

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

IN RECOGNITION OF SAINT JAMES AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH'S 155TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor and pleasure to extend my sincere congratulations to the congregation of Saint James African Methodist Episcopal (A.M.E.) Church in Columbus, Georgia as the church's membership and leadership prepare to celebrate a remarkable 155 years. The congregation of St. James A.M.E. Church will celebrate this very significant anniversary with a worship celebration on Sunday, November 18, 2018 at the Church located at 1002 Sixth Avenue in Columbus, Georgia.

Tracing its roots back to the Civil War era, the St. James congregation emerged from the Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, with Reverend William Gaines serving as the first pastor in 1864. Today, the physical body of the church serves as a reflection and memorial of past members and pastors who contributed to its preservation. On September 29, 1980, the church was listed on the National Historic Register.

In an 1873 act, the Georgia Legislature granted St. James A.M.E. Church the land on which it stands and the first cathedral construction was completed in 1876. The ornately carved front doors, built by slaves, are the oldest parts of the church and are a reminder of the history of strength and perseverance behind the congregation.

Since its founding, St. James has endured several additions and renovations, all of which help tell the story of the church, its members and its fifty-one former leaders. In 1886, Reverend Larry Thomas oversaw the construction of the bell tower, which still stands today as a symbol of the Church's concrete mission to serve its congregation and community. Reverend Harold I. Bearden, who served from 1940 to 1948, installed the pipe organ that is still heard during church services today.

In 1988, St. James purchased property for a new parsonage, and by 1996, the conversion of the old parsonage into an administrative building was completed under the leadership of Reverend Scottie Swinney. The building now houses offices, a conference room, music room, clothing and food bank, and archives room, which collectively aid in the fulfillment of the church ministry. After Reverend Swinney's tenure, Reverend Richard Washington was pastor of the church. The church is now pastored by Reverend Joseph Baker, Sr.

In 2004, St. James erected an Elevator Tower to accommodate all members of the congregation. The building includes classrooms, accessible bathrooms, a stewardess room, and an elevator that services the Fel-

lowship Hall and Sanctuary. To commemorate this achievement, a time capsule was deposited behind the Elevator Tower cornerstone to be opening in 2054.

Throughout all of these changes, the church has consistently maintained its presence as a center for spiritual, educational, professional, and civic gatherings within the African-American community.

The second oldest church of its denomination in Georgia, St. James A.M.E. Church has served as pillar of faith in the community for 155 years. The spirit within the congregation and their commitment to the growth of St. James is both admirable and inspiring.

Mr. Speaker, today I ask my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to Saint James A.M.E. Church in Columbus, Georgia for their dedication to helping one another, serving the community, and above all, worshipping our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

HONORING CLAY MORGAN

HON. LUKE MESSER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

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

As a member of the 6th District Faith Based Advisory Committee, Clay regularly met with my team to discuss important faith and family issues affecting Hoosiers. Through his ministry and community service, Clay has made New Castle a better place to live.

On a personal note, Clay is a brother in Christ, and I appreciate his prayers and encouragement over the years. Clay is a wise adviser and among my closest friends in politics. I want to thank him for his incredible support of my work in Congress. I wish him continued success in all that God has planned for him and his family.

DING SCHOONMAKER—NATIONAL SAILING HALL OF FAME LIFE- TIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

HON. FRANCIS ROONEY

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. FRANCIS ROONEY of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of Ding Schoonmaker who received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Sailing Hall of Fame. Mr. Schoonmaker has made important contributions to the sport of sailing, both on the water as an athlete and in service to fellow sailors. As a sailor, Mr. Schoonmaker

served as the alternate for the U.S. Olympic team in the Helsinki Games in 1952 and the Tokyo Games in 1964. Throughout his sailing career he won many regional championships, and was named the Star World Champion in 1975.

Mr. Schoonmaker has also served the sailing community as an advocate. He played a key role in founding the U.S. Sailing Center and served two terms as Vice President of World Sailing. He and his fellow 2018 inductees to the National Sailing Hall of Fame were formally celebrated on Sunday, November 11, 2018, with an Induction Ceremony hosted at the Lauderdale Yacht Club.

I congratulate Mr. Schoonmaker on his selection for this honor and thank him for his contributions to the sport of sailing.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE 30TH AN- NIVERSARY OF NORTHAMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S MONROE CAMPUS

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the Monroe Campus of Northampton Community College (NCC) as it celebrates its 30th anniversary. The Campus was founded by a group of educators who joined with business and community leaders to boost the region's economy by bringing NCC's signature education programs to Monroe County. First housed in a makeshift, rented space in Stroudsburg, the Monroe Campus has since met its goals to train a highly-skilled workforce and provide access to affordable, quality higher education.

After years of growth, NCC built the current Monroe Campus near a commercial corridor where students have a hill-top respite with scenic views. The Campus officially opened on Aug. 26, 2014 and soon became LEED Gold-certified for its geothermal heating and cooling system, large solar panels over the parking lots, large windows letting in natural light, and native vegetation reducing storm-water runoff. Each year, it serves 2,500 students, hosts community events, and rotates exhibits in its art gallery. NCC-Monroe recently added programs in nursing, engineering, and adventure tourism in response to regional industry needs.

I ask my fellow Members to join me in recognizing the 30th anniversary and success of the Monroe Campus of Northampton Community College. May it continue forward guided by its founders' vision of offering a quality college experience regardless of socioeconomic status and serving as a responsive tool for regional economic growth.

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RECOGNIZING YOUNG CHAPEL
MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable historical church, Young Chapel Missionary Baptist of Duck Hill, Mississippi as they celebrate 150 of serving their community and our Lord and Savior.

Young Chapel Missionary Baptist Church started its worship services in the year of 1868 under a brush harbor with members from the Spring Hill and Hays Creek M.B. Church. The messages were presented by Minster Tom Young, which is where the name Young Chapel derived.

The land for the first church building was contributed by Mr. Warren Townsend which sits about one mile from where it stands today. The first building was blown down and later rebuilt not far from its original location. The new building took a stand for many years but was also destroyed. After rebuilding yet again, the church on Spring Hill Road has stood tall and has remained home to the members of Young Chapel.

As of 2018, the church has one pastor, four associate ministers, one secretary, ten deacons, one youth director, one adult director, one women director, one church secretary, five ushers, 42 choir members, a dining committee, a program committee, a sick ministry, a health ministry, a relief ministry and a marriage ministry.

Duck Hill, Mississippi is 1,400 in population today, growing from about 730 in 2010. The city is located on U.S. Route 51, which is midway between Grenada and Winona, Mississippi. The city is also home to the annual Grassroots Blues Festival which takes place each July.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Young Chapel Missionary Baptist Church for its dedication for serving our great people.

HONORING CHRIS LOWERY

HON. LUKE MESSER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

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

From his time at the Batesville Casket Company, to his role with Hillenbrand, and now as senior vice president with Ivy Tech Community College, Chris has dedicated himself to making his community a great place to live. He was also instrumental in helping my office with the 6th District Scholars Program, which recognized outstanding 8th grade students from our community. Our state is better off because of Chris' extraordinary leadership and service.

On a personal note, Chris is among my closest friends in politics. He was one of my earliest and most vocal supporters and is a loyal friend and wise adviser. I want to thank Chris for his support of my work in Congress.

I wish him continued success in all that God has planned for him and his family.

THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF
MULUGETA SERAW

HON. EARL BLUMENAUER

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. BLUMENAUER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to commemorate the life and legacy of Mulugeta Seraw. Mulugeta came to the U.S., like many immigrants and refugees, in search of the American dream. His life however, was tragically cut short. The 28-year-old Ethiopian immigrant lost his life at the hands of white supremacists 30 years ago in my hometown of Portland.

Although this event occurred three decades ago, I'm afraid we have not learned its lesson. Elements of our nation are being revealed, all at the behest of Donald Trump and his hateful rhetoric and racist policies. I fear our country stands at an inflection point. We must confront these vile forces with love and strength in these difficult times.

The Urban League of Portland, which has worked tirelessly for justice and equality since 1945, is commemorating Mulugeta's life this November, which marks 30 years since his passing. This celebration brings us together and affirms our strength. It is also a sad reminder that we still have more to do to defeat senseless acts of hate and violence. This celebration shows that Mulugeta Seraw did not lose his life in vain and makes me confident that we will build a more just and compassionate community.

IN RECOGNITION OF R. BURNETT
MILLER

HON. DORIS O. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Ms. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, it is with profound sadness that I rise to honor the life of my good friend, the Honorable R. Burnett Miller, who passed away on October 14, 2018. Burnett was not just my dear and close friend, but a larger than life figure and leader in Sacramento. As his wife, Mimi, and his children Jim, Fitzgerald, Powell, Simone, Mary and Margot gather to remember his life and legacy, I ask my colleagues to stand with me in his memory.

Burnett was born on September 2, 1923 to Delma Burnett and Leroy Miller, a respected family with deep roots in Sacramento. As a young adult, his education at Santa Clara University was cut short when he enlisted into the army during World War II. Burnett was a brave man and his efforts in the war and in the Battle of the Bulge earned him a Purple Heart and a Silver Star. During his harrowing service, he was injured, but returned to his battalion and helped liberate Mauthausen concentration camp in 1945. He served our country with immense honor and remained a true patriot all his life. After his service, Burnett traveled in Europe and graduated from Georgetown University, but he could not leave Sacramento behind for too long.

