would also like to thank the West Georgia Board of Realtors for taking the time to honor the Fair Housing Act of 1968. Not only do they honor the Fair Housing Act today, they honor it every single day while they serve the citizens of Georgia.

In the midst of a national mourning, The Fair Housing Act landed on President Lyndon B. Johnson’s desk just a week after Martin Luther King Jr.’s assassination. The Fair Housing Act allowed Americans to become home owners no matter their race, religion, sex, or national origin. This had a large impact on the African American community, this allowed them to become first-time home owners. Thus, providing better care for themselves and family.

This Act represents a big triumph for the people, to be heard and to promote the change of an unjust environment. There is still a lot of work to be done, but I am proud of what we have achieved. In 1988 Congress amended the Fair Housing Act to protect disabled citizens and familial status. We have come a long way, but our fight must continue. We must never forget the Fair Housing Act of 1968 and continue to be a champion for justice and equality for all.

**IN RECOGNITION OF THE 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM AGAINST GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE**

**HON. LOIS FRANKEL**

**OF FLORIDA**

**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**Monday, December 3, 2018**

Ms. FRANKEL of Florida, Mr. Speaker, today we recognize the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence, a campaign to raise awareness and spur action to end violence against women and girls.

Over the past year, with the explosion of the #MeToo and Time’s Up movements, women around the world have come forward with their own harrowing stories of sexual violence—an abuse of power that often causes emotional and physical distress and harms their ability to care for their family. One in three women worldwide will experience gender-based violence in their lifetimes, ranging from sexual violence and human trafficking to harmful practices like child marriage. The statistics are staggering—nearly 39,000 girls under 18 are married each day and over 200 million women and girls have been subjected to female genital mutilation.

Gender-based violence continues to hold women back from reaching their full potential. In 2012, the United States government released the Strategy to Prevent and Respond to Gender-Based Violence Globally, marking ending violence against women and girls as top diplomatic and foreign assistance priorities. On the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence, let’s reinforce our commitment to ensuring the safety of women and girls and recommit to women’s empowerment worldwide.

Remember this: when women and girls succeed, their nations succeed.

**INTRODUCTION OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ADVERTISING EQUITY ACCOUNTABILITY ACT**

**HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON**

**OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**Monday, December 3, 2018**

Ms. NORTON of the District of Columbia, Mr. Speaker, today I introduce a bill, the Federal Government Advertising Equity Accountability Act, to require all federal agencies to include in their annual budget requests to Congress the amount they spend on advertising contracts with small disadvantaged businesses (SDBs) and businesses owned by minorities and women. Federal agencies would be required to provide prior, current, and projected total expenditures for advertising contracts.

In 2005 the Government Accountability Office (GAO) examined spending on advertising contracts with minority-owned businesses by five agencies—the Department of Defense, the Department of the Treasury, the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of the Interior, and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration—and found that only five percent of the $4.3 billion available for advertising contracts went to minority businesses. In light of these concerning figures, several of my colleagues and I sent a letter to the GAO in April 2016 requesting updated information on the amount of federal advertising dollars spent with SDBs and businesses owned by minorities and women. That GAO report, released in July of this year, showed that in fiscal year 2017, only 16 percent of the federal government’s advertising contract obligations went to SDBs and businesses owned by minorities and women.

The Federal government is the largest advertiser in the United States, and it has an obligation to ensure fair access to its contracts for SDBs and businesses owned by minorities and women. The GAO’s findings make it clear that there is still much progress to be made. The regular collection of information on federal advertising contract obligations to SDBs and businesses owned by women and minorities, along with the provision of this information to legislators and stakeholders, is essential to bringing the divided statistics and a more inclusive advertising landscape. My bill would achieve these goals while also promoting transparency and encouraging federal agencies to strive to reach minorities, who often receive their daily news from small outlets that are owned by minorities and women.

As a result, the Federal Government Advertising Equity Accountability Act would achieve these goals while also promoting transparency and encouraging federal agencies to strive to reach minorities, who often receive their daily news from small outlets that are owned by minorities and women. This bill would achieve these goals while also promoting transparency and encouraging federal agencies to strive to reach minorities, who often receive their daily news from small outlets that are owned by minorities and women.

