

On June 1, 1998, the Center opened its doors to America's first responders. Over the past 20 years, the staff of the CDP have provided cutting-edge training to first responders from all 50 states, every U.S. territory and many tribal nations. Through the years, the Center's unique training capabilities have prepared the nation's communities to plan for, respond to and recover from disasters. As the nation's only facility that trains local responders with live toxic materials, the CDP's training builds skills and confidence within the response community that can save American lives in a homeland security crisis.

Since its inception, the Center has continued to expand its facilities and curriculum to better meet the training needs of first responders. Today, the CDP serves an essential role within the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency for helping provide critical training that ultimately helps keep our communities safe.

I am pleased to recognize the staff of the Center for Domestic Preparedness today for reaching this important milestone, and look forward to witnessing its continued service to the nation.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the CDP on this exciting milestone in their history.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO PATRICIA  
KEIFFNER ON THE OCCASION OF  
HER RETIREMENT FROM IBJ  
MEDIA

**HON. SUSAN W. BROOKS**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 5, 2018*

Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Patricia "Pat" Keiffner on the occasion of her retirement from IBJ Media. For the past twenty-three years, Pat devoted her life to providing exceptional service to her co-workers, authors, IBJ partners, and vendors. In her more than two decades of service, Pat published various statewide publications focusing on education and launched over 400 books. The people of Indiana's Fifth Congressional District are forever grateful for Pat's commitment to literature and educating the next generation of Indiana students through her work in publishing.

Before residing in the Hoosier state, Pat earned a Bachelor of Arts in English and Sociology from Morehead State University in Kentucky. She later attended Southern Methodist University, where she earned her Master's in English. Passionate about education, Pat began her career as a secondary and post-secondary English coordinator and instructor at Plano Senior High School in Texas. After four years of teaching, Pat became the Dean of Academic Affairs at Sawyer Business College, and then was Senior Security Coordinator for Northrop Grumman, and later General Manager at the Greater Lexington Chamber of Commerce. These positions led her to Indianapolis where she started her own press firm, Magna Graphic/ Midwest Incorporated. Her leadership at Magna Graphic/ Midwest Inc. prepared her for her career at IBJ Media where she has been influential in the management of various projects and publications.

During her career at IBJ Media, Pat stood out as a leader. Her role in revamping the

graphic production and print processes was instrumental in the financial successes of the firm. Along with her superb management skills, Pat brought her passion for education into the publishing world. Pat started the Custom Publishing division of IBJ Media, responsible for launching several statewide education publications including Next Indiana, GRAD, and Career Ready. The Custom Publishing division is also responsible for producing publications for grades K-10, reaching hundreds of thousands of students across the State of Indiana. Relationship oriented, Pat developed long-term partnerships with the Indiana Commission for Higher Education and the Indiana Department of Workforce Development making these highly respected publications possible. During her time with IBJ Media, Pat's influence reached beyond the education sector.

Pat was responsible for overseeing more than forty custom publications annually for government, not-for-profits, and various industries. She also oversaw the expansion from print to web and mobile apps.

Her many awards are a testament to the exceptional work ethic of this incredibly talented individual. A hard worker, Pat published hundreds of books through IBJ Book Publishing, three of which were picked up by national publishers including Simon & Schuster. Most recently, one of these books received the National Jewish Book Award. Of particular note, Pat published *Breaking Cardinal Rules*, which drew national attention as a #1 best seller of basketball books.

Pat's impact on her community goes far beyond publishing. Rooted in a desire to make positive change, Pat used her extensive expertise to create successful public and private sector partnerships and received the Presidential Citation from Ronald Reagan for her statewide initiatives.

Pat's dedication to her community is evidenced by her service on the boards of Community Health Network Foundation, Little Red Door, Teachers' Treasures, Lugar Series, and Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce's ChamberAction. The Indiana Commission for Women recognized Pat as a Trailblazer as a recipient of the Torchbearer Award for her work with public/private partnerships.

Pat has made a remarkable impression on her community and the lives of her friends, family, and colleagues. She has truly left a legacy of success at IBJ Media that will be built upon for years to come. On behalf of Indiana's Fifth Congressional District, I would like to congratulate Pat Keiffner on her extraordinary career and extend my gratitude for all the wonderful contributions she has made to our Hoosier community. While I know Pat will be missed, I wish the very best to her husband John and the rest of her family as she enjoys a well-deserved retirement.

TRIBUTE IN HONOR OF DR. JO  
MARSHALL

**HON. HAROLD ROGERS**

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 5, 2018*

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Dr. Jo Marshall in recognition of her retirement after a lifetime of dedication as a highly esteemed post-sec-

ondary education administrator in Kentucky and Alabama, including her last 18 years of leadership as President of Somerset Community College (SCC) in Somerset, Kentucky.

Dr. Marshall and her late husband, Dr. Scott Marshall, were a dynamic team with immense passion for post-secondary education, who worked tirelessly to improve access to college degrees and open new doors of opportunity for those most in need. In fact, when the Marshalls first arrived in Somerset, they surveyed the rural Lake Cumberland region and quickly realized the tremendous need for a scholarship fund to help our students pay for tuition. So, Dr. Marshall launched the SCC Foundation, which is a nearly one-million-dollar fund today, making college dreams come true for countless local students.

Despite severe budget cuts and rising unemployment rates, Dr. Marshall guided SCC through some of its greatest successes. She expanded the local campus with several new state-of-the-art buildings, increased enrollment numbers to historic levels, developed key partnerships with four-year colleges and universities to streamline student transfers, and garnered a multitude of accolades for her personal leadership and SCC's achievements.

Dr. Jo Marshall is an incredibly gracious and humble individual who leads with a steady hand and a heart of compassion. She has made a remarkable difference in our community and in the lives of countless students in Kentucky. Although she is retiring, Dr. Marshall has laid a foundation for future success and growth as SCC continues to serve our region.

My wife, Cynthia, and I wish our dear friend, Dr. Marshall, many joyful years of retirement with her children and grandchildren.

HONORING MIRIAM WESTHEIMER  
& JOEL EINLEGER

**HON. ELIOT L. ENGEL**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, June 5, 2018*

Mr. ENGEL. Mr. Speaker, I want to take a moment to honor two individuals who have done outstanding work as part of the Conservative Synagogue Adath Israel of Riverdale (CSAIR) community, Miriam Westheimer and Joel Einleger.

Joel and Miriam found a home at CSAIR that spoke to their divergent backgrounds. Yeshiva-educated, Joel grew up in a Modern Orthodox family in Washington Heights connected to the local Jewish community. Miriam also grew up in Washington Heights, and her family's connection to Judaism was primarily cultural, with shul attendance reserved for High Holidays. They both were drawn by CSAIR's warmth, evident when the Havurah offered to make a minyan after Miriam's father passed away, and when food showed up on their doorstep after their oldest, Ari, was born.

Miriam served on the Education Board and the Social Action Committee; chaired the Gala honoring Rabbi Katz and Shoshi Talesnick; and worked on the Child Protection Committee. She organized the interfaith Seder, developed a partnership with the Creston Avenue Baptist Church, and started regular Israeli folk dance evenings. She also chaired the most recent Capital Campaign, which through