Woman of Achievement by the Kappa Foundation. Mrs. Jones has impacted countless lives through her career at Wayne County General Hospital and work in the Inkster community.

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Mrs. Jones distinguished herself throughout her 33-year career at Wayne County General Hospital, serving in numerous roles, including Ward supervisor and Worksite supervisor for students involved in Wayne County's Score program. Additionally, Mrs. Jones was a regular contributor to local newspapers and published the Caregiver's Companion, a collection of prayers and reflections drawn from her career and work as a caregiver to her mother. Mrs. Jones has also been active in community organizations, chairing the first federally sponsored food programs in Inkster, serving on the local YWCA Board of Directors, and remaining engaged in supporting many other local organizations. As a result of her service to the city of Inkster and its residents, Mrs. Jones has received numerous awards, including a Lifetime Achievement Award and Key to the City of Inkster from city mayor Byron Nolen. She is well-known in the community for her engagement and activism and remains involved in civic life.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Theola Jones for being named one of The Kappa Foundation's Women of Achievement. Mrs. Jones' work and involvement in the Inkster community has been critical to its growth and development.

#### IN MEMORY OF ARLENE BEVERLY HALLIGAN

## HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Friday, June 8, 2018

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in memory of Arlene Beverly Halligan, who passed away on April 1, 2018 at the age of 82, after a lifetime of public service to her community.

Mrs. Halligan was born on March 30, 1936 in Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, and later moved to San Francisco in the late 1950s, looking .to enjoy the single life in a big city. Not long after, she would meet and marry Jim Halligan, and settle in Marin County to raise their children Shea and Kelly.

Known in and around Marin County as a prominent philanthropist, Mrs. Halligan's most recent, treasured venture was the restoration of Mt. Tamalpias Railroad's historic Gravity Car Barn and Depot, where she once held the position of Project Director for the Mount Tamalpias Association. Working on her passion project to the very end, just weeks before her passing, Mrs. Halligan helped to secure the final steps to bring back to Marin County the No. 9 Heisler from where it has been located in Scotia, California. It was the only remaining locomotive from the Mt. Tamalpias Scenic Railway.

In addition to her extensive community service, Mrs. Halligan was well known around Marin and beyond for her famous Christmas Eve parties, which many residents looked forward to all year long. Mrs. Halligan could also be found playing a lively game of tennis, traveling around the world, passionately discussing politics, or voraciously reading anything she could get her hands on.

Mrs. Halligan is survived by her son Shea Halligan, daughter Kelly Halligan and son inlaw Don LeBuhn, and her three grandchildren Samantha, Andrew, and Mackenzie LeBuhn.

Mr. Speaker, the depth of Mrs. Halligan's service to her community has left a positive legacy across Marin County and the entire Bay Area, and she will be profoundly missed. It is therefore appropriate that we pay tribute to her today and honor her memory.

## TRIBUTE TO GAVIN RODGERS

## HON. DAVID YOUNG

#### OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, June 8, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Gavin Rodgers of Glenwood, Iowa for being selected by the Glenwood Area Chamber of Commerce as their Junior Citizen of the Year. Gavin is a senior at Glenwood Community High School and has received numerous awards and honors for his instrumental and vocal music talents.

Gavin is an accomplished drummer and singer and according to the Glenwood Opinion-Tribune, "Gavin provides drum lessons to younger students and is always willing to give his time at school and to his community. He is known for offering encouragement and inspiration to fellow students and always going the extra mile for others."

Mr. Speaker, it is a profound honor to represent leaders like Gavin in the United States Congress. It is with great pride that I recognize and applaud him for his selection as the Junior Citizen of the Year by the Glenwood Area Chamber of Commerce, and for his commitment to his community and school. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Gavin on receiving this award and in wishing him nothing but continued success in all his future endeavors.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

## HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON

# OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Friday, June 8, 2018

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I was not present for the following votes because I

was very ill and remained in my congressional district in Miami to recuperate. Had I been present, I would have voted YES on Roll Call Vote No. 231; YES on Roll Call Vote No. 232; YES on Roll Call Vote No. 233; NO on Roll Call Vote No. 234; NO on Roll Call Vote No. 235; NO on Roll Call Vote No. 236; YES on Roll Call Vote No. 237; YES on Roll Call Vote No. 238; and YES on Roll Call Vote No. 239.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF LOIS RICH-ARDSON FOR BEING NAMED A WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT BY THE KAPPA FOUNDATION

# HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

#### Friday, June 8, 2018

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Lois Richardson for being named a Woman of Achievement by the Kappa Foundation. Mrs. Richardson has distinguished herself through her civic activism and advocacy on behalf of the Ypsilanti community.

The Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti-Inkster Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity was established on December 6, 1958. The organization was founded in order to foster relationships between Michigan Kappa Alpha Psis, provide leadership to current students at Michigan universities and mentor youth in suburban Detroit. Since its founding, group members have come together to serve the local community in a variety of ways including golf tournaments, college fairs, pancake breakfasts, Meals on Wheels programs and robust scholarship programming. In addition to their myriad civic endeavors, the fraternity honors female leaders in southeast Michigan annually at their "Women Of Achievement" event. This year's honorees include Lois Richardson, a spiritual and beloved leader in Ypsilanti. Michidan.

A lifelong resident of Ypsilanti, Mrs. Richardson received a B.S. in Social Work from Eastern Michigan University in 1965 and has served the community in various capacities during her distinguished career. She is a licensed and ordained minister, having graduated from Freedom Center Bible College in 1977, where she also served as an instructor. Mrs. Richardson has also compiled an outstanding record of public service through her time on the Ypsilanti City Council. She was first elected to the Council in 2000 and has been a strong advocate for strengthening the city's public education system, as well as spearheading initiatives to address the needs of working families and children. Mrs. Richardson's selection as Ypsilanti Mayor Pro-Tem from 2008 through 2016 by her fellow Council members underscores the respect she has earned for her outstanding service on behalf of Ypsilanti and its residents.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Lois Richardson for being named one of The Kappa Foundation's Women of Achievement. Mrs. Richardson has distinguished herself with her work as a public official and through her involvement in Ypsilanti civic life.