Burnett returned to Sacramento and joined the family business, now Burnett & Sons Lumber and Millwork, a century old institution of Sacramento. From then on, he dedicated much of his life and work to Sacramento. For years, Burnett was a treasured city councilman. In 1982 he was chosen, with great pride, to serve as interim mayor.

Burnett and his wife, Mimi, supported Sacramento in a way that went beyond local politics and they had a knack for tapping into our sense of community. As advocates for local arts and culture, they were dedicated patrons of the Crocker Art Museum, Sacramento History Center, and Sacramento Poetry Center, among others. As was Burnett's style, he brought the community together and opened his home to friends and strangers alike in support of local artists, organizations and causes. The soul of Sacramento would not exist as I know it if it were not for Burnett Miller.

Mr. Speaker, today we honor the marvelous life of R. Burnett Miller; a husband, father, adventurer, intellectual and beloved public servant. Burnett Miller is a true Sacramento treasure and a giant in our community. I will remember him for his spirit, kindness, and wisdom.

HONORING ERIC AND LORI
WALLIEN

HON. LUKE MESSER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, on behalf of the entire 6th Congressional District of Indiana, to recognize Eric and Lori Wallien for their contributions to our state and their community.

The Walliens are important business leaders in Shelby County. Without a doubt, they have made a positive and lasting impact in Shelbyville and embody exactly what "Hoosier hospitality" is meant to be. Our state is better off today because of Eric and Lori's extraordinary leadership and service in their community.

On a personal note, their daughter, Hannah, worked for our team as an intern in both my Washington, DC office and state office. She is a dynamic young leader with a big future in front of her.

Jennifer and I cherish our friendship with the Walliens. They were among my earliest and most vocal supporters and they are loyal friends and wise advisers. I want to thank Eric and Lori for their friendship and incredible support of my work in Congress and we wish them continued success in all that God has planned for their family.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF
SYDNEY GOLDSTEIN

HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Sydney Goldstein: a pioneering San Francisco impresario, founder and driving force of City Arts & Lectures, who died September 25. Her passing is a great loss to our community and to the nation.

Sydney Goldstein made a difference. With a deep belief in a brighter future, she used her enormous gifts and talents to expand community engagement with public conversations that were always relevant to current events.

Sydney Goldstein was a San Franciscan through and through. She was born on October 13, 1944 in our city of Saint Francis. Her father, Edward Goldstein, owned the Diamond Palace, at the corner of Fifth and Market streets. Her mother also came from a family of shopkeepers. Sydney graduated from Lowell High School and attended San Jose State, before leaving to begin a lifetime of service in the world of arts and culture.

Sydney began her career by organizing successful public events at the College of Marin, where she successfully brought visionary and legendary arts icons to the campus. She had a talent for knowing who to invite, what they brought to the table and how to organize and mobilize leaders with strong cultural resonance.

Following the success of planning public speaking events at the College of Marin, Sydney Goldstein went on to found the popular City Arts & Lectures series, hosting the series at the then-refurbished Herbst Theatre in the War Memorial Veterans Building for many years. For four decades, Sydney invited notable writers, critics, artists and musicians to share their insight and brilliance with the community.

Later, Sydney opened the Nourse Theater and doubled the capacity for the City Arts & Lecture Series with 1,600 seats. Sydney also partnered with KQED to broadcast the talks to the Bay Area, as well as more than 130 public radio stations nationwide. The partnership continues to this day, bringing learning and the arts to so many.

Sydney was an extraordinary woman, mother, partner and friend to many, who left this world with a phenomenal legacy of service.

Paul joins me in sending our deepest sympathy to Sydney's beloved husband Judge Charles Breyer, her children Kate and Joseph, her three grandchildren and her sister Dorian Lewis. May it be a comfort to Sydney's family and loved ones that so many mourn their loss and pray for them during this sad time.

HONORING JOHN VERNON

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of John Vernon, who was honored as Humboldt County Citizen of the Year on October 20, 2018, an award he richly deserves.

John Vernon and his wife Barbara bought a home in Ferndale in 2005 and became a resident there in 2011. The couple became involved in the community as Court Appointed Special Advocates. Mr. Vernon joined the Salt River Watershed Council as a board member in 2014, and also volunteered at the Ferndale Senior Resource Center.

John Vernon and a group of 40 friends from Ferndale formed Indivisible Ferndale after the 2016 presidential election. Under Mr. Vernon's leadership, Indivisible Ferndale began holding monthly potluck meetings and began orga-

nizing civic engagement activities. Indivisible Ferndale members started attending local school board and city council meetings, made phone calls and wrote letters to state and federal representatives expressing their views.

By 2018, Indivisible Ferndale became a 501(c)4 nonprofit, and under Mr. Vernon's leadership, the civic engagement of this group led to thousands of contacts with officials on a wide variety of issues. The membership of Indivisible Ferndale now numbers more than 60 people who actively engage with the community and elected representatives on a regular basis.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in expressing deep appreciation for John Vernon's extraordinary devotion to the democratic process and congratulating him for his service to the North Coast community.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF MARY JANE JORDAN WILLARD

HON. CEDRIC L. RICHMOND

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. RICHMOND. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life and legacy of Mrs. Mary Jane Jordan Willard "SweetMoma," a native of New Orleans, Louisiana and an adored school teacher. She died on October 2, 2018 at the age of 83.

Mrs. Willard was born on November 1, 1935 in Crowley, Louisiana. Her parents were the late Mr. Abraham Jordan and Mrs. Marie Guillory Jordan. She was a graduate of Booker T. Washington High School and earned her B.A. degree (Magna Cum Laude) at the age of 54 from Southern University at New Orleans.

Mrs. Willard began assisting in the classroom as a volunteer when she realized her true calling. For several years she prepared students for their G.E.D. with the New Orleans Urban League Street Academy. She was also a counselor with the Louisiana Department of Family Services. For over 20 years she was a Social Studies instructor at Alfred Lawless and John McDonough High.

During Mayor Sidney Barthelemy's Administration, Mrs. Willard also founded and directed the Total Achievement Problem Prevention (TAPP) program, which operated at the St. Bernard Gym. Her program reduced the rate of young women dropping out of school and became a model for other programs throughout New Orleans.

Mrs. Willard loved the city and the people of New Orleans. Her legacy will forever be a part of the city and her dedication to community embodies the spirit of New Orleans. We cannot match the sacrifices made by Mrs. Willard, but surely, we can try to match her sense of service. We cannot match her courage, but we can strive to match her devotion.

Mrs. Willard's survivors include eight siblings. In 2012, she laid to rest the love of her life and husband of more than 60 years, Dr. Elliot C. Willard. From their union 12 children were born: Cynthia, Elliot Jr., Regina (Joseph), Jacinta, Walter, Christopher (Rhonda), Bernadette (Rufus), Dominic (Terrie), Martin (Nia), Benedict (Diane), Lucita, and Katherine. In addition, she has more than 40 grandchildren and more than 25 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Speaker, I celebrate the life and legacy of Mrs. Mary Jane Jordan Willard.

RETIREMENT OF DR. FRANCIS J. BONNER, PH.D.

HON. ANN M. KUSTER

OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank Dr. Francis Bonner of Nashua, New Hampshire, for his forty-six years in education and enriching the minds of his students. Dr. Bonner has served as a professor and advisor for the last thirty-one years at the University of Massachusetts, Lowell, where he begins an emeritus faculty position this month.

Dr. Bonner was born in Wilmington, Delaware and received his education from the city's Catholic schools. He remains an active alumnus of the Salesianum School, from which he graduated in 1951. He earned a Bachelor's of Science in Chemical Engineering in 1955 from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and a Master's of Science in Chemical Engineering Practice in 1956. He went on to earn a Doctorate in Chemical Engineering from the University of Delaware in 1964. He then moved to Uppsala, Sweden with the intention of completing a post-doc, but stayed on, completing a PhD in Physical Chemistry from the University of Uppsala in 1967.

Dr. Bonner began his teaching career at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich, Switzerland, where he taught from 1972 until 1981. He and his family then moved to Nashville, Tennessee where he joined the faculty of Vanderbilt University. He remained there until 1987, when he relocated to New England to teach at what was then the University of Lowell, which later became a part of the University of Massachusetts system.

Dr. Bonner is an expert in his field, holds a number of intellectual properties, and has been published in several technical journals. In addition, he is the recipient of numerous awards, fellowships, and grants.

As Italian physician and educator Maria Montessori observed, "We discovered that education is not something which the teacher does, but that it is a natural process which develops spontaneously in the human being."

As a lifelong student, himself, Dr. Bonner knows this best. I know my colleagues join me in extending our deep gratitude and appreciation to Dr. Bonner for his exemplary service in education. We wish him well the best for his well-deserved retirement.

HONORING CLAUDIA THORNBERG

HON. LUKE MESSER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, on behalf of the entire 6th Congressional District of Indiana, to recognize Claudia Thornberg for her contribution to our state and Randolph County.

Claudia has served in various positions in Randolph County throughout her career, including as Clerk of the Circuit Court and as the Voter Registration Deputy. She has made an incredible impact on her fellow Hoosiers through her service.

On a personal note, I've known Claudia for nearly twenty years, dating back to my first campaign for Congress in 2000. Claudia and her husband, Ed, were among my earliest and most vocal supporters. They are loyal friends and wise advisers.

