

This bicentennial anniversary marks a great milestone in Austerlitz's history, and serves as an important time for reflection. On behalf of the 19th Congressional District and the U.S. House of Representatives, I would like to extend my deepest appreciation and congratulations to the town of Austerlitz. As the residents celebrate its 200th birthday, I would like to commend them on the success of their small, thriving community and wish Austerlitz continued prosperity in its next 200 years.

CONGRATULATING LIBERTY
COMMON SCHOOL

HON. KEN BUCK

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 7, 2018

Mr. BUCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments of the Liberty Common School in Fort Collins, Colorado, under the leadership of former U.S. Representative Bob Schaffer as their principal and headmaster.

Liberty Common is an exemplary charter school, consistently earning among the very highest standardized test scores in the state of Colorado. Just this year, Liberty Common was ranked by U.S. News & World Report among the top public high schools in both the state and the nation.

Mr. Schaffer represented Colorado's 4th Congressional District from 1997 to 2003, consistently demonstrating exemplary leadership and integrity on Capitol Hill while serving his constituents. During his time in Congress, Mr. Schaffer worked passionately on education policy, fighting for school-choice. Starting in 2010, Mr. Schaffer served as the principal of the Liberty Common High School, and earlier this year became the headmaster of the school's complete K-12 offerings.

On behalf of the 4th Congressional District of Colorado, I applaud Mr. Schaffer and his colleagues at the Liberty Common School for such an outstanding record of excellence. We look forward to their continued success as they educate and prepare the next generation of Coloradans for a prosperous and successful future. It is this investment in our children that makes the work of educators like those at Liberty Common so valuable to our state. Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to celebrate the achievements of the Liberty Common School.

CONGRATULATIONS TO LARRY
YOUNG

HON. BILLY LONG

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 7, 2018

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the professionalism, business brilliance and leadership driven success of Larry Young, president and CEO of Dr. Pepper Snapple Group, who also happens to be a native of Springfield, Missouri.

Mr. Young is the leader of an extensive and passionate employee base, with 20,000 employees in total. These workers are responsible for the making, marketing, selling and distributing over 50 beverage brands. Mr.

Young joined the company in 2006 as president and chief operating officer. Later on, in October of 2007, he became the company's president and CEO.

Mr. Young's business prowess is demonstrated by his active role in helping create a new business model for a fully integrated beverage company. He encouraged the integration of brand ownership and marketing with bottling and distribution operations; centralizing the company and allowing it to build its own independent leading brands with a reliable, consistent and secure route to market. Throughout his almost 40-year career in the bottling industry, Mr. Young has produced and sold virtually every beverage in the Americas, Europe, and Russia.

Mr. Young also holds a plethora of honors and acknowledgements. In 2015, he received the Beverage Forum Lifetime Achievement Award. In 2010, he was named Executive of the Year by Beverage Industry magazine, and was inducted into the Beverage World Soft Drink Hall of Fame in 2008. From 2008 to 2010, he also served as chairman of the board of the American Beverage Association.

Mr. Young represents the hard-working and persistent culture of southwest Missouri. I want to congratulate Mr. Young on his upcoming retirement and I wish him the absolute best in the next chapter of his life.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 7, 2018

Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, on roll call No. 216, I inadvertently voted 'aye.' I strongly oppose the Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act and I intended my vote be recorded as 'nay.'

STANDING WITH GUATEMALA

HON. KEN BUCK

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 7, 2018

Mr. BUCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to send my sympathies and prayers to America's neighbor, Guatemala, as the country bravely faces a tragic natural disaster.

On Sunday, Volcano de Fuego erupted without warning, sending hot rocks, ash, and gas throughout the surrounding villages. Shortly after the volcanic eruption, a 5.2-magnitude earthquake struck off the coast of Guatemala. Unfortunately, dozens of Guatemalan citizens, our neighbors and our friends, lost their lives.

