

partnerships to better serve Kaiser Permanente members and our communities. Kaiser Permanente Marin-Sonoma has greatly expanded under Mr. Campbell's leadership. Over 100 employees serve on more than 150 boards and committees as part of the effort to support our communities. Additionally, Marin's membership has grown thirty-one percent and Sonoma's membership has grown forty-six percent.

Mr. Campbell has been active in other local organizations and has won awards for his dedication. He has served as Board Chair and on the Executive Committee, Governance Committee, Advocacy Council and BEST: Building Economic Success Together Board of the Santa Rosa Metro Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Campbell was awarded the Leadership Excellence in the Field of Health Care Award by the SRMCC in 2009 and was the Spirit of Sonoma Award recipient in 2012.

Mr. Speaker, Mr. Campbell is an admirable leader who is dedicated to serving our community. It is therefore fitting and proper that we honor him here today.

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HONORING MAYOR CHUCK FEWELL

**HON. LUKE MESSER**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 6, 2018*

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, on behalf of the entire 6th Congressional District of Indiana, to recognize Mayor Chuck Fewell for his contribution to our state and the City of Greenfield.

Throughout his career, Chuck has dedicated himself to serving our country, our state, and the City of Greenfield with honor and integrity. As mayor, Chuck has made improving the quality of life in Greenfield his main priority. Greenfield is better off today because of his extraordinary leadership and service.

On a personal note, Chuck is a loyal friend and wise adviser. Chuck is among my closest friends in politics. I want to thank him for his incredible support of my work in Congress. I wish Chuck continued success in all that God has planned for him and his family.

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RECOGNIZING COMITIS CRISIS CENTER

**HON. MIKE COFFMAN**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 6, 2018*

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, in honor of National Homelessness and Hunger Awareness Week, I rise today to recognize the Comititis Crisis Center. Since 1970, Comititis has faithfully served over 100,000 individuals, including veterans and their families. Comititis has assisted them with transitional housing, emergency shelter, and taught them the skills they need to become self-sufficient. These services have resulted in permanent and safe housing for many of our fellow Americans.

Comititis Crisis Center's accomplishments in 2017 include serving over 4,000 individuals. The scale of the work Comititis performs is truly impressive. It prepared 138,000 meals, assembled 11,000 hygiene kits, and provided

50,000 overnight beds. Not only does this center give aide to the homeless, it also provides a 24/7 emergency shelter, as well as a variety of programs supporting individuals recovering from addiction, trauma, and mental health issues.

This past year, I introduced H.R. 4099, the "Homeless Veteran Families Act." H.R. 4099 is a bill targeted at combating homelessness for veterans, and their dependent minors and the inspiration for this bill was the great work for homeless veterans with dependent minors that the Comititis Crisis Center does. H.R. 4099 aims to assist community agencies, like the Comititis Crisis Center, expand and better cope with the problems faced by homeless veterans with minor dependents, as well as ensuring them safe shelter during their times of hardship.

Mr. Speaker, during National Homelessness and Hunger Awareness Week, it is my pleasure to honor the Comititis Crisis Center, and its dedicated staff. The Comititis Crisis Center ensures that everyone who walks through its doors is provided with sufficient resources, dignity, and the respect they deserve. I am confident the Comititis Crisis Center will continue as a force for good in our community, as it has done for the past 48 years.

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HONORING IOANNIS GIANNOPOULOS

**HON. GUS M. BILIRAKIS**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 6, 2018*

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the important mark that Ioannis Giannopoulos had on American society, as the original founder of one of the oldest known wooden school houses in the country. In order to fully understand the cultural motivation to establish this historic treasure, one must examine Giannopoulos's early life. A carpenter by trade, Ioannis Giannopoulos was the son of George and Maria-Canelas and hailed from the Petalidi area in Messina that was then known as "Koroni" (the village of Skoutari, Mani). He was known by the Spanish as Juan Genopoly. Giannopoulos—at the age of 13—was one of a group of indentured laborers brought to the New World by Andrew Turnbull to work an indigo plantation at New Smyrna. This group of 1,403 Minorcans, Greeks and Italians suffered mistreatment, starvation and overextended servitudes at Turnbull's plantation. The people were reduced to slavery, and treated with great cruelty by Trumbull, whose partner in the enterprise was the English Governor of the territory, who kept the colonists in subjection with English troops. This slavery lasted nine years, during which time nearly two-thirds of these colonists perished; but large crops of indigo were raised for the company—one year 30,000 lbs. it is stated.