I want to thank Claudia and Ed for their friendship and support of my work in Congress. I wish them continued success in all that God has planned for their family.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF JIM
HISLOP II

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I'm honored to celebrate the life of my dear friend Jim Hislop II. He was never the kind of man to sit around and dwell on darker matters, so it is only fitting we remember the incredible and happy life Jim led.

Jim was the kind of person you'd find only in Texas: a family man, a gentleman, and a loving man, all wrapped up into one. He was known for his love of Western attire and collectibles, stylish cars, and his amazing skill on the grill. A man of the world, he cultivated friends from all walks of life and shared with them his love of music, fishing, and living each day to the fullest, smiling every step of the way. In the tradition of Texas storytellers, Jim had comedian's knack for telling the greatest jokes, with his delivery of each punchline hitting just the right spots to have you in stitches.

I will always remember the friendship I had with Jim. He was someone you could count on, someone who would never leave a friend behind. That loyalty is something that should inspire us all today. Let's not be sad and glum; let us instead act like our beloved friend would and enjoy each other's company and celebrate his life the way he lived it: with passion, love, and kindness.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE
OF WILLIAM KELLY JOYCE

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, on this, the 243rd birthday of the United States Marine Corps, it is my honor to recognize the life and service of William Kelly Joyce. As a decorated Veteran of the Korean War and a valued member of his community, William is an indispensable part of Michigan's First District.

The Continental Marines were formed by decree of the Second Continental Congress on November 10, 1775. Since the Revolutionary War, Marines served with the American Expeditionary Force on the Western Front of WWI, island hopped in the Pacific, landed on the beaches of North Korea, fought to protect the Republic of Vietnam, and defended Americans from the threat of global terrorism.

While serving as a Platoon Commander during the Korean War, Second Lieutenant Joyce earned the Silver Star for acts of gallantry and intrepidity. When his squad came under in-

tense enemy artillery and mortar barrage while preparing to relieve a forward outpost, he quickly called down supporting arms, combined forces with the unit he was relieving, and established a perimeter of defense on the reverse slope. Despite an immense number of determined enemy troops assaulting the perimeter, Joyce's leadership allowed his unit to successfully drive back the attackers. Even while seriously wounded, he refused medical aid until all other wounded had been attended. His aggressive fighting spirit, courageous leadership, and unwavering devotion to duty inspired all who saw him and exemplified the spirit of the U.S. Marine Corps.

We owe William and his brothers in arms an enormous debt of gratitude. The celebration of the Marine Corps Birthday and Veterans Day weekend gave those in Michigan's First District an opportunity to show their thanks for the sacrifices demanded of William and all of our servicemen and women. He has served our nation willingly, honorably, and without bias.

Mr. Speaker, it's my honor today to acknowledge the extraordinary life of William Kelly Joyce. I ask that you join with me and the people of Michigan's First District in thanking him for his unwavering commitment to our nation and its people.

H.R. 302, FAA REAUTHORIZATION
ACT OF 2018

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, since September 11, 2001, Congress has recognized that mass gatherings of people may require special protections from threats, including threats from unmanned aerial systems (UAS). Following the attacks that Tuesday morning, the FAA created temporary flight restrictions (TFR) over stadiums and other large gatherings, which Congress later codified. Today, TFRs are in place during NFL games, Major League Baseball games, NCAA Division One football games, and NASCAR Cup Series, Indy Car, and Champ Series races. These restrictions apply to all aircraft—commercial airliners, private aircraft, and UAS.

In recent years, however, there have been increases in UAS operations over stadiums (and arenas) in violation of these restrictions. For example, in November 2017, a UAS dropped leaflets into Levi's Stadium during a San Francisco 49ers' football game. That same UAS operator then tried to repeat the stunt later that day at the Oakland Coliseum, but local law enforcement intervened and arrested him. Had this been a nefarious UAS operation, the harm could have been much worse since local law enforcement lack the authority and proven technology to take counter-UAS measures.

During consideration of the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018 (P.L. 115-250), Congress and the Administration worked together to address the growing concern that UAS could be used to attack the United States and its citizens. Division H, "Preventing Emerging Threats" grants the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) limited and narrow authorities to protect the safety or security of a covered facility or asset as defined by the bill. Further,

section 210G(k)(3)(C)(iii)(II) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, as added by this Division, allows for the Secretary of DHS to work with state, local, and tribal law enforcement officials to mitigate threats from UAS "upon request of the chief executive officer of the state or territory, to ensure protection of people and property at mass gatherings, that is limited to a specified timeframe and location, within available resources, and without delegating any authority under this section to State, local, territorial, or tribal law enforcement."

I believe that this provision is narrow in its intention: that the federal government, acting through DHS, may provide assistance to state, local, and tribal law enforcement officials to protect mass gatherings from UAS operations that pose a threat to the safety or security of people in attendance. I also believe that this provision represents an opportunity for DHS to partner with state, local and tribal law enforcement officials on best practices to prevent an incident at stadiums or arenas at the request of a State. As Chairman of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, I encourage DHS to seek input from sports organizations, local law enforcement agencies, and others on the use and deployment of the authorities provided in this legislation, including the development, testing, and use of countermeasures for unmanned aircraft systems.

If DHS does enter into partnerships to protect stadiums or arenas, then the safety of the airspace must not be put in jeopardy. Any measures used by DHS to counter potential UAS threats must not interfere with the aviation safety, civilian aviation and aerospace operations, aircraft airworthiness, or the legal use of the airspace.

IN RECOGNITION OF WASHINGTON
AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH'S 180TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor and pleasure to extend my sincere congratulations to the membership and leadership of Washington Avenue Presbyterian Church in Macon, Georgia for 180 years of remarkable service. The congregation of Washington Avenue Presbyterian Church commemorated this milestone with a celebration on Sunday, November 11, 2018.

Tracing its roots back to the pre-Civil War era, the Church was organized around 1838 when Pastor Samuel Cassels was instructed to preach and minister to the slaves of the members of the 1st Presbyterian Church's congregation. The "African Chapel," a separate facility, was built on Fourth Street (now M.L. King Drive) but remained associated with the 1st Presbyterian Church. With a request for full independence by "African Chapel" members that was granted on May 5, 1866, the present Washington Avenue Presbyterian Church was formed. Joseph Williams, David Laney, and Robert Carter were the first Ministers ordained to serve the church following its formal establishment.

The Church had humble origins due to racial and social stratification in the post-Civil War South. With the end of the Civil War, the

bells of Washington Avenue Presbyterian Church rang to celebrate emancipation. Under the pastorate of David Laney, most notably, the distinguished Gothic Revival structure of the Church was constructed. The Washington Avenue Presbyterian Church is not only the oldest African-American congregation in the state of Georgia, but also bears the distinct honor of being one of the oldest minority congregations in the country. Named for the street on which it is located, the Church has become the primary place of worship for many generations of the most prominent black families in Macon. It also enjoys the privilege of being listed in the National Register of Historic Places in America, another indication of its importance in the local, state, and national communities.

The story of Washington Avenue Presbyterian Church, which began as a small group of slaves worshipping in a small "African Chapel" and has grown into an expansive and successful church, is truly an inspiring one of the dedication and perseverance of a faithful congregation of people who put all their love and trust in the Lord.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House to join me in paying tribute to the Washington Avenue Presbyterian Church in Macon, Georgia for its congregation's enduring commitment despite adversity, to each other and to our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ for over 180 years. May their actions continue to inspire the community in courage, in dedication, and in faith.

HONORING THE 65TH ANNIVERSARY OF WILLIAM HAROLD AND BILLIE JO BROWN GUTHRIE

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the 65th wedding anniversary of William Harold and Billie Jo Brown Guthrie of Oxford, Alabama.

They were married on November 1, 1953 at First Baptist Church of Oxford. Harold was in the Navy and came home on leave for the wedding and returned immediately to San Diego, California.

Harold retired from the Navy Reserve as Lieutenant Commander after 25 years and from Anniston Army Depot after 30 years.

Billie Jo was a house wife and she and Harold raised three daughters. They've been blessed with one grandson and five great-grandchildren.

The Guthries have lived in Oxford their entire 65 years of marriage and have been faithful members of Meadowbrook Baptist Church for over 50 years.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the 65th wedding anniversary of Harold and Billie Jo.

IN RECOGNITION OF COACH GEORGE CURRY, ON HIS INDUCTION TO THE PENNSYLVANIA SPORTS HALL OF FAME

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the late coach George Curry, who was inducted to the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame on November 3, 2018. Curry was among those honored during the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame held in Plains, PA.

Coach George Curry served as a high school football coach for 46 years, during which his teams amassed 455 victories and six Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic Association Class 3A championships. During his time at Berwick Area High School, Curry's teams won three mythical high school national championships based on their team record during the season. During his tenure he was twice named USA Today High School Football Coach of the Year.

Curry began his coaching career in 1967 at Lake Lehman High School in Lehman, PA. His teams achieved a winning record during his four years tenure. In 1971 he moved to Berwick, where he served until stepping down at the end of the 2005 season. It was while at Berwick that Curry's teams became a force to be reckoned with, earning six state football championships. He coached three more seasons at Wyoming Valley West High School in Plymouth, PA retiring in December 2008. Coming out of retirement he returned to Berwick Area High School as an interim head coach. He passed away on April 1, 2016.

