

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is with deep respect and sincere appreciation that I rise to celebrate National Hispanic Heritage Month and its 2018 theme, Hispanics: One Endless Voice to Enhance our Traditions. From September 15, 2018, through October 15, 2018, in honor of Hispanic Heritage Month, the people of the United States will once again celebrate the cultures and traditions and reflect on the many outstanding contributions our Hispanic brothers and sisters have made throughout our country's history.

Hispanic Heritage Month, which begins each year on September 15, recognizes the anniversaries of the independence of five Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. Mexico and Chile observe their independence days on September 16 and September 18, respectively. Since its inception as National Hispanic Heritage Week in 1968, which later became National Hispanic Heritage Month in 1988, Americans have taken this time to not only honor the rich culture and traditions of Hispanic Americans, but also to reflect on the tremendous impact Hispanic Americans have had within their communities and throughout our nation. The tireless efforts of generations of Hispanic Americans have resulted in a better America.

America's success is reliant upon the rich heritage and cultural diversity of its people. Hispanic Heritage Month celebrates the many Hispanic leaders and members of our communities who have added to the prosperity of the United States in every facet of our society.

Mr. Speaker, at this time, I ask you and my other distinguished colleagues to once again join me in recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month. Throughout America's history, present, and future, the Hispanic community has played and will continue to play a major role in enriching the quality of life for the people of the United States, and for their outstanding contributions they are worthy of our respect and gratitude.

INTRODUCTION OF A JOINT RESOLUTION, PROVIDING FOR THE DESIGNATION OF A FREEDOM TO CHOOSE THEIR DESTINY FOR THE NATIONS OF EASTERN EUROPE AND EURASIA WEEK

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to join my fellow co-chairs of the bipartisan Con-

gressional Ukraine Caucus to introduce a Joint Resolution, which reaffirms the sovereignty and the freedom to choose their destiny for the people of Europe and Eurasia.

Since the fall of communism, the countries of Eastern Europe and Eurasia have made great progress in developing democratic institutions, free markets, and strong civil societies. Many have demonstrated their commitment to these important ideals through their accession in liberal institutions such as the European Union and that NATO Alliance, which are critical to our national security.

Indeed, the American people have stood with freedom-lovers across this region, to spread the blessings of liberty and democracy to these nations. For this reason since 1959, the President of the United States has proclaimed the third week of July as "Captive Nations Week." This very special occasion shined a light on the plight of nations oppressed by Soviet Russian regime, and continues to reaffirm America's commitment to those dedicated to democracy, rule of law, freedom, and justice.

Tragically, Russia's thirst for power would seek to thwart the forward progress of these nations. Russia seeks to undermine democratic institutions, and thus strengthen its dictatorial and tyrannical hold on that region through hybrid warfare. This includes election meddling, disinformation campaigns, extrajudicial assassinations, the intimidation of journalists, and other forms of despicable behavior. Russia invaded and illegally occupies regions of Ukraine and Georgia, and seeks to rip away these nations' ability to choose their democratic future. It is a shame to have such bestial behavior on this earth.

This resolution builds on the "Captive Nations Week" Resolution, and invites the President through an annual proclamation to set the record straight that all nations have the right to self-determination, territorial sovereignty, and to choose their own destinies. It sends a message to our partners in the region that we stand with those that embrace liberty, instead of those that seek to tear it down. By standing together, we ensure a more democratic, secure, and prosperous world.

IN HONOR OF RICHARD AND MARIA STONE

HON. PETE SESSIONS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor two wonderful Texans, Maria and Richard Stone, who are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary on November 14, 2018.

In addition to being a living husband and father, Richard is a decorated Army veteran who honorably served for over 25 years, including two tours in Vietnam. He then worked for the government in logistics at Fort Sill in Oklahoma. He received the Bronze Star, Army

Commendation Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Combat Infantryman's Badge, Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm, and the German Army Marksman badge in bronze.

Maria and Richard now reside in Frisco, Texas. Congratulations to them on this 60 years of marriage together. May they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many more years to come.

IN RECOGNITION OF A CONCERT COMMEMORATING THE SACRIFICE OF CZECH, SLOVAK, AND CROATIAN PEOPLES IN WORLD WAR I

HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. CLEAVER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of an event taking place in my district, the Fifth District of Missouri, at the National World War I Museum and Memorial in Kansas City, Missouri. On September 13, 2018, the Concert to Commemorate Sacrifice will take place in remembrance of the immense sacrifice of the Czech, Slovak, and Croatian peoples, as well as the centennial of their independence and an end to the Great War. This concert is provided by a global partnership between the National World War I Museum and Memorial, the Czech and Slovak Club of Greater Kansas City, University of Missouri—Kansas City Conservatory of Music and Dance, Embassies of the Czech Republic, Slovak Republic, the Republic of Croatia, and the honorary consuls of the Czech Republic, Slovak Republic, and Republic of Croatia in Kansas City, MO and Kansas City, KS.

A plethora of works from the Czech, Slovak, and Croatian lands will be performed under the direction of William A. Everett, the Curators' Distinguished Professor of Musicology at UMKC; guest conductor and pianist, Ivan Pernicki of Zagreb, Croatia; and Music Director, Rick Mikesic. The concert will prominently feature the national anthems of the United States of America and of the Republics of Czech, Slovak, and Croatia, along with works by famed Czech, Slovak, and Croatian composers such as: Fratišek Drdla, Rudolf Friml, Dora Pjačević, Josip Stolcer-Slavenski, Ján Levoslav Bella, Franjo Marković, Ivan Zajc and Ludwig van Beethoven.

Furthermore, it is important to note that the valiant service and sacrifice of the Czechoslovak Legion contributed to the formation of a sovereign Czech Republic, Slovak Republic, and Republic of Croatia. The Czechoslovak Legionnaires were an entirely voluntary force of 100,000 strong and their contribution to the war effort spanned many conflicts among every front of the war. I cannot think of a more fitting way to honor the sacrifice of these individuals than by a performance of their adopted battle cry, the "U boj", at a concert in their honor, held at a memorial dedicated to all lives lost in World War I.

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Mr. Speaker, please join me in commemorating the centennial of the end of World War I and the many military and civilian lives lost in that conflict and recognizing those who have come together for the Concert to Commemorate Sacrifice.

TRIBUTE TO MASTER CHIEF
PETTY OFFICER JOHN BOUGHTON

HON. SCOTT R. TIPTON

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. TIPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Master Chief Petty Officer John Boughton for his service to both the Third Congressional District of Colorado and the entire nation.

Officer Boughton dedicated 24 years of his life serving in the United States Navy. Once his honorable service came to an end, he used his wealth of military experience to enhance the lives of others in his community, spending 16 years as a naval science instructor at Montrose High School and Olathe High School. His work in the school system helped build the character of countless hundreds of young men and women who served as his cadets in the Navy Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps (NJROTC).

Chief Boughton played an integral role in taking the Montrose High School and Olathe High School NJROTC program to the nationally recognized competitive state championship on three separate occasions. Both schools' teams made their mark as a drill and marksmanship team, becoming nationally ranked in shooting for over 10 years. Chief Boughton's extraordinary care and dedication, positioned his cadets to achieve such success. To create additional growth opportunities for his students, Chief Boughton built the school district's first STEM Sea Perch Tank and began holding Sea Perch Competition games for area cadets several years ago.

As a result of his hard work and commitment to his students, Chief Boughton has been awarded several honors by various organizations in his community. Chief Boughton was named the Colorado Citizen Education Teacher of the Year in 2011 and 2012 by the Department of Colorado Veterans of Foreign Wars. He has also been nominated three times for the Montrose County School District Teacher of the Year during his tenure as a NJROTC instructor.

Mr. Speaker, Chief Boughton has spent his life in service to his country, his community and his students. His work has had an indelible impact and it is my honor to acknowledge his achievements, as well as express heartfelt gratitude for his service. I wish him luck in his future endeavors.

IN REMEMBRANCE OF THOSE LOST
AND THOSE WHO GAVE AND
RISKED THEIR LIVES DURING
THE TERRORIST ATTACKS
LAUNCHED AGAINST THE
UNITED STATES ON SEPTEMBER
11, 2001

HON. SHEILA JACKSON LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, on the 17th anniversary of the attack launched against the United States on September 11, 2001, I rise to remember the victims of that horrific tragedy and those first-responders who risked, and in too many cases, sacrificed their lives to rescue the occupants of the besieged World Trade Center Towers.

The morning of September 11, 2001 is, and will always be, a day like no other.

It is a day all living Americans will remember because not since Pearl Harbor had there been such a dastardly and deadly attack on American soil.

Seventeen years later, my heart still grieves for those who perished on flights United Airlines 93, American Airlines 77, American Airlines 11, and United Airlines 175.

When the sun rose on the morning of September 11, none of us knew that it would end in an inferno in the magnificent World Trade Center Towers in New York City and the Pentagon and in the grassy fields of Shanksville, Pennsylvania.

I stand here remembering those who still suffer, whose hearts still ache over the loss of so many innocent and interrupted lives.

My prayer is that for those who lost a father, a mother, a husband, a wife, a child, or a friend will in the days and years ahead take comfort in the certain knowledge that they have gone on to claim the greatest prize, a place in the Lord's loving arms.

And down here on the ground, their memory will never die so long as I any of the many of us who loved them lives.

Mr. Speaker, as hard as it is to believe, out of a tragedy so overwhelming and horrific, something good and great emerged in the aftermath of September 11.

On that day there were no Republicans or Democrats.

There were no Northerners or Southerners or West or East Coasters.

We were not Red State or Blue State.

We were all simply Americans.

On that day, we were united in our shock and anger and sadness.

We were united in our resolve to defend our country and protect the freedoms that has made America the greatest country in the history of the world.

We lit candles, held hands, helped neighbors, and prayed for our country and its leaders.

A united America can never be defeated as Operation Enduring Freedom showed.

The brave and valiant armed forces of the United States swiftly toppled the Taliban and liberated Afghanistan.

As President George W. Bush announced to the American people and to the world: "Whether the terrorists are brought to justice or justice is brought to the terrorists, justice will be done."

And though he ran and hid for almost ten years, Osama bin Ladin could not hide forever and evade the long arm of American justice, which, under the leadership of President Barack Obama, caught up with him on May 2, 2011.

Mr. Speaker, Americans take care of their own.

Americans cherish freedom. Americans cherish liberty.

And Americans want peace.

Not just for themselves alone, but all persons in every corner of the globe.

Mr. Speaker, ensuring that American is safe and secure and protected from another attack on American soil is the least we owe to the heroic passengers on Flight 93 and to the brave firefighters of the FDNY and officers of the NYPD and the officers and civilians we lost in the Pentagon who gave faithful service to our nation.

Americans want their country to remain safe, free, and invulnerable to another cowardly attack like the one we witnessed seventeen years ago today.

We owe that much to the Americans who lost and gave their lives.

We owe it to them to ensure that their children and loved ones will never again experience such pain, suffering, and loss.

We can do this. We must do this. After all, we are Americans.