I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

**CONGRATULATING GARY PERINAR ON RECEIVING THE GEORGE MEANY AWARD**

**HON. CHERI BUSTOS**

**OF ILLINOIS**

**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**Monday, December 3, 2018**

Mrs. BUSTOS, Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Gary Perinar who is being honored with the George Meany Award in recognition of his incredible contributions to the community and the working families of union trades. Mr. Perinar currently serves as executive secretary-treasurer and regional director of the Chicago Regional Council of Carpenters, which consists of more than 30,000 workers pursuing careers in the trades.

Mr. Perinar completed his apprenticeship with the Carpenters Local 174 before going on to become a 40-year member as a third-generation business representative of the union. During Mr. Perinar’s stellar career he has taken on multiple roles, such as becoming a full-time business representative at the age of 32 and then assistant to the president. In addition, Mr. Perinar performed multiple leadership roles on various committees and boards while serving as both a vice president and a delegate on the Regional Council. Under the leadership of Mr. Perinar, an emphasis was placed on both character and skills development in order to embody responsible citizenship. Mr. Perinar recognizes the investment that must be made in young people looking to build a career in the trades and I would like to congratulate him on all his efforts and accomplishments.

It is because of dedicated leaders such as Mr. Gary Perinar that I am especially proud to serve Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I would like to again formally congratulate Mr. Gary Perinar on earning the George Meany Award for his exceptional service and thank him for all his contributions to the community.
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HONORING UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA-LED NASA MISSION OF OSIRIS-REX ARRIVAL AT BENNU

HON. RAÚL M. GRIJALVA
OF ARIZONA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, December 3, 2018

Mr. GRIJALVA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of University of Arizona-led NASA mission of spacecraft OSIRIS-REx and its successful arrival at the asteroid Bennu. Launched two years ago, the Origins, Spectral Interpretation, Resource Identification, Security-Regolith Explorer (OSIRIS-REx) mission is the first of its kind with a goal of returning a sample of the asteroid to Earth. Over the next year, the spacecraft will fly within close proximity of Bennu, map its surface, and use highly specialized instruments to collect a small sample from the asteroid that will be returned to Earth in 2023. This mission will aid scientists in investigating the most fundamental questions of our universe—namely how planets formed and how life began. Further, OSIRIS-REx will improve our understanding of asteroids that have the potential to impact Earth. OSIRIS-REx will also determine Bennu’s physical and chemical properties, which will be critical to know in the event of an impact mitigation mission. Asteroids like Bennu contain natural resources such as water, organics, and precious metals. In the future, these asteroids may one day fuel the exploration of the solar system by robotic and manned spacecraft.

Congress has justifiably understood that federal officials must live in the jurisdiction they serve to ensure in-depth knowledge of the unique issues and challenges residents and these federal officials face, but federal officials serving the District have been excluded from such a requirement. This patronizing left-over from when the District was governed by the federal government has real effects on residents. There is no reason that the Directors of CSOSA and PSA, federal agencies that uniquely serve D.C. residents, should not be required to live in the District, engage with local communities and serve closely with local officials. Adding residency requirements for federal officials serving the District is a matter of fairness that would make D.C. more like the states and even the territories, who enjoy residency requirements.

I strongly urge my colleagues to support this legislation.

HONORING MATTHEW TULLY
HON. LUKE MESSER
OF INDIANA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, December 3, 2018

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Indianapolis Star columnist Matthew Tully, who recently passed away at the age of 49 following a two-year battle with cancer. My heart broke to learn of Matt’s passing. To me, Matt was Indiana’s most prominent political writer. We didn’t always agree, but I never questioned that Matt was doing his best to get the facts and communicate the truth as he saw it. Most importantly, he was an even better person and I considered him a great friend.

Matt is survived by his wife, Valerie, and their 7-year-old son, Reid. The Messer family will continue praying for his family as they mourn his passing.

INTRODUCTION OF A BILL TO REQUIRE THE DIRECTOR OF THE COURT SERVICES AND OFFENDER SUPERVISION AGENCY FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA TO RESIDE IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON
OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Monday, December 3, 2018

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, today, I introduce a bill to require the Director of the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency for the District of Columbia (CSOSA) and the District of Columbia Pretrial Services Agency (PSA) to reside in the District of Columbia during their tenure.

CSOSA is an independent federal agency created by Congress in the Revitalization Act that supervises only D.C. offenders on parole, probation and supervised release. PSA is an independent federal agency created by Congress in the Empower D.C. Act that supervises D.C. and federal defendants. This bill would be prospective and not apply to those already in office upon enactment.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, December 4, 2018 may be found in the Daily Digest of today’s RECORD.