The devastation experienced by Guatemala today contrasts sharply with the beautiful country I visited in August of 2017. I had the pleasure on that journey of meeting President Morales, along with many Guatemalan cabinet officials. We discussed the strong relationship between America and Guatemala, as well as our common fight to end drug trafficking and pursue peace and stability in North America. I am confident President Morales will courageously guide his nation through this time of tragedy.

I am truly saddened to see Guatemala enduring these trying times, but the country is resilient. I ask God to bless the lives impacted by these tragic events, to bless Guatemala, and to bless America.

RECOGNIZING THE 50TH ANNUAL
ALABAMA-COUSHATTA TRIBE OF
TEXAS POWWOW

HON. BRIAN BABIN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 7, 2018

Mr. BABIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas on the occasion of its 50th Annual Powwow. The Alabama-Coushatta are a federally recognized tribe of the Alabama and Koasati people in Polk County, Texas between Livingston and Woodville.

The Alabama-Coushatta nation have called the Big Thicket of East Texas home since the mid-1700's and even pre-date the State of Texas by more than 70 years. The Tribe established a meaningful relationship and friendship with General Sam Houston in the 1800's.

The annual Powwow is a signature celebration for the Alabama-Coushatta. Neighboring tribes throughout the United States and Canada join together to participate in traditional and contemporary Native American dances. This celebration has become a tradition for friends and neighbors to join with the Alabama-Coushatta to celebrate their culture and Native American history.

Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct honor to recognize the history, culture, and tradition of the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas as they celebrate their 50th Annual Powwow. May God continue to bless the people of the Alabama-Coushatta nation.

IN HONOR OF KYLE MATOUS

HON. PETE SESSIONS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 7, 2018

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor my outgoing Chief of Staff, Kyle Matous. Kyle grew up in Temple, Texas, and graduated in 2007 from the University of Virginia, where he studied American Politics and completed his undergraduate degree in three years. Following UVA, he attended law school at Pepperdine University. During law school, Kyle clerked for the Ugandan Commercial Court in Kampala, Uganda.

After law school, Kyle started working on the Hill as a Staff Assistant for the House Rules Committee for Chairman David Dreier in 2012. Then when I became Chairman of the House Rules Committee in 2013, Kyle served as my Policy Assistant for nine months with the committee before moving to work for my personal office as a Legislative Assistant. Shortly thereafter, he rejoined the House Rules Committee as my Policy Director in 2014 and then he became my Chief of Staff on January 1, 2016.

Kyle has been an exceptional staff member of both my personal office and the House Rules Committee. He has shown his dedication to promoting excellence and making the

workplace a fun place to be. I Thank him for all the support and goodwill he has shown each and every one of us over the years.

We wish Kyle boundless success as he leaves the Hill to join the government relations team for the ONE Campaign. Congratulations, and best of luck.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 7, 2018

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, on June 6, 2018, I was not present to vote on H.R. 8, the "Water Resources Development Act of 2018" or H.R. 3249, the "Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant Program Authorization Act of 2018."

Had I been present for roll call No. 238, I would have voted "Yea."

Had I been present for roll call No. 239, I would have voted "Yea."

HONORING POLICE CHIEF JERRY GARNER

HON. KEN BUCK

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 7, 2018

Mr. BUCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the decades of public service performed by Jerry Garner, who retired from his post as the police chief of Greeley, Colorado, on June 1, 2018, after nearly 50 years of work in law enforcement.

In 1968, Chief Garner began his police career as an officer in Victoria, Texas, and he later trained officers in Junction City, Kansas. In 1973, he applied for the opportunity to join the Lakewood Police Department. When he was hired, Chief Garner and his wife, Kathy, moved to Colorado. After retiring from the Lakewood Police Department in 2003, he became the police chief of Fort Lupton, Colorado, and then he moved to Greeley where he became the police chief in 2006. He held this post until his retirement in June 2018.