2018 LUMINARY AWARDS

HON. PETER J. VISCLOSKY

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. VISCLOSKY. Mr. Speaker, it is with great respect and admiration that I rise to commend the recipients of this year's NIPSCO Luminary Awards. The Luminary Awards were created to honor prominent individuals or organizations for their exemplary leadership. This year's honorees include Dr. Vanessa Allen-McCloud, The Nature Conservancy, Junior Achievement of Chicago, Junior Achievement of Northern Indiana, Denarie Kane, and the Multi Agency Academic Cooperative (MAAC) Foundation. For their outstanding contributions to the community in Northwest Indiana and beyond, the honorees will be recognized at a ceremony on Thursday, September 13, 2018, at NiSource Corporate Headquarters in Merrillville, Indiana.

Dr. Vanessa Allen-McCloud, president and chief executive officer of the Urban League of Northwest Indiana, is this year's recipient of the Community Leadership Award. For her remarkable dedication to public and social service, Dr. Allen-McCloud is worthy of the highest praise.

The recipient of this year's Environmental Stewardship Award is The Nature Conservancy. The organization has protected millions of acres of land and thousands of rivers throughout the world. We are truly grateful for their conservation efforts, here in the community of Northwest Indiana, and beyond.

The Education Award will be presented to Junior Achievement of Chicago and Junior Achievement of Northern Indiana. These economic and mentoring programs prepare students to achieve success and have made a tremendous positive impact on the youth of

our communities. We are truly thankful for their great work.

Denarie Kane, director of development for the city of Hobart, is this year's recipient of the Economic Development Award. The city of Hobart is thriving and will continue to flourish due to Ms. Kane's outstanding leadership and direction, and for her devotion and hard work, she is to be highly commended.

The Multi Agency Academic Cooperative Foundation is the recipient of the Public Safety Award. This noteworthy organization offers safety training opportunities for first responders and provides important public safety for our communities.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you and my other colleagues to join me in commending these remarkable leaders, innovators, and organizations. For their outstanding contributions to the community of Northwest Indiana and their unwavering commitment to improving the quality of life for its residents, each recipient is worthy of the honors bestowed upon them.

REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF JOHN GEORGE ZARCARO

HON. BRIAN BABIN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. BABIN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to remember John George Zarcaro who passed away on August 18, 2018 at the age of 85 from a rare and aggressive type of kidney cancer.

The son of two Italian immigrants, John was born May 6, 1933, in Asbury Park, New Jersey. He graduated high school from LaSalle Military Academy in Long Island, New York. Much to his mother's chagrin, he went on to graduate from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) with a degree in Aeronautical Engineering.

After college, John joined the United States Navy and became a pilot. He flew several planes, but his favorite was the A-4 Skyhawk. John often told the story of flying an S2F Tracker over the Atlantic during a storm when he bypassed landing on a Navy carrier thirteen times because of the ferocious pitch of the sea in darkness. When Zarcaro finally landed the plane on the carrier, the crew celebrated this act (a ship record) by baking him a cake. The story illustrates much about this remarkable man: grace under pressure, determination and skill, and humility.

John continued to serve the country when he joined the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) during Project Mercury. In 1984, he started his own business, Geo-Control Systems, with the help of friends and investors. There, Zarcaro continued his service to the space program. He loved his military and civil service careers and treasured his time working with the immensely talented men and women of this nation's space program.

John or "Z", as many of his friends knew him, spent a lifetime cultivating happiness, adventure, and joy. He met the love of his life, Rose Veronica Gonzalez, in Kingsville, Texas, and they married October 4, 1957. Rose and John celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary and a lifetime of love last year with their family.

John leaves behind a family that will miss him greatly: his loving wife Rose; son John Jo-

seph, daughter-in-law Sandy, and grandchildren John Anthony, Ariana, Sophie, and Nicholas; son Michael, daughter-in-law Sarah, and grandchildren Michael and Emily; daughter Rosanne and partner Chuck, and son Anthony.

Mr. Speaker, as chairman of the House Subcommittee on Space, it is my honor to remember the life of space pioneer, John George Zarcaro.

TRIBUTE TO LINDA AND JIM Crago

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Linda and Jim Crago of Diagonal, Iowa on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary.

Their lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa's values. As the years pass, may their love continue to grow even stronger and may they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many more years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 60 years together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

IN RECOGNITION OF OFFICER RYAN CUENI

HON. DAVID P. JOYCE

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. JOYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I would like to recognize Painesville Police Officer Ryan Cueni for receiving the Medal of Honor on Wednesday, September 5, 2018. Officer Cueni was awarded the honor by the Lake County Chiefs of Police Association for his actions of bravery taken when facing an armed suspect on February 2, 2017. After responding to a reported break-in, Officer Cueni and his partner arrived to the scene to an armed suspect holding a mother at knifepoint while her two children were hiding.

Without regard for his own safety, Officer Cueni climbed over a dresser, turning his back to the armed suspect, and ushered both children to safety. Officer Cueni proceeded to free the mother from knifepoint. The suspect was ultimately tasered by Officer Cueni's partner. Because of Officer Cueni's bravery, all three victims were unharmed.

I am extremely proud to have such a courageous and hardworking officer in my district. After 21 years of service, the City of Painesville is honored to have Officer Cueni protecting its citizens.

CELEBRATING CONEWAGO TOWNSHIP'S BICENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY

HON. SCOTT PERRY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and congratulate Conewago Township on its 200th Anniversary.

Conewago Township formally was created in 1818 from portions of Newberry and Dover Townships. The name "Conewago" is of Iroquois Native American origin, meaning "at the rapids." The Township's authentic natural beauty, underscored by its rolling hills and rich farmland, give our residents great sense of pride in our community. In the past eight years alone, Conewago Township has undergone a significant housing boon, increasing its population from 7,510 to almost 9,000, an increase of nearly 20 percent.

Conewago is the home to two villages, Zion View and Strinestown, the latter being founded in 1800. Residents are hard-working and selfless; their generosity of spirit is perhaps best exemplified in the 200th Anniversary celebration itself; while they will mark a significant milestone in their community's history, they also will have a Red Cross blood drive and donate to Northeastern Food Bank.

On behalf of Pennsylvania's 4th District, I commend and congratulate Conewago Township, Pennsylvania, on its 200th Anniversary and wish our residents the very best in their future adventures.

TRIBUTE TO PHIL NEUENFELDT

HON. GWEN MOORE

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Ms. MOORE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Phil Neuenfeldt who is retiring as President of the Wisconsin State AFL-CIO after 8 years of service in the role. Phil began his career on the shop floor in the manufacturing sector, as an active member of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers. He held various positions of leadership in his local union, including Chair of the bargaining committee where he fought for fair contracts and improved health and safety conditions for fellow workers.

Prior to his election as President of the Wisconsin State AFL-CIO, Phil served as both the Secretary-Treasurer and Legislative Director there. As Legislative Director, Phil Neuenfeldt worked tirelessly to strengthen the Wisconsin labor movement. He advanced a working family agenda which included: expanded ability for workers to organize, protected prevailing wage, defended the Family and Medical Leave Act, promoted teaching labor education in schools, pushed for fair tax codes and closing of corporate loopholes, fought against the privatization of public service jobs and promoted the creation and retention of manufacturing jobs. Phil as President was a central member in the broad coalition that was created to fight back against egregious attacks on labor in 2011 and 2012, and served as a spark that reignited our labor

movement in Wisconsin, the nation and around the world.

Phil has been a proponent of developing strategies to upgrade worker skills and address changes in technology and the economy including initiatives such as the Wisconsin Regional Training Partnership and Worker Centered Learning initiatives that are now national models for training and job creation. He knew the labor movement must continuously evolve in order to stay relevant in today's fast-changing workforce environment. Further, Phil's vision for the labor movement extends beyond current union members and he continually took on projects that not only expanded the sphere of solidarity but improved the lives of all working families. He knows that a key to long-term prosperity and a viable middle-class is a dynamic public and manufacturing sector which is why Phil sought to bridge gaps between labor and the community by advancing economic development projects that benefited both union workers, as well as, the community at large.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to call Phil Neuenfeldt my friend, he is a veteran and a father with deep roots in this community. I am pleased to recognize his strong fidelity to both the labor movement and its mission. I have known Phil for over two decades beginning while he served as Legislative Director and was always a welcomed visitor to my State Senate office. He willingly shared with me and my staff, both then and now, his knowledge and valuable insights about labor and many other issues.

The citizens of the Fourth Congressional District, the State of Wisconsin and the nation have benefited tremendously from his service because he has fought for the AFL-CIO mission: to raise wages, improve workplace safety, protect worker freedom to collectively bargain and for strong contracts that build strong communities to mobilize union members and community partners to advocate for social and economic justice and strive daily to vanquish oppression and make our communities better for all people—regardless of race, color, gender, religion, age, sexual orientation, or ethnic or national origin. I am honored for these reasons to pay tribute to Mr. Phil Neuenfeldt.

IN HONOR OF THE LIFE OF
SERGIO MARCHIONNE

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to the distinguished life of Fiat Chrysler CEO Sergio Marchionne. I extend my sincerest sympathy to the family, friends and colleagues of this gifted executive and business leader. My heart goes out to his children, Alessio and Tyler, as well as his partner Manuela Battezzato. Sergio and I had many interactions and conversations over the years and he is someone for whom I had the utmost respect.

Thanks to his indefatigable attitude and remarkable dedication, he shepherded the company through very turbulent times. After 2004, he worked closely and gained the trust of the Administration leading to the auto rescue preserving a long tradition and legacy of automobiles in Toledo, and across the region.

It will come as no surprise to the generations of workers in Toledo that Jeep continues to be named the 'most patriotic' brand in America. Thanks to the leadership of Sergio Marchionne, today, Toledo's Fiat Chrysler Automobile's Assembly Complex is one of the region's largest and most modern manufacturing plants.

Since 1941 when Willys-Overland first contracted with the United States Military to design the Willys MB, what would become the iconic Jeep Wrangler, Toledoans' life blood continues to run through every Jeep Wrangler in the world. And nearly 80 years later, our region's heritage and connection to Jeep grows stronger each day, being a part of and touching the lives of thousands of families.

Mr. Marchionne uniquely understood the power of the Jeep brand as a sign of America's can-do and industrious culture, tripling annual sales of the brand to 1.9 million automobiles in seven years. As the proud home of the Jeep Liberty, the Toledo community expresses its deepest gratitude to him for his productive life, sparkling imagination and respectful manner to both management and workers. Indeed, he understood in order to create a truly high-quality, global brand, workers need be given first-order priority.

Mr. Speaker, Mr. Marchionne surely left his mark on our community and throughout our auto-producing American Heartland. I am proud to join thousands of workers and others across the region in saluting his life and paying tribute to his legacy.

IN RECOGNITION OF MR. WILLIAM
CARSON "BILL" PROUT

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. WITTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Mr. William Carson "Bill" Prout on the occasion of his retirement from Green Top Sporting Goods, an iconic small business in the heart of Virginia's First District. Bill has dedicated twenty-two years to Green Top, reflecting his lifelong commitment to service and excellence in our community.

