for Bella help make America the great country that it is today.

And that is just the way it is.

IN RECOGNITION OF PASTOR KENT MATTOX AND HIS STAFF SERV-ICE TO THE FREEDOM RIDER CELEBRATION

## HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

### Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I ask for the House's attention today to recognize Pastor Kent and Beverly Mattox and his staff at Word Alive International Outreach church in Calhoun County during the Freedom Riders celebration in Anniston on May 5, 2018.

Word Alive International Outreach was founded in December of 2000. Pastor Kent and his staff went above and beyond measure to help make the celebration a huge success. Their hospitality and service to the community was amazing. It is great people like them that make the difference in servitude. All in all, they made the celebration even C more special for all who attended.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing and thanking Pastor Kent Mattox and the Word Alive staff.

IN CELEBRATION OF MIS-SISSIPPI'S FIRST GOLD STAR MEMORIAL

# HON. STEVEN M. PALAZZO

OF MISSISSIPPI IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. PALAZZO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to announce the unveiling of a new monument in my district, the first of its kind in Mississippi. Today, at the Armed Forces Museum, located at Camp Shelby, a Gold Star Memorial will be introduced to beloved families and friends of our Gold Star veterans, while military officers, dignitaries, elected officials, and others take a first look at this worthy and timely piece of art, history, and honor.

Fortunately, the state of Mississippi, especially my Congressional District, is comprised of thousands of citizens who support and defend American values, including a powerful, respected, highly trained military fighting force.

Our Gold Star families are special to us. Many would agree that a soldier who gives his or her life in service is the ultimate citizen; however, we must also know that those who support that soldier at home deserve recognition, too. The sacrifices of the home-front exist in partnership with the service member's commitment to "protect and defend this nation against enemies, both foreign and domestic." Approximately 1,100 Gold Star families reside in Mississippi, and the list has grown by nearly 400 names since the Gulf War. They all deserve to be remembered.

The location of the first Gold Star Memorial in Mississippi reflects our deep history of military service and sacrifice. Since World War I, Camp Shelby has served as one of America's most respected training and mobilization sites for various military branches. It was the second largest training facility during World War II, and has served as a major training installation ever since. I am proud to be part of the Camp Shelby legacy myself, as well as the U. S. Representative for thousands of families associated with this historic location.

Five Gold Star Memorials will be placed at various points around Mississippi, to include Meridian, Tupelo, the Jackson area, and the Gulf Coast. I am grateful to be part of the unveiling at Camp Shelby, in Mississippi's Fighting Fourth Congressional District.

#### CHILDPROOF AMERICA

#### HON. TED POE

#### OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Tuesday, May 15, 2018

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, human trafficking is a plague on our city, town and nation. It is a menace to our society and must not be tolerated. Fortunately, we have outstanding organizations brave enough to bring awareness to this horrific crime.

Childproof America is a non-profit located in Houston, Texas and founded by Kelly Litvak. Although Kelly has always had a heart for helping at-risk youth, her calling to found Childproof America was inspired by her family's own experience with human trafficking and the resulting impact it had on their lives.

The Litvak's were what you would consider the stereotypical "all-American" family. They lived in an upscale suburban community in Houston, Texas, with top ranked schools. In 2007, Kelly released a faith-based book titled, "Tools 4 Teens", which focused on teen issues to help them navigate through some of the most challenging times in life. The book was translated into a classroom curriculum in 2008, and the nonprofit Tools 4 Life was

formed. Countless juvenile's lives were transformed through a partnership formed with Harris County Juvenile Probation. The stories of misguided youth were often a story at the dinner table for the Litvaks. But Mr. Speaker, no family is immune to human trafficking.

Kelly's daughter, Courtney, was a popular student in Katy ISD. In 2016, Courtney was approached by a fellow peer who was a wellknown basketball player. But, Mr. Speaker, it wasn't an innocent high school friendship. The student lured Courtney into a local sex trafficking ring. When the Litvaks realized what had happened to their daughter, they quickly took action, ushering her out of the state for a few months, trying to protect their daughter from her traffickers. When she returned home to Texas, Courtney turned 18, and ran away from home. To this day, the Litvaks are unaware of where their daughter is. Unfortunately, stories like this are all too common.

Childproof America promotes public awareness and educates the public on the realities of human trafficking. Offering a free online learning curriculum, Childproof America strives to educate and equip parents with the knowledge about the strategies traffickers use to exploit children. The Family Guides Program offers free services to the community, ranging from pinpointing online activity and locations, to intervention, extraction by law enforcement and survivor care. Regular community meetings are held to provide presentations about human trafficking to those willing to be advocates and start a conversation. Childproof America's passion, dedication, and support in educating folks about human trafficking makes our community a safer place.

Human trafficking is the fastest growing criminal industry in the world today. It is occurring in every city and state in the nation. Public awareness is extremely important. We must continue to work together to end human trafficking and provide aid to those that have been victimized by this scourge on humanity. And that's just the way it is.