

community. St. Mary's is an important foundation in the lives of these Ethiopian-Americans where they can come together, as promised in the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, to practice their shared faith and help those within their community in times of need.

St. Mary's became the first Ethiopian Orthodox Church in Colorado when it was established in 1993. The church has experienced both triumphs and setbacks, but it has nevertheless always maintained its commitment to the community and willingness to serve. This is why St. Mary's continues to grow and thrive as its members celebrate their successes, their sorrow, and support in time of distress.

I offer my warmest and best wishes to the people and the leadership of St. Mary's Ethiopian Orthodox Tewahedo Church on their 25th anniversary. I know St. Mary's will continue to grow, to thrive, to serve its members, and to be a part of our community that is both a welcoming and diverse place.

#### CLARITY ON SMALL BUSINESS PARTICIPATION IN CATEGORY MANAGEMENT ACT OF 2018

SPEECH OF

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, September 25, 2018*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 6382, the "Clarity on Small Business Participation in Category Management Act," a bill which seeks to improve participation in federal contracting by small businesses.

The "Clarity on Small Business Participation in Category Management Act," requires that the Small Business Administration report to Congress on the total amount of government-wide spending under the Category Management approach, and more importantly, the number of small businesses awarded contracts under Category Management and the dollar amount of such contracts.

This information will allow Congress to determine whether Category Management is negatively impacting the participation of small businesses—including, minority-owned, women-owned, and veteran-owned companies—in the federal marketplace.

While I appreciate that the rationale behind Category Management is to save taxpayer dollars by reducing contract redundancies and costs and shrink administrative burdens, I share the concerns of many that the expanded use of Category Management, as proposed by the Trump Administration, will result in less opportunities for small businesses to secure federal contracts.

Research published in a Federal News Radio article has shown that past contract consolidation efforts by the federal government have decreased the amount of small prime contractors obtaining federal work. As such, we must exercise vigilance to guard against the diminution of small business participation in the federal marketplace under Category Management.

As a longtime advocate for small businesses, I am pleased to be an original cosponsor on this legislation, and I thank the gentlelady from North Carolina, Ms. ADAMS, for bringing the bill forward.

With that, I urge my House colleagues to support small businesses by voting in favor of this legislation.

#### IN REMEMBRANCE OF MARGARET BRADFORD-MATTHEWS

**HON. ROBERT A. BRADY**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 28, 2018*

Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, it is with a heavy heart that I rise today in remembrance of Margaret Bradford-Matthews.

Margaret was born in Philadelphia on September 26, 1949. She spent much of her youth in service to the A.M.E. Union Church. Shortly after graduating from William Penn High School in 1967, Margaret became one of the first African-American Pathology Technicians at the former Metropolitan Hospital in Philadelphia. She met her soon-to-be husband Herman J. Matthews, Jr., known to friends as Pete, that same year. Pete and Margaret married in the spring of 1970, at which point Margaret left her job at the hospital to raise their family.

Pete and Margaret were blessed with four children: Peter, Mark, Allan, and Heather. Of course, the challenges of raising four young children didn't keep Margaret from staying involved in the community. She was a Boy Scouts Den Mother, community organizer, volunteer school advisor, and more. She loved animals, most of all her dogs Bo and Squirt, and would often volunteer at the Camden County Animal Shelter. Margaret also had a renowned eye for fashion. Pete's reputation as one of the sharpest-dressed men in Philadelphia stems from Margaret's influence.

While Pete may hold the title of President, Margaret's input played a vital role in shaping the contracts AFSCME District Council 33 reached with the City of Philadelphia. Her importance was recognized when she was selected from PA AFL-CIO Women's Committee as a delegate to the 2000 Democratic National Convention.

Margaret leaves behind a legacy that will live on in the countless lives she touched. Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and my other distinguished colleagues join me in honoring the life and memory of Margaret Bradford-Matthews.

#### IN CELEBRATION OF THE INWOOD CANOE CLUB TO THE UPPER MANHATTAN COMMUNITY ON ITS 116TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. ADRIANO ESPAILLAT**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 28, 2018*

Mr. ESPAILLAT. Mr. Speaker, I include in the Record the following Proclamation:

Whereas, the Inwood Canoe Club has been part of the Upper Manhattan Community since its founding in 1913; ushering the introduction and growth of this sport and recreation with this generation as well as the generation of our parents and that of our grandparents before;

Whereas, the Inwood Canoe Club continues to eagerly welcome with open arms persons of

all ages from different parts of New York City, and around the world for over a century;

Whereas, the Inwood Canoe Club has given New Yorkers a chance to discover new activities that enable us to enjoy the natural beauty that is such a tremendous point of pride that we all share and are fortunate to celebrate with the Inwood Canoe Club;

Whereas, the Inwood Canoe Club places a priority on community engagement and instills a lifelong passion for outdoor recreation through programs highlighting water sports to educate the youth about the ecology of the Hudson river and the importance of the environment;

Whereas, the Inwood Canoe Club strengthens community and generational ties, contributing to our greater sense of pride in our community;

Now, therefore I, ADRIANO ESPAILLAT, Representative of the Thirteenth Congressional District of New York in the United States House of Representatives, do hereby recognize Inwood Canoe Club on its 116th anniversary for its contribution to the Northern Manhattan Community and New York City.