Prior to joining Green Top, Bill served our country as a Sergeant in the United States Army. During his tours of duty, Bill served in Aberea, Ethiopia, and Udorn, Thailand before volunteering for service in Vietnam where he served with the Army Security Agency. After his time in the Army, Bill worked at Cherry, Bekaert & Holland for twenty-five years, demonstrating his dedication and determination as a leader. Once at Green Top Sporting Goods, Bill rose through the ranks to become President and CEO, leading through change and example. He oversaw the company's move to their current 67,000 square foot location and their expansion from around 50 employees to over 120. Under Bill's guidance, Green Top has solidified itself as a shining example of small business excellence.

Bill has been married to his wife, Patty, for forty-seven years and has two children, Billy and Corey, and four grandchildren, Andrew, Mattie, Sloan, and Teddy. In his well-deserved retirement, Bill is looking forward to spending time with his family and visiting Virginia Beach, as well as staying active with the

Mount Vernon Baptist Church in Richmond where he has attended for twenty-six years.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you to join me in recognizing the lifetime of accomplishments of Mr. William Carson "Bill" Prout, a true servant, leader, and outstanding member of our community. May God bless Bill and his family as they enter this new phase of life, and on behalf of America's First District, I say thank you.

TRIBUTE TO SHERIFF FRED
MCKEE

HON. SCOTT R. TIPTON

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. TIPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Delta County Sheriff Fred McKee of Gunnison, Colorado for his steadfast service to his community as he prepares for retirement. For Sheriff McKee, service to his country started early. He spent three years in the United States Army and was stationed in Germany. Shortly after his military service ended, his 40-year career as a law enforcement officer in Colorado began.

He started as a dispatcher and detention officer with the Rio Grande County Sheriff's Office and in 1991, he was appointed Under-sheriff of Rio Grande County Sheriff's Office. As a result of his commitment to the community, Sheriff McKee was awarded the San Luis Peace Officer of the year award.

Early in 2000, the spread of methamphetamine reached epidemic levels in the Seventh Judicial District, where Sheriff McKee worked. He was instrumental in the implementation and ultimate success of the Seventh Judicial Drug Task Force that fought the use and distribution of methamphetamine. Sheriff McKee worked tirelessly for the Seventh Judicial Drug Task Force, and he also saw the importance of helping those who were addicted receive treatment.

With the assistance of Colorado Attorney General John Struthers, Sheriff McKee helped to create a comprehensive community response plan to combat and prevent methamphetamine use in 2006, which came to be known as "The Delta Model." He and his officers' hard work on this project led to their national recognition for this innovative program. Today, the program is still running strong thanks to Sheriff McKee's hard work and is now known as "Drug Free Delta County".

Throughout his career, Sheriff McKee made a name for himself in the law enforcement community and with the citizens of Delta County for being fair, honest and involved. Sheriff McKee is not only successful in his professional life, but his personal life as well. Sheriff McKee and his wife Julie, of 46 years, have raised two children, Landon and Shanda, and have been blessed with six grandchildren that keep them busy every day.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Third Congressional District of Colorado, I would like to thank Sheriff McKee for his commitment to justice and service in Colorado. I wish him luck as he enjoys a well-earned retirement.

TRIBUTE TO DIANE AND DEAN
BOVAIRD

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Diane and Dean Bovaird of Corning, Iowa, on the very special occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary.

Diane and Dean's lifelong commitment to each other truly embodies our Iowa values. As they reflect on their 50th anniversary, may their commitment grow even stronger, as they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 50th year together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Diane and Dean Bovaird on this meaningful occasion and in wishing them both nothing but continued happiness.

HONORING LOUISE ROURKE AND
BRIDGET SIMPSON FOR THEIR
SWIM TO FIGHT POLIO

HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Ms. STEFANIK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize Louise Rourke and Bridget Simpson, who swam across Lake George to raise awareness and funds for polio.

Hailing from Queensbury, New York, Louise Rourke is a 64-year-old polio survivor. Diagnosed at only 6 months old, she underwent multiple corrective surgeries and wore a metal leg brace as a child. Despite these challenges, Louise was committed to living an active and healthy lifestyle, and pursued her love of swimming during her youth at her family's vacation home in Lake George.

Later in her life, Louise met Bridget Simpson, a long-distance swimmer who swam across Lake George solo in 2017. The two immediately became friends, both inspired by the other's story. Bridget began coaching Louise on her swimming techniques and encouraged her to pursue her own long-distance swim. The duo decided on a relay swim across Lake George, alternating swimming five to six miles at a time.

Swimming in support of polio research, Louise and Bridget started in Lake George Village at 6:30 a.m. on June 30, 2018, and completed the 32-mile relay across the lake to Diane's Rock in Ticonderoga in under 24 hours. Through their inspiring story, Louise and Bridget raised \$20,000 to help Rotary International's initiative to eliminate polio. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation matched these funds 2-to-1, totaling to a whopping \$60,000 toward the eradication of polio.

I am so proud of Louise's motivation and success in completing her goal, and of Bridget's dedicated mentorship. On behalf of New York's 21st District, I want to give Louise Rourke and Bridget Simpson my utmost praise and thanks for their dedication to eradicating polio.

IN RECOGNITION OF DANIEL J.
SANTANIELLO, THE 2018 COLUMBUS
DAY ASSOCIATION OF
LACKAWANNA COUNTY MAN OF
THE YEAR

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Daniel Santaniello, who will be recognized as the Man of the Year by the Columbus Day Association of Lackawanna County. Daniel will be celebrated during the Association's 110th annual banquet on Sunday, October 7.

Daniel, the son of Anthony and Trudy Quinnan Santaniello, was born and raised in Lackawanna County. He is a graduate of North Pocono High School and received his degree in accounting from Marywood University. Daniel currently lives in Moscow, Pennsylvania with his wife, Tina, and their four children, Angelo, Anthony, Lauren, and Daniel.

Since December 2010, Daniel has served as the President and Chief Executive Officer for Fidelity Bank. Under his leadership, Fidelity Bank's assets have increased by over fifty percent. The bank has been ranked in the "Top 200 Community Banks in the Country" five years in a row by the American Bankers Association and named as the number one community bank brand by a blind market study. Fidelity has additionally been the number one mortgage lender in Lackawanna County for seven consecutive years, according to peer community bank and Home Mortgage Disclosure Act (HMDA) data.

Daniel is dedicated to serving his community and lending his time to many local philanthropic and civic organizations across Northeastern Pennsylvania. He currently serves on the Board of Directors for Pennsylvania Association of Bankers. He is Chairman Emeritus for the Board of Directors of the Greater Scranton Chamber of Commerce, President of the Scranton Cultural Center's Board of Directors, and the 2nd Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors for Friendship House. Daniel further serves as Treasurer for the Prostate Cancer Awareness Foundation, the St. Joseph's Center Foundation Board, and the Lackawanna Workforce Investment Board. He also volunteers his time with the Women's Resource Center, Marywood University, and his local church, St. Eulalia Parish.

It is an honor to recognize Daniel as he is celebrated as the Man of the Year by the Columbus Day Association of Lackawanna County. I wish him all the best and thank him for his service to the community of Northeastern Pennsylvania.

TRIBUTE TO ORVILLE "DEAN"
MCWHORTER

HON. KEN CALVERT

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. CALVERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and pay tribute to Orville "Dean" McWhorter, who passed away in his home in Norco, California, on Tuesday, July 24, 2018.

Dean, a devoted family man, served his nation in the Vietnam War. He will be deeply missed.

Dean graduated from La Serna High School in Whittier, California, in 1969. Not long after graduating high school, Dean joined the Army and was a member of the 101st Airborne Division during the war in Vietnam. After he returned home from Vietnam, Dean began working as an electrical designer at Fluor Corporation and other engineering firms. After 37 years, Dean ultimately finished his career with MARMAC Engineering. After retiring at age 62, Dean and his wife Robin spent time looking for the perfect house and ultimately settled in Norco to be near his children and grandchildren, who meant the world to him.

Dean enjoyed the great outdoors, fishing, guns, hunting, horseback riding, ping-pong, playing pool and camping. He was a devoted Christian, a patriot, and a big sports enthusiast. He loved animals, music, classic cars and motorcycles, a good joke, a great meal, and holiday family get-togethers. Dean leaves behind his loving wife Robin; his daughters Jenny and Brandi; their husbands and children; Dean's oldest brother Lee; Lee's wife Janet; Lee's two daughters Leanne and Kristi; their spouses and children; and Dean's loving mother Delona Louise.

I extend my heartfelt condolences to the McWhorter family, his friends, and everyone fortunate enough to know Dean. Although Dean may be gone, the many contributions he made to his country, community and family will have a lasting impact.

TRIBUTE TO MARGE AND STEVE
PIERCE

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor and congratulate Marge and Steve Pierce of Oakland, Iowa, on their induction into the Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame during a ceremony at the Iowa State Fair. Inductees to the Hall of Fame have demonstrated dedication, encouragement, commitment and guidance to Iowa's 4-H students through the years. Marge and Steve were nominated by the East Pottawattamie County Extension office.

Marge and Steve have been dedicated volunteers for the Pottawattamie County Fair and the East Pottawattamie County 4-H program for over 25 years. They are honorary members of the East Pottawattamie 4-H and have not missed more than one county fair in 40 years. Marge and Steve are the second family generation to be inducted into the Iowa 4-H Hall of Fame. Their commitment to 4-H in Pottawattamie County has helped set the standard of excellence in promoting this organization for the youth of this community.

Mr. Speaker, I applaud and congratulate Marge and Steve Pierce for earning this award. They are shining examples of how hard work and dedication can affect the future of our youth. I urge my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in congratulating Marge and Steve for their many accomplishments in the 4-H community. I wish them continued success and the very best in all of their future endeavors.

HONORING THE WORK OF ST.
JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

HON. KEVIN YODER

OF KANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. YODER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the work of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Shawnee, Kansas. This year will mark the 150th anniversary of the founding of St. Joseph's, and I share in celebrating this momentous milestone. St. Joseph's boasts one of largest Parishes in the Archdiocese of Kansas City and supports both a grade school and an early education center.

The small frontier town of Shawnee was founded in 1857, and one year later St. Joseph's Catholic Church opened its doors to minister to the growing and diverse community. Today, 150 years later, St. Joseph's continues to play an important role in the health and spiritual lives of people in Johnson County. This is a parish dedicated to the education of our youth and the well-being of our community, and I can only imagine the accomplishments the church will amass in the next 150 years. I want to acknowledge the dedication of the congregation and ministry to spiritual growth, and wish them continued success as they share the Good News and meet the ever-changing needs of the congregation and surrounding neighborhoods.

RECOGNIZING KATHERINE L. CRUZ
ON HER WORK AT THE ROCK IS-
LAND ARSENAL

HON. CHERI BUSTOS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mrs. BUSTOS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Katherine L. Cruz on her retirement from the U.S. Army Armament Research, Development and Engineering Center in Rock Island, Illinois.