In 1776, a new Governor having arrived, the petitions of these people for relief were listened to, and they were released from the tyranny of their master. One year later six hundred refugees, led by Ioannis Giannopoulos, Francisco Pellicer and Antonio Llambias, walked to St Augustine and were granted asylum by Governor Tonyn. They became the largest group of immigrants to settle in America in one group at one time. Collectively

called "Minorcans", they were an important part of the fabric of St Augustine history. It was on Saint George Street where the survivors of the New Smyrna Colony first settled after their escape. Since that time, this area of Old St Augustine has been called "the Greek Quarter" and alternately "the Minorcan Quarter."

Ioannis Giannopoulos built a little house out of red cedar and cypress and put it together with wooden pegs and handmade nails, sometime around 1800. This building was a home first but, as early as 1811, members of the Genopoly family taught the children of other Minorcan families in the first floor "school-room" of this building. As the story goes, Genopoly, in typical Greek fashion, was worried his children would grow up without an education. Genopoly and his daughter Maria Manuela Barbara "Mary" Genopoly Darling were the first teachers. Then Genopoly hired a school teacher, and generations of children from St. Augustine went to school in this building. Juan Genopoly died in 1820.

Today, this preserved building is recognized as one of the oldest schoolhouses in North America. It has become the symbol of their hard work and perseverance. It's now the main attraction of the historical precinct in St. George Street, Saint Augustine, Florida. John Giannopoulos left a deep imprint in the educational history of St. Augustine by establishing a school in his house. Now restored, it stands as one of the oldest school buildings in the United States.

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HONORING MARK WYNN

**HON. LUKE MESSER**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 6, 2018*

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, on behalf of the entire 6th Congressional District of Indiana, to recognize Mark Wynn for his contribution to our state and our District.

Mark is an attorney in Madison and served as the 6th District Chairman for most of my time in Congress. Mark is a straight shooter and was always someone I could count on for candid and honest advice. We traveled the state together to support and advance Republican principles. He has served our party and state with honor and distinction.

On a personal note, Mark was among my earliest and most vocal supporters. He is a loyal confidant and wise adviser. Quite simply, I could not have done this job without him. I want to thank him for his friendship and support of my work in Congress. I wish Mark continued success in all that God has planned for him and his family.

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HONORING MERCED COUNTY 4-H

**HON. JIM COSTA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 6, 2018*

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Merced County 4-H for their work to provide invaluable experience and opportunities to the youth of Merced County. Labeled as America's largest youth development organization, 4-H has supported nearly six million

youth across the country in their mission to engage youth to reach their fullest potential and continues to enrich the lives of our youth throughout Merced County.

The program's goal to develop citizenship, leadership, responsibility, and life skills is accomplished through hands-on projects in agriculture, science, health, and civic engagement. In doing so, youth develop relationships with their advisors, who mentor them into and provide support to help them achieve their full potential. This enables 4-H'ers to develop into true leaders, entrepreneurs and visionaries ready to lead the next generation of our country.

In my own district, the first 4-H office opened in 1917. Since then, Merced County 4-H has helped thousands of youth throughout the different communities that comprise Merced County to become confident, independent leaders. All the while, each different 4-H club throughout the county has been guided by their mission to provide experiences where young people learn by doing hands-on projects and at the same time, created more opportunities for youth to be engaged in their community.

The program, delivered by Cooperative Extension—a community of more than 100 public universities across the nation, is led in California by the University of California Cooperative Extension, the research and outreach arm of the UC's Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources. This gives Merced County 4-H the unique opportunity to partner with UC Merced, the newest research university of the 21st century. Through this partnership, youth and advisors are connected to the scientific research of the UC happening in the San Joaquin Valley, to help better understand and solve problems in agriculture throughout California.

Honoring the organization showcases the incredible ways that 4-H inspires kids to do more and highlights the remarkable 4-H youth in Merced County, who work each day to make a positive impact on those around them. The 4-H National Network consists of nearly 500,000 volunteers and 3,500 professionals that provide caring and supportive mentoring to all 4-H'ers, helping them to grow into true leaders, entrepreneurs and visionaries.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Merced County 4-H. It is both fitting and appropriate that we honor them and recognize the significant impact they have made and continue to make by empowering youth with the skills they needed for a lifetime.

#### HONORING ANN OGLE

#### HON. LUKE MESSER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 6, 2018*

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, on behalf of the entire 6th Congressional District of Indiana, to recognize Ann Ogle for her contribution to our state and her community.

Ann has spent her career working at Cummins and dedicates much of her free time toward volunteering in the community. Bartholomew County and our state are better off today because of her extraordinary leadership and service.

On a personal note, Ann and her late husband, Ted, are among my best friends in poli-

tics. They were among the first and most vocal supporters of my campaign for State Representative nearly twenty years ago. Jennifer and I cherish our friendship with the Ogles. They are great friends and wise advisers.