#### AMERICANS WHO DIED FROM GUN VIOLENCE

**HON. ROBIN L. KELLY**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 28, 2018*

Ms. KELLY of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today because Americans continue to die from gun violence while this White House and this Congressional majority does nothing to stop it.

Instead of working to pass commonsense, lifesaving legislation that keeps guns out of the hands of people who should never have them, Republican Congressional leadership is already eyeing the door to campaign before the November election.

We are already hearing rumors that the next two weeks could be cancelled. Instead of running off to campaign, we should remain in Washington to debate any number of bipartisan commonsense gun safety proposals that will save American lives.

Sadly, this Republican majority is too beholden to the NRA and gun lobby to do the right thing.

Speaker RYAN and Congressional Republicans will head out to hit the campaign trail while Americans will continue to die because of their criminal inaction.

These are the names of 156 Americans that this Republican majority has failed by their inaction on gun violence:

FLORIDA'S 17TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

1. Highlands County Sheriff's Deputy William Gentry Jr.
2. Hinso Estriplet
3. Trent Bartol-Thomas, 19
4. Anthony Mathison
5. Rhiannon W. Layendecker
6. Samuel Jones, 22
7. Eric Young, 18
8. Matthew Eugene Collins
9. Joshua Jordan, 23
10. Guy Jr. Alabre, 16
11. Steven Gonzalez
12. Kehsawn Souvenir
13. Ivan Garcia
14. Maria "Angeles" Delosangeles Evaristo Bautista

15. Alejandro Manuel Luis  
 16. Theodore King  
 17. Verkiesha Charmaine Massaline, 21  
 18. Jimmie Olds  
 19. Jose Alonso Rodriguez  
 20. Amanda Gayle Suarez  
 21. Mohammed Allam  
 22. Aaron Hankerson  
 23. Marcus Dupree Davis Jr., 19  
 24. Lawrence Lockley, 18  
 25. Mary Knowlton  
 26. Urte Rottman  
 27. Rikard Rottman  
 28. Ricardo Vaca, 20  
 29. Amparo Moreno  
 30. Eddie Powell Jr., 22  
 31. Christopher Jermaine Allen  
 32. Antoinette "Ann" Gordon  
 33. Hugh Gordon  
 34. Barbara Kavanaugh  
 35. Frank Kavanaugh  
 36. Earlon Eugley  
 37. Kyle Farishian, 18  
 38. Mirabel Sandoval, 26  
 39. Manuel Galindo Oquendo  
 40. Christina B. Galvez  
 41. Daniel Gonzalez, 25  
 42. William 'Bear' Curry  
 43. Thomas Markland  
 44. Martin Plummer  
 45. Blake Reeves, 20  
 46. Officer Larry Phelps  
 47. Michael Gavin  
 48. Maxie Broome Jr.  
 49. Randall Scott Ford  
 50. Charles Herzberger  
 51. Tyshawn Markess Hall, 21  
 52. Daysha Releesha Crapp, 21  
 53. Jaqwan Salvalas Hall, 21  
 54. Korynn Jennifer Siwniewski, 19  
 55. Michael Murphy,  
 56. Terry Wayne Snyder  
 57. Jesus Garcia-Renteria, 22  
 58. Brian Gorby, 19  
 59. Tyler Henthorne  
 60. Jesus Nieves Gomez  
 61. Patrick Fields  
 62. John Paul Kirby  
 63. Linda Kirby  
 64. Brandon Orlando  
 65. John Stalnaker  
 66. Emmanuel Shird  
 67. Carlos Delgado, 5  
 68. Angela Morales  
 69. Spencer Philipe, 18  
 70. Thomas Crispin  
 71. Peta Gaye Muschette  
 72. Adeirean Carey.

## CALIFORNIA'S 10TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

73. Alejandro Lizarraga-Cabrera  
 74. Daniel "Danny" Russell  
 75. Emilio Gerardo Enriquez Almanza, 15  
 76. Richard Lee Short III, 17  
 77. Brisa Covarrubias, 13  
 78. Ismael Guzman, 16  
 79. Muhammad Sharieff, 21  
 80. Lisandra Corrales, 28  
 81. Pierre Hurtado, 6  
 82. Nathan Hurtado, 4  
 83. Jordan Correia  
 84. Lydia Nicholson  
 85. Ricardo Vasques, 24  
 86. Cody Lea, 21  
 87. Xavier Smith, 5  
 88. Lisa Herger, 29  
 89. Tiffany Herrera, 27  
 90. Norberto Martinez  
 91. Joga Shergill