Ms. Cruz has spent over 34 years in federal civilian service at the Rock Island Arsenal, which plays such an important role in providing our soldiers with the resources they need at war and at peace. In her role as a Product Quality Manager for Small Arms, Ms. Cruz was committed to ensuring our troops were well equipped by manufacturing a variety of products. Throughout her time at the Arsenal, Ms. Cruz gained the reverence of her colleagues due to her attention to detail, deep knowledge of her work and friendly spirit. I would like to recognize her years of service and thank her for her commitment to the Rock Island Arsenal and our troops. I wish her well as she begins to enjoy a well-deserved retirement and exits a role she dutifully performed.

It is because of dedicated and hardworking people such as Ms. Cruz that I am especially proud to serve Illinois' 17th Congressional District. Mr. Speaker, I would like to again formally recognize Ms. Cruz for an outstanding career.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. ANNA G. ESHOO

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Ms. ESHOO. Mr. Speaker, I was unable to be present during roll call vote number 393 on September 7, 2018, due to recent surgery. Had I been present, I would have vote no on roll call vote No. 393.

IN RECOGNITION OF MR. ARTIE
RANSONE

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. WITTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of community leader Mr. Artie M. Ransone of Lively, Virginia. Mr. Ransone has worked tirelessly in our area as an avid volunteer, a small business owner, a model of generosity, and a proud supporter of a grateful community.

In service to Lancaster County, Artie has worked as Secretary of the County Electoral Board, has served as a member on the County Economic Development Committee, has spent ten years as a member of the Lancaster Jaycees, and has spent nineteen years as a volunteer firefighter. Additionally, he has been a long-time member of the Loyal Order of Moose, Lancaster County Lodge No. 2527, where he has served four terms as Governor, and five years as Administrator. Not only has he been an active leader in his local lodge, Artie has also served as District 3 President, President of the Virginia Moose Association, and has been appointed as the Deputy Supreme Governor of Moose International.

Artie characterizes the principles of the Loyal Order of Moose: caring for others, building communities, and celebrating life. For his distinguished service to the community, Artie has been awarded the Administrator's Leadership Award of Excellence, the Governor's Award of Excellence, and multiple Shining Star and Premier Lodge Awards. On September 22, 2018, Artie will be honored once again as he is recognized as a Pilgrim of the Order, one of the highest honors of the Order. He will join an elite group of only 170 Pilgrims out of over 30,000 members in the Commonwealth.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you to join me in thanking and honoring once again Mr. Artie M. Ransone for his building, celebrating, and caring for our community, and for his immeasurable service to Lancaster County.

TRIBUTE TO BETTY AND KEN
MILFORD

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Betty and Ken Milford of Council Bluffs, Iowa on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anni-

versary. They were married on August 2, 1958 in Shields, Kansas.

Betty and Ken's lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa values. As they reflect on their 60th anniversary, I hope it is filled with happy memories. May their commitment grow even stronger, as they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 60th year together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

CELEBRATING THE 85TH ANNIVER-
SARY OF MARTIN'S TAVERN

HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the 85th Anniversary of Martin's Tavern located on Wisconsin Avenue and N Street, NW in Washington, D.C.

In the late 1890s, William S. Martin traveled from Galway, Ireland to America. Forty years later in 1933, William S. Martin and his son, William G. Martin, opened Martin's Tavern on the corner of Wisconsin Avenue and N Street NW in Georgetown. Since then, the warm atmosphere of Martin's Tavern has welcomed neighbors and world travelers looking for great food, service and years of history within its walls. In the late 19th century through the early 20th Century, Georgetown remained a blue collar laborers' port, transporting goods in and out of the Washington region. The Martin family was at the heart of the community, familiar with the many that resided, labored and traveled in Georgetown, setting the tone and spirit of their tavern.

This Georgetown landmark has hosted countless political icons—most notably has been every president from Harry Truman (Booth Six) to George W. Bush (Table 12). Over the last eighty-five years, some of the most significant conversations and events would unfold over the tavern's Irish-American fare.

In the 1930s, Benjamin Cohen and Thomas Corcoran, of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's administration, met in an extension of the tavern's main room called, "The Dugout." Roosevelt's brain trust would hammer out countless New Deal legislation including: the Tennessee Valley Authority, Securities Exchange Act, the Federal Housing Administration, Securities Exchange Commission, the Public Utilities Holding Company Act, Rural Electrification Act, and the Fair Employment Act among other New Deal legislation.

During World War II, Martin's Tavern witnessed the creation of many plans to gain intelligence and eventually assist the allies in winning the war. The Office of Strategic Services, the predecessor of the modern Central Intelligence Agency, held planning meetings and agent briefings in The Dugout.

While they were dating, Martin's Tavern was a favorite spot of then Senator John F. Kennedy and Miss Jacqueline Lee Bouvier. On Wednesday, June 24, 1953, Jackie returned from covering the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II for the Washington Times Herald. That

night he popped the question to her in Booth Three and she accepted.

One evening in 1954 in Booth Two, five Supreme Court Justices deliberated on the landmark case, *Brown vs. the Board of Education*. Shortly thereafter on May 17, 1954, Chief Justice Earl Warren read the unanimous decision of the Court. The Supreme Court Justices who ruled on *Brown vs. the Board of Education* were: Chief Justice Earl Warren, Hugo Black, Stanley Forman Reed, Felix Frankfurter, William O. Douglas, Robert H. Jackson, Harold Hitz Burton, Tom C. Clark, and Sherman Minton.

These are just a few of the many moments Martin's Tavern has witnessed in our nation's history. While the regular patrons have changed, many Members of Congress from the House and Senate continue to visit, and great food and service remain a staple. Today, my friend and fourth generation owner, Billy Martin, Jr., continues the tradition of Washington's oldest family owned restaurant.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and our colleagues join me in congratulating Martin's Tavern, on the occasion of its 85th Anniversary.

REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF MICHAEL GEORGE LOWRY, JR.

HON. TIM RYAN

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. RYAN of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to remember the life of Michael George Lowry, Jr., age 34, who passed away on September 5th.

Michael George Lowry, Jr. was born on December 28, 1983 in Ohio, Youngstown to Michael and Annie Miller Lowry. He was a lifelong resident of the Mahoning Valley and a huge Notre Dame and Pittsburgh Steelers fan. After attending both Ursuline and Liberty High Schools, he became a Chemical Dependence Counselor Assistant with Breaking Point and New Day. He was known as an excellent counselor who continually showed love and compassion for those in his care.

Outside of work, Michael had a passion for the outdoors, and he enjoyed building fires in his backyard fire pit. Michael was also dedicated to improving his community. He was an advocate for the homeless, and a volunteer at local animal shelters.

His memory will be cherished by his parents, his children; Lillian Lowry, Ava Lowry and her mother, Angela Hernandez, and Olivia and Jackson Lowry and their mother, Rachel Mangine; sister Laura (Alex Chick) Lowry; brother James (Molly) Lowry; nephews James Lowry and Breen Dahman; girlfriend Bethany Hawout; and numerous uncles, aunts, and cousins. Michael was preceded in death by his grandparents, Dutch, Sally, and Nancy Miller and Chuck and Jean Lowry.

I have known the Lowry family for many years, and I know Michael is dearly missed. I extend my deepest and sincerest condolences.

HONORING THE WORLD WAR II AND KOREAN WAR VETERANS OF ILLINOIS

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the World War II and Korean War veterans who traveled to Washington, D.C. on September 12, 2018 with Honor Flight Chicago, a program that provides World War II and Korean War veterans the opportunity to visit their memorials on The National Mall in Washington, D.C. These memorials were built to honor their courage and service to their country.

The American Veteran is one of our greatest treasures. The Soldiers, Airmen, Sailors, Marines, and Coast Guardsmen who traveled here on September 12th answered our nation's call to service during one of its greatest times of need. From the European Campaign to the Pacific Asian Theatre to the African Theater, these brave Americans risked life and limb, gave service and sacrificed much, all while embodying what it is to be a hero. We owe them more gratitude than can ever be expressed.

I welcome these brave veterans to Washington and to their memorials. I am proud to include in the RECORD the names of these men and women for all to see, hear, and recognize, and I call on my colleagues to rise and join me in expressing gratitude.

Howard J Adolph, William J Alpers, Thomas A Altosino, John R. Anderson, James A. Bansley, Joyce Luke Barber, Robert L. Borgstrom, Theodore R Borowski, Joseph Bosnyak, David D. Brockman, John M. Brown, Anthony T Buckun, Michael Cadena, Charles Callahan, Gus Candilas, James F. Carsten, Albert Cato, Berry Conner, Roy Dahl, Philip Davis, Richard DeSandre, John M. Fausel, Joseph R Forbes, Erwin B Forde, Virgil D. Foster, Edward A Friz, Jon T Fuglestad, Martin V. Garcia, William P Gardaphe, Joseph J. Gauthier, Dominick Geraci, Dominic Giannini, Lawrence Goudzwaard, Homer Grady Jr., Kenneth Grill, Ralph R Gross, Kenneth E. Grudis, William R. Gurolnick.

Paul W. Jacobs, Harold Erwin Jerde, Ronald D Johnson, Dave Jones, Edwin Kaye, Bruce Killings, Robert A. Kratochvil, Thomas B Larson, William E Leber, James V Leonard, Peter Leuzzi, Donald E Lewandowski, George D. Logothetis, Fred Lott, Edward J. Lukas, Lloyd H. Lundberg, Al J. Mack, John Mahoney, Raymond E Mahoney, Frank Mareska, Donald R Mathews, James D. Mays, Warren McClure, Matthew T McIntyre, Michael L. Meier, Milan Menich, Lawrence J Metz, Jacob Molter, James J Mortell, Gerald L. Netherton, William J Ohlhaber, Raymond W. Olson.

Daniel A Pacella, Mercus L. Payne, Robert Porter, Donald Pracht, Howard Pratt, George I. Price, Raymond Przybylski, Raymond Rafter, William Rehbock, Charles W. Richardson, Robert Riegel, Allen Roderick, Freddie Rouse, Donald A Sandstedt, Nicholas L. Sassone, James F Scheffler, Robert L Schmidt, David I Schuman, James Shields, Paul J Sifter, Richard Smigel, Phillip F Smith, Stanley L. Stock, Charles E. Swickard, Gregory Tomaino, Robert A. Traglia, Pasquale A.

Valentino, William M. VanDuyn, Vincent Vitucci, Clarence Vos, Richard J Welch, Eugene Yale.

TRIBUTE TO MARYLIN AND KENNY WEEDA

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor Marilyn and Kenny Weeda of Tingley, Iowa on the very special occasion of their 60th wedding anniversary. They celebrated their anniversary on August 10, 2018.

Their lifelong commitment to each other and their family truly embodies Iowa's values. As the years pass, may their love continue to grow even stronger and may they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many more years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 60 years together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating them on this momentous occasion.

CONGRATULATING MOOERS FREE LIBRARY ON ITS 101ST ANNIVERSARY

HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Ms. STEFANIK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and recognize Mooers Free Library on its 101st Anniversary.

Since it first opened its doors to the public in 1917, the Mooers Free Library has worked to provide the community with free access to the world of information and ideas, and to enhance community life. The Mooers Free Library is part of the Clinton Essex Franklin Library System, which allows residents to request books from any library in the tri-county area, as well as links the library to a worldwide network of books.

