

plant jobs, 66 related jobs are created in the local community.

These plants are among the largest taxpayers in their communities, typically contributing tens of millions of dollars in local taxes. For years, the Davis-Besse plant in my District, generated \$20 million a year in tax revenue for Ottawa County, of which \$12.1 million went to the school district.

This bill proposes to offer these communities adjustment support to soften the blow of the significant revenue losses that will harm local communities by infusing federal payments on a gliding path over eight years to eligible local governments—should the worst happen. The funding will provide 80 percent of the lost revenues during the first year and will decrease by 10 percent per year for the remaining years of eligibility.

Let me be clear. We are not giving up on Davis-Besse, nor should we easily give up on other nuclear power plants around the country. Nuclear power provides the large majority of clean energy in this country. And from a national security perspective, we must consider the impact of the anticipated closure on our Nation's nuclear supply chain—that absolutely includes highly trained people and technologies.

Ohioans don't give up. It is in our history. During the Battle of Lake Erie, Commander Oliver Hazard Perry, who is memorialized at Perry's Monument just a few miles from Davis-Besse, unfurled a flag that read "Don't Give Up the Ship." Well we are not giving up and we plan to keep fighting for the community and those impacted by the future of Davis-Besse.

But should the worst happen, I urge my colleagues to support this bill, and to consider the toll this will have on communities. Schools, roads, law enforcement and other fundamental civil services that people need will be gutted. This is not an isolated problem facing the people of Northern Ohio, but dozens of other communities are facing the prospect of closures of plants across this nation.

We owe them our best effort to provide a pathway for recovery should the worst happen.

#### INTRODUCTION OF HIDDEN FIGURES CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL ACT

**HON. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 13, 2018*

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, today I am joined by my good friend from Oklahoma, Representative FRANK LUCAS, in introducing the Hidden Figures Congressional Gold Medal Act. The contributions of women mathematicians and engineers to the warfighting effort during World War II and the nation's space program have for too long gone unrecognized. While hundreds of women helped bring about one of the nation's crowning technological achievements, landing the first man on the moon, their names are largely lost to history.

From the 1930s to the 1970s, women at NASA and its precursor organization, NACA, submitted their work anonymously, were paid less than their male peers, and had few op-

portunities for career advancement. In addition, women of color working in the West Area Computing Unit were initially subjected to the indignity of segregated bathrooms, dining facilities, and water fountains.

The popular book by Margot Lee Shetterly, entitled *Hidden Figures*, and the subsequent film adaptation, have finally helped bring their incredible and inspiring stories to light. Despite the numerous challenges they faced, women like Katherine Johnson, Mary Jackson, Dorothy Vaughan, and Christine Darden persevered. Their accomplishments will, I hope, inspire young girls to consider careers in STEM fields. The positive attention being paid to their individual stories and the stories of the hundreds of women working alongside them is well deserved and long overdue.

This bill will bestow Congress's highest civilian honor in appreciation of the achievements of Katherine Johnson, Mary Jackson, Dorothy Vaughan, Christine Darden, and all the women mathematicians and engineers at NACA and NASA who devoted their talents in service to the nation during this important time in our history.

I want to thank Senator COONS for his leadership in championing the effort to honor these women in the Senate with his legislation, S. 3321. Our bill builds on Senator COONS' bill by extending the honor to the hundreds of lesser-known women who worked alongside the four women made famous by the *Hidden Figures* book and movie.

While I am grateful that this book and movie have shone a light on these women and their experiences, I think it's important to acknowledge that the term *Hidden Figures* is a bit misleading. These women and their talents were never hidden from us. As is far too often the case when women—and especially women of color—are involved, we as a society chose to overlook them.

I urge my colleagues to join us in rectifying this oversight and help us give these women the recognition they deserve.

#### RECOGNIZING THE CAPTAIN AND CREW OF THE "CARNIVAL ELATION"

**HON. FREDERICA S. WILSON**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 13, 2018*

Ms. WILSON of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay special tribute to the captain and crew of the *Carnival Elation* for their incredible bravery during the rescue of a fishing boat stranded in the Gulf of Mexico during Hurricane Irma last year. Their mettle will be honored this week by the Association for Rescue at Sea.

While undergoing routine maintenance and the replacement of its bridge navigation system in Freeport, Bahamas, the *Carnival Elation* began monitoring a storm developing off the coast of Western Africa. When the storm quickly grew to a Category 5 hurricane and it became clear that its path would likely lead directly over the Bahamas, the decision was made to move the ship and seek shelter in the Gulf of Mexico.

