

KRISTINE CHAVOYA-OLIVAS

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 8, 2019

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Kristine Chavoya-Olivas for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Kristine Chavoya-Olivas is a student at Jefferson Jr./Sr. and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Kristine Chavoya-Olivas 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 Kristine Chavoya-Olivas 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.

INTRODUCTION OF THE LET EVERYONE GET INVOLVED IN OPPORTUNITIES FOR NATIONAL SERVICE ACT

HON. J. LUIS CORREA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CORREA. Madam Speaker, the American Legion is the largest veterans service organization in the United States. Originally chartered and incorporated by Congress in 1919, the American Legion has consistently advocated for our nation's servicemembers and their families for 100 years. In that time, the American Legion has fostered a community of support for our men and women who have served in the Armed Forces.

Currently, only veterans who served during formally recognized periods of hostilities are eligible to join the Legion. Therefore, I am introducing the bipartisan LEGION Act, which will enable all veterans who have fought for our country to join and enjoy the benefits of the American Legion. Specifically, the bill expands membership eligibility to veterans who have served honorably in unrecognized periods of conflict since World War II. This bill recognizes and thanks our brave servicemembers and veterans for their service to our country.

HONORING STEVE SANDERS

HON. KEVIN BRADY

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 8, 2019

Mr. BRADY. Madam Speaker, today I rise to honor Steve Sanders of The Woodlands, Texas in recognition of his dedication and service to our community and the State of Texas.

This marks the 25th year that Steve has worked with The Woodlands Chamber of

Commerce. In this capacity, Steve has labored tirelessly to promote the local businesses of The Woodlands and developed leadership projects within the community.

In addition to his distinguished service to the Chamber of Commerce, Steve has dedicated his life to the well-being of others through his work as a healthcare professional. For 32 years, Steve worked with the Memorial Hermann Health System (MHHS) to strengthen the medical community's commitment to and treatment of patients. 20 of those years were spent serving as CEO of the Memorial Hermann Southeast Hospital, where he was recognized for his exceptional leadership in generating grassroots activity and was presented the Grassroots Champion Award for Texas.

Steve has also served on several non-profit boards in our community and has spearheaded many successful charity events. In recognition of his efforts, Steve has been the recipient of the Citizen of the Year Award, the Martin Luther King Drum Major Award, the Home Town Hero of The Woodlands Award, and the Interfaith of The Woodlands Service of Excellence Award for Health—all prestigious and distinguished honors that demonstrate his commitment to his community.

During his years spent in the medical field, Steve developed a deep understanding of the challenges faced by cancer survivors—both in our community and across the nation. This inspired him to cultivate "The Canopy", the foremost cancer survivorship center in the Houston area. This development offers a wide variety of programs and services designed specifically for cancer survivors and their families to address their emotional, physical, and social needs. The Canopy is a revolutionary, innovative center that offers free services to those in need while educating the public on the signs of cancer and how to reduce its risks—all of this simply would not have been possible without Steve's passion, vision, and guidance.

Steve Sanders is someone The Woodlands is incredibly proud to call one of our own. Though his career has been a long and successful one, what I most admire in Steve is his deep passion for helping others and empowering those in and around any community with whom he is associated. On behalf of the Eighth Congressional District of Texas, I want to thank Steve for all he does for our community and for our country.

ASHLEY CORIA

HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 8, 2019

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

Ashley Coria is a student at Jefferson Jr./Sr. and received this award because her determination and hard work have allowed her to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Ashley Coria 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 Ashley Coria 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.

RECOGNIZING THE NOMINEES FOR THE 2018–2019 PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS TEACHER OF THE YEAR

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, March 8, 2019

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the nominees for the 2018–2019 Prince William County Public Schools Teacher of the Year Award. Teachers who meet the criteria for the award are those who instill in students a desire to learn and achieve, understand the individual needs of students, demonstrate a thorough knowledge of subject matter, and have the ability to share it effectively. The selected winner will be named the Prince William County Teacher of the Year.

As the second largest school division in the Commonwealth of Virginia, Prince William County Public Schools educates 90,000 students in ninety-eight schools. The impact of these teachers is apparent as PWCS is ranked the highest in the entire state with their on-time graduation rate.

Each Teacher of the Year Award nominee exhibits excellence in teaching by serving as an effective leader in and out of the classroom, fostering strong rapport with parents and peers and providing a safe and inclusive environment for all students to learn and develop.

I extend my personal congratulations to the following nominees for the 2018–2019 Prince William County Teacher of the Year Award:

Simon Bhagwandeem, Potomac High School; Leslie Browngold, Gravely Elementary School; Marianne Burns, Patriot High School; Garrett Carlson, Colgan High School; Pamela Clute, Potomac High School; Jennifer Diehl, Buckland Mills Elementary School; Gail Drake, Battlefield High School; Gail Drake, Battlefield High School.

Julie Faith, Stonewall Jackson High School; Lauren Fenner, Swans Creek Elementary School; Amanda Grant, Ashland Elementary School; Amy Hardt, Buckland Mills Elementary School; Elizabeth Hoffmann, The Nokesville School; Carl Hood, Alvey Elementary School; Kristen Keskel, Ashland Elementary School; Jennifer Kimble, Graham Park Middle School; Kathy Lamont, Antietam Elementary School; Pamela Lansberry, King Elementary School; Christy Lazer, Bull Run Middle School; Elizabeth McKeown, Pennington Traditional School; Ashley Meyer, T. Clay Wood Elementary School.

Melissa Morgan, Chris Yung Elementary School; Jeanie Noel, Freedom High School; Norman Pattarozzi, Osbourn Park High School; Emily Ramirez, Brentsville District High School; Rebecca Schelling, Antietam Elementary School; Brian Shepard, Battlefield High School; David Shuler, Battlefield High School; John Spaulding, Independence Non-traditional School; Jennifer Tallman, Lake