In order to meet the public's advancing intellectual and cultural needs, just last year the Mooers Free Library opened a brand new building with an updated book collection, new computers, and an afterschool program for children. As Mooers Free Library continues to prosper, the community grows along side it.

On behalf of New York's 21st District, I want to congratulate Mooers Free Library on its 101st Anniversary and thank the dedicated people who work there for their tireless commitment to serving the community.

REMEMBERING JOSEPH BARTON GREER, JR.

HON. BRADLEY BYRNE

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. BYRNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to remember the life of Joseph Barton "Bartee" Greer,

Jr., who passed away on July 13, 2018 after a life very well lived.

A lifelong Alabamian, Mr. Greer was born on October 14, 1925 and attended Murphy High School in Mobile. He went on to attend the University of Alabama, where he played football for the Crimson Tide.

During World War II, Mr. Greer served in the United States Navy. He was stationed in Fort Worth, Texas where he worked as a medic for war victims as they returned home from combat.

Following his naval service, he started working with the family business, Autry Greer & Sons, where he worked for over sixty years. The family grocery business grew substantially during his time with the business and now operates in multiple states across the Gulf Coast region. After a very proud and successful business career, he retired as Chairman of the Board.

When not working, he enjoyed golf, football, and flying. In fact, Mr. Greer constructed his own airplane in his garage, which he flew around the Mobile area. The plane is now on display at the Southern Museum of Flight in Birmingham, Alabama.

Mr. Speaker, Mr. Greer was a steadfast supporter of the local community and a champion of those less fortunate. He served on numerous community and philanthropic boards, including his membership in the Rotary Club. He was the definition of a "family man," and he took great pride in the many successes of his family and friends.

On behalf of Alabama's First Congressional District, I want to share my deepest condolences with Mr. Greer's family and friends. I hope they take great comfort in knowing that his impact will continue to be felt in Mobile and throughout the region for years to come.

CONGRATULATING HENRY STREET SETTLEMENT

HON. NYDIA M. VELÁZQUEZ

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to extend my congratulations to Henry Street Settlement, as it celebrates its 125th year anniversary on September 13, 2018.

Henry Street Settlement is a non-profit organization located in Manhattan's Lower East Side. In 1893, Henry Street Settlement was founded by Lillian Wald, one of the most influential social reformers of the 20th century. At Henry Street, Wald and her colleagues developed a pioneering model for social reform, spearheading comprehensive social services and educational instruction for New Yorkers living in poverty.

Today, Henry Street Settlement provides a variety of services including education, employment, health and wellness, and housing, to over 60,000 New Yorkers each year. A bedrock of the community's history, Henry Street has helped welcome immigrants, integrate neighborhoods and alleviate poverty.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating Henry Street Settlement and its leadership on this special 125th year anniversary. These dedicated individuals exemplify outstanding leadership through their public service to the community. I wish Henry Street continued success in many more years of service.

TRIBUTE TO MARY AND DAVID LUCKINBILL

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Mary and David Luckinbill of Dexter, Iowa, on the very special occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married on August 10, 1968.

Mary and David's lifelong commitment to each other truly embodies our Iowa values. As they reflect on their 50th anniversary, may their commitment grow even stronger, as they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 50th year together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Mary and David on this meaningful occasion and in wishing them both nothing but continued happiness.

HONORING MARY JANE KUHN

HON. KEN BUCK

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. BUCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life of Mary Jane Kuhn, of Milliken. My wife and I had the pleasure of knowing Mary Jane through her incredible work with the Genesis Project of Northern Colorado, where she showed the love of God to single mothers and their children in their times of greatest need.

Mary Jane was born in Missouri, but at a young age her family moved to the 70 Ranch near Kersey. In 1964, she graduated from Platte Valley High School, and shortly afterwards she married her husband Richard. Just 4 years ago the two celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Richard and Mary Jane briefly lived in Germany while Richard served in the Air Force, before they moved to Washington, D.C. and then settled again in the Northern Colorado area.

Mary Jane's was a life devoted to people, to her large family, including daughters Christine and Michelle, to the innocent children she fought for with Right to Life, and to the children she assisted throughout a career spent working in special education.

Her outsized presence in this community and in the Resurrection Fellowship church community will be deeply missed. But her legacy, in the many people whose lives she impacted, will live on. Northern Colorado is a better place because of Mary Jane Kuhn.

INTRODUCTION OF THE SCHOOL BUS SAFETY ACT

HON. STEVE COHEN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of the bill I introduced today along with Sen-

ator DUCKWORTH from Illinois, the School Bus Safety Act.

No more precious cargo is there than school-aged children entrusted by their parents to go and earn an education and pave the way to a better life. The common-sense measures called for in this legislation will save young lives and it's the right thing to do.

In November 2016, there were two high-profile school bus accidents in Chattanooga, Tennessee and another in Baltimore, Maryland that left 6 school-aged children robbed of their futures.

According to a subsequent National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) crash investigation report, seat belts and other safety measures could have prevented the death of those children and no doubt countless others involved in school bus accidents across the United States.

That is why I am glad that others have joined in the chorus to improve school bus safety including my colleagues, Representatives JOSH GOTTHEIMER of New Jersey and CHARLIE CRIST of Florida who have introduced similar legislation, along with Representatives ELIJAH CUMMINGS from Maryland and JOHN DUNCAN from my state of Tennessee who joined me earlier this year to call for a hearing on this very matter.

Despite the recommendations of the NTSB, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration refuses to initiate the process to enshrine these life-saving measures into federal regulation.

As a result of this inaction, Senator DUCKWORTH and I have put forth the School Bus Safety Act, a comprehensive bill to not only make children safer in the event of a crash, but to promote technologies to prevent crashes in the first place.

Buses, like so many passenger vehicles on the road today, should be equipped with automatic electronic braking systems and electronic stability control. It is just common-sense that our children are the safest they can be on their way to and from school.

The School Bus Safety Act has been endorsed by the Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety as well as the National Safety Council.

I urge this body to swiftly pass this legislation so that no other young souls fall victim to our failure to act and make school buses safer.

DEFENDERS OF THE ALAMO

HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I include in the RECORD the names of the Defenders of the Alamo.

DEFENDERS OF THE ALAMO—MARCH 6, 1836

ABAMILLO, JUAN—TEXAS—UNKNOWN; ALLEN, ROBERT—VIRGINIA—UNKNOWN; ANDROSS, MILES—DEFORREST—VERMONT—27; AUTRY, MICAJAH—NORTH CAROLINA—43; BADILLO, JUAN ANTONIO—TEXAS—UNKNOWN; BAILEY, PETER JAMES III—KENTUCKY—24; BAKER, ISAAC G.—ARKANSAS—32; BAKER, WILLIAM CHARLES M.—MISSOURI—UNKNOWN; BALLENTINE, JOHN J.—PENNSYLVANIA—UNKNOWN; BALLENTINE,

RICHARD W.—SCOTLAND—22; BAUGH, JOHN J.—VIRGINIA—33; BAYLISS, JOSEPH—TENNESSEE—28; BLAIR, JOHN—TENNESSEE—33; BLAIR, SAMUEL—TENNESSEE—29; BLAZEBY, WILLIAM—ENGLAND—41; BONHAM, JAMES BUTER—SOUTH CAROLINA—29; BOURNE, DANIEL—ENGLAND—26; BOWIE, JAMES—KENTUCKY—40; BOWMAN, JESSE—TENNESSEE—51; BROWN, GEORGE—ENGLAND—35.

BROWN, JAMES MURRY—PENNSYLVANIA—36; BROWN, ROBERT—UNKNOWN—18; BUCHANAN, JAMES—UNKNOWN—23; BURNS, SAMUEL E.—IRELAND—26; BUTLER, GEORGE D.—MISSOURI—23; CAIN, JOHN—PENNSYLVANIA—34; CAMPBELL, ROBERT—TENNESSEE—26; CAREY, WILLIAM RIDGEWAY—VIRGINIA—30; CLARK, CHARLES HENRY—MISSOURI—UNKNOWN; CLARK, M.B.—MISSISSIPPI—UNKNOWN; CLOUD, DANIEL WILLIAM—KENTUCKY—22; COCHRAN, ROBERT E.—NEW HAMPSHIRE—26; COTTLE, GEORGE WASHINGTON—UNKNOWN—25; COURTMAN, HENRY—GERMANY—28; CRAWFORD, LEMUEL—SOUTH CAROLINA—22; CROCKETT, DAVID—TENNESSEE—49; CROSSMAN, ROBERT—PENNSYLVANIA—26; CUMMINGS, DAVID P.—PENNSYLVANIA—27; DARST, JACOB C.—KENTUCKY—43; DAVIS, JOHN—KENTUCKY—25.

DAY, FREEMAN H.K.—UNKNOWN—30; DAY, JERRY C.—MISSOURI—18; DAYMON, SQUIRE—TENNESSEE—28; DEARDUFF, WILLIAM—TENNESSEE—UNKNOWN; DENNISON, STEPHEN—GREAT BRITAIN—24; DESPALLIER, CHARLES—LOUISIANA—21; DEWALL, LEWIS—NEW YORK—24; DICKINSON, ALMERON—PENNSYLVANIA—36; DILLARD, JOHN HENRY—TENNESSEE—31; DIMPKINS, JAMES R.—ENGLAND—UNKNOWN; DUVALT, ANDREW—IRELAND—32; ESPALIER, CARLOS—TEXAS—17; ESPARZA, JOSE MARIA—TEXAS—34; EVANS, ROBERT—IRELAND—36; EVANS, SAMUEL B.—NEW YORK—24; EWING, JAMES L.—TENNESSEE—24; FAUNTLEROY, WILLIAM H.—KENTUCKY—22; FISHBAUGH, WILLIAM—GONZALES—UNKNOWN; FLANDERS, JOHN—MASSACHUSETTS—36; FLOYD DOLPHIN WARD—NORTH CAROLINA—32.

FORSYTH, JOHN HUBBARD—NEW YORK—39; FUENTES, ANTONIO—TEXAS—23; FUQUA, GALBA—ALABAMA—17; GARNETT, WILLIAM—UNKNOWN—24; GARRAND, JAMES W.—LOUISIANA—23; GARRETT, JAMES GIRARD—TENNESSEE—30; GARVIN, JOHN E.—GONZALES—27; GASTON, JOHN E.—GONZALES—17; GEORGE, JAMES—GONZALES—34; GOODRICH, JOHN C.—VIRGINIA—27; GRIMES, ALBERT CALVIN—GEORGIA—19; GWYNNE, JAMES C.—ENGLAND—32; HANNUM, JAMES—PENNSYLVANIA—21; HARRIS, JOHN—KENTUCKY—23; HARRISON, ANDREW JACKSON—TENNESSEE—27; HARRISON, WILLIAM B.—OHIO—25; HASKELL, CHARLES M.—UNKNOWN—23; HAWKINS, JOSEPH M.—IRELAND—37; HAYS, JOHN M.—TENNESSEE—22; HERNDON, PATRICK HENRY—VIRGINIA—34.

