

30, On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 116, the Investing in Main Street Act, I would have voted yea. Had I been present for roll call vote number 31, On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.J. Res. 27, Making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2019, and for other purposes, I would have voted nay. Had I been present for roll call vote number 32, On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H. Res. 41, Rejecting White nationalism and White supremacy, I would have voted yea. Had I been present for roll call vote number 33, On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Pass H.R. 135, Federal Employee Antidiscrimination Act, I would have voted yea.

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IN HONOR OF ERIC LANDIS

**HON. ANDY BARR**

OF KENTUCKY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, January 16, 2019*

Mr. BARR. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor Eric Landis, who is stepping down as my Senior Defense and Homeland Security Advisor to take on a new role with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Eric serves our nation proudly as a member of the Kentucky Air National Guard. In 2010, he was deployed to Europe in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and to Iraq for a 10 month tour in support of Operation New Dawn. On behalf of a grateful nation, I thank him for his service and patriotism.

I first became acquainted with Eric Landis when we worked together in the administration of Kentucky Governor Ernie Fletcher. Eric later took the Constitutional Law Courses I taught at the University of Kentucky. He subsequently worked on my congressional campaign, and after I was elected to Congress in 2012, Eric moved to Washington D.C. and became a crucial member of my staff. He understands issues that are important to the people of Kentucky's Sixth District, particularly matters dealing with national security, our military, and veterans' affairs. Eric's patriotism shines through every day and his love of country is evident to all who meet him.

Eric Landis brought infectious enthusiasm and unwavering optimism to his daily work. He treated each of my constituents with the utmost respect and was able to diffuse any contentious situation. Eric's dedication to the people of Kentucky's Sixth District is unparalleled and unwavering. He leaves a lasting legacy as a servant leader.

I am honored to call Eric Landis a loyal and trusted friend. I wish him all the best as he leaves to take on a new opportunity. I thank Eric Landis for his friendship, his tireless work on behalf of the people of the Sixth District, and his outstanding service to our country.

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HONORING JOEL NELSEN FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CENTRAL VALLEY

**HON. JIM COSTA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, January 16, 2019*

Mr. COSTA. Madam Speaker, I rise today to commemorate the achievements of Mr. Joel

Nelsen, the recipient of the 2018 Distinguished Citizen Award from the Sequoia Council of the Boy Scouts of America. Joel is being honored for his many years outstanding civic service to the community and agriculture industry. Joel has exemplified what it means to be a leader in the community through his involvement and dedication to the Central Valley.

Joel was born in San Diego, California. He served four years in the United States Navy before graduating from California State University, Fullerton, where he obtained a Bachelor of Arts in Communications. Joel began his career in agriculture with the Fresh Produce Council in Los Angeles. He eventually was recruited to work in the Central Valley's agriculture industry, joining California Citrus Mutual as Executive Officer in 1982. For over 30 years, Joel has been on the forefront of various issues affecting the produce, citrus, and agriculture industries. As a result, he was appointed President of California Citrus Mutual, overseeing association's 2,200 members.

Joel has demonstrated a significant level of involvement in the community through his career. He is Vice-Chair of the United States Citrus Science Council. Joel has also been appointed to four terms on USDA's Agricultural Technical Advisory Committee for Trade, and in 2015 he was selected by his colleagues to be chairman of the committee. In addition, Joel is the founding Chairman for the Agri-Business Presidents' Council, a member of the University of California President's Advisory Commission on Agriculture and Natural Resources and serves on the Executive Committee for the Citrus Health Response Program.

Madam Speaker, I ask that my colleagues in the U.S. House of Representatives join me in recognizing Mr. Joel Nelsen, recipient of the Distinguished Citizen Award from the Sequoia Council of the Boy Scouts of America. I ask that you join me in wishing Joel and his family continued success and prosperity.

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IN HONOR OF DR. JOHN TANAKA'S RETIREMENT FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING

**HON. LIZ CHENEY**

OF WYOMING

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, January 16, 2019*

Ms. CHENEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to extend my congratulations to University of Wyoming professor Dr. John Tanaka on his retirement.

Dr. Tanaka has dedicated his life to researching range and land management practices that improve and restore lands and ranches throughout the West. Dr. Tanaka has received multiple state and federal research grants and has made major contributions to improving sustainable range management practices. After nearly 40 years of dedication to range management and rangeland science, Dr. Tanaka will be retiring and will have the opportunity to relax and enjoy all that Wyoming has to offer.

The University of Wyoming and the many ranchers and landowners who have benefitted from his pioneering research are incredibly grateful for Dr. Tanaka's years of service. Again, Madam Speaker, I would like to extend my congratulations to Dr. Tanaka on his long career and his retirement.

RECOGNIZING THE CENTER FOR PREVENTION OF ABUSE PEORIA, ILLINOIS

**HON. DARIN LAHOOD**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, January 16, 2019*

Mr. LAHOOD. Madam Speaker, today, I recognize the Center for Prevention of Abuse (CFPA), in Peoria, Illinois, and their vital services offered to Illinois communities. As we recognize Human Trafficking and National Slavery Prevention Month, it is important we also commemorate organizations, like CFPA, across the nation that work relentlessly to combat the growing humanitarian crisis of human trafficking.

Started in 1975 as a single rape crisis hotline, CFPA has grown to a highly respected statewide organization with a dynamic and effective leadership team. Along with human trafficking services, CFPA is the only organization in Illinois that provides domestic violence, sexual abuse and assault, and adult protective services under one roof. Last year, CFPA provided comprehensive care to seventeen victims of labor and sex trafficking. Additionally, CFPA provides a safe place to escape and receive the necessary care to those being exploited for sex and labor purposes.

While Central and Southern Illinois may not be major hubs for human trafficking, CFPA has helped residents of small and rural communities across the state recognize the seriousness of this hidden crime occurring in our back yards. In 2018, CFPA conducted forty-eight hours of training for law enforcement, first responders, and medical providers. CFPA has continued to work tirelessly to raise awareness by training community members and providing the necessary resources so trafficking crimes can be effectively reported.

The state of Illinois has benefitted greatly from the efforts and resources provided by CFPA. I extend my sincere appreciation to the leadership team and volunteer staff at the Center for Prevention of Abuse for their continued work raising awareness and helping victims of human trafficking.

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CONSTITUENTS AFFECTED BY THE GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN

**HON. KATHY CASTOR**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, January 16, 2019*

Ms. CASTOR of Florida. Madam Speaker, the House will vote again today to immediately reopen the U.S. government and end President Trump's government shutdown. It is unwarranted and wrong to force our Coast Guard, our Customs and Border, TSA officers, air traffic controllers and others to work without getting paid. I have heard from many Tampa area government public servants, contractors and their family members who have shared with me how the shutdown is affecting them.

One of my Tampa neighbors who runs a small business in her retirement years to help support her son with mental disabilities advised me that "[As a] tax preparer—I cannot get responses from the IRS that affect [my] clients."