It is an honor to recognize George's achievements and his storied career in Pennsylvania sports history and it is fitting that he should be inducted as a member of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame. I join with the members of the Hall of Fame in recognizing the life of George Curry and in celebrating his impact on two generations of Pennsylvania's athletes.

HONORING DAVID AND RUTH NUTTY

HON. LUKE MESSER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, on behalf of the entire 6th Congressional District of Indiana, to recognize David and Ruth Nutty for their contributions to our state and Fayette County.

David and Ruth have made a positive and lasting impact in Fayette County through public and community service. Our state is better off today because of their extraordinary leadership and service.

On a personal note, the Nuttys were among my earliest and most vocal supporters. They are loyal friends and wise advisers. I want to thank David and Ruth for their friendship and

support of my work in Congress. I wish them continued success in all that God has planned for their family.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF ANN ELIASER

HON. NANCY PELOSI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I rise with my colleague, Congressman MIKE THOMPSON, to honor the life and legacy of a trailblazing, transformative leader, Ann Eliaser, who passed away on October 24 in her beloved city of San Francisco.

Ann was a woman of exceptional vision and determination, who fearlessly spoke truth to power to reshape the face of our state and national politics during her decades in the political arena. She was driven by the extraordinary strength of her convictions and by her remarkable independence of thought, making history as she rose through the ranks of the state Democratic Party.

Ann did not merely observe political history; she shaped it. As a California delegate at the Democratic National Convention and as the California Democratic Party's National Committeewoman, she played a vital role in determining who sat at the decision-making table in our state and country. She fought relentlessly for candidates who would champion Democratic values, regardless of conventional wisdom or political popularity. Her advocacy was critical to the success of leaders up and down the ballot, from Presidents Harry Truman and Jimmy Carter to local politicians in our city of Saint Francis.

Ann was a San Francisco native, who dedicated her full life and spirit to building better futures for the people of the Golden State. As an appointee to the San Francisco Board of Permit Appeals, she held our city's business leaders accountable for ensuring fair pay and better working conditions for employees. As the first woman member of the Lake Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, she fought relentlessly to protect the beauty of God's creation for generations to come. Through her leadership on numerous city, state, national and international boards, she advocated relentlessly for our nation's fundamental promise of liberty and justice for all, fighting to overturn the death penalty, end unjust wars and support the State of Israel.

Ann's deep belief that strength lies in diversity was essential in bringing more women and greater diversity into the halls of power in our country. Her courage to defy history and demand a seat at the table has inspired and empowered generations of strong women leaders, leaving a beautiful and lasting legacy for our nation.

Ann's many friends will forever remember and cherish her profound love for family. May it bring some measure of comfort to Ann's daughter, Mary Powell, her grandchildren Blair Shane and Alexander Rosenblatt, her four great-grandchildren, and all who were blessed to know and love her, that so many grieve with them and pray for them during this sad time.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY
OF DR. JANETTE HOSTON HARRIS

HON. CEDRIC L. RICHMOND

OF LOUISIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. RICHMOND. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life and legacy of Dr. Janette Hoston Harris, an educator, historian, public servant, and activist, who died on November 2, 2018 at the age of 79.

In 1960, during her senior year, Dr. Harris was one of six Southern University students arrested for trying to desegregate an all-white lunch counter in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The students were also expelled from the university by order of the governor and prohibited from attending any college in the state. While attending Central State University in Ohio, Dr. Harris' case challenging segregation, *Hoston v. State of Louisiana*, went before the Louisiana Supreme Court and in time became part of the larger *Garner v. State of Louisiana* case, which was won by future Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall in 1962.

In 2004, Dr. Harris, along with her fellow sit-in comrades was awarded an honorary degree from Southern University, 44 years after the state officials forced her from campus and from attending any Louisiana institution of higher education.

Dr. Janette Hoston Harris was born on September 7, 1939, in Monroe, Louisiana; her mother, Maud Marrie Hoston, was a homemaker and her father, Eluin Homer Hoston, was a printer and businessman who opened the first shoe store in Louisiana for African Americans, "Hoston's Shoes and Bootery."

In 1956, Dr. Harris earned her high school diploma from Carroll High School in Monroe, Louisiana, where she was a member of the English and spelling bee clubs and the basketball team. From 1956 until 1960, Dr. Harris attended Southern University, where she was active in the Methodist club, a co-founder of Gamma Sigma Sigma sorority, and captain of the drill team. Dr. Harris completed her education at Central State University in Ohio, where she earned her B.A. degree in psychology in 1962.

After her graduation, Dr. Harris worked in the selection division of the Peace Corps. From 1964 until 1970, Dr. Harris had a career in education, teaching second, fourth, fifth and sixth grades in Washington, D.C. public schools. From 1970 until 1972, Dr. Harris worked as a research associate for the Association for the Study of Afro-American Life and History. Dr. Harris earned her master's degree in history in 1972 and her Ph.D. degree in 1975 from Howard University.

Dr. Harris took on numerous roles in Washington, D.C. throughout her professional life. In 1975, Dr. Harris began teaching history at Federal City College, now known as the University of the District of Columbia. That same year she established a consulting firm, JOR Associates. From 1979 until 1980, Dr. Harris served as campaign manager for the Carter Mondale Re-election Campaign. In 1991, Dr. Harris was appointed director of educational affairs for Washington, D.C., where she remained for a year. For the next three years, Dr. Harris served as director of the Mayor's Office of Intergovernmental Relations under Mayor Marion S. Barry, Jr; in 1998, she was

appointed city historian for Washington, D.C., the first person to hold the post; serving as the president of Carter G. Woodson's Association for the Study of Negro Life and History in Washington; and being appointed by Mayor Muriel Bowser to the D.C. Commission to Commemorate and Recognize the Honorable Marion S. Barry, Jr. She was also awarded a Southern University Alumni Federation Lifetime Achievement Award from the school in July of 2018.

Dr. Harris was a proud member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., an artist, and the author of *Black crusaders in History*, *Congress and Government: Teacher's Guide* and other books.

Our nation has lost a trailblazer, a champion for civil rights, and a woman of many firsts. Dr. Janette Hoston Harris, legacy will forever be a part of this nation's history and her dedication to justice embodies the spirit of the Civil Rights Movement. We cannot match the sacrifices made by Dr. Harris, but surely, we can try to match her sense of service. We cannot match Dr. Harris' courage, but we can strive to match her devotion.

Dr. Harris is survived by her husband, Rudolph Harris; their son, Rylan; and daughter, Junie.

Mr. Speaker, I celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Janette Hoston Harris.

INTRODUCTION OF THE COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HOME RULE ACT

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, today, I introduced the Commission of Fine Arts District of Columbia Home Rule Act. This bill is necessary to prohibit the Commission of Fine Arts (CFA) from exercising authority over non-federal property in the District of Columbia.

Under presidential executive orders (EOs) and federal law, the CFA has review authority for D.C.-owned parks and buildings, as well as certain private land in D.C. Under the relevant EOs, CFA has review authority for the design of D.C.-owned parks and buildings. Under the Shipstead-Luce Act, CFA has review authority for the design of private buildings in the District "adjacent to public buildings and grounds of major importance," such as Rock Creek Park and the Potomac riverfront. Under the Old Georgetown Act, the CFA has review authority for the design of private buildings in the part of Georgetown referred to as "Old Georgetown" in the act. The members of the CFA are appointed by the President.

The federal government, including the CFA, has no business in local land-use policies and decisions. Not only is the federal government's authority over D.C. buildings and private property anti-democratic, it also delays and increases the cost of public and private development in the District.

This is an important step to increase home rule for the District, and I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

IN RECOGNITION OF COACH KAREN
KLASSNER ON HER INDUCTION
TO THE PENNSYLVANIA SPORTS
HALL OF FAME

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor coach Karen Klassner, who was inducted to the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame on November 3, 2018. Klassner was among those honored during the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame held in Plains, PA.

Since 1972, Klassner has served as the head coach of the field hockey team at Wyoming Seminary. She has led her teams to win six state championships, six district championships, and ten league championships. Additionally, Sem has made twenty-eight district playoff appearances (after joining the PIAA in 1985) and 14 state tournament appearances. She also led her team to victory at the Moravian Tournament eight times, most recently in 2017. Her overall field hockey coaching record is 660-171-46.

Klassner's unparalleled leadership ability has been recognized throughout her career. She was named "Coach of the Year" seven times, named 2006 Developmental Coach of the Year by the United States Field Hockey Association, inducted into the National Field Hockey Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 2009, inducted into the Luzerne County Sports Hall of Fame in 2003, and named national coach of the year in field hockey by the National High School Coaches Association in 2009. She has also dedicated her time and expertise to various service positions, including chairing the PA All-State Selection Committee from 1998 to 2009 and serving as the president of PA State Field Hockey State Coaches Association from 1998 to 2009. In addition to coaching field hockey at Sem, she currently serves as a consultant for the Keystone State Games.

It is an honor to recognize Klassner's achievements and her impressive career at Wyoming Seminary, and it is fitting that she should be inducted as a member of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame. I join with the members of the Hall of Fame in recognizing Klassner's career and in celebrating her impact on Wyoming Seminary athletics for decades.

RECOGNIZING RYAN TOPPER

HON. JACKIE WALORSKI

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mrs. WALORSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the brave actions of Ryan Topper from Bremen.