HERSEE, WILLIAM DANIEL—ENGLAND—31; HOLLAND, TAPLEY—OHIO—26; HOLLOWAY, SAMUEL—PENNSYLVANIA—28; HOWELL, WILLIAM D.—MASSACHUSETTS—39; JACKSON, THOMAS—IRELAND—UNKNOWN; JACKSON, WILLIAM DANIEL—IRELAND—29; JAMESON, GREEN B.—UNKNOWN—27; JENNINGS, GORDON C.—CONNECTICUT—56; JIMENEZ, DAMACIO—TEXAS—UNKNOWN; JOHN—UNKNOWN—UNKNOWN; JOHNSON, LEWIS—VIRGINIA—23; JOHNSON, WILLIAM—PENNSYLVANIA—UNKNOWN;

JONES, JOHN—NEW YORK—26; KELLOGG, JOHN BENJAMIN—KENTUCKY—19; KENNY, JAMES—VIRGINIA—22; KENT, ANDREW—KENTUCKY—38; KERR, JOSEPH—LOUISIANA—22; KIMBELL, GEORGE C.—NEW YORK—33; KING, WILLIAM PHILIP—MISSISSIPPI—16; LEWIS, WILLIAM IRVINE—VIRGINIA—30.

LIGHTFOOT, JOHN WILLIAM—KENTUCKY—31; LINDLEY, JONATHAN—ILLINOIS—22; LINN, WILLIAM—MASSACHUSETTS—UNKNOWN; LOSOYA, JOSE TORIBIO—TEXAS—28; MAIN, GEORGE WASHINGTON—VIRGINIA—29; MALONE, WILLIAM T.—UNKNOWN—19; MARSHALL, WILLIAM—TENNESSEE—28; MARTIN, ALBERT—RHODE ISLAND—28; MCCAFFERTY, EDWARD—UNKNOWN—UNKNOWN; MCCOY, JESSE—TENNESSEE—22; MCDOWELL, WILLIAM—PENNSYLVANIA—42; MCGEE, JAMES—IRELAND—UNKNOWN; MCGREGOR, JOHN—SCOTLAND—UNKNOWN; MCKINNEY, ROBERT—TENNESSEE—27; MELTON, ELIEL—GEORGIA—38; MILLER, THOMAS REDD—VIRGINIA—32; MILLS, WILLIAM—TENNESSEE—21; MILLSAPS, ISAAC—TENNESSEE—41; MITCHASSON, EDWARD F.—VIRGINIA—30.

MITCHELL, EDWIN T.—UNKNOWN—30; MITCHELL, NAPOLEON B.—TENNESSEE—32; MOORE, ROBERT B.—VIRGINIA—55; MOORE, WILLIS A.—NORTH CAROLINA—28; MUSSELMAN, ROBERT—OHIO—31; NAVA, ANDRES—TEXAS—26; NEGGAN, GEORGE—SOUTH CAROLINA—28; NELSON, ANDREW M.—TENNESSEE—27; NELSON, EDWARD—SOUTH CAROLINA—20; NELSON, GEORGE—SOUTH CAROLINA—31; NORTHCROSS, JAMES—VIRGINIA—32; NOWLAN, JAMES—GREAT BRITAIN—27; PAGAN, GEORGE—MISSISSIPPI—26; PARKER, CHRISTOPHER ADAMS—MISSISSIPPI—22; PARKS, WILLIAM—NORTH CAROLINA—31; PERRY, RICHARDSON—MISSISSIPPI—19; POLLARD, AMOS—MASSACHUSETTS—33; REYNOLDS, JOHN PURDY—PENNSYLVANIA—30; ROBERTS, THOMAS H.—UNKNOWN—UNKNOWN; ROBERTSON, JAMES WATERS—TENNESSEE—24; ROBINSON, ISAAC—SCOTLAND—28.

ROSE, JAMES M.—OHIO—31; RUSK, JACKSON J.—IRELAND—UNKNOWN; RUTHERFORD, JOSEPH—KENTUCKY—38; RYAN, ISAAC—LOUISIANA—31; SCURLOCK, MIAL—NORTH CAROLINA—27; SEWELL, MARCUS L.—TENNESSEE—26; SHIED, MANSON—GEORGIA—25; SIMMONS, CLEVELAND KINLOCH—SOUTH CAROLINA—21; SMITH, ANDREW H.—TENNESSEE—21; SMITH, CHARLES S.—MARYLAND—30; SMITH, JOSHUA G.—NORTH CAROLINA—29; SMITH, WILLIAM H.—TEXAS—25; STARR, RICHARD—ENGLAND—25; STEWART, JAMES E.—ENGLAND—28; STOCKTON, RICHARD LUCIUS—NEW JERSEY—19; SUMMERLIN, A. SPAIN—TENNESSEE—19; SUMMERS, WILLIAM E.—SOUTH CAROLINA—24; SUTHERLAND, WILLIAM DEPRIEST—UNKNOWN—18; TAYLOR, EDWARD—TENNESSEE—24; TAYLOR, GEORGE—TENNESSEE—20.

TAYLOR, JAMES—TENNESSEE—22; TAYLOR, WILLIAM—TENNESSEE—37; THOMAS, B. ARCHER M.—KENTUCKY—18; THOMAS, HENRY—GERMANY—25; THOMPSON, JESSE G.—ARKANSAS—38; THOMSON, JOHN W.—VIRGINIA—29; THURSTON, JOHN M.—PENNSYLVANIA—24; TRAMMEL, BURKE—IRELAND—26; TRAVIS, WILLIAM BARRET—SOUTH CAROLINA—26; TUMLINSON, GEORGE W.—MISSOURI—22; TYLEE, JAMES—NEW YORK—41; WALKER, ASA—TENNESSEE—23; WALKER, JACOB—TENNESSEE—37; WARD, WILLIAM B.—IRELAND—30; WARNELL, HENRY—ARKANSAS—24; WASHINGTON, JOSEPH G.—KENTUCKY—28; WATERS,

THOMAS—ENGLAND—24; WELLS, WILLIAM—GEORGIA—38; WHITE, ISAAC—UNKNOWN—UNKNOWN; WHITE, ROBERT—GONZALES—30.

WILLIAMSON, HIRAM JAMES—PENNSYLVANIA—26; WILLS, WILLIAM—TEXAS—UNKNOWN; WILSON, DAVID L.—SCOTLAND—29; WILSON, JOHN—PENNSYLVANIA—32; WOLF, ANTHONY—UNKNOWN—54; WRIGHT, CLAIBORNE—NORTH CAROLINA—26; ZANCO, CHARLES—DENMARK—28.

HONORING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF KENT STATE UNIVERSITY AT TUSCARAWAS

HON. BOB GIBBS

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. GIBBS. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize Kent State University's Tuscarawas campus for serving the Tuscarawas community as an institution of higher learning for the past 50 years.

Since 1962, Kent State University at Tuscarawas has enabled students to expand their career opportunities by providing local access to higher education. With the mission "to transform lives and communities through the power of discovery and creative expression in an inclusive environment," Kent State University at Tuscarawas thrives in developing partnerships with students and Tuscarawas County to cultivate economic development and opportunities.

Starting as a night program at New Philadelphia High School, the opening of Founders Hall in 1968 significantly increased availability of higher education to the surrounding area. Now serving over 2,000 students per year, Kent State Tuscarawas is the only locally owned regional campus in the state, and is home to the only Associate of Applied Science in Veterinary Technology in the Kent State University System. This university further serves the community through a partnership between the campus and the Tuscarawas County Historical Society dating back to 1992, and the campus has housed the Tuscarawas Kent Archive, an extensive collection of Tuscarawas County, Ohio, and national history.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the citizens of Ohio's 7th Congressional District, I am proud to join in celebration of Kent State University at Tuscarawas' 50th Anniversary.

TRIBUTE TO MAYME COHRON

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Ms. Mayme Cohron on the occasion of her 100th birthday on August 28, 2018.

Mayme was born in Bolivar, Missouri to parents, Joe and Josie Skarda and grew up on a farm in Ringgold County, Iowa. She and her siblings attended country school and Mayme became a school teacher in Union County. She later became vice president of a bank

and worked in the insurance industry. While she had considerable success as a businesswoman, she considers raising her children and making it on her own after the death of her husband her greatest accomplishment.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to represent Mayme Cohron in the United States Congress and it is my pleasure to wish her a very happy 100th birthday. I invite my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives to join me in congratulating Mayme on reaching this incredible milestone and in wishing her even more health and happiness in the years to come.

CONGRATULATING MASARYK TOWERS

HON. NYDIA M. VELÁZQUEZ

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to extend my congratulations to Masaryk Towers on the special occasion of its 50th and 51st Anniversary Rededication ceremony.

This complex is more than brick and mortar. Built at the height of the Civil Rights movement, and three decades after the New Deal and the 1934 Federal Housing Act, the Masaryk Towers development is a symbol of vision, innovation and hope in the Lower East Side of Manhattan.

We all know and embrace the rich history of the Lower East Side from the arrival and settlement of hard working immigrants seeking freedom and the American Dream to the history of poor tenants living in crowded subpar tenements, with unsanitary and unsafe housing conditions.

From the 1900's to the present, government initiatives have sought to improve the quality of life for its citizens. In the 1930's, after the stock market crash, our nation had more than 12 million unemployed people, many of whom faced homelessness. This crisis pushed New Yorkers, especially immigrants, into decades of despair. After World War II, New York City saw a peak in population, but also a massive flight by the middle-income families, industries and businesses to the suburbs, leaving lower-income working families behind.

Recognizing a need to help address the housing crisis facing working families, New York State Representatives Senator MacNeil Mitchell and Assemblyman Alfred Lama created the Mitchell-Lama program in 1955. In 1967, Masaryk Towers was completed under the program and named after Tomas Masaryk, the first President of Czechoslovakia. Today, Masaryk Towers consists of more than 1,100 apartment units and is home to thousands of residents in Manhattan's Lower East Side community.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in congratulating Masaryk Towers and its leadership: President Bernice McCallum, Board Officers Laura Pagan and Ted Reich and the entire Board on this special anniversary, and for their dedication and commitment to preserving Masaryk Towers for future generations.

HONORING THE WORLD WAR II AND KOREAN WAR VETERANS OF ILLINOIS

HON. MIKE QUIGLEY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. QUIGLEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the World War II and Korean War veterans who traveled to Washington, D.C. on August 8, 2018 with Honor Flight Chicago, a program that provides World War II and Korean War veterans the opportunity to visit their memorials on The National Mall in Washington, D.C. These memorials were built to honor their courage and service to their country.

The American Veteran is one of our greatest treasures. The Soldiers, Airmen, Sailors, Marines, and Coast Guardsmen who traveled here on August 8th answered our nation's call to service during one of its greatest times of need. From the European Campaign to the Pacific Asian Theatre to the African Theater, these brave Americans risked life and limb, gave service and sacrificed much, all while embodying what it is to be a hero. We owe them more gratitude than can ever be expressed.

I welcome these brave veterans to Washington and to their memorials. I am proud to include in the RECORD the names of these men and women for all to see, hear, and recognize, and I call on my colleagues to rise and join me in expressing gratitude.