While sailing away from Hurricane Irma's path, the *Elation* received a relayed distress message from the U.S. Coast Guard alerting

them that a fishing boat, the Captain Eddie, was taking on water approximately 60 nautical miles to their east and that two crewmembers were in dire need of assistance. *Elation* Captain Gaetano Gigliotti and his crew immediately set out to assist in the rescue, while the Coast Guard planned to provide a helicopter in support of the effort. The *Elation* navigated through treacherous conditions, facing 15–20-foot waves and sustaining winds of 40 knots, gusting at times to well over 60 knots. Despite these conditions, and without normal comprehensive bridge systems and communications equipment due to their early evacuation, the *Elation* stayed the course, only to be informed shortly before arriving at the struggling fishing boat that the USCG could no longer provide helicopter assistance due to the dangerous wind conditions.

Nearing the fishing boat, Captain Gigliotti decided it was too dangerous to allow an *Elation* rescue ship to pick up the fishermen and instead chose to move the *Elation* closer to the life raft to facilitate a rescue through a single open door in the hull. The Captain skillfully maneuvered the 70,000+ ton, 260+ meter *Elation* at slow speed in the heavy winds and seas, successfully positioning the ship alongside the life raft. Ignoring the potential risk to their own lives, several *Elation* deck team members were able to successfully bring the sole survivor on board using a harness and hoisting line. Unfortunately, the *Elation* crew quickly learned from the survivor that his fellow crewmembers had refused to abandon ship and were lost when the fishing vessel rapidly sank. The *Elation* medical team took excellent care of the survivor, facilitated contact with his family and coordinated with the U.S. embassy to ensure his timely return to the United States after the ship returned to the Bahamas.

We thank Captain Gigliotti and the entire *Elation* crew for their bravery in coming to the rescue of this fishing boat and its crew. Their courage in the face of extreme conditions, even placing their own lives at risk to save the lives of others, stands as an example of true heroism. I am pleased their efforts have been recognized by the Association for the Rescue at Sea and that they have been awarded the 2019 Cruise Ship Humanitarian Assistance Award. They also were honored by the International Maritime Organization with its 2018 Award for Exceptional Bravery at Sea.

As a founder and chair of the Florida Ports Caucus and proud representative of PortMiami, which is known as the "Cruise Capital of the World," it is my honor to recognize the captain and crew of the *Carnival Elation*.

#### RECOGNIZING MR. MATTHEW SUMMERS FOR RECEIVING A PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FROM THE HEALTHSOUTH REHABILITATION HOSPITAL OF ALTOONA

**HON. BILL SHUSTER**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 13, 2018*

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Matt Summers of Claysburg, PA, one of the winners of the 25th annual Personal Achievement Award from the

HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital of Altoona. This award is given to encourage and recognize those who have made an outstanding effort to deal with or overcome a disability. This year, Mr. Summers has earned that distinction.

Matt was involved in a motorcycle accident in September 2017 that left him with multiple fractures, a spinal cord injury and a Traumatic Brain Injury. Since the fateful day of that crash, he has made tremendous gains in his recovery. During his time in rehab, Matt was dependent on a wheelchair due to little muscle activity in his legs as well as nerve damage in his right arm from a vertebrae fracture. However, he worked hard in therapy to overcome many of his challenges, and regained his ability to walk and complete his daily activities independently. Matt returned to work in the construction industry in June, and continues to push himself to new limits.

I am honored to celebrate Matt's impressive efforts, as I believe that his dedicated and positive attitude is something many of us can learn from as we attempt to overcome the hardships in our lives. Furthermore, I am happy to recognize Matt for his perseverance, and I wish him the best as he continues on the road to full recovery.

#### CELEBRATING GOODLETTSVILLE CHURCH AND MORE THAN 175 YEARS OF SERVICE

#### HON. JIM COOPER

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 13, 2018*

Mr. COOPER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Goodlettsville Church as it celebrates more than 175 years of service to the community in Tennessee.

Goodlettsville Church's deep community roots began in the 1800s on the banks of Mansker Creek. From 42 members in the early days to more than 200 today, Goodlettsville Church has touched countless lives with its rich community of faith.

Through the strong pastoral leadership, Service Ministry Team, Cumberland Presbyterian Women and the family worship each week, Goodlettsville Church shares the love of Christ at home and in mission trips abroad.

With its mission to show others the "Love of Christ Inside and Out," Goodlettsville Church will continue to be a beacon of hope in the community for many more years to come.

#### HONORING SANTA ROSA JUNIOR COLLEGE'S 100TH ANNIVERSARY

#### HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 13, 2018*

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Santa Rosa Junior College on the 100th anniversary of its founding.

Santa Rosa Junior College (SRJC) is a vital pillar of our community and a leader of junior colleges in higher education. Santa Rosa Junior College was founded by community leaders. The original student body was comprised of nineteen individuals and they shared re-

sources with the local high school. During the Great Depression, SRJC secured land to build its permanent campus. Santa Rosa Junior College has expanded over the years to include a campus in Petaluma, the Southwest Santa Rosa Center, the Public Safety Training Center, and Shone Farm.