92. Terelle Swearengin, 25  
 93. Stephen Cain  
 94. David Reyes  
 95. Evin Olsen Yadegar  
 96. Benito Garcia, 17  
 97. Rafael Avina  
 98. Kalpesh Patel  
 99. Sheila Marie Sanders  
 100. Dahvish Gilliam  
 101. Sylvia Oliver  
 102. Stanislaus County Deputy Sheriff Dennis Randall Wallace  
 103. Robert Farish  
 104. Gergory Pimentel  
 105. Sylvia Chavarria  
 106. Brisa Covarrubias, 13  
 107. Pablo Vargas Jr.  
 108. Falane Jones  
 109. Andre Penn, 25  
 110. Jorge Santana  
 111. Derek Mauldin  
 112. Andrew Miller, 24  
 113. Gabriel Rodriguez  
 114. Zachary McGee, 25  
 115. Marcus Culebro, 22  
 116. Louis Ramos  
 117. Oscar Peralta  
 118. Robert Herrera  
 119. Maricela Martinez  
 120. Mario Medina  
 121. Derrick Farrow  
 122. Cynthia Antrim  
 123. Chad Evert Romesha  
 124. Hunter Davis, 11  
 125. Dillon Reynolds, 22  
 126. Darell Esguerra, 25  
 127. Juan Jose Calvillo  
 128. David Cruz, 21, and  
 129. Alejandro Lizarraga-Cabrera.

## NEW JERSEY'S 11TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

130. Najee Broadway, 18  
 131. Omar Broadway  
 132. Daniel Martone  
 133. Barbara Martone  
 134. James Hofstetter  
 135. Christina Prestianni  
 136. Christopher Minichini  
 137. Raymond Torres  
 138. Joan Bramhall  
 139. Julian Knott  
 140. Alita Knott  
 141. Brendan Tevlin, 19.

## CALIFORNIA'S 48TH DISTRICT

142. Liz Noriega  
 143. Benjamin Ullestad  
 144. Brandon Ullestad  
 145. Douglas Ferguson  
 146. Lisa Cosenza  
 147. Amanda Jensen  
 148. Rick Moore  
 149. Kevin Sotelo  
 150. Julian Barragan  
 151. Francisco Sotelo Gonzalez  
 152. Chief Richard Bukowiecki  
 153. Leoncio Banuelos  
 154. Brandon Dufault  
 155. Todd Kuchar, and  
 156. Steve Rodriguez.

CELEBRATING THE MOUNTAIN LAKES JUNIOR FIRE DEPARTMENT'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY

**HON. RODNEY P. FRELINGHUYSEN**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 28, 2018*

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the Mountain Lakes Junior

Fire Department located in the Borough of Mountain Lakes, New Jersey, on the occasion of its 50th anniversary.

The Mountain Lakes Junior Fire Department (MLJFD) was first established in 1941 to supplement manpower during World War II. It was disbanded in 1945 and reestablished in 1968 and has been a strong force in the community ever since. The department is made up of high school students ranging from 16–18 years in age. Currently there are 22 members serving in the junior department, with an active waiting list.

The juniors receive much of the same training as the senior members. The juniors drill two to three Sundays a month and they also attend monthly senior drills and meetings. The junior department currently has four officers: chief, deputy chief, and two captains. The officers are appointed by the senior advisors for a one year term. The junior officers are responsible for the supervision of the other junior members at drills, fires and other emergencies.

The department presents an annual service award to three graduating seniors who have served in the junior fire department. The award is named in memory of two long time Mountain Lakes Volunteer Fire Department members, James Bott Sr. and his son, Robert. The criterion for the award is based on attendance at drills, fire calls and other department activities. The awards are presented annually at the Mountain Lakes High School moving up day ceremony.

The department also voted to name a special award in memory of Firefighter Thomas Taylor. Tom was a long time resident of Mountain Lakes and served in the department for 53 years. The recipient of the award will be a member of the junior department and selected by the junior board of officers.

On March 25, 2003, a ceremony was held for the Mountain Lakes Junior Fire Department for placing first in the 2002 Junior Emergency Service Excellence Award sponsored by Volunteer Fire Insurance Service. Hundreds of applications were received from junior fire departments and junior ambulance squads from across the country. The juniors received a \$1,000 check, a plaque and were listed as the recipient of the award in national fire publications.

The Mountain Lakes Junior Fire Department serves as a model for other departments. The department has been integral in establishing other junior fire departments in Morris, Passaic, Essex, and Sussex counties.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and our colleagues join me in congratulating the Mountain Lakes Junior Fire Department, on the occasion of its 50th Anniversary.

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL TO ADD SUICIDE PREVENTION RESOURCES TO SCHOOL IDENTIFICATION CARDS

**HON. J. LUIS CORREA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, September 28, 2018*

Mr. CORREA. Mr. Speaker, unfortunately, in 2016, there were nearly 45,000 suicides nationwide, making it the tenth-leading cause of death.