Ryan is a student, a rising football star, and a lifesaver. Good instinct and determination tend to give people the opportunity to achieve, but for Ryan, these qualities also helped him change the course of his best friend's life.

One night, Ryan and friends were driving to a lake house for the evening. Ryan, driving ahead of his friends, realized their truck was

no longer behind him. He turned around to find that his friend's truck had skidded on ice and hit an embankment, crumpling the side of the truck and shattering the passenger window before coming to rest back in the middle of road. It was a miracle that only one person was seriously injured. Brock Meister would not have survived the next few moments without Ryan's bravery and quick thinking.

Ryan recognized immediately that he needed to keep his friend's neck in place until help arrived. As he held tight to Brock's head and neck, reassuring him and physically preventing him from moving, Ryan kept him calm by repeating the words, "My boy, Brock," and called 911. Ryan didn't leave his friend's side that night, and it kept him alive. He then helped him navigate the long, difficult road to recovery, making the two-and-a-half-hour drive to and from Indianapolis to be with his friend in between football commitments. It is truly an honor to represent young Hoosiers like Ryan who put their own needs aside to help others, and whose strength and compassion stand as a guiding light in our community. Ryan's natural leadership and strong will are surely just the foundation for the amazing future that lies ahead of him. I have no doubt he will go on to do great things and will continue to positively impact the world around him. Hoosiers will, continue to look up to his ability to seize opportunity and lead with kindness for years to come.

Mr. Speaker, Ryan Topper epitomizes the selflessness and readiness to help that are so valued in northern Indiana. He shows us what it means to be a Hoosier, an American, and, above all, a true friend. On behalf of Indiana's 2nd District, it is my honor to recognize his valiant actions.

HONORING HEIDI BENZONELLI-BURDEN

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Heidi Benzonelli-Burden, who was honored as Humboldt County Citizen of the Year on October 20, 2018, an award she richly deserves.

Heidi Benzonelli-Burden's contributions to the Eureka community are exemplary. As program director for the Westside Community Building Initiative and president of the Westside Community Improvement Association, Ms. Benzonelli-Burden has been a driving force for the improved health and livability of Eureka's Westside. Ms. Benzonelli-Burden worked with these groups and law enforcement, code enforcement, and neighbors to address 30 chronic nuisance properties and 10 alleyways in West Eureka, and alleviate graffiti, trash, drug houses, and other hazards to clean up blight.

Among the Westside Association's greatest achievements has been the rehabilitation of the Jefferson Community Center and Park, which transformed a boarded-up elementary school into a thriving social center. The center hosts square dances, movie nights, a safety fair and more. Ms. Benzonelli-Burden was even the cook at the community center for its first two years, helping feed and nurture neigh-

borhood children. In 2017, she was awarded the Kiwanis of Henderson Center Non-Profit Businesswoman of the Year award.

Ms. Benzonelli-Burden attended Humboldt State University, earning a bachelor's degree in Environmental Resources Engineering and a master's degree in Business Administration with a focus on Strategic Sustainability. She is now a research analyst at Humboldt State's California Center for Rural Policy and putting her education to good use for the benefit of others.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in expressing deep appreciation for Heidi Benzonelli-Burden's commitment to bettering her community and congratulating her on her service to the North Coast.

HONORING ANGIE THOMAS

HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a remarkable author, Ms. Angie Thomas, who is a native of Jackson, Mississippi.

As a teen, Thomas indulged in the art of hip-hop while also publishing an article in Right-On Magazine. In 2011, she received a Bachelor's of Fine Arts in Creative Writing from Belhaven University located in Jackson.

In 2015, Thomas was awarded as the inaugural winner of the Walter Dean Myers Grant by The We Need Diverse Books Organization. In 2017, Thomas was recognized at the Mississippi Book Festival for inspiring young Mississippians that they too "can reach their dreams."

Thomas is the author of the No. 1 New York Times Bestseller novel, *The Hate U Give*, which pushes a powerful message of social justice and the issues facing African-Americans throughout this country. The novel was acquired by Balzer + Bray imprint of HarperCollins Publishers.

The Hate U Give has received one of the highest amounts of starred reviews received for a young adult novel and will be published in over 20 countries. It has also been on a national young adult best-seller list for over 80 weeks.

In 2018, *The Hate U Give* was made into a movie and opened in select theaters on October 5th. By mid-October, it was showing nationwide. *The Hate U Give* movie is directed by George Tillman and stars actress Amandla Stenberg.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Ms. Angie Thomas for her dedication and tenacity to serving her community and desire to be an example for all.

LTC ANTHONY SOMOGYI TRIBUTE

HON. SCOTT R. TIPTON

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. TIPTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor LTC Anthony Somogyi, a native of Palisade, Colorado, for his unwavering commitment to this nation as he prepares for retirement.

LTC Somogyi graduated from Palisade High School in 1994, later attending the University of North Dakota on an Army ROTC Scholarship. After completing his degree in Aeronautical studies with an emphasis in rotary wing aviation and a minor in Military Science, he went on to attend Army flight school at Fort Rucker, Alabama.

LTC Somogyi began his military service when he was assigned to 1st Squadron, 10th U.S. Cavalry, 4th Infantry Division in Fort Hood. After a promotion, he was deployed to Operation Iraqi Freedom where he had the rare opportunity as an Aviator to serve as a crewmember on an M-3 Cavalry Fighting Vehicle and established the Tactical Operations Center and Remote Retransmission Sites for the squadron.

Upon his return home, LTC Somogyi attended the Aviation Captain's Career Course at Fort Rucker, where his hard work earned him a place in the last class to attend resident Combined Arms Services Staff School at Fort Leavenworth. While there, he completed the Aviation Maintenance Manager's Course and the OH-58D Maintenance Test Pilot's Course on his way to Fort Polk. After six months, LTC Somogyi took command of F Troop, 4th Squadron, 6th U.S. Cavalry in time to move the unit to Fort Lewis. Once he established operations, he spent a year as Commander before leaving Active Duty and moving back to Colorado.

Most recently, he served as Commander at the High-Altitude ARNH Aviation Training Site. He trained students in power management and environmental flight techniques. In this capacity, he routinely conducted search and rescue missions in the mountainous regions of Colorado. LTC Somogyi's lifelong work has resulted in his receiving the Bronze Star, Air Medal, Army Achievement Medal, two Meritorious Service Medals, two Cavalry Spurs, and the Order of St. George.

LTC Somogyi has not only had a fulfilling professional life, but a rich personal life as well. He married his high school sweetheart, Korey, and they were blessed with two daughters, Noel and Andee. When he is not working, LTC Somogyi spends most of his time in the great outdoors, either hunting, camping or fishing with his loved ones.

Mr. Speaker, LTC Somogyi has dutifully served his nation for twenty years and his dedication will be remembered. It is my privilege to recognize him for the important work he has done throughout his life and I wish him all the best in his retirement.

IN RECOGNITION OF ABIGAIL PECK ON HER INDUCTION TO THE PENNSYLVANIA SPORTS HALL OF FAME

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor athlete Abigail Peck, who was inducted to the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame on November 3, 2018. Peck was among those honored during the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame held in Plains, PA.

Peck is an accomplished athlete in rowing. She was a 5-time member of the U.S. National Team, competing in the World Championships. She represented the United States at the Olympic Games in 1984 in Los Angeles, California, and in 1988 in Seoul, South Korea, where she served as team captain. She is decorated with 12 U.S. National Championship gold medals, two silver medals from the 1986 Goodwill Games in Moscow, USSR, a silver medal at the 1987 World Championships, and six wins at the Head of the Charles Regatta in Boston, Massachusetts.

Peck has been recognized for her athletic prowess by being inducted into the Northeastern Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame in 1993, and in 2004, she was selected as No. 25 of NEPA Top 100 Athletes of All Time. Peck holds a bachelor's degree from Skidmore College and a master's degree from Smith College, and she created and runs free exercise programs for cancer patients.

It is an honor to recognize Peck's athletic achievements and her impressive career representing the United States on the world stage in the sport of rowing. It is fitting that she should be inducted as a member of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame. I join with the members of the Hall of Fame in recognizing Peck's career and celebrating her many athletic achievements and her current philanthropic endeavors.

HONORING FORMER STATE
REPRESENTATIVE CLEO DUNCAN

HON. LUKE MESSER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, on behalf of the entire 6th Congressional District of Indiana, to recognize former State Representative Cleo Duncan for her contribution to our state.

For 16 years, Cleo represented South-eastern Indiana with honor and integrity in the Indiana General Assembly. As a former school teacher, Cleo worked to ensure Indiana's students were best equipped to succeed. It was an honor to serve with her during my time at the Statehouse.

On a personal note, I've known Cleo and her husband, John, since childhood. Their kids went to school with my brother and me, and their family has always been kind to us.

The Duncans were among my earliest and most vocal supporters. They are loyal confidants and wise advisers. I want to thank Cleo and John for their friendship and support of my work in Congress. I wish them continued success in all that God has planned for their family.

IN RECOGNITION OF MINISTER
EDWARD O. DuBOSE

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize an exemplary civil rights leader, distinguished counselor, outstanding

man of God, and dear friend of longstanding, Minister Edward O. DuBose. Minister DuBose celebrated his 60th birthday with family and friends on November 10, 2018.