Arthur Richard Adkins, Jesse G. Alvarez, Joseph L. Amendola, James Babakitis, Nicholas Bacoulis, Edward J. Barys, Walter F. Baxendale, Aldo Biagioni, Arthur J. Billings, James Bounardj, Edwin P. Brummel, Lawrence M. Buescher, William H. Buhle, Rosario Cali, Donald L. Campbell, John A. Caruso, Dwight A. Cooke, Mario J. Cortina, Gordon R. Deal, Owen B. Dehlinger, Harold A. Dickson, Felix F. Donofrio, Fernando M. Dorado, John H. Eichhorn, William C. Elliott, Gerson Bertram Field, Mitchell Filip, Fred F. Fisher, Seymour Fleischman, Ernest G. Frieders, Raymond J. Fron, Robert H. Garcia, Stanley Jack Gartenberg, Gunter H. Gehl, Charles M. George, John A. Georgeson, Phillip C. Goldstick, Miguel Gomez, Robert Good, Eugene J. Goworowski, Donald H. Gustafson, Richard H. Haen, Gunnar F. Hanson, Francis J. Haynes, Jack C. Hockett, John M. Hurley, Henry Jackson, Herbert Jacobsen, Irving Kaplan, Harvey L. Keim, Charles Kirian, Raymond Klemchuk, Leonard R. Koubenec, Donald H. Kraft, Eugene E. Kuffel, Harry Kuhrau, Buddy Walter Larsen, Floyd M. Liberatori, Raymond W. Loris, William J. Marich, Howard D. Maskill, John P. Meehan, Bernard Minarcik, Deane S. Moore, Stephen J. Moyerak, John C. Muno, Carl Olesen, Dale W. Olsen, Carl J. Oman, James A. Parker, Clifford Paulson, Joseph T. Phillips, Victor P. Pienkowski, Harry Rakowski, Enricko Roa, Joseph L. Rodriguez, Eddie Rollins, William Franklin Salkeld, George F. Schade, Fred G. Schreiber, Donald T. Sharko, Otto Soyk, Nick A. Stiso, Herbert W. Stoll, Carl E. Stomp, Stephen L. Strand, Frank Termini, Praxedis Rolando Trevino, Adrian D. Wood, Peter F. Zika.

HONORING THE LIFE OF PVT. JAMES L. DISSPAIN

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the life of Pvt. James L. Disspain.

Pvt. Disspain of Lincoln, Alabama, served in World War I. He died on September 13th in France—just two months before Armistice Day.

September 13, 2018 will mark the 100th anniversary of his death. On September 11th, the City of Lincoln will proclaim a day in his honor and have a wreath laying ceremony at his gravesite on September 12th.

Family members will present an 'honor quilt' in Pvt. Disspain's memory that honors the 11 members of their family who have served in the military from World War I to Vietnam. The quilt is centered around Pvt. Disspain and his ultimate sacrifice.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring the life of this brave American hero, Pvt. James L. Disspain.

TRIBUTE TO ERIC TIERNAN

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Eric Tiernan. He was recently honored as the 2018 Good Egg Days Citizen of the Year in Stuart, Iowa.

Born and raised in Stuart, Eric is known in the community for his innovative ideas that have made the town prosper. He has served on community boards and committees and most recently contributed to establishing the Fremont Theatre and the Wambold Housing Addition. Eric and his wife Margaret raised four children in Stuart and are proud and active grandparents to three grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I am honored to recognize Eric Tiernan for this award, and for working hard to make Iowa a quality place to live. I am proud to represent him in the United States Congress and ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Eric and wishing him nothing but continued success.

SUPPORT BALANCE AWARENESS WEEK

HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of my resolution in support of Balance Awareness Week and the related vestibular disorders.

The vestibular system includes the parts of the inner ear and brain that process the sensory information involved with controlling balance and eye movements.

As many as 35 percent of adults aged 40 years or older in the United States—approximately 69 million Americans—have experienced some form of vestibular dysfunction. According to the National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD), a further 4 percent (8 million) of American adults report a chronic problem with balance, while an additional 1.1 percent (2.4 million) report a chronic problem with dizziness. Eighty percent of people aged 65 years and older have experienced dizziness, and BPPV, the most common vestibular disorder, is the cause of approximately 50 percent of dizziness in older people. Overall, vertigo from a vestibular problem accounts for one third of all dizziness and vertigo symptoms reported to health care professionals.

The most commonly diagnosed vestibular disorders include benign paroxysmal positional vertigo (BPPV), labyrinthitis and vestibular neuritis, Ménière's disease, secondary endolymphatic hydrops, and perilymph fistula. Vestibular disorders also include superior canal dehiscence, acoustic neuroma, ototoxicity, enlarged vestibular aqueduct syndrome, and mal de débarquement. Other problems related to vestibular dysfunction include vestibular migraine and complications from autoimmune disorders and allergies.

There is no cure for this disorder. The form of treatment prescribed for vestibular disorders depends upon symptoms, medical history and general health, a physical examination by a qualified doctor, and diagnostic test results. Treatment can include: vestibular rehabilitation therapy, canalith repositioning maneuvers, home-based exercise, dietary adjustments, counseling, medication or surgery.

Because of difficulties posed by accurately diagnosing and reporting vestibular disorders, statistics estimating how common they are, how often they occur, and what social impacts they have range widely. Yet even the lowest estimates reflect the fact that vestibular disorders occur frequently and can affect people of any age.

Vestibular disorders not only profoundly affect adults, but also children. Once thought to be exceptionally rare, pediatric vestibular disorders are receiving increasing attention from clinicians as an overlooked problem. In addition to impairments of motor development and balance, vestibular deficits may cause poor gaze stability that inhibits children from learning to read. Despite new awareness of pediatric vestibular disorders, children are currently not typically screened for them, and as a result frequently fail to receive medical treatment for their symptoms.

Mr. Speaker, I encourage all Members to join me in supporting the third week of September as Balance Awareness Week.

CONGRATULATIONS TO RICHARD "SKIP" ARMSTRONG

HON. BILLY LONG

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. LONG. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate a good friend of mine, Richard "Skip" Armstrong, for his 51 years in the workforce.

After more than five decades in the workforce, Skip retired on August 31, 2018, from

Maranatha Village in Springfield, Missouri, where he was the Director of Facilities and Capital Projects.

However, Skip's career began long before his time with Maranatha Village. At the age of 16, Skip began working in the hen houses of Lubec, Maine. Once he turned 17, he began working at North Lubec Manufacturing and Canning Company. Skip spent many years working in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, for Cardo Automotive Products and as an independent building contractor in the city. He even started his own small business, LTD Parts, in Sparta, Tennessee, which is still in operation today. As the years passed, Skip worked all across the U.S., including Maine, Rhode Island, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and then finally, Missouri.

Skip has been much more than a hard-working employee through the years. He is the cherished only son of the late Lewis "Duke" and Florence Armstrong. He has been a loving husband of 43 years to Deborah Armstrong, and a devoted father of three daughters, Janine, Jennifer and Julia, and a father-in-law to two of the best son-in-laws around, Mark and David. His grandchildren, Greyson, Charlotte, Graham and Lincoln simply can't wait to see more of Pappy in the coming years.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the 7th District of Missouri, I would like to say thank you to Skip for his years of hard work and commitment to southwest Missouri as well as his friendship. Fifty-one years is a long time and something worth celebrating.

HONORING SERGEANT FIRST CLASS RUFUS LLOYD KETCHUM

HON. SEAN P. DUFFY

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. DUFFY. Mr. Speaker, I proudly rise today to honor Sergeant First Class Rufus Lloyd Ketchum, an Army veteran of the Korean War killed in action at age 38 in the battle of Chosin.

Sergeant Ketchum honorably served in the Italian campaign of World War II and re-enlisted in the United States Army's 7th Infantry Division as a medic. On December 6, 1950, he was reported missing in action after an intense battle.

In 1952, Mrs. Dorothy Ketchum accepted on behalf of her husband the nation's second-highest military award, the Distinguished Service Cross. The citation honored Sergeant First Class R. Lloyd Ketchum's "extraordinary heroism in action against an enemy army." For his leadership and valor, his partial list of awards include the Purple Heart, Bronze Star, National Defense Service Medal and Army Commendation Medal.

Through DNA testing, Sergeant Ketchum's remains were accounted for on April 23, 2018. Sergeant First Class Ketchum was laid to rest at the Calvary Cemetery in Superior, Wisconsin on August 14, 2018 with full military honors.

On behalf of the residents of the 7th Congressional District of Wisconsin, I would like to thank the family of Sergeant Ketchum for his service to our grateful nation and his ultimate sacrifice during the Korean War. Welcome home, Sergeant First Class Ketchum.

TRIBUTE HONORING REVEREND COLUMBUS EWING

HON. DANNY K. DAVIS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. DANNY K. DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I include in the RECORD the following Proclamation:

Whereas, the Almighty God has called to his eternal rest the Reverend Columbus Ewing, Pastor of Community Fellowship Baptist Church; and

Whereas, prior to organizing Community Fellowship, Reverend Ewing was a longtime loyal assistant to Reverend Matthew Thomas who organized the Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church where my wife's aunt, Aunt Hattie Harrell was one of the first fourteen members and my dear friend Mrs. Earline Lindsey and Deacon Davis may have been the persons who introduced me to Reverend Ewing; and

Whereas, Reverend Ewing was a Precinct Captain and political worker in the 37th Ward; and

Whereas, Reverend Ewing organized Community Fellowship and I was privileged to attend his first banquet; and

Whereas, Reverend Ewing and Community Fellowship have always opened their doors and been a part of community events, political meetings and everything I have been involved with to benefit the community for all of these many years; and

Whereas, Reverend Ewing loved and nourished all of his family, his wonderful wife Emma, all of his children, grandchildren and other relatives, he pointed out their achievements all of the time. I would not say that he had favorites but he was extremely proud of church and community activist, teacher, principal, Doctor, Reverend, Pastor Shirley Ewing of Community Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church; and

Whereas, both Reverend Ewing and I liked to eat and we shared many a meal together, both at the church and soul food restaurants throughout the city;

Therefore, we extend our condolences to Reverend Dr. Shirley Ewing, the Ewing Family and the Community Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church.

TRIBUTE TO IRENE AND ROGER FRANCIS

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Irene and Roger Francis of Creston, Iowa, on the very special occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married on June 22, 1968 in Osceola, Iowa.

Irene and Roger's lifelong commitment to each other truly embodies our Iowa values. As they reflect on their 50th anniversary, may their commitment grow even stronger, as they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 50th year together and I wish them

many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Irene and Roger Francis on this meaningful occasion and in wishing them both nothing but continued happiness.

HONORING THE 70TH BIRTHDAY OF BARBARA PITTS

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the 70th birthday of Barbara Pitts.

Barbara was born on October 10, 1948 in Tuskegee, Alabama. She is a two-time graduate of Auburn University. In 1972, she graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and in 1974, a Master of Science in Education. She is founder and charter member of Kappa Upsilon Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated. It was chartered at Auburn University on January 12, 1974.