SRJC has educated 1.7 million students in its 100 year history and enrolls approximately 28,000 students of all ages each semester. Santa Rosa Junior College, in conjunction with the SRJC Foundation, is committed to making education accessible for all and working to ensure that all their students succeed. In addition to outstanding academics, the school has over 40 clubs, including conference-winning athletic teams, nationally ranked speech and debate teams, and outstanding theater, dance, and music programs.

Santa Rosa Junior College is the third largest employer in Sonoma County. Approximately 3,000 faculty and staff work at SRJC and devote their careers to helping students and our community. Additionally, the local economic impact of the college is \$1.6 billion annually, which has brought 26,000 jobs to the surrounding area. The SRJC Foundation raises funds for students and education programs at the college. The foundation is ranked number one among California community college foundations for endowment size and scholarship distribution, an honor it has worked hard to earn.

Mr. Speaker, Santa Rosa Junior College provides excellent opportunities for the members of our community. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor it here today.

#### HONORING MRS. NANCY SCHÖN

#### HON. JOSEPH P. KENNEDY III

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 13, 2018*

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Nancy Schön, a lifelong resident of the Fourth District of Massachusetts and a renowned sculptor, on the occasion of her 90th birthday on September 24, 2018.

Born in 1928, Nancy's interest in art began at a young age. Nancy graduated from the School of the Museum of Fine Arts with Honors in Sculpture in 1952, and her early work was inspired by her family, which has grown to include four children, many grandchildren, and a great grandchild.

Later in her career, Nancy began creating Public Art with a focus on teaching lessons. Her most famous piece, "Make Way for Ducklings," can be found in the Boston Public Garden and has a theme of promises kept and family values. This focus on lessons continues in her other pieces, such as the "Tortoise and Hare" sculpture at the finish line of the Boston Marathon and the "Winnie-the-Pooh and Friends" sculptures at the Newton Free Library.

Art has led Nancy many places, including the former Soviet Union, where she joined First Lady Barbara Bush to present her copy of "Make Way for Ducklings" to Raisa Gorbachev as part of the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START). Nancy is active with non-profit organizations, and helped get the Lynch Family Skate Park built in Cambridge. Nancy is also an author, her memoir, "Make Way for Nancy" was published in 2017.

Across Massachusetts, we are proud to call Nancy Schön our neighbor and are grateful for her continued creativity. Mr. Speaker, I wish Nancy Schön a very happy 90th birthday. I am deeply humbled to represent her in Congress, and I hope her 90th year is the best one yet.

#### TALLULAH RIVER ROAD

#### HON. DOUG COLLINS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 13, 2018*

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank residents of Tate City for advocating for people who live in and visit Northeast Georgia. These Georgians alerted me to the unsafe conditions of Tallulah River Road, which runs through Towns and Rabun Counties. This road is the sole route to Tate City and provides access to campgrounds, fishing streams, and destinations in the Chatahoochee National Forest and Appalachian Trail.

I wrote to the U.S. Forest Service requesting road repair and maintenance, and would like to thank them for making timely improvements to Tallulah River Road.

Following that letter, the talented Forest Service team, including a bulldozer driver named Brad, went to work clearing out ditches, removing roadside vegetation, managing potholes, and leveling and adding significant amounts of gravel to the road. Residents of Tate City have since reported that Tallulah River Road is easier to navigate and the surrounding area has benefited from the improvements.

None of this would have been possible without the advocacy of concerned citizens. I would like to thank the many residents of Tate City who reached out to help me represent the interests of Towns and Rabun County, including Larry Hamble, the Harrisons, the Lovvorns, the Masseys, the Gilsons, the Penlands, the Shivers, the Van Camps, Robin Fisher, Brantley DeLoatche, the Lisicias, Steven Sickmond, Anne Taylor, the Jareks, Nikolai Len, the Eriksons, William Giordano, Steve Harvey, and the Foremans.

#### THE FORT MYERS MIRACLE—FLORIDA STATE LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP WIN

#### HON. FRANCIS ROONEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, September 13, 2018*

Mr. FRANCIS ROONEY of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of the Fort Myers Miracle baseball team and their third Florida State League Championship. The Miracle recovered from an early setback to defeat the Daytona Tortugas by a margin of 8–5, securing their 3–1 win in a best-of-5 game series. This win serves to confirm the excellence of the Fort Myers Miracle program compared to its Florida peers. This 2018 victory marks the team's 2nd championship win in the last 5 years.

I congratulate the Fort Myers Miracle and Manager Ramon Borrego for this thrilling victory. We look forward to the continued growth and success of this great baseball program.