I had the honor to work with Chief Garner when I served as the Weld County district attorney. His commitment to excellence, integrity, and safety were unmatched. In fact, during the time Chief Garner and I served together, crime in Weld County decreased by 50 percent. Moreover, the chief has authored 11

books supporting America's policing efforts and addressing the issues our officers face. Chief Garner's dedication to his work and sacrifice for his community will live on as his legacy.

TRIBUTE TO ATTORNEY LEWIS MEYERS, J.D., THE PEOPLES LAWYER

HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 7, 2018

Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Attorney Lewis Meyers, an outstanding legal scholar, a regular but uncommon man who practiced law, was a professor, a litigator, an organizer, manger, social activist, political leader and a friend to many. Lewis's leadership roles began when he was a teenager in Houston, Texas where he helped to integrate the Houston Public School System. He led boycotts, protests and other forms of agitation and demonstrations. He was elected president of the NAACP youth council.

After high school, he attended Howard University Law School and the University of Mississippi Law School where he received his juris doctorate degree. Lou was steeped in movement organizations and politics.

He worked for the North Mississippi Rural Legal Services, Chicago State University, Kenny King College, Roosevelt University, Kent College of Law, DePaul University Law School. He was a tenured professor at Kennedy King College. Lewis's work experiences were so varied, Chief Administrator at Bethel AME Church, and a Deputy National Executive Director for the NAACP in Baltimore. Lewis was a member of the following organizations: American Bar Association, Cook County Bar Association, National Association of Criminal Defense Attorneys, National Lawyers Guild, National Conference of Black Lawyers, certified to practice in the United States Supreme Court of Appeals for the third, fifth, seventh, and ninth circuits, United States Federal District Court for the Northern District of California, United States Federal District Court for the north and central districts of Illinois. Lewis was the personal attorney for Rev. Jesse Jackson Sr., Minister Louis Farrakhan, Congressman Danny K. Davis and 27th ward Alderman Wallace Davis.

Lewis was a joiner of organizations in which he believed, Rainbow Push, Chicago Black United Communities, NAACP Southside branch, Teamwork Eaglewood, Fathers who care, New Mt. Pilgrim Mountain Men, Amer-I-

Can, Five Hundred Black Men, Founder NAACP Chapter, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Executive Board New Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church.

I could not attend the funeral because I was scheduled to take two busloads of children and their families to visit their fathers at Sheridan Correctional Facility for Father's Day. Lou would have approved. Lewis and his wife lived a couple of blocks from my district office and could often be seen walking through the Westside neighborhood where he lived and worked. He was known for giving free legal advice and often handled legal cases pro-bono. He was devoted to his wife and family, and LOVED Houston.

HONORING DAVID EADES

HON. STEVE STIVERS

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, June 7, 2018

Mr. STIVERS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on behalf of the people of Ohio's 15th Congressional District to celebrate the life and legacy of one of London, Ohio's most distinguished citizens, a man who devoted his life to the service of others, Mr. David Eades.

Mr. Eades nobly and proudly served his community as an elected official for the majority of his life, first as a city councilman for a decade, then as the city's longest-serving mayor, retiring after 24 years.

To attempt to quantify Mr. Eades' impact is impossible. He shepherded a period of tremendous growth for London, as the population increased by over 2,000 citizens, and he always fought for what he believed was best for his neighbors. Known to spar with the city council, he pushed for major infrastructure reforms that eased daily life for the citizens of London, and helped to secure major grants to improve residential housing in the city. He had big ideas and never shied away from the work that might be required to bring them to fruition.

Like a pebble dropped in a pond, the ripples created by Mr. Eades' life and work are far-reaching. His legacy will live on in the memories of those who knew him and loved him: his children, Greg and his wife Barb, Marc, Amber and her husband Lawrence, and Megan; his eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and the rest of his extended family.

London, Ohio is undeniably a better place because of Mr. David G. Eades and the tremendous life of public service he lived, and I am honored to celebrate his legacy.