

legislation demonstrates what can be accomplished when we collaborate and negotiate. As a member of the House Committee on Natural Resources, it is my responsibility to help protect and manage our natural resources.

In my home state of California, national parks hold a special place in our hearts. This bill expands several national parks in California, notably Death Valley, Joshua Tree, and Mojave National Park. In addition, it expands wilderness designation, recreation and conservation areas, national monument designations, national trail system, and our national wild and scenic river system.

While I applaud extensions of our public lands for all Americans to enjoy, Congress must do its job to ensure appropriate infrastructure maintenance. California's 16th District is the gateway to the crown jewel of the Sierra Nevada, Yosemite National Park. Yosemite alone has more than \$555 million dollars in deferred maintenance. Last Congress, I cosponsored the National Park Legacy Act because I believe Congress can and should do more to ensure the legacy of our National Parks.

A critical part of this bill permanently authorizes the Land and Water Conservation Fund, a key program that helped protect nearly 2.5 million acres and provided \$4 billion in state grants for conservation and recreation projects. As I have consistently advocated for over the years, it is imperative we turn our attention to fixing our broken water infrastructure. I applaud my colleagues in the Senate and the House for including legislation addressing the Contra Costa Canal Transfer. This project is a common-sense solution that allows the water district to complete necessary safety improvements to the canal while reducing government regulation. For California's 16th District, similar action is needed towards fixing the Friant-Kern Canal, the largest part of the Central Valley Project on the eastside of the Central Valley.

Through smart policy and prudent leadership, I am confident that we can work together and ensure generations of future Americans can access, manage, and protect their natural resources.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in supporting the passage S. 47, the Natural Resources Management Act and I urge them to vote YES.

IN RECOGNITION OF JUDGE ALICE
A. LYTLE

HON. DORIS O. MATSUI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 4, 2019

Ms. MATSUI. Madam Speaker, it is with sadness that I rise to recognize the life of the Honorable Alice Athenia Lytle, who passed away on December 21, 2018 at 79 years old. Judge Lytle was not only an incredible leader as California's first African-American woman Superior Court Judge, but as a loved and respected mentor and advocate for children and families. Today, I ask my colleagues to stand with me in the memory of her remarkable legacy.

Judge Lytle was born on March 2, 1939 in Newark, New Jersey as the eighth of ten children to Lacey and Margaret Lytle; a family

that was a part of the Great Migration of African-Americans north from the Deep South. She was raised in New York's Harlem neighborhood, where her passion for advocacy and social justice was fostered. She studied at Hunter College in New York City where she earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in Physiology. She then attended Hastings College of Law and served as the secretary and president of the Black Law Students Association and was a member of the Student Faculty Curriculum Committee and Academic Standards Committee. During her studies, she was a law clerk for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and other attorneys in private practice. Ultimately, Judge Lytle worked with Governor Brown as Chief of the Industrial Relations' Division of Fair Employment Practices with the Department of Industrial Relations and later as the Secretary of the State Consumer Services Agency.

In 1983, Judge Lytle was appointed by Governor Jerry Brown to the Sacramento Municipal Court and later served as Presiding Judge of the Municipal Court and Master Calendar Judge for unlawful detainer matters. Some of her greatest and most memorable accomplishments are reflected by her time as the Lead Judicial Officer for juvenile dependency cases. As Lead Judicial Officer, she created a mentor program for the youth called the SacraMentor Program, she established a Healthy Teen Mothers Program, and served as a mentor for pregnant teens while working with the Birthing Project. Significant financial contributions and services to programs that benefit underprivileged youth are the direct product of her clear dedication to young people and their well-being.

Madam Speaker, today we honor the marvelous life of Judge Alice Athenia Lytle; an aunt, a sister, a leader, and beloved public servant. Alice is a true Sacramento treasure in our community. She will be remembered for her courage, kindness, and wisdom.

BRIANNA CYANN TAFOYA

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 4, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Brianna Cyann Tafoya for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Brianna Cyann Tafoya is a student at Standley Lake High School and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Brianna Cyann Tafoya is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Brianna Cyann Tafoya for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award. I have no doubt she will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of her future accomplishments.

REMEMBERING JESSIE CHARLES
MADDIX

HON. MICHAEL CLOUD

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 4, 2019

Mr. CLOUD. Madam Speaker, I rise today in remembrance of Jessie Charles Maddix, a World War II veteran who dedicated his life to protect his community.

Mr. Maddix was born on May 19, 1923, in Hudson, Michigan. He served along the coast of North Carolina in the U.S. Coast Guard.

One of the more memorable moments during his time in the Coast Guard happened in 1944 during an Atlantic hurricane. He participated in a mission that involved a search and rescue of the liberty ship, *George Ade*. Prior to the storm, a German submarine had torpedoed *George Ade* off the coast of Cape Hatteras, North Carolina.

According to the survivors, the hurricane's winds reached beyond 100 miles per hour, and unfortunately, both ships disappeared amidst the colossal waves. Mr. Maddix was one of the survivors who withstood the storm after floating above the surfaces for more than 50 hours.

Later in his life, Mr. Maddix researched his Native American heritage and became a Chipewewa Elder. He traveled to the Saginaw Chipewewa Tribal Pow Wow several times in his 90s.

Mr. Maddix's friends and family will remember him for his adventures and service to our nation in the Coast Guard. My heartfelt condolences are with his loved ones during this time.

CONGRATULATING ABIT MASSEY

HON. DOUG COLLINS

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, March 4, 2019

Mr. COLLINS of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Mr. Abit Massey for his invaluable contributions to the poultry industry and his extraordinary impact on the state of Georgia.

Mr. Massey was recently inducted into the Poultry Industry Hall of Fame after serving as president of the Georgia Poultry Federation for 49 years. Often referred to as "a living legend" and the "dean of the poultry industry," he has worked tirelessly to improve research and advocacy in the industry for nearly five decades, making countless improvements and helping to shape poultry in Georgia and beyond. Thanks in large part to Mr. Massey's leadership, the poultry industry has continued to flourish, and Georgia remains the top producer of poultry in the entire country.

Prior to working in the poultry industry, Mr. Massey served as head of the Georgia Department of Commerce, where he founded the Department's tourist division and built the first welcome station.

Mr. Massey has been honored with numerous awards for his contributions to not only the poultry industry, but also the University of Georgia and the state of Georgia as a whole. By supporting academic programs and advanced research, Mr. Massey has inspired