RECOGNIZING THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF SUMMERCREST ASSISTED LIVING

HON. ANN M. KUSTER
OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Friday, June 1, 2018

Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to offer my sincere congratulations to Summercrest Assisted Living in Newport, New Hampshire on its 20th anniversary.

Summercrest provides vital programs to seniors across the Lake Sunapee Region who need care services but are limited by income. I am so thankful to the healthcare professionals, caregivers, leadership, and staff at Summercrest for their essential role in improving the lives of Granite Staters every day. I remain committed to doing all that I can to guarantee retirement security, healthy aging, and long-term services for our elderly population.

On behalf of my constituents across New Hampshire’s Second Congressional District, I thank Summercrest Assisted Living for the great service it provides to the Granite State and congratulate the facility again on 20 years of operation. I look forward to our continued work together in making New Hampshire an even better place to live, work, and raise a family.

HONORING KENNETH WOODSON

HON. DWIGHT EVANS
OF PENNSYLVANIA
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Mr. EVANS. Mr. Speaker, today, I rise with great honor to salute the Philadelphia Orchestra on its upcoming historic tour through Europe and Israel. I have had the privilege of working to support them over the years during my time in the Pennsylvania Legislature, and now here in Congress. I can’t think of a better cultural ambassador for our country, the Commonwealth, and our great city, than the finely-tuned Philadelphia Orchestra.

With support from Pennsylvania Governor Tom Wolf’s Department of Community and Economic Development and State Department diplomats, and more than 150 Pennsylvania musicians, non-profits, and business leaders, this historic journey starts in Brussels, Belgium, and will wind its way through Luxembourg, France, Germany, and Austria. These historic countries are iconic in their musical backgrounds, having given birth to artists such as Beethoven, Brahms, Poulenc, Wagner, and Mozart.

I take special pride in the Philadelphia Orchestra’s visit to Israel, in partnership with the Jewish Federation of Greater Philadelphia. This visit not only confirms and solidifies the distinct and unique cultural, political, and humanitarian bond amongst the City of Philadelphia, the Jewish community, and the State of Israel. Israel and its people have been continually under siege for ages from the time of Judah Maccabee to today. By recognizing their dignity, honor, and courage, the Orchestra’s visit serves to underscore how important Israel is to the Middle East writ large, and to America. And let me add that the Philadelphia Orchestra should be noted for the diversity of its musicians and staff orchestra’s diversity complements.

I would like to give special recognition to the Philadelphia Orchestra’s director, Yannick Nezet-Seguin, the chairman, Richard Worley, and the leadership at the top who have helped forge ties both near and far. Philadelphia Orchestra Interim Co-Presidents Ryan Fleur and