The Atlanta, Georgia native is the third oldest of ten children born to Carnell and Margie DuBose. He received his early education through the Atlanta Public School System and graduated from Harper High School in June 1976. On March 21, 1977, he joined the United States Army where he served honorably for 21 years before retiring on March 21, 1998.

A man of great knowledge, Minister DuBose earned an Associate's Degree in General Education, Associate's and Bachelor's Degrees in Business Administration, and a Master's Degree in Counseling and Psychology from Troy University. He also completed several certifications to become a Licensed Professional Therapist. In 2008, he decided to use his expertise in counseling by establishing Everlasting Peace Counseling and Support Services, LLC, which provides mental health counseling to at-risk youth and families throughout Georgia and Alabama. Minister DuBose later realized that his calling was to provide counsel for the mind as well as for the soul. He was ordained a Minister of the Gospel on March 18, 2012 at Peaceful Holiness Church where he worships.

In addition to being an established counselor, Minister DuBose is also a prominent civil rights leader. He served as President of the Columbus, Georgia Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) from 1997 to 2005 and in 2009, he became the first Georgia State Conference NAACP President to be elected to the NAACP National Board of Directors. Under his leadership, he has effectively advocated for clemency, fair voter registration, and combating police misconduct.

In 2005, he organized and led the largest protest march in the history of Columbus, Georgia—rallying over 15,000 people to call for justice after the death of Kenneth Walker in 2003. He also organized and led the first protest march in Douglas County, Georgia—rallying over 5,000 people which resulted in the “Douglasville Six” being freed from prison. In 2006, he led the Georgia State Conference NAACP in securing a settlement from the Georgia Secretary of State regarding voter registration irregularities.

George Washington Carver once said, “How far you go in life depends on your being tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving, and tolerant of the weak and strong because someday in your life you will have been all of these.” Minister DuBose has gone far in life because he has exemplified these traits with all those to whom he has encountered. Moreover, his love and commitment to Christ is reflected in his compassionate leadership, which makes him a guiding light within the community.

Minister DuBose has accomplished much in his life but none of this would be possible without the love and support of his wife of 34 years, Cynthia, and their daughters, Cynthia, Casonya, and Kimberly.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues in the House to join my wife Vivian and me, along with the more than 730,000 people of the Second Congressional District, in recognizing Minister Edward O. DuBose for his selfless service to God, our nation, and to humankind. We

extend our best wishes to him on the occasion of his 60th birthday.

RECOGNIZING RICHARD GATES OF
WHITE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Richard Gates, an exemplary resident of White County, Illinois, where Mr. Gates has diligently managed his 100-acre farming operation, Richard Gates Farm, for over fifty years.

Throughout his career, Mr. Gates was not only a hard-working farmer, but also a dedicated public servant during his tenure with the U.S. Postal Service.

Mr. Gates has dedicated his life to agriculture by working tirelessly through dozens of long harvest seasons, allowing him to support his three children and nine grandchildren. He is also active in the agriculture community, having served as director for the Illinois Farmer Elected Committee for approximately 30 years, including 5 years as the State President. Additionally, he was a Director of the White County Farm Bureau from 2003 to 2015 and was a State Director of the Illinois Corn Growers from 2006 to 2016. Through the Illinois Corn Growers, he has had the opportunity to travel to countries like Ireland to study agricultural techniques and to Cuba to work toward ending the trade embargo. He has also traveled to Washington, D.C. several times as an advocate for agriculture.

Mr. Gates, along with his wife Janice, have generously opened their fourth-generation family-owned farm to hundreds of guests—from kindergarten students to nursing home residents. Their hospitality is well known and appreciated in the community.

Mr. Speaker, I join with the entire Gates family in celebrating his lifetime of accomplishments and recognizing his service to our nation. His outstanding legacy of hard work and compassion lives on in each member of his family and in all of those who are fortunate to know him.

IN MEMORY OF LEONA JOHNSTON

HON. DAVID SCHWEIKERT

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. SCHWEIKERT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Mrs. Leona Johnston, a passionate educator, traveler, and dedicated political activist in Arizona. Leona devoted 30-plus years of her professional life teaching disadvantaged students in South Bend, Indiana, before retiring to Fountain Hills, Arizona, where she was deeply involved in local political activism in her community and throughout our state. She was a member of the Fountain Hills Republican Club, and the club named her “Republican of the Year 2005”. She was also highly involved with the Arizona Federation of Republican Women, the Paradise Republican Women Club, the National Federation of Republican Women, the Arizona Republican Party, and Dodie Londen.

To all who knew Leona, may we continue to cherish the memories of her wit, laughter, story-telling, love of family and friends, and commitment to the Republican Party.

Leona served as a role model for political activism to better local communities. May we continue to honor her memory through our passion and service to our communities.

CELEBRATING LEO WOOD

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I am honored to celebrate the work of an exceptional citizen of my Congressional District, Leo Wood of Georgetown, TX. His commitment to public service as a City Manager and Mayor represents Texas values at their best.

Leo grew up in San Saba, Texas and attended Texas A&M University. In 1969, after serving as City Manager of Rosebud, TX, Leo and his family moved to Georgetown, TX, a city of just 5,500 people at the time. At his first city council meeting, he learned that the city was penniless. He rapidly put his financial management skills to use and built a coalition of concerned citizens, businesses, financial institutions, Georgetown Independent School District, and local mainstays like Southwestern University and Texas Crusher Stone to save the city. His forward-thinking activism worked and, after retiring as City Manager in 1985, Leo left the city with over five million dollars in reserve funds and a renewed, optimistic spirit.

In 1992 Leo successfully ran for mayor, serving until 1997. Along with advocating for continued growth of Georgetown, one of his major accomplishments was the recruitment of Sun City, which he describes as "icing on the cake." Leo's commitment to community doesn't stop when the workday ends. He's been involved in numerous service organizations in Georgetown, including The Steak Fry Group, started by Leo in 1968, which began as a small gathering in a friend's back yard and has become an integral part of the fabric of Georgetown. This year marks the group's 50th anniversary and the group has donated over \$215,000 to very deserving charities.

Leo Wood has been a key figure in making Georgetown the vibrant, growing city it is today. I join his colleagues, family, and friends in honoring his career and commending his commitment to public service. I wish my friend nothing but the best in the years ahead.

IN RECOGNITION OF KATHLEEN PRINDLE ON HER INDUCTION TO THE PENNSYLVANIA SPORTS HALL OF FAME

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor coach Kathleen Prindle, who was inducted to the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame on November 3, 2018. Prindle was among those honored during the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame held in Plains, PA.

Prindle has excelled in the sport of swimming as both an athlete and coach. In 2011, she founded Performance Aquatics, a world-class, elite swim club for senior (ages 13+) athletes. Her unique training and business models have been adopted nationally. She has been instrumental in training swimming Olympians and Olympic hopefuls, both domestic and international athletes. She has trained swimmers to compete at the U.S. Olympic Trials, and prepared athletes to compete at the Olympic Games in Beijing in 2008, and Rio in 2016. She also coaches at the high school level at Grandview Preparatory School in Boca Raton, FL. Additionally, Prindle founded learn-to-swim programs in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Florida.

Prindle also dedicates her time to the sport of swimming by serving as the Vice President of the American Swim Coaches Association Board of Directors, on the board of the Florida Gold Coast LSC, and on the Florida State High School Athletic Association Advisory Board. She was previously awarded the American Swim Coaches Association Fellowship in 2010, and she served on USA Swimming's Senior Development National Committee from 2012 to 2016.

It is an honor to recognize Prindle's impressive coaching achievements. It is fitting that she should be inducted as a member of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame. I join with the members of the Hall of Fame in recognizing Prindle's illustrious career and celebrating her successes as a coach.

HONORING DI AND TONY SCHANTZ

HON. LUKE MESSER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, on behalf of the entire 6th Congressional District of Indiana, to recognize Di and Tony Schantz for their contributions to our state and their community.

The Schantz family have made a positive and lasting impact in Ripley and Franklin counties. Our state is better off today because of their extraordinary leadership and service in their community.

On a personal note, I will be forever grateful for Di and Tony's prayers and their constant positive encouragement. Di has one of the best smiles you will ever see and both Di and Tony live lives that embody the principles of putting family first.

The Schantz family were among my earliest and most vocal supporters. I want to thank Di and Tony for their friendship and support of my work in Congress. I wish them continued success in all that God has planned for their family.

HONORING ELLIE COHEN

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the accomplishments of Ellie Cohen, who is stepping down as the President

and CEO of Point Blue Conservation Science after 20 years of transformative leadership. Recognized internationally for her work, Ellie Cohen has turned Point Blue from a regional bird observatory to a globally recognized powerhouse in climate-smart, multi-benefit conservation.

Born in Baltimore, Maryland, Ellie Cohen earned a bachelor's degree in Botany from Duke University with honors. After moving to California in 1979 to conduct field studies in butterfly ecology, Ellie went on to earn a Master in Public Policy degree from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government. There she was honored with the first annual Robert F. Kennedy Public Service Award, voted on by her fellow students, as well as the coveted Policy Analysis Exercise Award.

In 1999, Ellie Cohen became President and CEO of Point Blue (founded as Point Reyes Bird Observatory). During Ellie's 20-year tenure, she managed significant growth of the organization, from 30 employees with an annual operating budget of \$2.5 million, to 180 employees with an operating budget of \$14 million. She also established a strong financial foundation including securing the organization's 20,000 square foot headquarters and the Rich Stallcup Conservation Science Intern Center, both in Petaluma.