I want to thank Ann for her friendship and support of my work in Congress. I wish her continued success in all that God has planned for her family.

#### RECOGNIZING PENNSYLVANIA STATE SENATOR STEWART GREENLEAF

#### HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 6, 2018*

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize a dedicated public servant, Pennsylvania State Senator Stewart J. Greenleaf. Senator Greenleaf devotedly served the people of Bucks and Montgomery Counties in the Pennsylvania General Assembly for 42 years. A lifelong resident of Upper Moreland Township, Senator Greenleaf graduated from the University of Pennsylvania, where he played varsity basketball, and received his law degree from the University of Toledo School of Law. He is married to Cecelia "Kelly" Greenleaf. Early in his career, Senator Greenleaf served as Assistant District Attorney in Montgomery County and Chief of Appeals, writing briefs for cases that were appealed all the way to the United States Supreme Court. Stewart Greenleaf's career in the Montgomery County Courthouse was his first exposure to politics, which inspired his decision to make a life-long career of public service. Working as a prosecutor, he gained the insight into the criminal justice system and the judiciary that led to his decades-long chairmanship of the Pennsylvania Senate Judiciary Committee. Senator Greenleaf has passed more legislation than any other member of Pennsylvania's 253-member General Assembly. He has been the prime sponsor of 160 bills signed into law, and the driving force of many other measures that didn't carry his name. Notably, he has authored the Clean Indoor Air Act of 2008, Pennsylvania's Megan's Law, the Grandparent Custody Law, the Rails to Trails Act, the School Pesticide Law, the Health Club Consumer Protection Act, the Puppy Lemon Law, the "No Means No" Law, the Amusement Ride Inspection Act, and the Missing Children Act. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank Senator Greenleaf for truly dedicating his life to the service and betterment of others.

#### GUN VIOLENCE

#### HON. ROBIN L. KELLY

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 6, 2018*

Ms. KELLY of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today because this weekend 11 Americans were shot and killed while at a bris at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, PA.

This synagogue is a staple of the Squirrel Hill community and a place used by Jewish Americans and their neighbors to celebrate life moments, community achievements and their faith in God.

Sadly, one man, with a hate-filled heart and an AR-15, turned this peaceful, loving community into victims of one of America's worst and most shocking mass shootings.

These are the names of the Americans that this Republican-controlled House failed with our failure to pass commonsense, broadly-supported bans of military-style assault weapons, like the AR-15: Jerry Rabinowitz, Cecil Rosenthal, David Rosenthal, Rose Mallinger, Bernice Simon, Sylvan Simon, Daniel Stein, Joyce Fienberg, Dr. Richard Gottfried, DMD, Irving Younger, and Melvin Wax.

In addition to the 11 fatalities within the synagogue, four Pittsburgh police officers were shot and wounded, two remain in critical condition.

Sadly, this hate crime was not the only hate-related shooting in America in recent days.

Another man, with a hate-filled heart and a gun, shot and killed two Americans at a grocery store in Jeffersonton, KY.

In Jeffersonton, we lost fellow Americans: Maurice E. Stallard and Vickie Lee Jones, to senseless gun violence. Mr. Stallard was at the store with his 12-year old grandson to buy poster board for a school project. Tragically, he witnessed the entire event.

Mr. Speaker, by this Congress' negligence and inaction, we have created a situation where grandparents and grandkids aren't even safe going to the store for school supplies. Where will the madness end?

Before entering the Kroger and beginning his rampage, the shooter had attempted to enter a predominately African American church—we sadly could have seen another Mother Emanuel had he been successful in entering that church.

So, once again, Mr. Speaker, I ask you: "where does it end?"

Our houses of worship are no longer safe. In fact, in the last three years, our nation has experienced not one, not two but three mass shootings in houses of worship around the country.

Nine were killed at Mother Emanuel AME Church in Charleston, South Carolina.

Twenty-six were killed at First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs, Texas.

Now, eleven were killed at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Where will it end, Mr. Speaker? How many more praying people need to be gunned down before you will have the courage to act and save lives?

Even the Speaker's own Congressional District—Wisconsin's first—experienced as mass shooting at a Sikh Temple of Wisconsin in Oak Creek, which killed six.

Yet, still he did not act to save lives, even though his own constituents were gunned down for the loving and worshipping their God.

At what point did Congress become so beholden to the NRA that we can't find the political courage to save the lives of Americans exercising their First Amendment right to worship as they please?

It's past time for the madness to stop.

It's past time for Congress to act.

It's past time to stop arming hate while only offering half-hearted "thoughts and prayers" while places of faith become places of death by gun violence.

Mr. Speaker, will you act? Will you call Congress back into session and pass just one gun violence prevention bill?