

North America, Europe and China. In 2017, in recognition for his work on behalf of the State of Indiana, I-895 was renamed the "Fred M. Fehsenfeld Highway."

I know his passion for improving our highways firsthand. He knew that America needed to change how we managed traffic and freight movement. This knowledge led to the creation of Critical Commerce Corridors. Critical Commerce Corridors are a simple idea that we separate cars and trucks using physical barriers. Fred presented this idea to me, and his enthusiasm convinced me that this idea was something our country should pursue. It was because of him that Critical Commerce Corridors were included in the most recent highway bill reauthorization, passed into law in 2015.

Fred was a devoted, loving husband to his wife of 57 years, Midge Fehsenfeld, who passed away in 2003 and to his surviving wife, Barbara Fehsenfeld, of 15 years. He is survived by Barbara, brother Mac, five children, twenty grandchildren, and twenty-four great grandchildren. All of us who knew him and were impacted by his generosity, kindness, and loyalty will truly miss him. I ask everyone to keep his family in your prayers.

REP. JEB HENSARLING FAREWELL

### HON. LAMAR SMITH

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, December 19, 2018*

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I'd like to recognize Representative JEB HENSARLING who has accomplished so much in only eight terms in Congress.

JEB served six years as Chairman of the Financial Services Committee where he has continued to ensure that free markets thrive. Interestingly, his portrait features four books: *The Bible*, *Atlas Shrugged*, *Hayek's The Road to Serfdom*, and *Friedman's Capitalism and Freedom*. These works have guided his commitment to free markets and individual liberties.

JEB HENSARLING is as articulate of a speaker as I have ever encountered. Inevitably, his remarks reveal his perceptive views on subjects ranging from job creation and economic development to our Constitutional rights.

JEB leaves the Hill the same way that he came, a principled man with the strongest of ideals. I thank JEB for his years of service to our country and to his constituents in the fifth district.

IN RECOGNITION OF MS. BLAIR ALEXIS ROTERT FOR HER DEDICATED CAREER OF PUBLIC SERVICE

### HON. EDWARD R. ROYCE

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, December 19, 2018*

Mr. ROYCE of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Blair Alexis Rotert, an outstanding member of my staff who has served my office with distinction for three years.

A California native, Blair graduated from the University of California, Berkeley where she

earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science. Blair started her career on Capitol Hill in Representative DAVID VALADAO's office, who represented part of her home county of Fresno, California.

I am thankful that DAVID was kind enough to let Blair come to work for me, as she has been an integral part of my team, and has served dutifully as a public servant. I personally would like to thank her for her work on the Veterans Dignified Burial Act, the Shark Fin Sales Elimination Act, the Chinese American World War II Veterans Congressional Gold Medal Act, and a national monument proposal. She also has played an integral role in my work as Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, serving as a liaison between my personal office and the committee.

Blair managed her duties with professionalism, integrity, and a high degree of respect for the people we serve. Her dedication to the 39th Congressional District of California and the U.S. House of Representatives is an extraordinary example of her strong commitment to her country and fellow citizens. Even though I am retiring from office, Blair will always be part of the "Royce Team" and I will be forever grateful for her work.

She will be missed by all who worked with her. And I wish her the very best of luck as she sets forth on the next chapter of her life.

RECOGNIZING THE HONORABLE JUDGE WALTER H. RICE

### HON. MICHAEL R. TURNER

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, December 19, 2018*

Mr. TURNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud the Honorable Judge Walter H. Rice in conjunction with House passage of legislation to name the Federal Building and United States Courthouse in downtown Dayton, Ohio in his honor.

Judge Rice was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He graduated from Northwestern University in 1958 and then attended Columbia University School of Law, earning a Juris Doctorate degree in 1962. Exhibiting the intelligence and hard work that would serve him so well throughout his career, Judge Rice also received a Master of Business Administration from Columbia University's Graduate School of Business Administration that same year.

Judge Rice began his legal career in 1964 in Dayton, Ohio, as an Assistant County Prosecutor for Montgomery County. In 1966, he entered private practice, joining the law firm of Gallon & Miller. In June of 1969, Judge Rice returned to public service as First Assistant Prosecuting Attorney for the Montgomery County Prosecutor's Office.

Judge Rice's distinguished judicial service commenced in November 1969 when his fellow citizens elected him Judge of the Dayton Municipal Court. He held that position until 1971, when he was appointed Judge of the Court of Common Pleas for Montgomery County. His exemplary judicial record and steady presence on the bench earned him reelection to the Court of Common Pleas in 1972 and 1978.

Federal officials took note of Judge Rice's impressive track record and experience, and President Jimmy Carter appointed Judge Rice

to the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio. After confirmation by the United States Senate, Judge Rice was sworn in as a Federal District Court judge in Dayton on June 4, 1980. During his tenure, Judge Rice spent seven years as Chief Judge for the Southern District of Ohio, leading that bench from October 13, 1996 to October 12, 2003. He assumed senior status in 2004, maintaining a full docket.

A recipient of numerous awards, honors, and recognitions, Judge Rice received the Thomas J. Moyer award for judicial excellence in 2014. This award recognizes a current or former Ohio state or federal judge who displays outstanding qualities of judicial excellence, including integrity, fairness, open-mindedness, knowledge of the law, professionalism, ethics, creativity, sound judgment, courage, and decisiveness. In receiving the award, Judge Rice was lauded for his commitment to serving the needs of the most vulnerable in our community and for his efforts to encourage dialogue among his fellow citizens.

Judge Rice has been a tireless advocate for our community. He received the Citizen Legion of Honor Award from the Presidents Club of Dayton in recognition of his efforts as a champion of peace, inclusion, and civil rights. His volunteer efforts have included service with Wright Dunbar Inc., Inventing Flight, Aviation Heritage Foundation, American Veterans' Heritage Center, and the Montgomery County Ex-Offender Reentry Policy Board. He was a founding member of the Montgomery County Volunteer Lawyers Project and Dayton's Dialogue on Race Relations. He taught for many years at the University of Dayton School of Law and Wright State University, and received an Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree from the University of Dayton in 1991 and an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters Degree from Wright State University in 2000.

It is only fitting that the chambers in which Judge Rice continues his long service to the Dayton community, the state of Ohio, and the American public at large as a Senior Judge for the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio should be in a building that bears his name. I thank Judge Rice, for his numerous contributions to the greater Dayton community and congratulations on this well-deserved honor.

HONORING DR. FRANK LUNTZ, PhD

### HON. JEFF DENHAM

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, December 19, 2018*

Mr. DENHAM. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to acknowledge and honor Dr. Frank Luntz, PhD, a talented communications professional and linguist whose unique talents have moved the needle on some of our nation's most critical issues. Frank has been an excellent advisor and close personal friend of mine throughout my time in Congress. His guidance has been invaluable.

Frank grew up in West Hartford, Connecticut and graduated from Hall High School before going on to get his Bachelor of Arts degree in History and Political Science from the University of Pennsylvania. He then earned his Doctorate in Politics from none other than Oxford University. He has since gone on to