

their home, have clean water to drink, receive lifesaving medical care, and finish school to obtain good jobs.

Christian Relief Services Charities is a family of nonprofits focused on long-term development and self-sufficiency by providing impoverished children and their families with the necessities of food, clothing, decent living conditions, and access to education and healthcare.

Through its affiliate programs, Christian Relief Services Charities delivers many basic commodities we take for granted. For families, including Veterans and the disabled, they provide warm winter clothing, medicine, medical equipment, safe water systems, housing, materials for home repair, and equipment for organic gardens. For children specifically, their programs provide books, school supplies, fund youth programs such as summer lunch buses, camps, after-school enrichment classes, project grants to Native American youth and teachers seeking to improve their communities and other programs that build self-esteem.

Working in partnership with public and private non-profit agencies, Christian Relief Services Charities provides over 3900 units of affordable, transitional and permanent housing, and resident related services in Virginia, Arizona, Kansas, Texas, Ohio and Iowa to persons with very low to moderate incomes, chronic mentally and physically ill adults, homeless families and individuals. In Northern Virginia, Christian Relief Services Charities offers a program that provides transitional housing to victims of domestic violence and their children, with victim advocacy therapy and case management support.

Christian Relief Services Charities is highly esteemed throughout the country and is one of the original accredited charities of the Better Business Bureau having consistently met their rigorous standards of excellence.

As great as our Nation is, poverty and need sadly still exist. It is comforting to know that, for a third of a century, Christian Relief Services Charities has been making an impactful difference in the lives of many people in the 8th Congressional District, American Indian Country, Appalachia, and across the United States.

Each day the number of served grows. I commend Christian Relief Services Charities for its service to humanity and thank them for making the world a less harsh place, feeding those who are hungry, providing housing and medical supplies to the homeless and sick, and giving hope to those who had none.

HONORING THE CAREER OF
SHERIFF DAVID GOULD

HON. JOHN KATKO

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 25, 2018

Mr. KATKO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Cayuga County Sheriff David Gould on his retirement after nearly fifty years of service to our community.

Mr. Gould joined the New York State Police in 1970 after serving in the U.S. Army. Following his 34-year career with the New York State Police, Mr. Gould worked as a Special Investigator for the Seneca County District Attorney's Office.

In November 2006, Mr. Gould was elected Cayuga County Sheriff. Since January 1, 2007

he has served as the County's Chief Law Enforcement Officer, leading an office of nearly 200 employees. After 48 years in law enforcement, Sheriff Gould will retire at the end of his term in 2018.

Spending nearly his entire career keeping communities safe, David Gould is truly a model public servant. Mr. Gould has put his service to the community above partisan politics. Since his election as Sheriff, Mr. Gould has worked tirelessly to combat the heroin epidemic, pursue human traffickers, and crack down on domestic abuse. His department has instituted and documented almost 50 new initiatives including the creation of two substations for the Sheriff's department in Cato and Moravia, ensuring the Cayuga County Sheriff's Department has representation in both northern and southern portions of the region. During his tenure, the Cayuga County Sheriff's Department has strengthened its relationship with members of the Auburn, Moravia, Port Byron and Weedsport Police Departments, the New York State Police Department, the FBI, the Secret Service, the Department of Homeland Security, and the U.S. Attorney's Office.

I join members of my community in thanking Sheriff Gould for his career of public service, and wish him the best in retirement.

REMEMBERING AND HONORING
SWAMI VIVEKANANDA

HON. RAJA KRISHNAMOORTHY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 25, 2018

Mr. KRISHNAMOORTHY. Mr. Speaker, today I remember and honor the life of Swami Vivekananda, who passed away on July 4, 1902 at the age of 39.

Born as Narendranath Datta in the city of Kolkata, Swami Vivekananda played a key role in introducing the philosophical and spiritual underpinnings of Hinduism to the Western world. Swami Vivekananda's philosophies were shaped by the teachings found in Hindu scriptures, and by the writings of western thinkers including David Hume and John Stuart Mill. Swami Vivekananda taught that no religion has a monopoly on the truth, and that there is no virtue higher than ahimsa, the concept of non-violence.

In the West, Swami Vivekananda is best remembered for a speech he delivered on September 11, 1893 at the World Parliament of Religions in Chicago, Illinois. Opening his remarks with the words "Sisters and Brothers of America," Swami Vivekananda spoke at length about Hindu spirituality, religious tolerance and the dangers inherent in sectarianism and extremism. His appearance at the World Parliament awakened an interest in Hinduism that led to speaking tours by Swami Vivekananda and the establishment of Vedanta centers throughout the United States and Europe.

Swami Vivekananda's teachings of religious tolerance, understanding and the universality of the human experience are as relevant today as when he delivered his famous address in Chicago 125 years ago. As a United States Representative from the Chicago area and as a Hindu-American, I want to recognize the 125th anniversary of Swami Vivekananda's

Chicago Speech and celebrate the life of this eminent international spiritual leader.

TRIBUTE TO JAMIE WOLFE

HON. LISA BLUNT ROCHESTER

OF DELAWARE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 25, 2018

Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Jamie Wolfe a native Delawarean who dedicated her life to advocacy and influencing public policy in order to create independence for people in the disability community.

Jamie was born with Arthrogryposis. Due to the severity of this muscular disorder, Jamie was never able to develop muscle in her arms or legs. With the support of her parents and loved ones, Jamie was dedicated to living a "normal" life and overcoming each obstacle she faced. She never met a challenge she didn't attack head on.

Jamie devoted her life to passing important legislation that would help empower those with disabilities and create the opportunity they deserve. Jamie's main goal was to help people who are disabled to gain independence in their everyday life. Through meaningful legislation, education, and advocacy Jamie achieved significant change that made many lives better. More than that, she made my life better. Her unwavering support of the issues she believed in was more than inspiring, it was paramount to the success of thousands of Delawareans and our state was made better for her work.

Please join me in extending our condolences to the entire Wolfe family. I hope that time and memories will help lessen the burden of their sorrow, and that they may draw some measure of comfort knowing that others care and celebrate her life and legacy.

IN HONOR OF THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF MARION COUNTY COMMISSION ON YOUTH

HON. ANDRÉ CARSON

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 25, 2018

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the Marion County Commission on Youth, whose tireless work over the past twenty-five years has benefited countless youth and families in my hometown of Indianapolis.

Marion County Commission on Youth (MCCOY) champions the positive development of youth through leadership on key issues and support of those directly serving young people. As an intermediary organization, MCCOY focuses on developing the high-level, strategic partnerships and supports needed for youth to thrive. This vital work is accomplished in four key pillars: Advocacy on issues impacting young people and their families; capacity-building programming for youth service providers; convening opportunities for service providers and community leaders; and resources to connect young people and families to programming.