Barbara is the proud mother of Christopher Pitts and has been blessed with two grandchildren: Zaire and Chad Pitts.

Barbara is a member of Bell Missionary Baptist Church in Auburn where she has served in many roles. She is also founding member of Alabama New South Coalition and currently serves as Vice President of the Board.

On Saturday, October 6, 2018, her friends and family will surprise her with a birthday gathering.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in honoring Barbara's life and wishing her a very happy 70th birthday.

CONGRATULATING THE CHINESE AMERICAN MEDICAL SOCIETY

HON. NYDIA M. VELÁZQUEZ

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to congratulate the Chinese American Medical Society as they host their 55th Annual Scientific Symposium and Annual Red Lantern Gala.

As the oldest and one of the largest Chinese American medical societies, CAMS provides meaningful support for Chinese American medical students, educates the Chinese American community on health issues that disproportionately impact Chinese Americans, and is a leader in research on the ever-changing field of medical practices and medical technology.

The Chinese American Medical Society's 55th Annual Scientific Conference and Red Lantern Gala stands as a testament to CAMS's dedication to recognizing talent and hard work from skilled professionals who dedicate their lives to improving the health of others in the Chinese American community.

I would like to specifically congratulate S. Chiu Wong as a recipient of the CAMS Scientific Award, as well as the Chinese American Nurses Association and UnitedHealthcare Asian Initiatives as recipients of the Community Service Awards.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in saluting the Chinese American Medical Society for decades of lifechanging work.

HONORING MARLENE KAYSER ON THE OCCASION OF HER 80TH BIRTHDAY

HON. BETTY McCOLLUM

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Ms. McCOLLUM. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor Marlene Kayser of Saint Paul, Minnesota on the occasion of her 80th birthday. Marlene's family will join her many friends to celebrate her extraordinary lifetime of service to others on September 23, 2018. Governor Mark Dayton has proclaimed the day as Marlene Kayser Day in the State of Minnesota.

Growing up on a farm in southern Minnesota instilled in Marlene the values of hard work, sensibility and duty to others. A passion for promoting human rights and social justice has taken her across the state and around the world to further this vital work. Numerous organizations and causes including Minnesota Advocates for Human Rights and Planned Parenthood have benefited greatly from her generosity, leadership and skills as a volunteer and role model.

Over the decades, Marlene, her husband Tom, daughter Carol and sons Tom and David literally opened their arms and their Saint Paul home to the community to generously assist others. There they have served as host family to many international students, connected countless community leaders, and launched initiatives that improve our state and our planet for everyone. The open door of the Kayser home has been a tangible symbol of the hospitality and encouragement that Marlene offers.

Through her tireless work with Minnesota Advocates for Human Rights, Marlene has traveled the world as a grassroots volunteer—at her own expense—to monitor conditions and to train leaders. She's spoken with citizens and professionals about domestic violence in places like Macedonia and Romania, then returned to Minnesota to provide her valuable skills as an effective fundraiser who builds relationships and spreads the word about these important issues.

Generations of social justice advocates have been taught by Marlene's example and mentorship. It has been observed by many that her gracious persistence and dignified determination in promoting women's rights inspires others to push harder and never give up when faced with challenges. Above all, she leads by example. When called to help, you can count on Marlene to provide vision, as well as the tenacity to see a project to completion.

It is a privilege to know Marlene as a friend, confidant and mentor. Her ability to offer wise counsel and inspiration has always been a welcome presence during my elected service. I am grateful for her kindness and grace.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the many significant contributions of Marlene Kayser throughout her decades of human rights and social justice activism. As Minnesota prepares to observe "Marlene Kayser Day in Minnesota," let us all celebrate her

great impact in our state and around the world.

TRIBUTE TO PAMM AND JIM OLSON

HON. DAVID YOUNG

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. YOUNG of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Pamm and Jim Olson, on the very special occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. They celebrated their anniversary on July 28, 2018.

Pamm and Jim's lifelong commitment to each other truly embodies our Iowa values. As they reflect on their 50th anniversary, may their commitment grow even stronger, as they continue to love, cherish, and honor one another for many years to come.

Mr. Speaker, I commend this great couple on their 50th year together and I wish them many more. I ask that my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives join me in congratulating Pamm and Jim Olson on this meaningful occasion and in wishing them both nothing but continued happiness.

HONORING THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF TOLEDO SISTER CITIES INTERNATIONAL

HON. MARCY KAPTUR

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Ms. KAPTUR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the extraordinary evolution of the Toledo Sister Cities International (TSCI) presence in the City of Toledo as an umbrella group for the ten Sister Cities/regions which constitute this membership. Members and friends are gathering this weekend to celebrate its silver anniversary.

As TSCI celebrates its 25th anniversary, our community is also proud to celebrate what is regarded as the very first Sister City agreement when, in 1931, the Association of Two Toledos linking Toledo, Ohio with Toledo, Spain was born. That was years before President Dwight Eisenhower, in 1956, called for "citizen diplomacy" to create sister city relationships with the goal of promoting world peace. Headquartered in Washington, D.C., this organization oversees the establishment of sister city relationships which are mayor to mayor agreements that are initiated by citizens in interested cities across the globe and approved by local governing bodies.

In 1985, a relationship with Qinhuangdao, China was initiated, and it became a sister city to Toledo. Qinhuangdao and Toledo are both known as "The Glass City" because of their history of glass production.

When the oppression of communism ended in 1989 in Poland, a core group including Councilwoman Eleanor Kahle, future Councilman Peter Ujvagi, Ann Galloway and Sister Ann Frances Klimkowski, and myself discussed the formation of an association to reach out to cities coming to the light of freedom. Szeged, Hungary became the first Sister City in this new approach in 1990 and

Poznan, Poland followed in 1991. We proudly welcomed our newest partners with the mayors and leaders of each community coming together in cultural, economic, educational and humanitarian exchanges.

In 1992 an advisory board of community leaders, the Lucas County Port Authority, Toledo Edison, the Private Industry Council, and the City of Toledo came together to form Toledo Sister Cities International in order to unite existing sister city relationships and develop future affiliations. Twenty-three members of the civic, business, educational, and legal professions created the Founding Board of Trustees in 1993, and the formal incorporation of TSCI as a not-for-profit organization was finalized that year.

The first International Youth Academy was offered by TSCI in 1997, in which students from the Sister Cities attend a three-week long immersion in the culture and language, living with host families in the cities. TSCI also sponsors an international festival each year, during which members of our region share their heritages in a daylong display of heritage, culture, and food showcasing uniqueness while highlighting commonality around the world. Toledo and TSCI were proud to be the host of the Sister City International Conference in 2002, which brought 600 delegates and 300 guests from 28 countries from around the world to Northwest Ohio.

As the years continued, Toledo Sister Cities International flourished. A regional agreement with Lebanon's Beqaa Valley was established in 1998. Relationships were later cemented with Toyohashi, Japan in 2000; Tanga, Tanzania in 2001; Delmenhorst, Germany in 2002; Coimbatore, India in 2010; Hyderabad, Pakistan in 2011; Qinhuangdao/Nanchong, China in 2017 and Coburg, Germany in 2017.

While the stories behind each Sister City are unique, the way that each relationship was established was not—it all came about because people in the Toledo area and throughout the global community found a need to connect with those from another nation. The idea for 'citizen diplomacy' has not diminished as time has marched on. The work that the Toledo Sister Cities International continues to do on behalf of our communities is extraordinary. I am pleased to join Toledo Sister Cities International as we celebrate its 25th Anniversary, reflecting on the past, looking forward to the future, and inspired by an incredible journey of international citizen diplomacy.

RECOGNIZING JAN HACKETT

HON. DOUG COLLINS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ms. Jan Hackett, President of the Fannin County Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Hackett recently received the Tourism Leadership Award at the 2018 Governor's Tourism Conference in Atlanta, Georgia. This award is presented to an individual who demonstrates excellence in leadership skills and abilities.

The Georgia Department of Economic Development and the Georgia Association of

Convention and Visitors Bureaus hosts the Governor's Tourism Conference each year. The conference brings together tourism professionals from across the state, including Fannin's own Ms. Hackett.

Tourism is a vital part of Georgia's economy, especially in our beautiful mountain region, employing some 460,000 people across the state and generating over \$63 billion in revenue this year alone. This would not be made possible without individuals like Ms. Hackett.

Mr. Speaker, I am delighted to recognize Ms. Jan Hackett for her leadership, as well as her dedication to tourism in Georgia's Blue Ridge Mountains.

HONORING REGION ONE

HON. VICENTE GONZALEZ

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

Mr. GONZALEZ of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Region One Education Services Center. Because of the hard work of their board members, administrators, educators, and students, the Texas Education Agency placed Region One at the top of the performance list.

Region One is made up of Cameron, Hidalgo, Jim Hogg, Starr, Webb, Willacy, and Zapata Counties. This year, 100 percent of the school districts in Region One met the standard set by the Texas Education Agency, outperforming several regions of similar size. Fourteen of the districts in Region One also earned postsecondary readiness distinctions, three of which earned this distinction for the fifth consecutive year.

By setting high expectations for their students and working with the local communities to better understand their needs, Region One has gone above and beyond to provide South Texas students with the tools they need to succeed. There is no doubt in my mind that Region One will continue to empower young South Texans to perform at the highest levels.

Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to represent the hard-working individuals of the Region One Education Services Center. Our region and its recent success is a shining example of what the 15th District of Texas has to offer.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily

Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Thursday, September 13, 2018 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

SEPTEMBER 18

10 a.m.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

To hold hearings to examine Fintech, focusing on digitization, data, and technology.

SD-538

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard

To hold hearings to examine conflicts over ocean resources.

SR-253

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

To hold hearings to examine reducing health care costs, focusing on how transparency can lower spending and empower patients.

SD-430

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

To hold hearings to examine the implications of the reinterpretation of the Flores settlement agreement for border security and illegal immigration incentives.

SD-342

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Armed Services

Subcommittee on Cybersecurity

To hold closed hearings to examine inter-agency coordination in the protection of critical infrastructure.

SVC-217

SEPTEMBER 20

10 a.m.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

To hold hearings to examine blackstart and other system restoration plans in the electric utility industry.

SD-366

SEPTEMBER 26

10 a.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

To hold hearings to examine safeguards for consumer data privacy.

SD-G50

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Armed Services

Subcommittee on Cybersecurity

To hold hearings to examine the cyber operational readiness of the Department of Defense; to be immediately followed by a closed session in SVC-217.

SH-216

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Subcommittee on Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management

To hold hearings to examine the Federal role in the toxic PFAS chemical crisis.

SD-342

Committee on Indian Affairs

To hold an oversight hearing to examine justice for Native youth, focusing on the Government Accountability Office-

report on “Native American Youth Involvement in Justice Systems and Information on Grants to Help Address Juvenile Delinquency”.

SD-628

OCTOBER 2

10 a.m.
Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
To hold hearings to examine implementation of the Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act.

SD-538

OCTOBER 3

2:30 p.m.
Committee on the Judiciary
Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights
To hold an oversight hearing to examine the enforcement of the antitrust laws.
SD-226