Ellie Cohen was an early leader in promoting healthy ecosystems as essential to the climate change solution's tool box for both mitigation and adaptation. In 2017, she secured recognition of Point Blue as an official observer organization to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and oversaw Point Blue's contributions to the UNFCCC's considerations of how agriculture can be part of the climate solution.

During Ellie Cohen's impactful tenure, Point Blue's scientists helped secure the largest Marine Protected Area in the world at the Ross Sea Antarctica, helped protect 400,000 acres of post-fire Sierra forests for birds and other wildlife, and guided changes in shipping lanes of California's coast to protect whales from ship strikes.

Beyond improving Point Blue's financial, research and conservation capabilities and impact, Ellie Cohen worked tirelessly to expand the organization's partnerships which today include thousands of local, regional, national and international agencies, governments, private landowners and fishers, as well as NGO's, collaboratively bridging cultural divides through conservation science to advance a healthy future for wildlife and human communities.

Mr. Speaker, Ellie Cohen's leadership has transformed Point Blue Conservation Science, and in the process has helped governments, private land owners, and our communities better prepare for the challenges of climate change through nature-based solutions. Therefore, please join me in thanking Ellie Cohen for her two decades of leadership and service to the public.

AMERICA'S ENDURING FRIENDSHIP WITH SERBIA

HON. TED POE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, for more than 130 years, Americans have had a close

friendship with the Serbian people. Our troops fought side-by-side in both World War I and World War II, forging a strong bond between our nations. Today, Serbia remains an indispensable ally of the U.S. as we confront challenges like ISIS together. This relationship has only deepened over the years due to our shared dedication to democracy and freedom.

I recently returned from a trip to Serbia where I met with President Vucic and Prime Minister Brnabic. They are great friends to America and excellent representatives for Serbia. In our meetings they made clear how much the relationship with the United States matters to the security and prosperity of their country. Their only ask, was that America continues to stand by Serbia as it works to integrate closer with the West. While I am retiring from Congress at the end of this year, and unfortunately leaving my post as co-chair of the Serbia caucus, I assured them that there was no doubt that the U.S. is committed to its friendship with Serbia so long as Serbia remains committed to peace and democracy.

Serbia has no stronger partner on than the United States. We have shown this in action. For example, about 60 percent of Serbia's overseas military training and education takes place within the United States. Serbia recognized the value of this relationship and signed an agreement to deepen cooperation with the U.S. and our NATO allies two years ago. This is a big deal considering just 20 years ago, NATO and Serbia were on opposite sides of a war.

Beyond military cooperation, we are also working to forge closer economic ties and strengthen Serbia's democracy. Rule of law and transparency are making major gains in Serbia that will allow for increased American investment. All of this will bring our countries closer together, ensuring bright peaceful futures for the Balkan region and ourselves.

Belgrade and Washington must continue to build our partnership to accomplish our shared goals. I am excited to see the ties between our countries grow. I am convinced that so long as we remain committed to democratic values, America and Serbia will have an enduring friendship for generations.

And that's just the way it is.

HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF JOHN SNYDER

HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. BERGMAN. Mr. Speaker, on this Veterans Day weekend, it is my honor to recognize the life of John Snyder. As a proud Veteran of the Second World War and an upstanding member of his community, John is an indispensable part of Michigan's First District.

John served in the U.S. Navy as a pilot from 1940 until 1945—from before the attack on Pearl Harbor to when we reached the shores of Japan. He served as a flight instructor and flight leader, never losing a pilot under his command. During the Island-Hopping campaign, John flew throughout the South Pacific on his Grumman F6F Hellcat fighter and shot down several enemy aircraft over the course of the war. As an officer with several decorations, John is proud of his military service and enjoys sharing his experience with others.

For the United States, World War II was a turning point. As citizens, we found strength in a common purpose, found the ties that bind us together, and displayed the impenetrable force of American democracy. Over 400,000 American lives were lost—lives given in the defense of freedom. We owe John and his brothers in arms an enormous debt of gratitude. Veterans Day weekend gave those in Michigan's First District an opportunity to show their thanks for the sacrifices demanded of John and all of our servicemen and women. He has served our nation willingly, honorably, and without bias. John was recognized on Veterans Day, November 11th, at American Legion Post 114 in Greenwood, Michigan.

Mr. Speaker, it's my honor today to acknowledge the extraordinary life of John Snyder. I ask that you join with me and the people of Michigan's First District in thanking him for his unwavering commitment to our nation and its people.

IN RECOGNITION OF JACK HENZES ON HIS INDUCTION TO THE PENNSYLVANIA SPORTS HALL OF FAME

HON. MATT CARTWRIGHT

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. CARTWRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor coach Jack Henzes, who was inducted to the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame on November 3, 2018. Henzes was among those honored during the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame held in Plains, PA.

Henzes has been coaching football at Dunmore High School since 1971, where he led the Bucks to a Class A state championship in 1989. His record of 421 wins, 159 losses, and 8 ties positions him as the winningest active Pennsylvania coach. Under his tutelage, Dunmore has won ten district titles, including four straight titles, and the Bucks are currently the defending District 2 Class 2A Champion. Henzes was inducted to the Luzerne County Sports Hall of Fame in 1989, made a member of the 200 Wins Club by the Pennsylvania Coaches Association, and inducted to the National High School Coaches Hall of Fame in 2009.

It is an honor to recognize Coach Henzes' impressive coaching career. It is fitting that he should be inducted as a member of the Pennsylvania Sports Hall of Fame. I join with the members of the Hall of Fame in recognizing his illustrious career and profound impact on the Dunmore High School football program and two generations of student-athletes.

IN RECOGNITION OF MRS. SARAH STEWART

HON. SANFORD D. BISHOP, JR.

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. BISHOP of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, it is with a heavy heart and solemn remembrance that I rise today to pay tribute to an outstanding businesswoman, dedicated public

servant, mentor to many, and compassionate philanthropist, Mrs. Sarah Stewart. Sadly, Mrs. Stewart passed away on Tuesday, October 23, 2018 at the age of 83. The funeral service was held on Thursday, November 1, 2018, at 2 p.m. at the Stewart Community Home in Columbus, Georgia.

At the age of fifteen, Sarah, already an accomplished homemaker, married Harold Stewart, an airman, and traveled with him to his various assignments. Their family would later expand with the arrival of their six children. As a military family of eight, the Stewarts found time to serve as active volunteers in their communities, once heading three Girl Scout troops simultaneously.

Sarah's passion for service and philanthropy continued during her career as a midwife in the Philippines, an operating room supervisor in the Raiford Prison Hospital, and an active parole volunteer for VISTA. After serving at Raiford and reuniting with her father who was living in poverty, she was inspired to open a "boarding care home" to help people in similar conditions who were medically or financially ineligible for nursing home care. During one of her many visits to her mother in Columbus, Georgia, she spotted an ancient, deteriorating home at 1400 Third Avenue that she wanted to rent and renovate. Everyone thought she was crazy to rent this home because of the extensive damage and the costly repair required to fix it. Nevertheless, Mrs. Stewart did not allow the opinions of her critics to deter her vision. In April 1976, (a month after obtaining the property) and with the help of family and the manager of the rental property, she opened "The Home for Senior Citizens" (now The Stewart Community Home), the first boarding care home in the community.

Over the years, the Stewart Community Home expanded to include several homes throughout the Columbus area. Then, on April 30, 1994, when Columbus native Dorothy (Dot) Wells Knight died, the Knight Foundation, Inc. honored her by making a substantial donation to the Stewart Community Home, her favorite charity. This allowed for the purchase of the Edwina Wood School and sparked a nearly two million dollar renovation project, allowing for the housing of seventy-six residents.

Maya Angelou once said, "A great soul serves everyone all the time. A great soul never dies." Sarah Stewart was one such great soul, who served humanity in a special way. Each day she graced the people around her with an enthusiastic sincerity of presence. Her legacy on this earth extends beyond herself to those whom she inspired and supported. For her selfless dedication to others, she will always be remembered.

Sarah accomplished many things in her life but none of these would have been possible without the enduring support of her husband, Harold; their children, David, Harold, Jr., Charles, Carolyn, Ruth, and Teresa; and the countless others who positively impacted her life over the years.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join my wife Vivian and me, along with the more than 730,000 people of the Second Congressional District, in paying tribute to Mrs. Sarah Stewart, for her outstanding legacy of service and philanthropy as we extend our deepest condolences to Sarah's family and friends. We pray that they will be consoled and comforted by an abiding faith in the Holy Spirit in the days, weeks, and months ahead.

APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUAL TO
NATIONAL SECURITY COMMISSION
ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, today I rise as the ranking member of the House Committee on Energy and Commerce to appoint Timothy R. Robinson to the National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence temporarily. I am taking this action today to preserve my appointment authority to name a member to this commission.

Upon conducting a thorough review of suitable candidates for appointment, it is my intention to submit the name of another individual, who will replace Mr. Robinson. My authority to effectuate this appointment or any future replacement appointment is set forth in section 1051 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019.

