

Who all along the way touched every woman,  
child, and man with your grace  
And became The Father of All Letter Writers  
through the decades at such a prolific  
pace  
With your photographic memory where noth-  
ing erased  
A real American hero who the accolades  
upon him would not let them place  
An a American sportsman of the highest  
order, as competition and fun as ever  
you chased  
As you and your buddy Arnold stressed, the  
importance of fitness to our children to  
embrace  
And being around and on the sea, your soul  
was so graced  
While, in your boat like a bat out of hell all  
around Kennebunkport you raced  
Jumping out of a helicopter at 90 as Father  
Time could not keep pace  
Born of wealth, privilege, and prestige you  
could have led a life of such ease paced  
Raised by a great Mother and Father who  
watched, their work of art to public  
service race  
And like the cowboy and pioneer you were  
and became, out to the West with your  
Bar to your new love TEXAS as oilman  
to stake your claim  
And after great success realizing that it was  
in public service your heart should re-  
main  
Rising up to Congress, Vice President, to  
President to be the best not looking for  
fame  
With your life's creed of God, Family, and  
Country became your life's refrain  
As A Man For All Seasons, for so many rea-  
sons your lessons to all of our children  
we must train  
Part of the greatest generation as a warrior  
Saving The World as back home you  
came  
As you were always A Man On A Mission, to  
bless our Nation and World with your  
wise decisions, time and again  
And now George it is time  
Rise, rise up to heaven with tears in your  
eyes  
As the love of your life Barbara, and your  
precious little girl Robin you'll find  
"Daddy its been so long" and Bar says "now  
were all together where we belong"  
And don't worry George you don't have to  
eat broccoli in heaven all day long  
That's the other place where the bad ones be-  
long  
As our Lord says,  
"George, and you never let me down",  
"I'm so glad I pulled you From The Sea  
where I found, on the wings of a dove"  
Rise, up to heaven my son  
At Ease your time on earth is done  
As a new Angel in The Army of Our Lord in  
heaven mission has just begun  
RISE, MISSION ACCOMPLISHED my son

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HONORING JOHN HATTEr

**HON. LUKE MESSER**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 6, 2018*

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recog-  
nize a longtime member of my staff, John Hat-  
ter, for his work in my office and his service  
to our state.

John has been on our team from the very  
beginning, serving as our Director of Con-  
stituent Services. In this role, John is respon-  
sible for managing our constituent services  
program, coordinating the 6th Congressional

District Veterans Advisory Committee, and  
leading the 6th Congressional District Military  
Service Academy Nomination Board, which  
nominates young Hoosiers to serve at the  
United States Military Service Academies.

On a personal note, I admire John's loyalty,  
intellect and work ethic. He has been a valu-  
able member of our team, and I have no  
doubt John's future is very bright. I want to  
thank John for his friendship and his hard  
work in our office. I wish him, Katia, and the  
kids continued success in all that God has  
planned for their family.

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COLORADO YOUNG FARMERS EDU-  
CATIONAL ASSOCIATION 50TH  
ANNIVERSARY

**HON. KEN BUCK**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 6, 2018*

Mr. BUCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to rec-  
ognize the 50th anniversary of the Colorado  
Young Farmers Educational Association  
(CYFEA). Since its founding, the organization  
has strongly supported Coloradans who are  
involved or interested in the agricultural indus-  
try.

CYFEA provides industry cooperation, edu-  
cational programs, community service and rec-  
reational opportunities for all individuals. With  
upwards of 200 members, the organization  
provides resources for producers and con-  
sumers. A half-century after its inception  
CYFEA continues to honor Colorado's rich ag-  
ricultural roots.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the 4th Congres-  
sional District of Colorado, I extend my con-  
gratulations and best wishes to the Colorado  
Young Farmers Educational Association. We  
look forward to their continued success.

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RECOGNIZING DOWNTOWN AURORA  
VISUAL ARTS

**HON. MIKE COFFMAN**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 6, 2018*

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor  
to rise today to recognize Downtown Aurora  
Visual Arts. This non-profit organization located  
in my hometown of Aurora, Colorado provides  
art education courses for students of all ages.  
Originally founded in 1993, Downtown Aurora  
Visual Arts has become a place for children  
and young people to fuel their creativity and to  
develop character through an artistic avenue.

For the younger artists, Downtown Aurora  
Visual Arts' OASIS Studio program introduces  
them to pottery, sculpture, and a variety of  
other art projects. Doing so allows their imagi-  
nation to grow. The development of imagina-  
tion is incredibly important to the overall devel-  
opment of children. Such programs are espe-  
cially important after school and during the  
summer months when children are not in  
school.

Another program, 'Job Training in the Arts'  
familiarizes middle and high school students  
with the critical workforce skills needed to suc-  
ceed in a real job. It emphasizes teamwork,  
respect, personal responsibility, and the devel-

opment of problem-solving skills in the work-  
place. The programs that Downtown Aurora  
Visual Arts provides promote positive youth  
development and encourage students to ad-  
dress issues and concepts that personally im-  
pact them.

I am very proud to note that Downtown Au-  
rora Visual Arts was awarded the 2014 Na-  
tional Arts and Humanities Youth Program  
Award. This award serves as the nation's  
highest honor for out-of-school arts and hu-  
manities programs focused on America's  
young people. Additionally, I would like to rec-  
ognize the leadership of the Executive Director  
Susan Jenson who was awarded 2018 Arts  
and Society Award from the Bonfils Stanton  
Foundation.

Organizations like Downtown Aurora Visual  
Arts help make the city of Aurora, and our  
greater community the wonderful place it is  
today. I am honored to salute Downtown Au-  
rora Visual Arts' achievements and look for-  
ward to its continued success in the years to  
come.

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RECOGNIZING SEAN KOTARO  
O'NEILL

**HON. EDWARD R. ROYCE**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, December 6, 2018*

Mr. ROYCE of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise  
today to express my appreciation to U.S. For-  
eign Service Officer Sean O'Neill for his ser-  
vice as a Department of State Fellow on the  
Committee on Foreign Affairs. I commend  
Sean for his many years of faithful service to  
our nation and his work on our Committee  
during the 114th and 115th Congresses. Sean  
has strengthened America's national security,  
enhanced the relationship between the Con-  
gress and the Department of State, and re-  
flected credit upon the United States Foreign  
Service.

Sean made substantial contributions to our  
efforts to address the most significant foreign  
policy issues facing our nation. From combat-  
ting transnational crime and terrorism to de-  
fending democracy and human rights around  
the world, Sean's experience and judgment  
have been invaluable in helping craft sound  
policies to promote our national security and  
economic prosperity.

Sean has also been an effective advocate  
for the brave men and women of the Depart-  
ment of State who serve our country honor-  
ably around the world. Since the founding of  
our country, our diplomats have served Amer-  
ica in some of the most difficult and dan-  
gerous places on earth. Sean has heightened  
the Committee's understanding of the impor-  
tant and difficult work our diplomats do and  
enhanced our oversight of the Department and  
its critical national security mission.

Sean combines a keen eye for strategic pol-  
icy and practitioner's understanding of how to  
effectively implement that policy. He has  
earned the respect of Members of Congress  
and staff and developed enduring working re-  
lationships across Capitol Hill. It has been a  
pleasure to have Sean serve on my staff and  
I wish him well as he continues his service to  
our nation.