HONORING DAVE ADAMS

HON. LUKE MESSER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

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

As Superintendent of Shelbyville Central Schools, Dave dedicates himself to Hoosier students and teachers every single day. Dave also served on our 6th Congressional District Education Advisory Committee and regularly met with my team to discuss important education issues in Indiana. Our state is better off today because of his extraordinary leadership and service, and I wish him the best in his retirement in 2019.

On a personal note, I have known Dave for over 20 years, and I'm proud of the work we did together to improve high school graduation rates in our state and Shelby County. Dave is a loyal confidant and wise adviser.

Dave and his wife, Cindy, are among my closest friends in public life. They were among my earliest and most vocal supporters. I want to thank them for their friendship and support of my work in Congress. I wish them continued success in all that God has planned for their family.

HONORING THE 95TH BIRTHDAY OF
MILDRED L. NEWMAN

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize the 95th birthday of Mildred Newman.

Mildred was born on November 11, 1923 in Louisville, Kentucky.

She and her husband Charles moved to Piedmont, Alabama from Kentucky and later to

Oxford, Alabama. In 1958, they took their life savings and opened the Oxford Lumber Company. Mildred continues to be an integral part of the operation today.

This year, as we celebrate Mildred's 95th birthday, we also celebrate Oxford Lumber's 60th Anniversary.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the 95th birthday of Mildred Newman.

HONORING HORACE HAMILTON, JR.

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I'm proud to join the City of Leander and its Historical Preservation Commission as they honor Horace Hamilton, Jr. for his service to our great nation. A survivor of one of America's darkest days, he embodies the fighting spirit and patriotism that speaks to the best of our shared Texas values.

Shortly after joining the U.S. Navy, Hamilton boarded the USS *Phoenix* which came to port at Pearl Harbor in early December 1941. A few days later, on an early Sunday morning, the Japanese launched a devastating surprise attack that propelled America into WWII. Hamilton and his crew reacted quickly and began pulling survivors from the water. They worked tirelessly, disregarding their own safety in waters covered in burning oil, only focusing on getting their fellow sailors out of danger.

History rarely gives us turning points as stark as December 7, 1941. The sneak attack at Pearl Harbor ushered in a nation so powerful and generous that nearly every country on earth looks to America for our leadership, our vision, and our altruistic pursuit of liberty and freedom for all.

Hamilton went on to bravely serve throughout WWII, participating in major naval conflicts including the Battle of Surigao Strait, hailed as one of the greatest battles of the Pacific Theater. One of his last duties aboard the *Phoenix* was to pick up survivors of the Battan Death March and deliver them to hospitals to recover from their ordeal.

Horace Hamilton, Jr., along with his brothers and sisters of the Greatest Generation, helped lay the foundation for lasting peace across the globe and put the world on notice that America will forever stand against tyranny. I salute his service and join his family and friends in wishing him nothing but the best for the years ahead.

APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUAL TO
NATIONAL SECURITY COMMISSION
ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

HON. ADAM SMITH

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. SMITH of Washington. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to section 1051 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115-232), I hereby appoint Eric Horvitz as the individual to serve as a member of the National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence.

HONORING DANA AND AUDRA
CALDWELL

HON. LUKE MESSER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, on behalf of the entire 6th Congressional District of Indiana, to recognize Dana and Audra Caldwell for their contributions to our state and their community.

The Caldwells are an institution in East Central Indiana and are some of the best people I have had the pleasure of knowing during my time in Congress. They are both very involved in the community and have spent years volunteering their time and resources for community organizations. Dana and Audra's embodiment of "Hoosier hospitality" has truly made a difference in their community and I know our state is better off today because of their extraordinary leadership and service.

For six years, the annual 6th District Messer family picnic was hosted at the Caldwell family farm. Our family is grateful for the Caldwell's extraordinary friendship. They are loyal confidants and wise advisers.

I would also like to thank Dana and Audra for their incredible support of my work in Congress. The Messer family cherishes the time we get to spend with them and we wish the Caldwells all the best in whatever God has planned for their family.

APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUAL TO
NATIONAL SECURITY COMMISSION
ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

HON. MAC THORNBERRY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. THORNBERRY. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to section 1051 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115-232), I hereby appoint Dr. Eric Schmidt as the individual to serve as a member of the National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence.

APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUAL TO
NATIONAL SECURITY COMMISSION
ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

HON. ADAM B. SCHIFF

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to nominate Dr. Steve Chien to sit on the National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence, pursuant to section 105 of H.R. 5515, the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019. Dr. Chien is the Technical Group Supervisor of the Artificial Intelligence Group at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, California Institute of Technology.

The commission was established to review advances in artificial intelligence, competitiveness of the United States in artificial intelligence and machine learning and the means

to maintain a technological advantage in areas of national security and defense. The commission will consist of 15 members appointed by legislative and executive branch leaders and will terminate on October 1, 2020.

RECOGNIZING MAYOR PEGGY
HAMMACK

HON. ERIC A. "RICK" CRAWFORD

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. CRAWFORD. Mr. Speaker, Mayor Peggy Hammack is a life-long resident of Cotter, a small town in Baxter County, with fewer than 1000 people, perhaps best known for being the trout fishing capital of the U.S. The mayor began working for the City of Cotter in 1971 when she was 14, as a youth worker in a summer program. After finishing high school, she went back to work for the city as secretary to Mayor Rex Bayless, later transferring to the water department, eventually working her way up to Department Supervisor where she served for 13 years. Mayor Hammack transitioned to elected office, winning the race for City Recorder. In 2010 she was elected Mayor, and was re-elected in 2014.

Mayor Hammack is retiring on December 31st of this year after 30 years of service to the city of Cotter. As Mayor, she has raised and invested over a million dollars for projects and equipment to the city for the fire, police, street, parks, and water departments.

Mayor Hammack is a true public servant. Cotter is better off today with her hard work and achievements as city employee and as Mayor. I appreciate all the hard work Mayor Hammack has done, and I hope Congress will join me in wishing her a wonderful and enjoyable retirement.

HONORING CHUCK WAGGONER

HON. LUKE MESSER

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

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

From his time with the Indiana State Police to his volunteer work with the United Way, and countless other endeavors, Chuck has served his community with honor and distinction. Our state is better off today because of his extraordinary leadership and service.

On a personal note, Chuck was among my earliest and most vocal supporters. He is a

loyal friend and wise adviser. I thank Chuck for his friendship and support of my work in Congress and wish him continued success in all that God has planned for him and his family.

APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUAL TO
THE NATIONAL SECURITY COM-
MISSION ON ARTIFICIAL INTEL-
LIGENCE

HON. GREG WALDEN

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. WALDEN. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to section 1051 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (P.L. 115-232), I appoint Mr. Greg Zerzan of Alexandria, Virginia, to the National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence.

CONGRATULATING GEORGETOWN,
TEXAS

HON. JOHN R. CARTER

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. CARTER of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I'm proud to congratulate Historic Downtown Georgetown, Texas for being recognized as one of 2018's Great Places in America by the American Planning Association. Great Place designees represent the gold standard in urban planning behind the neighborhoods, streets, and public spaces communities love. One of the most vibrant cities in Central Texas, Georgetown is a deserving recipient of this prestigious honor.

Over the past 10 years, Georgetown city officials, planning professionals, and citizen advocates have worked tirelessly to preserve the Victorian charm and uniqueness of Historic Downtown Georgetown. This 40-block district is the center of community life and displays environmentally-friendly practices through alternative energy sources, green infrastructure, robust public transportation accessibility, native plants, and well-maintained historic buildings. Downtown Georgetown has become a point of pride for residents and a growing tourist attraction that regularly hosts widely-attended civic events such as the annual Red Poppy Festival, which brings over 60,000 people to the Town Square.

I salute the forward-thinking efforts of city planners and involved citizens who have made Georgetown, Texas an ideal place to live. Their commitment to smart and sustainable design has benefitted the entire region and I'm

glad that the American Planning Association has recognized their great work.

HONORING THE 60TH ANNIVER-
SARY OF OXFORD LUMBER

HON. MIKE ROGERS

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. ROGERS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I ask for the House's attention to recognize the 60th Anniversary of Oxford Lumber.

In February of 1958, Charles W. and Mildred L. Newman founded Oxford Lumber as a business supply company at 4th and Barry Streets in Oxford, Alabama.

Mr. Newman moved to Piedmont from Kentucky and then to Oxford in 1958. He took his savings and started the company and had his wife, who was a Registered Nurse, join the business soon after. To this day, Mrs. Newman is still an active part of the business and serves as Secretary/Treasurer of the company.

In 1988, Oxford Lumber moved into its present facility at 1400 Barry Street on the corner of Highway 78 West.

In 1963, they joined Ace Hardware Corporation and put in a full line of hardware, paint, plumbing, electrical and tools. Since then, they founded three other home centers: Roanoke Home Center in 1973, Talladega Home Center in 1998 and Jacksonville Home Center in 2007.

This year, as we celebrate Mildred's 95th birthday, we also celebrate Oxford Lumber's 60th Anniversary.

Mr. Speaker, please join me in recognizing the 60th Anniversary of Oxford Lumber and congratulating them on years of success.

APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUAL TO
NATIONAL SECURITY COM-
MISSION ON ARTIFICIAL INTEL-
LIGENCE

HON. DEVIN NUNES

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

Mr. NUNES. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Section 1051 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (Public Law 115-232), I hereby appoint Safra Catz to serve as a member of the National Security Commission on Artificial Intelligence.